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10:30 a.m.



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"Christ- Students- Community Coming Together"

WELCOME

PRELUDE

WORDS OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Stand

[P] In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

[C] **Amen.**

EXHORTATION

[P] Our help is in the name of the Lord,

[C] **who made heaven and earth.**

[P] If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

[C] **But with You there is forgiveness.**

Kneel/ Remain Standing

[P] O almighty God, merciful Father,

[C] **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

[P] Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

[C] **Amen.**

Stand

GREETING OF PEACE

*As you introduce yourself and greet others, please be mindful of those who do not wish to shake hands. Other options are placing your hand on your heart, a head nod or bowing, while saying the following greeting: **Peace be with you/And also with you.***

SERVICE OF THE WORD

HYMN

"You Servant of God"

harmonized for part-singing



1) You ser-vants of God, your mas-ter pro-claim, And
2) Our God rules on high, al-might-y to save; And
3) Sal-va-tion to God who sits on the throne! Let
4) Then let us a-dore and give him his right, All

pub-lish a-broad his won-der-ful name; The
still he is nigh, his pres-ence we have. The
all cry a-loud and hon-or the Son. The
glo-ry and pow'r and wis-dom and might, All

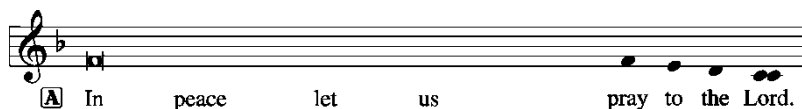
name, all vic-to-ri-ous, of Je-sus ex-tol; His
great con-gre-ga-tion his tri-umph shall sing, As-
prais-es of Je-sus the an-gels pro-claim, Fall
hon-or and bless-ing, with an-gels a-bove, And

king-dom is glo-ri-ous and rules o-ver all!
crib-ing sal-va-tion to Je-sus, our king!
down on their fac-es, and wor-ship the Lamb.
thanks nev-er ceas-ing, and in-fi-nite love!

GREETING

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

KYRIE



[C] Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



A Help, save, comfort and defend us, gracious Lord.



GLORIA IN EXCELSIS



- C** 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;
 2 To You, O sole-be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;
 3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro-claimed at Je-sus' birth!
 O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.
 For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor-shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—
 Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,
 You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King.
 Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—
 In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you. **C** And also with you.

P Let us pray. O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity. Grant us the fullness of your grace, that, pursuing what you have promised, we may share your heavenly glory; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

Sit

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Children are invited to the Fireside Lounge for the Children's Lesson.

SCRIPTURE READING Zephaniah 3:1-2, 7-13

Fear is a natural response to many things, especially when we have done something wrong and know that consequences are coming! Zephaniah wrote to the people of Jerusalem, to remind them of the many reasons they had to be afraid of God's wrath because of their sins. But God forgives, and because of that forgiveness God's people have no reason to fear.

R Ah, soiled, defiled, oppressing city!
 It has listened to no voice;
 it has accepted no correction.
 It has not trusted in the LORD;
 it has not drawn near to its God.
 I said, 'Surely the city will fear me,
 it will accept correction;
 it will not lose sight
 of all that I have brought upon it.'
 But they were the more eager
 to make all their deeds corrupt.
 Therefore wait for me, says the LORD,
 for the day when I arise as a witness.
 For my decision is to gather nations,
 to assemble kingdoms,
 to pour out upon them my indignation,
 all the heat of my anger;
 for in the fire of my passion
 all the earth shall be consumed.
 At that time I will change the speech of the peoples
 to a pure speech,
 that all of them may call on the name of the LORD
 and serve him with one accord.
 From beyond the rivers of Ethiopia
 my suppliants, my scattered ones,
 shall bring my offering.
 On that day you shall not be put to shame
 because of all the deeds by which you have rebelled against me;
 for then I will remove from your midst
 your proudly exultant ones,
 and you shall no longer be haughty
 in my holy mountain.
 For I will leave in the midst of you
 a people humble and lowly.
 They shall seek refuge in the name of the LORD—
 the remnant of Israel;
 they shall do no wrong
 and utter no lies,
 nor shall a deceitful tongue
 be found in their mouths.
 Then they will pasture and lie down,
 and no one shall make them afraid.

