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Welcome and Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness based on Psalm 32
Blessed is the one whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered.
Blessed is the one whose sin the LORD does not count against them and in whose spirit is no deceit. When I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long. For day and night your hand was heavy on me; my strength was sapped as in the heat of summer. Then I acknowledged my sin to you and did not cover up my shortcomings. I said, "I will confess my sin to the LORD." Let all the faithful pray to you while you may be found

Silence for repentance

God you are my hiding place; you will protect me from trouble and surround me with songs of deliverance. Therefore I need only confess my shortcomings and trust that you will counsel me with a loving eye turned toward grace...

God's unfailing love surrounds the one who trusts in God. Your sins are forgiven in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Rejoice in the LORD and be glad!

Opening Hymn

Christ Be Our Light ELW 715

Longing for light, we wait in darkness. Longing for truth, we turn to you. Make us your own, your holy people, light for the world to see. Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness. Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gathered today. Longing for peace, our world is troubled. Longing for hope, many despair. Your world alone has pow'r to save us. Make us your living voice. Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness. Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gathered today. Longing, for food, many are hungry. Longing for water, many still thirst. Make us your bread, broken for others, shared until all are fed. Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness. Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gathered today. Longing for shelter, many are homeless. Longing for warmth, many are cold. Make us your building, sheltering others, walls made of living stone. Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness. Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gathered today. Many the gifts, many the people, many the hearts that yearn to belong. Let us be servants to one another, signs of your kingdom come. Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness. Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gathered today.

Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

Prayer of the Day

God of our Life song, the psalms sing of joy and mourning; peace and longing; contentment and lament. All of our life is lived in your loving presence. May the psalms speak hope to our hearts and bring us closer to you. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Children's Message

Centering Song

I Can Only Imagine by Mercy Me
MercyMe - I Can

Only Imagine (The Movie Session - Official Music Video)

Welcome the Word Great is Thy Faithfulness WOV 771 (refrain) Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see: All I have needed Thy hand hath provided—

Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Scripture Reading

Psalm 121

I lift up my eyes to the hills — from where will my help come?

My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

He will not let your foot be moved; he who keeps you will not slumber.

He who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.

The Lord is your keeper; the Lord is your shade at your right hand.

The sun shall not strike you by day nor the moon by night.

The Lord will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life.

The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this time on and forevermore.

Sermon

Hymn of the Day

You Are Holy ELW 525

You are holy, you are whole. You are always evermore than we ever understand. You are always at hand. Blessed are you coming near. Blessed are you coming here to your church in wine and bread, raised from soil, raised from dead. You are holy, you are wholeness, you are present. Let the cosmos praise you Lord. Sing hosanna, in the highest! Sing hosanna! Sing hosanna to our God! You are holy, you are whole. You are always evermore than we ever understand. You are always at hand. Blessed are you coming near. Blessed are you coming here to your church in wine and bread, raised from soil, raised from dead. You are holy, you are wholeness, you are present. Let the cosmos praise you Lord. Sing hosanna, in the highest! Sing hosanna! Sing hosanna to our God!

Apostles' Creed

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

Prayers of the People

Merciful God, receive our prayer

Peace

Offering

Offertory Response

Let us praise God together on our knees, let us praise God together on our knees, when I fall on my knees with my face to the rising sun O Lord have mercy on me.

Offering Prayer

Merciful God, we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us; ourselves, our time and our possessions; signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Words of Consecration

Written by Beth Merrill Neel on her blog Hold Fast to What is Good

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a privilege, and joy to praise you, O God, because you made Life: the universe, and this earth, and the flowers we love to water in the summer, and the berries we eat like candy. You made the dogs we walk in the morning, and the cats who sit on our laps even when it's hot. You made us in many shapes and sizes but all in your image. We praise you for creation this day and with great thanks we join our voices with the heavenly host as we say:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

You are blessed, O God, as is Jesus our Christ, who invited all of us carrying heavy burdens to come to him. He bore our burdens; he healed us; and he saved us. He invites us to this table where he gathered with friends, took bread, gave thanks, broke it and gave to his disciples saying take and eat, this is my body given for you, do this in remembrance of me. Again after supper Jesus took the cup, gave thanks and gave if for all to drink saying this cup is the new covenant in my blood which is shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sins.

Do this in remembrance of me. And now, O God, we pray for your Spirit. We pray that your Spirit will descend upon our hearts and on these gifts of bread and cup, to transform them from their daily use into a sacred meal. By your Spirit may our hunger and thirst be satisfied, and may we be nourished to go out into the world to bear the burdens of others. For so much, we offer grateful hearts as we pray together the prayer that Jesus taught us....

The Lord's Prayer

Communion

Post Communion Prayer

Jesus, bread of life, we give you thanks for inviting us to your table and sharing your feast. May we know that we have been fed with love and grace, and may we follow you out in the world, ambassadors of your hope and peace. Amen.

Blessing

May the Lord bless you and keep you, the Lord's face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and grant you peace. In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Sending Hymn

Take My Life That I May Be

Take my life that I may be consecrated Lord to thee.

Take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands and let them move at the impulse of thy love. Take my feet and let them be swift and beautiful for 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.

Dismissal

Go in peace with a psalm in your heart Thanks be to God!