



Call to Worship

Prelude

Liturgical Response

Leader: *The Lord is in His holy temple;*

Response: *... let all the earth keep silent before Him.*

Habakkuk 2:20

Lighting the Christ Candle #85 (LYH)

“Thy Word”

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

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When I feel afraid, think I've lost my way, still you're there right beside me.

And nothing will I fear, as long as you are near,

Please be near me, to the end.

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

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Presenting the Word

Leader: *Your Word, O Lord, is eternal;*

Response: *It stands firm in the heavens forever! Psalm 119:89*

† Song #59 (LYH)

Sacrifice of Praise“

“We Bring the

We bring the sacrifice of praise into the house of the Lord.

We bring the sacrifice of praise into the house of the Lord.

And we offer up to you the sacrifices of thanksgiving.

And we offer up to you the sacrifices of joy.

† Song #44 (LYH) **Glorify Your Name”**

“Lord,

Lord, glorify Your Name as we lift our hands in praise.

Bring Your pow'r, bring Your holiness, bring Your glory to this place.

As we sing to You, hallelujah,

we lift our voice to You, hallelujah.

Lord, we sing to You, hallelujah, hallelujah.

Lord, glorify Your Name as we lift our hands in praise.

Come in pow'r, come in holiness, come in glory to this place.

As we sing to You, praise You, O Lord,

we lift our voice to You, praise You, O Lord.

Lord, we sing to You, praise You, O Lord, praise You, O Lord.

As we sing to You, hallelujah,

we lift our voice to You, hallelujah.

Lord, we sing to You, hallelujah, hallelujah.

Lead Leader: *This is our hope,*

Response: *To know Christ and make Him known.*

Greeting:

You are somebody,

somebody on the Lord's side.

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somebody on the Lord's side.

Leader: *May the peace of Christ be with you.*

Response: *And also with you.*

Welcome and Announcements

- **Welcome to visitors.**
- **Prayer Request**

Confession:

Leader: *God is Good!*

Response: *All the time!*

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Response: *God is good to me!*

† Song #150 (BH) **Christians, Join to Sing”**

“Come,

*Come, Christians join to sing, Alleluia! Amen!
Loud praise to Christ our King; Alleluia! Amen!
Let all, with heart and voice,
Before His throne rejoice;
Praise is His gracious choice; Alleluia! Amen!*

*Come, lift your hearts on high; Alleluia! Amen!
Let praises fill the sky; Alleluia! Amen!
He is our guide and friend;
To us He'll condescend;
His love shall never end; Alleluia! Amen!*

*Praise yet our Christ again; Alleluia! Amen!
Life shall not end the strain; Alleluia! Amen!
On heaven's blissful shore
His goodness we'll adore,
Singing forevermore, "Alleluia! Amen!"*

Confession of Sin

Invitation to Silent Confession: *If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sin, he who is faithful and just, will forgive us our sin and purify us from all unrighteousness.*

Congregation: Amen!

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon: Leader: *Believe the good news, having confessed our sin we are God's healed and forgiven people, made righteous in Christ.*

Response: *The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective.*

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be Your name,
Your kingdom come,
Your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are Yours
now and forever. Amen.**

Consecration of Gifts:

The Bread and the Cup Offering

Worship Asst: *For God so loved the world he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish, but have everlasting life!*

Now, as Christ humbled himself and gave Himself on the cross on our behalf, let us consecrate our tithes and offerings to Him!

Even more than this: Let us "present our bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is our spiritual worship!"

✠ Song #118 (LYH) "We Are an Offering"

*We lift our voices, we lift our hands,
We lift our lives up to you, we are an offering.
Lord, use our voices, Lord use our hands,
Lord use our lives, they are yours,
We are an offering.*

*All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be
We give to you, we give to you.
We lift our voices, we lift our hands,
We lift our lives up to you, we are an offering.*

Prayer of Dedication

✠ Song #92 (LYH) "Lay It All Dow"

*Lay it all down, I lay it all down at your feet.
I give you my life, O Lord, I give you my soul.
Lay it all down, I lay it all down at your feet.
Whatever I've gained, I count it as loss.*

I lay it all down, I lay it all down.

Lay it all down, I lay it all down at your feet.

I give you my life, O Lord, I give you my soul.

Lay it all down, I lay it all down at your feet.

Whatever I've gained, I count it as loss.

I lay it all down, I lay it all down.

Whatever I've gained, I count it as loss.

I lay it all down, I lay it all down.

Scripture Lesson

Romans 7:15-25a; Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

Hear the Word of the Lord!

Romans 7:15-25a

15 I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate.

16 Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good.

17 But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me.

18 For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it.

19 For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do.

20 Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me.

21 So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand.

22 For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self,

23 but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members.

24 Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death?

25 Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, with my mind I am a slave to the law of God, but with my flesh I am a slave to the law of sin.

Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

16 "But to what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another,

17 'We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.'

18 For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon';

19 the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds."

25 At that time Jesus said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants;

26 yes, Father, for such was your gracious will.

27 All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

28 "Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest.

29 Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

30 For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord!

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

**Sermon
Struggle"**

"5. Romans: Finding Rest in the

**✠ Song #385 (RH)
My Life and Let It Be"**

"Take

*Take my life and let it be
Consecrated Lord, to Thee:
Take my moments and my days;
Let them flow in ceaseless praise,
Let them flow in ceaseless praise.*

*Take my voice, and let me sing,
Always only, for my King.
Take my lips and let them be,
Filled with messages from Thee,
Filled with messages from Thee.*

*Take my love; my Lord, I pour
At Thy feet its treasure store.
Take myself, and I will be
Ever, only, all for Thee,
Ever, only, all for Thee.*

The Lord's Supper

Leader: The Lord be with you.

Congregation: And also with you.

Leader: *Let us confess our faith.*

Leader: *Do you believe in one God, the Father almighty?*

Congregation: *I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.*

Leader: *Do you believe in Jesus Christ?*

Congregation: *I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.*

Leader: *Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?*

Congregation: *I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.*

Leader: *Now, all who have confessed faith in Jesus Christ are invited to share in this bread and the cup when they are served and participate in the mystery of faith.*

Congregation: *Thanks be to God!*

Leader: *Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:*

Congregation: *Christ has died! Christ is risen! Christ will come again!*

Leader: *Thanks be to God for the victory that is ours through Jesus Christ our Lord!*

Response: *O give thanks to the Lord for He is good; God's steadfast love endures forever!*

✠ Benediction

✠ Song #28 (LYH)

“Halle, Halle, Hallelujah”

Halle, halle, halle lu jah!

Halle, halle, halle lu jah!

Halle, halle, halle lu jah!

Hallelujah!, Hallelujah!

Postlude