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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 66:1-3

Leader: Shout for joy to God, all the earth;
sing the glory of his name;
give to him glorious praise!
Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!
Let us worship God together!

Hymn of Praise

Come Thou Fount Of Every Blessing

Come thou fount of every blessing
Tune my heart to sing thy grace
Streams of mercy never ceasing
Call for songs of loudest praise
Teach me some melodious sonnet
Sung by flaming tongues above
Praise the mount I'm fixed upon it
Mount of God's unchanging love

Here I raise my Ebenezer
Hither by thy help I'm come
And I hope by thy good pleasure
Safely to arrive at home
Jesus sought me when a stranger
Wand'ring from the fold of God
He to rescue me from danger
Interposed his precious blood

O to grace how great a debtor
Daily I'm constrained to be
Let that grace now like a fetter
Bind my wand'ring heart to thee
Prone to wander Lord I feel it
Prone to leave the God I love
Here's my heart O take and seal it
Seal it for thy courts above

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

The Apostles' Creed

Leader: Christian, what do you believe?

All: I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell.* The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come 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.

**Jesus "descended into hell" as he suffered the pain and torment of divine wrath.*

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

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Great is thy faithfulness O God my Father
There is no shadow of turning with thee
Thou changest not
Thy compassions they fail not
As thou hast been thou forever wilt be

Chorus

*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*

Summer and winter and
Springtime and harvest
Sun moon and stars in their courses above
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To thy great faithfulness mercy and love

Chorus

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth
Thy own dear presence to cheer and to guide
Strength for today
And bright hope for tomorrow
Blessings all mine with ten thousand beside

Chorus

Call to Confession

James 2:8-10

Leader: If you really fulfill the royal law according to the Scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself," you are doing well. But if you show partiality, you are committing sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become guilty of all of it.

Public Confession

Adapted from Richard Baxter's
The Savoy Liturgy (1661)

Leader: Let us confess our sins together.

All: **O most great, just, and gracious God. You condemn the ungodly, but you have promised mercy through Jesus Christ. We confess that we have all sinned and fallen short of the glory of God. We have dishonored and neglected those around us. We have dealt unjustly and uncharitably with our neighbors.**

We have run into temptations, and the sin, which we should have hated. We are careless, ignorant, rash and presumptuous against your commands, promises, threats, mercies and judgments. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father. Be reconciled to us, and let the blood of Jesus Christ cleanse us from all our sins. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon and Comfort

Ezekiel 36:25-27

Leader: I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my rules.

Hear and receive the good news of the gospel: in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

People: Thanks be to God!

Tithes And Offerings

Musical Offering

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

"In His Own Image"

Genesis 1:26-27

Rev. Richard Harris

The Service of Communion

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is fitting and right that we give you thanks and praise, O God, at all times and in all places. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we praise and magnify your name, saying, "Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts: heaven and earth are full of your glory. Glory to God in the highest."

Words of Institution

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Deacons' Fund Offering

I Stand Amazed In The Presence

I stand amazed in the presence
Of Jesus the Nazarene
And wonder how he could love me
A sinner condemned unclean

Chorus

*Singing how marvelous how wonderful
And my song shall ever be
How marvelous how wonderful
Is my Savior's love for me*

He took my sin and my sorrows
He made them his very own
And he bore the burden to Calvary
And suffered and died alone

Chorus 2x

When with the ransomed in glory
His face I at last shall see
'Twill be my joy through the ages
To sing of his love for me

Chorus 2x

Benediction

Postlude

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