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Our Mission

To strengthen our faith in Jesus Christ through worship and fellowship; to be the face of Christ for all.

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Secretary: Terry Smith

WELCOME! Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! We are glad you have joined us in worship today as we celebrate Jesus' victory over the power of sin and death.

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Faith, Worship, Fellowship

Everything you need to participate in worship is printed in this worship booklet.

Bold print = Congregational Responses

Holy Communion is a gift of God's grace. This is the table of the Lord. All are welcome.

Introduction to the day

Remember the sabbath day. Call the sabbath a delight. This is the Lord's day, and the Lord will do for us what the Lord does: feed us, forgive us, help and heal us. Rejoice at all the wonderful things God is doing.

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

A TIME OF QUIET REFLECTION

A Time for Meditation & Prayer

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

(We stand as we are able)

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

P: We gather in the name of the Father, the Son +, and the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Holy God, you are Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. In overflowing love, help your people to turn away from sin and selfishness. Empower us with the Holy Spirit that we follow after Christ and all the ways of love.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. We take a moment of silence for self reflection.

Assembly kneels or stands for confession as they are able.

P: Loving God,

- C: You so loved the world you gave your son to save us. We are stuck in sin and cannot save ourselves. We have failed to love you and have not loved each other. Through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ forgive us our sin. Turn us away from selfishness and soften our hard hearts. That we may be your people called to serve you and proclaim glory to your holy name. Amen.
- P: By the Grace of God Almighty, we who were far off have been returned to God. We were dead in sin, but have been made alive with Christ. By the power of God in Christ, All your sin is forgiven. May the Holy Spirit continue to lead you away from sin and death, and instead guide you in ways of love and life. Through the Father, and the Son 4, and the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

God Is Here!



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GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

HYMN OF PRAISE



PRAYER OF THE DAY

A: Let us pray.

God of all creation, you reach out to call people of all nations to your kingdom. As you gather disciples from near and far, count us also among those who boldly confess your Son Jesus Christ as Lord.

Amen.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

MESSAGE FOR CHILDREN

(Children will receive a small pack of fruit snack gummies. If allergy sensitive please let Pastor Ben know to substitute another treat)

FIRST READING: Isaiah 58:9b-14

R: A reading from Isaiah.

^{9b} If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, ¹⁰ if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. ¹¹ The LORD will guide you continually and satisfy your needs in parched places and make your bones strong, and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water whose waters never fail. ¹² Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in. ¹³ If you refrain from trampling the Sabbath, from pursuing your own interests on my holy day; if you call the Sabbath a delight and the holy day of the LORD honorable; if you honor it, not going your own ways, serving your own interests or pursuing your own affairs; ¹⁴ then you shall take delight in the LORD, and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth; I will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob, for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



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PSALM: 103:1-8

- ¹ Bless the LORD, ¹ O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his ¹ holy name.
- ² Bless the LORD, ¹ O my soul, and forget not ¹ all his benefits.
- ³ He forgives ¹ all your sins and heals all ¹ your infirmities;
- ⁴ he redeems your life [|] from the grave and crowns you with mercy and [|] lovingkindness;
- ⁵ he satisfies you ¹ with good things, and your youth is renewed ¹ like an eagle's.
- ⁶ The LORD ex- | ecutes righteousness and judgment for all who | are oppressed.
- ⁷ He made his ways [|] known to Moses and his works to the chil- [|] dren of Israel.
- ⁸ The LORD is full of compas- ¹ sion and mercy, slow to anger and ¹ of great kindness.

SECOND READING: Hebrews 12:18-29

R: A reading from Hebrews.

¹⁸ You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, ¹⁹ and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. ²⁰ (For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death." 21 Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear.") ²² But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering. 23 and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, ²⁴ and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel. ²⁵ See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking, for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! ²⁶ At that time his voice shook the earth, but now he has promised, "Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven." ²⁷ This phrase, "Yet once more," indicates the removal of what is shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. ²⁸ Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us show gratitude, by which we may offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe, ²⁹ for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

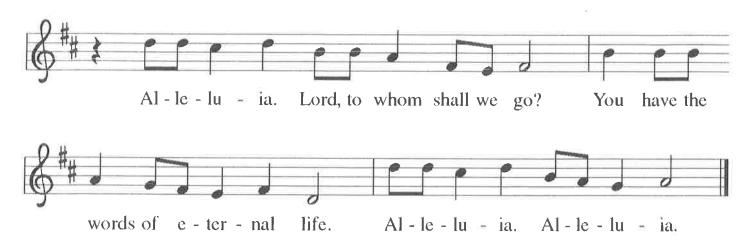
The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

(We stand as we are able)



GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Gospel Acclamation



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GOSPEL: Luke 13:10-17

P: The holy gospel according to Luke. Glory to you, O Lord.

