



Call to Worship
Time of Silence

Prelude

Liturgical Response

Leader: For God alone my soul waits in silence.

Response: from Him comes my salvation! Psalm 62:1

Lighting the Christ Candle
“One Light”

*One light shining for me
Lighting the darkness
Helping me see.*

*One light leading the way
Out of the shadows
into the day.*

*One light breaking the dawn,
Born of a promise
Leading us on.*

*One light faithful and true,
Shining in glory, coming anew.
All we need is one light
All we need is one light
All we need is one light, just one light.*

*One light leading the way out of the shadows into the day
All we need is one light
All we need is one light
All we need is one light, just one light.*

Presenting the Word

Leader: Your Word, O Lord, is eternal;

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

✠ Song #144 (LYH)
Light of the World”

“I Am the

CHORUS:

*Ref: I am the Light of the World
You people come and follow me
If you follow and love, You'll learn the mystery
Of what you were meant to do and be*

*Vs 1 - When the song of the angels is stilled
When the star in the sky is gone
When the kings and the shepherds have found their way home
The work of Christmas is begun!*

*Ref: I am the Light of the World
You people come and follow me
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Of what you were meant to do and be*

*Vs 2 - To find the lost and lonely one
To heal that broken soul with love
To feed the hungry children with warmth and good food
To feel the earth below the sky above!*

*Ref: I am the Light of the World
You people come and follow me
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Of what you were meant to do and be*

*Vs 4 - To bring hope to every task you do
To dance at a baby's new birth
To make music in an old man's heart
And sing to the colors of the earth!*

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You people come and follow me*

*If you follow and love, You'll learn the mystery
Of what you were meant to do and be.*

**✠ Song #143 (LYH)
"Emmanuel, Emmanuel"**

*Emmanuel, Emmanuel,
His name is called Emmanuel.
God with us, revealed in us.
His name is called Emmanuel.
(repeat)*

Lead Leader: *This is our hope,*
Response: *To know Christ and make Him known.*

Greeting:

*You are somebody,
somebody on the Lord's side.
You are somebody,
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.*
- **Ladies Winter Social:** *Saturday, January 20 from 2-4pm at the church. They will be making potholders from patterns. All are welcome. Please let Chawezi know if you are coming.*
- **2024 Envelopes:** *you can pick up your giving envelopes for 2024; they are on the windowsill outside of the Chapel. REMEMBER, do not begin to use these envelopes until January 2024.*
- **Per Capita and Initial Offering for 2024:**
 - *Per Capita: \$32.00*
 - *Initial Offering: \$9.00*
- **Prayer Requests:**
 - *Morgan*
 - *The Hamilton Family*

○ *David Choate*

- **Prayer Intention:**
 - *People would find meaning and purpose in life and drugs will lose their attraction.*

Affirmation of Faith:

Leader: *God is Good!*
Response: *All the time!*
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Response: *God is good to me!*

**✠ Song #31 (BH)
Herald Angels Sing"**

"Hark! The

*Vs 1 – Hark! The herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn King."
Peace on earth and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled!
Joyful, all ye nations, rise,
Join the triumph of the skies;
With the angelic host proclaim,
"Christ is born in Bethlehem"
Hark! The herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn King!"*

*V. 3 – Hail the heaven-born Prince of Peace!
Hail the sun of righteousness!
Light and life to all He brings,
Risen with healing in His wings.
Mild He lays His glory by,
Born that we no more many die,
Born to raise us from the earth,
Born to give us second birth.
Hark! The herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn King!"*

Confession of Sin

Invitation to Silent Confession: Assurance of Pardon: *God does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is His steadfast love toward those who fear Him; as far as the east is from the west, so far He removes our transgressions from us.*

Response: Create in me a pure heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me. Amen!

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon: Leader: Believe the good news; we are God's healed and forgiven people!

Response to Pardon #593 (BH) "Doxology"

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise God, all creatures here below.
Praise God above ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.
Amen, amen.
Amen, amen.
Amen, amen, amen.

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

- **Prayer Intention:**
 - **People would find meaning and purpose in life and drugs will lose their attraction.**
- **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 #39 (LYH) Name above All Names"

"Jesus,

Jesus, name above all names,
Beautiful Savior, glorious Lord,
Emmanuel, God is with us.
Blessed Redeemer, Living Word.
(repeat)

Prayer of Dedication

Scripture Lesson

Psalm 29 and Acts 19:1-7

Hear the Word of the Lord!

- ¹ Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings,
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.
- ² Ascribe to the LORD the glory of his name;
worship the LORD in holy splendour.
- ³ The voice of the LORD is over the waters;
the God of glory thunders,
the LORD, over mighty waters.
- ⁴ The voice of the LORD is powerful;
the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.
- ⁵ The voice of the LORD breaks the cedars;
the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon.
- ⁶ He makes Lebanon skip like a calf,
and Sirion like a young wild ox.
- ⁷ The voice of the LORD flashes forth flames of fire.
- ⁸ The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness;
the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

⁹ *The voice of the LORD causes the oaks to whirl,
and strips the forest bare;
and in his temple all say, 'Glory!'*

¹⁰ *The LORD sits enthroned over the flood;
the LORD sits enthroned as king for ever.*

¹¹ *May the LORD give strength to his people!
May the LORD bless his people with peace!*

¹ *While Apollos was in Corinth, Paul passed through the inland regions and came to Ephesus, where he found some disciples.*

² *He said to them, 'Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you became believers?' They replied, 'No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit.'*

³ *Then he said, 'Into what then were you baptized?' They answered, 'Into John's baptism.'*

⁴ *Paul said, 'John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, in Jesus.'*

⁵ *On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.*

⁶ *When Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied—*

⁷ *altogether there were about twelve of them.*

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord!

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

Sermon
Receive?"

"What Kind of Baptism Did You

✠ Song
"Joy to the World!"

Vs 1 - Joy to the world, the Lord is come!

*Let earth receive her King;
Let every heart prepare Him room,
And Heaven and nature sing,
And Heaven and nature sing,
And Heaven, and Heaven,
and nature sing.*

*Vs 2 - Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns!
Let men their songs employ;
While fields and floods,
rocks, hills and plains
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat, repeat, the sounding joy.*

*Vs 3 - No more let sins and sorrows grow,
Nor thorns infest the ground;
He comes to make His blessings flow
Far as the curse is found,
Far as the curse is found,
Far as, far as, the curse is found.*

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, God's only Son?

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!*

Elements Are Served

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

“Joy to the World!”

*Vs 4 - He rules the world with
truth and grace,
And makes the nations prove
The glories of His righteousness,
And wonders of His love,
And wonders of His love,
And wonders, wonders, of His love.*

Postlude