R This is the Word of the Lord. **C** **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

ALLELUIA AND VERSE



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



These things are writ - ten that you may be - lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.

The third day He rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven,

And sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From thence 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.

Sit

MESSAGE

"What are you afraid of?"

HYMN

"God of Mercy, God of Grace"

harmonized for part-singing

1) God of mer - cy, God of grace, Show the bright-ness
 2) Let the peo - ple praise You, Lord! Be by all that
 3) Let the peo - ple praise You, Lord! Earth shall then its

of Your face; Shine up - on us, Sav - ior, shine,
 live a - dored; Let the na - tions shout and sing
 fruits af - ford, God to us his bless - ing give,

Fill Your Church with light di - vine, And Your sav - ing
 Glo - ry to their Sav - ior King, At Your feet their
 We to God de - vot - ed live; All be - low and

health ex - tend Un - to earth's re - mot - est end.
 trib - ute pay, And Your ho - ly will o - bey.
 all a - bove One in joy and light and love.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

[P] Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

Other prayers are inserted here. Each petition ends with "Lord, in your mercy," to which the congregation responds, "Hear our prayer."

The prayers conclude:

[P] Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **[C] Amen.**

Sit

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING

We invite you to use an envelope for your offering or text an amount to 517-879-0989 and follow the prompts. Please complete the information sheet and hand it to the usher during the offering.

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

Stand

[P] Let us pray. Merciful Father,

[C] we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have 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.

PREFACE

[P] The Lord be with you.

[C] And also with you.

[P] Lift up your hearts.

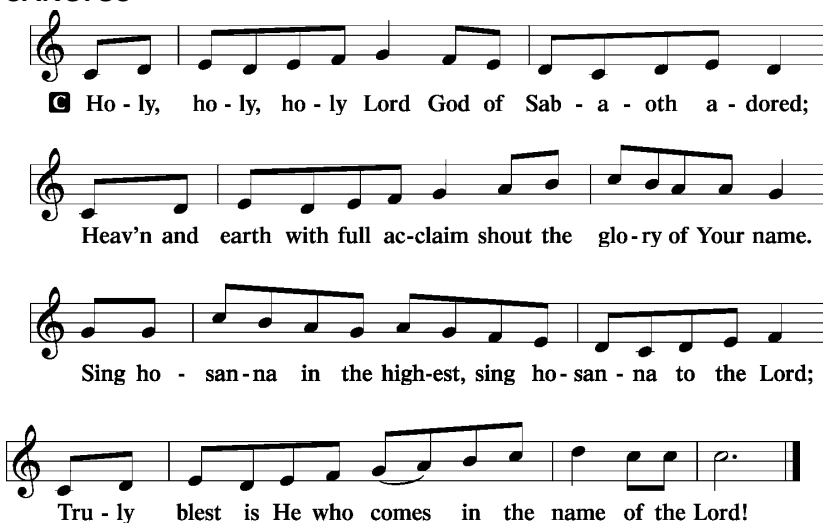
[C] We lift them to the Lord.

[P] Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

[C] It is right to give God thanks and praise.

[P] It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;
Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.
Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho - san - na to the Lord;
Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

P In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

LORD'S PRAYER

Recognizing that the church, and this congregation, are comprised of people from many cultures, languages, and backgrounds, please speak this prayer in the language or version closest to your heart.

C 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

LAMB OF GOD

1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world a - way;
You take the sin of the world a - way;
O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,
Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

