

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.

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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 #369 (BH) God Can Use Me"

"I'm Gonna Live So

I'm gonna live so God can use me, Anywhere, Lord, any time! *I'm* gonna live so God can use me, Anywhere, Lord, any time!

I'm gonna work so God can use me, Anywhere, Lord, any time! I'm gonna work so God can use me, Anywhere, Lord, any time!

I'm gonna pray so God can use me, Anywhere, Lord, any time! I'm gonna pray so God can use me, Anywhere, Lord, any time!

I'm gonna sing so God can use me, Anywhere, Lord, any time! I'm gonna sing so God can use me, Anywhere, Lord, any time!

I'm gonna live so God can use me, Anywhere, Lord, any time! I'm gonna live so God can use me, Anywhere, Lord, any time!

✤ Song "Sanctuary"

Lord prepare me, to be a sanctuary, Pure and holy, tried and true. With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.

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. The members of the church support the mission and ministry of the church.
- There is coffee hour today following worship service.
- The Annual Meeting of the congregation will be immediately following the worship on February 4. A reminder that February 4 is also the Sunday when we enjoy breakfast together before worship.
- 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.
- Soup and Games Sunday January 28th following worship service.
- Per Capita and Initial Offering for 2024:
 - o Per Capita: \$32.00
 - o Initial Offering: \$9.00
- Prayer Requests:
- Prayer Intention:
 - o Racial Justice

Affirmation of Faith:

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

🕈 Song

"This Is My Song"

Vs 1 – This is my song, O God of all the nations, A song of peace for lands afar, and mine This is my home, the country where my heart is: Here are my hopes, my dreams, my holy shrine; But other hearts in other lands are beating With hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.

Vs 2 – My country's skies are bluer than the ocean, And sunlight beams on cloverleaf and pine. But other lands have sunlight too, and clover, And skies are everywhere as blue as mine. So hear my song, O God of all the nations, A song of peace for their land and for mine.

Vs 3 – This is my prayer, O Lord of all earth's kingdoms, Thy kingdom come; on earth thy will be done. Let Christ be lifted up till all shall serve him, And hearts united learn to live as one. So hear my prayer, O God of all the nations; Myself I give thee; let thy will be done.

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.

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

- Prayer Intention:
 - Racial Justice
- 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 then this: Let us "present our bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is our spiritual worship!

Song #136 (LYH) "Freely, Freely"

Ref: He said freely, freely, you have received Freely, freely give. Go in my name and because you believe. Others will know that I live.

Vs 1- God forgave my sin in Jesus' name. I've been born again in Jesus' name. And in Jesus' name, I come to you to share his love As he told me to.

Ref: He said freely, freely, you have received

Freely, freely give. Go in my name and because you believe. Others will know that I live.

Vs 2 – All pow'r is giv'n in Jesus' name, In earth and heav'n in Jesus' name, And in Jesus' name I come to you To share his pow'r as he told me to.

Ref: He said freely, freely, you have received Freely, freely give. Go in my name and because you believe. Others will know that I live.

Prayer of Dedication

Story Time

"There's Leadership All Around Us!" Exodus 18:13-26

VS 1 – I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard My people cry. All who dwell in deepest sin My hand will save. I who made the star of night, I will make their darkness bright Who will bear My light to them? Whom shall I send?

Ref: Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night. I will go, Lord. If you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

Installation of Officers

Vs. 3 – I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame. I will set a feast for them. My hand will save. Finest bread I will provide Till their hearts be satisfied. I will give My life to them. Whom shall I send?

Ref: Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night. I will go, Lord. If you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

Scripture Lesson

1 Corinthians 6:12-20

Hear the Word of the Lord!

12 'All things are lawful for me', but not all things are beneficial. 'All things are lawful for me', but I will not be dominated by anything.

¹³ Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food', and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is meant not for fornication but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body.

¹⁴And God raised the Lord and will also raise us by his power.
 ¹⁵Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ?
 Should I therefore take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never!

¹⁶Do you not know that whoever is united to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For it is said, 'The two shall be one flesh.'

¹⁷But anyone united to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. ¹⁸Shun fornication! Every sin that a person commits is outside the body; but the fornicator sins against the body itself.

¹⁹Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God, and that you are not your own?

²⁰For you were bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord! Congregation: Thanks be to God!

Sermon God" "Belonging to

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

Vs 1 – 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.

Vs 3 – 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.

Vs 6 – 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, 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 #432 (BH)
"Song of Hope"

May the God of hope go with us every day, Filling all our lives with love and joy and peace. May the God of justice speed us on our way, Bringing light and hope to every land and race. Praying, let us work for peace, Singing, share our joy with all, Working for a world that's new. Faithful, as we hear Christ's call.

Postlude