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GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us worship God,
who reconciled us to himself through Christ.
**We are new creations; the old has gone;
the new has come!**

Let us worship God as Christ's ambassadors.
**Through us and through our worship
may we announce the good news to all.**

Let us worship God in spirit and in truth.
Praise God! We are reconciled, redeemed, renewed

INVOCATION

SONGS OF PRAISE

I Know that My Redeemer Lives

I know that my Redeemer lives—glory, hallelujah!
What comfort this sweet sentence gives—glory, hallelujah!

Refrain:

Shout on, pray on, we're gaining ground—glory, hallelujah!
The dead's alive and the lost is found—glory, hallelujah!

He lives, he lives, who once was dead—glory, hallelujah!
He lives, my everlasting Head—
glory, hallelujah! (*refrain*)

He lives, to bless me with his love—glory, hallelujah!
He lives to plead for me above—
glory, hallelujah! (*refrain*)

He lives, all glory to his name!—glory, hallelujah!
He lives, my Jesus, still the same—
glory, hallelujah! (*refrain*)

Samuel Medley, 1775, refrain anon.;
Music: SHOUT ON, C.M. ref.. American Folk Hymn 19th century

Psalm 128

Tune: Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

GOD'S LAW AND OUR CONFESSION

You shall not commit adultery. *Exodus 20:14*

Christ our bridegroom loved the church
and gave himself for her.

**Forgive us, O Lord, for not returning the love
due our groom.**

Forgive us for lukewarm love and casual commitment.

Strengthen our faith by your Word and Spirit.

Forgive us for seeking satisfaction apart from you.

**Draw us to yourself that we might rejoice afresh in the
steadfast love you have poured out upon us.**

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

1 John 1:7-9

But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

CELEBRATION OF BAPTISM

Anya Elise Brewer

Child of the Living God

You are a child of the living God. Praise the Lord, amen.

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Alleluia! Alleluia!

You are a child of the living God. Praise the Lord, Amen

PROFESSION OF FAITH

Christian, how does our story begin?

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made, in him was life and the life was the light of men.

Did the Word remain in Heaven with God?

The Word became flesh and dwelt among us.

Who is the Word?

The Word is Jesus Christ, and though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.

Why did Christ do this?

Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures. He was buried, and he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Amen

Adapted from John 1, Philippians 2, 1 Corinthians 15

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

PRAYER

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come, your 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 yours is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever. Amen.**

HYMN OF PREPARATION

Psalm 51: God Be Merciful to Me

God be merciful to me on Thy grace I rest my plea
Plenteous in compassion Thou, blot out my transgressions now
Wash me make me pure within, cleanse O cleanse me from my sin.

My transgressions I confess, grief and guilt my soul oppress
I have sinned against Thy grace and provoked Thee to Thy face
I confess Thy judgment just speechless I Thy mercy trust.

I am evil born of sin thou desirest truth within
Thou alone my Savior art teach Thy wisdom to my heart
Make me pure Thy grace bestow wash me whiter than the snow.

Broken humbled to the dust, by Thy wrath and judgment just
Let my contrite heart rejoice and in gladness hear Thy voice
From my sins O hide Thy face, blot them out in boundless grace.

Gracious God my heart renew, make my Spirit right and true
Cast me not away from Thee let Thy Spirit dwell in me
Thy salvation's joy impart, steadfast make my willing heart

Sinners then shall learn from me and return O God to Thee
Savior all my guilt remove and my tongue shall sing Thy love
Touch my silent lips O Lord and my mouth shall praise accord.

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SCRIPTURE READING*

I Corinthians 5:1-13

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“Pride and Purity”

Pastor Ian Hard

HYMN OF RESPONSE*

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.

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CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

*If you are following along at home, please refrain from taking
Communion as it is a form of worship meant to be celebrated in the
physical presence of the body of Christ*

MERCY OFFERING

HYMN OF SENDING

In Christ Alone

In Christ alone my hope is found.
He is my Light, my strength, my song.
This Cornerstone, this solid ground,
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease.
My Comforter, my all in all –
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone who took on flesh,
Fullness of God in helpless Babe.
This gift of love and righteousness,
scorned by the ones He came to save.
'Til on that cross as Jesus died
the wrath of God was satisfied,
For ev'ry sin on Him was laid –
Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay –
Light of the world by darkness slain.
Then bursting forth in glorious day.
Up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory
sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
For I am His and He is mine –
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death,
This is the pow'r of Christ in me.
From life's first cry, to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand,
'Til He returns or calls me home –
Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

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