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Prelude

Welcome

To all who are weary and need rest; To all who mourn and long for comfort; To all who feel worthless and wonder if God cares; To all who fail and desire strength; To all who sin and need a Savior; To all who hunger and thirst for righteousness; And to whoever will come-

This Church opens wide her doors and offers her welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Call to Worship

Psalm 46 (selected verses)

Minister: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

"Be still, and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!" The LORD of hosts is with us;

the God of Jacob is our fortress.

Let us worship our God together!

Hymn of Praise

Give To Our God Immortal Praise

Give to our God immortal praise Mercy and truth are all his ways Hallelujah Hallelujah Wonders of grace to God belong Repeat his mercies in your song

> Chorus Hallelujah Hallelujah Hallelujah Hallelujah Hallelujah

Give to the Lord of lords renown The King of kings with glory crown Hallelujah Hallelujah His mercies ever shall endure When lords and kings are known no more

Chorus

He built the earth he spread the sky And fixed the starry lights on high Hallelujah Hallelujah Wonders of grace to God belong Repeat his mercies in your song

Chorus

Invocation

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father And to the Son and to the Holy Ghost As it was in the beginning Is now and ever shall be World without end Amen Amen

Affirmation of Faith

Minister: Christians, what do we believe?

The Nicene Creed

All: We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets; and we believe in one holy catholic* and apostolic church; we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

*The term catholic refers to the church universal, knowing no racial, economic, geographical, or language barriers.

Psalm 150, Praise The Lord

You made the starry host You traced the mountain peaks You paint the evening skies with wonders The earth it is your throne From desert to the sea All nature testifies your splendor

> Chorus Praise the Lord praise the Lord Sing his greatness all creation Praise the Lord raise your voice You heights and all you depths From furthest east to west Let everything that has breath Praise the Lord

You reached into the dust With love your Spirit breathed You formed us in your very likeness To know your wondrous works To tell your mighty deeds To join the everlasting chorus

Chorus

Let symphonies resound Let drums and choirs ring out All heaven hear the sound of worship Let every nation bring Its honors to the King A roar of harmonies eternal

Praise the Lord praise the Lord Sing his greatness all creation Praise the Lord raise your voice You heights and all you depths From furthest east to west You distant burning stars All creatures near and far From sky to sea to shore Sing out forevermore Let everything that has breath Praise the Lord

Call to Confession

Ephesians 2:1-5

Leader: And you were dead in the trespasses and sins in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience-among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind. But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ-by grace you have been saved-

Public Confession

Leader: Let us confess our sins together.

All: Almighty God, who art rich in mercy to all those who call upon you: Hear us as we come to you humbly confessing our sins and transgressions and imploring your mercy and forgiveness. We have broken your holy laws, by our deeds and by our words, and by the sinful affections of our hearts. We confess before you our disobedience and ingratitude, our pride and willfulness, and all our failures and shortcomings toward you and toward our neighbors. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father, and of your great goodness grant that we may hereafter serve and please you in newness of life, through the merit and mediation of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon and Comfort Isaiah 53:6, 12 Leader: Hear the promises of God to those who truly repent of their sins and trust in Christ:

- All: All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one - to his own way; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all. He bore the sin of many, and makes intercession for the transgressors.
- Leader: Hear and receive the good news of the gospel: in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

People: Thanks be to God!

Psalm 27, The Lord Is My Salvation

The grace of God has reached for me And pulled me from the raging sea And I am safe on this solid ground The Lord is my salvation

I will not fear when darkness falls His strength will help me scale these walls I'll see the dawn of the rising sun The Lord is my salvation

Chorus Who is like the Lord our God Strong to save faithful in love My debt is paid and the victory won The Lord is my salvation

My hope is hidden in the Lord He flow'rs each promise of his Word When winter fades I know spring will come The Lord is my salvation

In times of waiting times of need When I know loss when I am weak I know his grace will renew these days The Lord is my salvation

Chorus

continued

And when I reach the final day He will not leave me in the grave But I will rise he will call me home The Lord is my salvation

Chorus

Who is like the Lord our God Strong to save faithful in love My debt is paid and the victory won The Lord is my salvation

> Glory be to God the Father Glory be to God the Son Glory be to God the Spirit The Lord is our salvation

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Pastoral Prayer

Tithes And Offerings

Musical Offering

Be Still My Soul

Be still my soul the Lord is on your side Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain Leave to your God to order and provide In ev'ry change he faithful will remain Be still my soul your best your heav'nly Friend Through thorny ways leads to a joyful end

Be still my soul your God will undertake To guide the future as he has the past Your hope your confidence let nothing shake All now mysterious shall be bright at last Be still my soul the waves and winds still know His voice who ruled them while he dwelt below

Be still my soul the hour is hast'ning on When we shall be forever with the Lord When disappointment grief and fear are gone Sorrow forgot love's purest joys restored Be still my soul When change and tears are past All safe and blessed we shall meet at last

The Doxology

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

Prayer Of Dedication

Sermon

"Life Is a Battle"

Ephesians 6:10-12 Rev. Richard Harris

Closing Song

My Jesus, I Love Thee

My Jesus I love thee I know thou art mine For thee all the follies of sin I resign My gracious Redeemer my Savior art thou If ever I loved thee my Jesus 'tis now

I love thee because thou hast first loved me And purchased my pardon on Calvary's tree I love thee for wearing The thorns on thy brow If ever I loved thee my Jesus 'tis now

In mansions of glory and endless delight I'll ever adore thee in heaven so bright I'll sing with the glittering crown on my brow If ever I loved thee my Jesus 'tis now

Benediction

Postlude

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