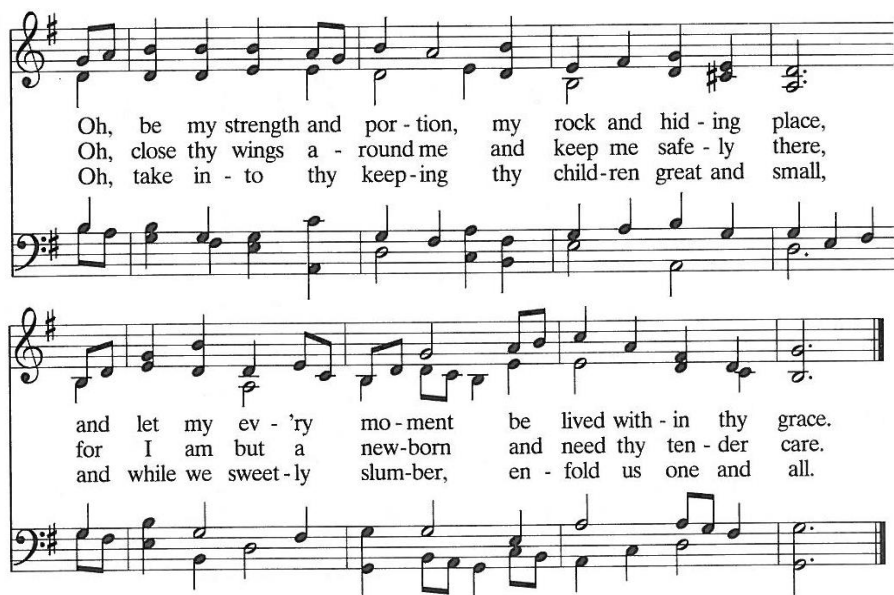
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THE DISTRIBUTION You are invited to approach the altar when you are ready, as places open. *The communion elements are individually packaged for each person. The bread is in one end of the chalice, the wine is in the other. Gluten free bread and grape juice are also available.*

HYMN "Thy Holy Wings"

1 Thy ho - ly wings O Sav - ior, spread gent - ly o - ver me
2 Oh, let me nes - tle near thee, with - in thy down - y breast
3 Oh, wash me in the wa - ters of No - ah's cleans-ing flood.
and let me rest se - cure - ly through good and ill in thee.
where I will find sweet com - fort and peace with - in thy nest.
Give me a will - ing spir - it, a heart both clean and good.

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Oh, be my strength and por-tion, my rock and hid-ing place,
 Oh, close thy wings a-round me and keep me safe-ly there,
 Oh, take in-to thy keep-ing thy child-ren great and small,
 and let my ev-'ry mo-ment be lived with-in thy grace.
 for I am but a new-born and need thy ten-der care.
 and while we sweet-ly slum-ber, en-fold us one and all.

Stand

[P] The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart in peace. **[C]** **Amen.**

NUNC DIMITTIS



[C] 1 O Lord, now let Your ser-vant De-
 2 All glo-ry to the Fa-ther, All
 part in heav'n-ly peace, For I have seen the
 glo-ry to the Son, All glo-ry to the
 glo-ry Of Your re-deem-ing grace:
 Spir-it, For-ev-er Three-in-One;
 A light to lead the Gen-tiles Un-
 For as in lead the be-gin-ning, Is



POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

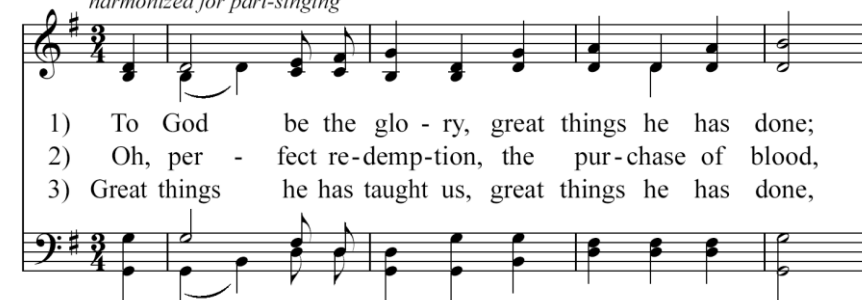
- [P] Let us pray.
- [P] O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in the Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **[C] Amen.**

BENEDICTION

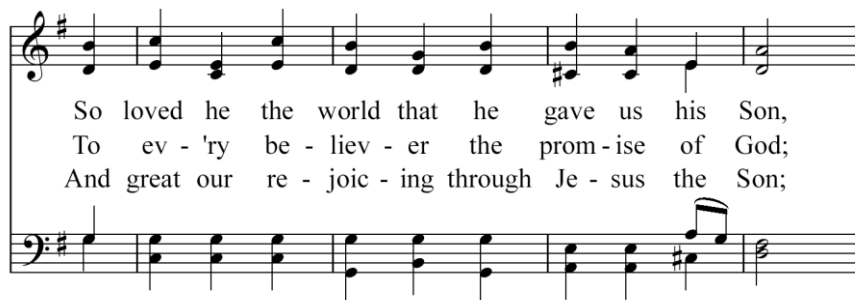
- [P] The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. **[C] Amen.**
- [P] Go in peace; serve the Lord. **[C] Thanks be to God!**

