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At Home Bulletin

CALL TO WORSHIP

We love the LORD, because he has heard our voice and our pleas for mercy.

**Because he inclined his ear to us,
therefore we will call on him as long as we live.**

Gracious is the LORD, and righteous; our God is merciful.

**For you have delivered our souls from death,
our eyes from tears, our feet from stumbling;**

What shall we render to the LORD for all his benefits to us?

**We will lift up the cup of salvation
and call on the name of the LORD,
We will offer to you the sacrifice of thanksgiving
and call on the name of the LORD.**

Adapted from Ps 116

INVOCATION

SONGS OF PRAISE

Psalm 147:1-11

Tune: Lead On O King Eternal

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.

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

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Seek Ye First

Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness;
And all these things shall be added unto you. Allelu, alleluia.

Ask and it shall be given unto you; seek and you shall find;
Knock and the door shall be opened unto you, Allelu, alleluia.

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GOD'S LAW AND OUR CONFESSION

Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousands of rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?" He has told you, O man, what is good; and what does the LORD require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God? *Micah 6:7-8*

Our Lord we confess that in you we find true freedom
but we have not lived as ambassadors of that freedom.

Forgive us Lord for not proclaiming freedom to the captive and liberty to the oppressed. Forgive us for placing obstacles in the path of those seeking your grace and burdens upon the burdened.

For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death.

Lord, we have not honored your instruction as the path to contentment. Forgive us, for we ignore your law at times and at others use it as a means of judgment and self-righteous promotion. In you alone, Lord, is true freedom and contentment. Forgive us for running to empty idols in search of what only you can offer.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

I 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.

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, Philipians 2, 1 Corinthians 15

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Ephesians 1:3-4

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him.

RECEPTION OF OFFERINGS

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

All Must Be Well

Through the love of God our Savior, all will be well
Free and changeless is His favor, all is well
Precious is the blood that healed us, perfect is the grace that sealed us
Strong the hand stretched forth to shield us. All must be well.

Though we pass through tribulation, all will be well
Ours is such a full salvation, all is well
Happy still in God confiding, fruitful if in Christ abiding
Steadfast through the Spirit's guiding. All must be well.

We expect a bright tomorrow; all will be well
Faith can sing through days of sorrow, all is well
On our Father's love relying, Jesus every need supplying
Yes in living or in dying. All must be well.

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SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 6:37-49

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

SERMON

“Healthy Kingdom Community”

Pastor Ian Hard

HYMN OF RESPONSE*

He is Lord

He is Lord, He is Lord, He is risen from the dead and He is Lord.

Ev'ry knee shall bow, ev'ry tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord.

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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

My Hope is Built on Nothing Less

My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' name.

Refrain:

On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;
all other ground is sinking sand; all other ground is sinking sand.

When darkness veils his lovely face, I rest on his unchanging grace;
in every high and stormy gale my anchor holds within the veil. *[Refrain]*

His oath, his covenant, his blood support me in the whelming flood;
when all around my soul gives way, he then is all my hope and stay. *[Refrain]*

When he shall come with trumpet sound, O may I then in him be found;
dressed in his righteousness alone, faultless to stand before the throne.
[Refrain]

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BENEDICTION

Sermon NOTES: Healthy Kingdom Community