

SCRIPTURE READING *

Acts 23:12-35

This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God

SERMON

“A Plot Uncovered”

Pastor Ian Hard

*We are a family in Christ worshipping in Spirit
and truth, growing together in God’s grace,
and connecting the community with the gospel.*

HYMN OF RESPONSE *

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heav’nly host:
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

Public Domain

COMMUNION

*Wine is in the inner rings of the tray
in purple colored cups.*

*Juice is in the outer ring of the tray
in clear cups.*

HYMN OF SENDING *

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Hymn 457

BENEDICTION *

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GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP *

Psalm 147

Trinity Hymnal, page 839

SONGS OF PRAISE *

He Has Made Me Glad (I Will Enter His Gates)

I will enter His gates with thanksgiving in my heart,
I will enter His courts with praise.

I will say “This is the day that the Lord has made!”

I will rejoice for He has made me glad.

He has made me glad. He has made me glad.

I will rejoice for He has made me glad.

He has made me glad. He has made me glad.

I will rejoice for He has made me glad.

(Repeat whole song)

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Come, Thou Almighty King

Hymn 101

INVOCATION *

CONFESSION OF SIN

Why are you cast down, O my soul,
and why are you in turmoil within me?

Lord we have turned away from you, our only hope.

The Word of God became flesh and dwelt among us,
yet we act as if there is no reason for hope.

** Stand as you are able*

Bold Print – speak together in unison

CONFESSION OF SIN *(continued)*

Your Son sacrificed for us, rose victorious over sin and death.

Forgive us Lord for our cynicism, our doubt, and our hopelessness.

We confess that we find it easier to trust in our gadgets, our bank account, and our education than in the hope of the Eternal King.

We claim to have the hope of the gospel, but despair at the prospect of suffering and persecution.

Awake in us afresh a hopeful trust in you.

You are our only hope for forgiveness and restoration.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON Colossians 1:11-14

May you be strengthened with all power, according to his glorious might, for all endurance and patience with joy, giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light. He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

PROFESSION OF FAITH *

Christians, what do we believe?

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven:

by the power of the Holy Spirit

he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,

and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again

in accordance with the Scriptures;

he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge

the living and the dead,

and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,

the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped

and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism

for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

~ Nicene Creed

CHILDREN'S SERMON

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

For parents who are interested in nursery care

Children 3 and under

may be brought to the nursery at this time.

Please plan to pick your child up after the sermon.

CHOIR

Give Thanks

PRAYER

SONG OF PREPARATION *

Jesus, I Come

Out of my bondage, sorrow and night,

Jesus, I come, Jesus, I come;

Into thy freedom, gladness and light,

Jesus, I come to thee;

Out of my sickness, into thy health,

Out of my wanting and into thy wealth,

Out of my sin and into thyself,

Jesus, I come to thee.

Out of my shameful failure and loss,

Jesus, I come, Jesus, I come;

Into the glorious gain of thy cross,

Jesus, I come to thee;

Out of earth's sorrows, into thy balm

Out of life's storms and into thy calm,

Out of distress, into jubilant psalm,

Jesus, I come to thee.

Out of unrest and arrogant pride,

Jesus, I come, Jesus, I come;

Into thy blessed will to abide,

Jesus, I come to thee;

Out of myself to dwell in thy love,

Out of despair, into raptures above,

Upward forever on wings like a dove,

Jesus, I come to thee.

Out of the fear and dread of the tomb,

Jesus, I come, Jesus, I come;

Into the joy and light of thy home,

Jesus, I come to thee;

Out of the depths of ruin untold,

Into the peace of thy sheltering fold,

Ever thy glorious face to behold,

Jesus, I come to thee.

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