CLOSING HYMN "To God be the Glory"

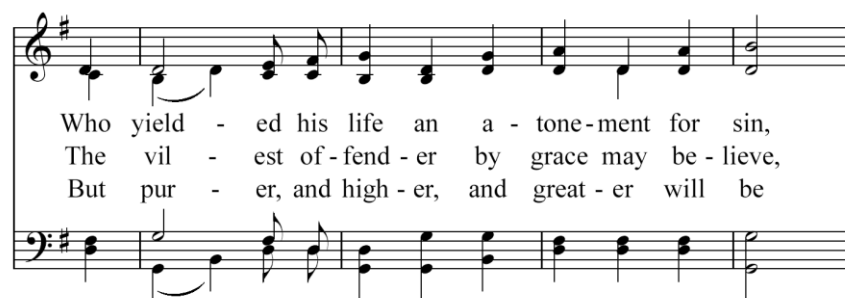
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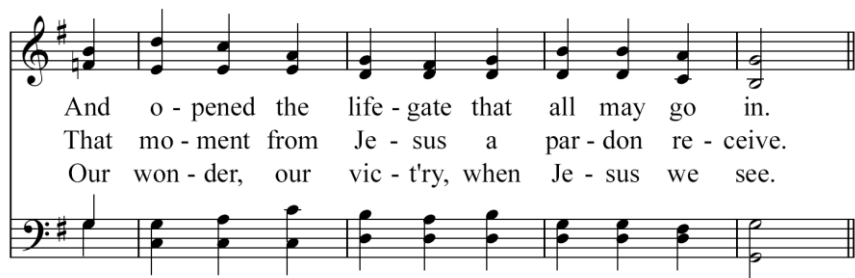
1) To God be the glo - ry, great things he has done;
 2) Oh, per - fect re - demp - tion, the pur - chase of blood,
 3) Great things he has taught us, great things he has done,



So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,
 To ev - 'ry be - liev - er the prom - ise of God;
 And great our re - joic - ing through Je - sus the Son;



Who yield - ed his life an a - tone - ment for sin,
 The vil - est of - fend - er by grace may be - lieve,
 But pur - er, and high - er, and great - er will be



And o - pened the life - gate that all may go in.
 That mo - ment from Je - sus a par - don re - ceive.
 Our won - der, our vic - t'ry, when Je - sus we see.

Refrain

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice!

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!

Oh, come to the Fa - ther, through Je - sus the Son,

and give him the glo - ry, great things he has done.

The author, Fanny Crosby, composed over 8,000 hymn texts. Included among these are favorites, "Tell Me the Story of Jesus," "Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross," "Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine," "All the Way My Savior Leads Me," and "Jesus is Tenderly Calling." This great production of hymns resulted from the pen of one blind since six years of age. The above hymn was virtually unknown in the U. S. until it was used in the Billy Graham Crusades from 1954. Besides being a hymn of praise it is also a hymn of grace. The refrain and the first two verses stanzas clearly state that Jesus is the Way of forgiveness and salvation, and that faith is the entrance through the gate of God's grace.

POSTLUDE

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Our Confession about Communion

Our Confession

1. Holy Communion is a divinely instituted act in which Jesus Christ gives His true (real) body and blood under the forms of bread and wine. We thus hold that the bread and wine are not mere symbols of Jesus' body and blood. When we receive the bread and wine we receive in fact the body and blood of Christ for the forgiveness of sins.

2. We believe that Communion is a celebration of this forgiveness which comes to us through faith as we eat and drink. In communion we remember our Lord's passion and death, His resurrection and ascension, and the promise of His coming again. Communion is truly the Gospel made visible, and is offered for those who "hunger and thirst after righteousness."

3. We believe that as we eat and drink this Supper we are strengthened in our faith in Jesus Christ and in our love for one another.

Therefore, we invite to the Lord's Table all who:

a. have been instructed in the meaning of Communion; have been baptized in the name of the Triune God; have received Jesus Christ as their own personal and living Savior and Lord, and concur in our confession;

b. are not living in open rebellion against the Word of God, and do not hold willful and persistent form of hatred, resentment or anger against any other person.

Those who have questions about communion are welcome to talk to one of the Pastors.
