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GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Behold, how good and pleasant it is
when brothers dwell in unity!

It is like the precious oil on the head,
running down on the beard, on the beard of Aaron,
running down on the collar of his robes!

It is like the dew of Hermon, which falls on the mountains of Zion!
For there the LORD has commanded the blessing, life forevermore.
Psalm 133

INVOCATION

SONGS OF PRAISE

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty Hymn #53

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear, now to his temple draw near,
join me in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!
Hast thou not seen how thy desires e'er have been
granted in what he ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee!
Surely his goodness and mercy here daily attend thee;
ponder anew what the Almighty will do,
if with his love he befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord, who with marvelous wisdom hath made thee,
decked thee with health, and with loving hand guided and stayed thee.
How oft in grief hath not he brought thee relief,
spreading his wings to o'ershade thee!

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him!
Let the amen sound from his people again;
gladly fore'er we adore him.

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We Gather Together

Hymn #363

We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing;
He chastens and hastens his will to make known;
The wicked oppressing now cease from distressing;
Sing praises to his name; he forgets not his own.

Beside us to guide us, our God with us joining,
Ordaining, maintaining his kingdom divine;
So from the beginning the fight we were winning:
Thou, Lord, wast at our side: all glory be thine!

We all do extol thee, thou leader triumphant,
And pray that thou still our defender wilt be.
Let thy congregation endure thro' tribulation:
Thy name be ever prais'd! O Lord, make us free!
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Psalm 121

Psalter p. 110

Tune: Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah (Hymn 598)

GOD'S LAW AND OUR CONFESSION

“You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his male servant, or his female servant, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is your neighbor's.”
Exodus 20:15-17

Lord God, we have given more weight to our successes
and our happiness than to your will.

We have eaten without a thought for the hungry.

We have spoken without an effort to understand others.

We have kept silence instead of telling the truth.

We have judged others, forgetful that you alone are the Judge.

**We have acted in accordance with our opinions
rather than according to your commands.**

Within your church we have been slow to practice love of our neighbors.

And in the world we have not been your faithful servants.

**Forgive us and help us to live as disciples of Jesus Christ,
your Son, our Savior.**

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Romans 5:8-10

But God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

Christians, what do we believe?

**We believe in one God the Father Almighty;
Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.
And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of the Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God, begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father;
by whom all things were made; who, for us men and for our
salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy
Spirit of the Virgin Mary, and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;
He suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again,
according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again,
with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead;
whose kingdom shall have no end.
And in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life;
who proceedeth from the Father and the Son;
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified;
who spake by the Prophets. And one holy catholic and apostolic
church. We acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins;
and we look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

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

The Feast

With wondering eyes, Lord we admire the feast prepared by grace;
Come, Lord, and set our souls on fire, and fill each heart with peace.
These emblems of thy precious love, by faith may we receive!
And with a solemn pleasure prove, we in thy name believe.

Refrain

We eat this bread, we drink this wine,
come give yourself to us.
We know you're here, that's why we've come,
to feast on thee with love.

No goodness of our own we bring; we're sinners vile and base;
Christ is our all; of Christ we sing, and long to see his face.
O may we each, with heart and tongue sing, "Worthy is the Lamb";
To him alone the praise belongs, and we'll adore his name. *(Refrain)*

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SCRIPTURE READING

I Corinthians 11:17-34

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

SERMON

"Discerning the Body"

Pastor Ian Hard

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

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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.

HYMN OF SENDING

We Will Feast in the House of Zion

Chorus:

We will feast in the house of Zion.
We will sing with our hearts restored.
He has done great things, we will say together.
We will feast and weep no more.

We will not be burned by the fire; He is the Lord, our God.
We are not consumed by the flood;
upheld, protected, gathered up. *(chorus)*

In the dark of night, before the dawn, my soul, be not afraid.
For the promised morning, oh, how long?
Oh God of Jacob, be my strength. *(chorus)*

Ev'ry vow we've broken and betrayed, You are the faithful one.
And from the garden to the grave,
bind us together, bring shalom. *(chorus)*

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BENEDICTION

Sermon NOTES: Discerning the Body