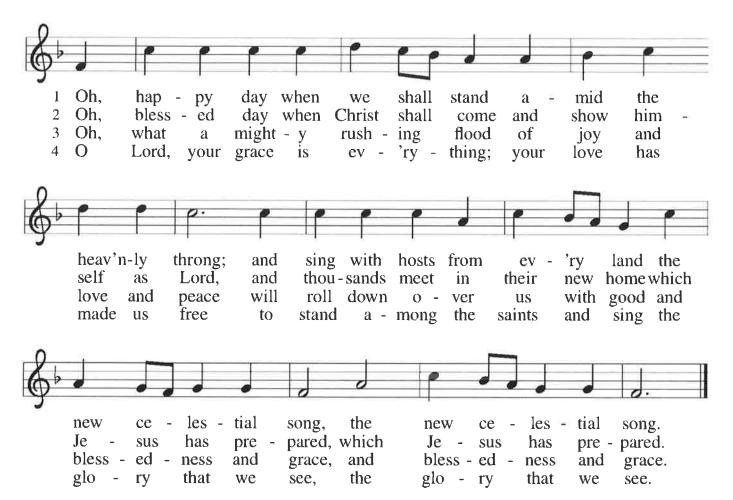
¹⁰ Now [Jesus] was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath. ¹¹ And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. ¹² When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." ¹³ When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. ¹⁴ But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the Sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured and not on the Sabbath day." ¹⁵ But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the Sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger and lead it to water? ¹⁶ And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the Sabbath day?" ¹⁷ When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame, and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things being done by him.

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON: Pastor John "Ben" Mandrick

(We stand as we are able)

Oh, Happy Day When We Shall Stand



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Music: LOBT GOTT, IHR CHRISTEN, Nikolaus Herman, 1480-1561

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APOSTLES CREED

A: We confess our common faith in the words of the Apostles Creed:

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come 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

(We are seated or we kneel)

A: PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Let us pray for the church, the creation, and the whole people of God, for God is near.

A brief silence.

You call your church to proclaim liberation and freedom to all. Give wisdom to bishops, synod councils and staff, and congregation leaders as they pursue a more just and equitable church and society. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You inspire all creation to sing and bless your holy name. Send healing rains to parched places and relief to flooded lands. Lead us to enact policies to rebuild ruined ecosystems and habitats. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You work vindication and justice for all who are oppressed. Strengthen the resolve of world leaders and local officials in the way of love and mercy, so that all persons may experience abundant life. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You satisfy your people with good things. In your steadfast love, receive the cries of all who are bent over under the weight of addiction, isolation, and mental or physical illness. Manifest your healing presence in their midst.

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Lord God, be present to all who are sick, grieving or in any need. Empower all people who wait for change especially pray for those from our prayer list and these we say silently or aloud. (*PAUSE*) Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You call us to delight in the sabbath. Invigorate worship planners and leaders with creativity to aid this assembly in fresh and faithful prayer and praise. Enable all who gather here to be nourished and renewed.

Hear us. O God.

Your mercy is great.

With all your apostles, prophets, and saints, we give thanks and bless your holy name. As they now rest from their labors, guide us by the witness of their lives to pursue your reign, which can never be shaken. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Almighty God, you are our sure foundation and rock of salvation. Draw near to all those who put themselves in harms way for the sake of others, especially our military personnel, first responders, and those in the medical field.

God of grace,

hear our prayer.

P: Confident in God's presence and promise, we entrust our prayers to the one who always receives them; through Jesus Christ, our wisdom and companion.

Amen.

(We stand as we greet one another with Christ's blessing of peace)

PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

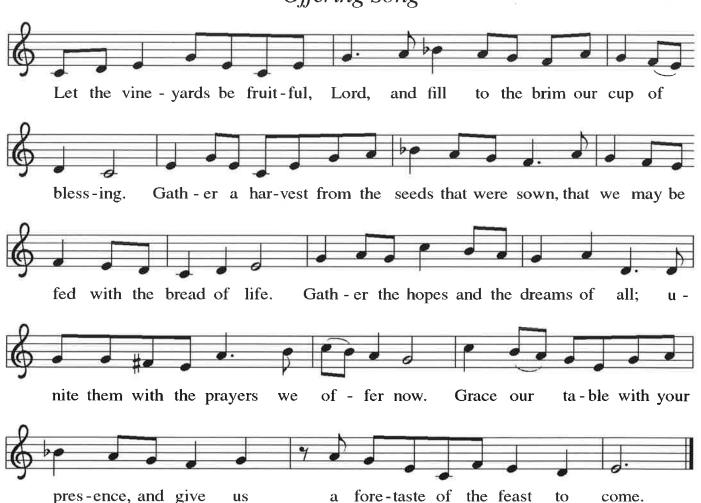
OFFERING (Responding to God's grace, we offer our gifts and our tithes)

MUSICAL OFFERING

(We stand as sing as the gifts are brought forward)

OFFERTORY

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful Offering Song



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OFFERING PRAYER

A: Let us pray.

Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

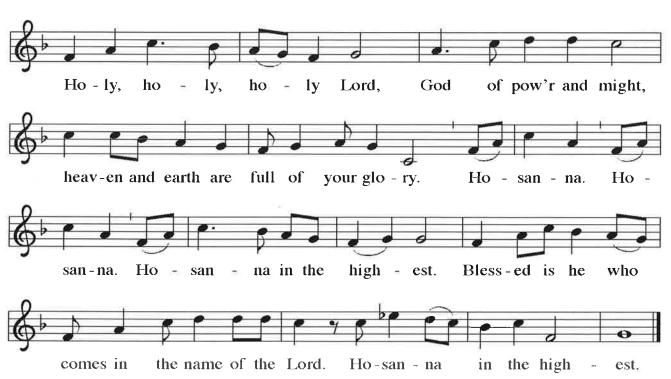
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; whose suffering and death gave salvation to all. You gather your people around the tree of the cross, transforming death into life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Holy, Holy, Holy



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THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God. You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory.

You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have eternal life.

We give you thanks for his coming into the world to fulfill for us your holy will and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.

LORD'S PRAYER (Sung)

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors, 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.

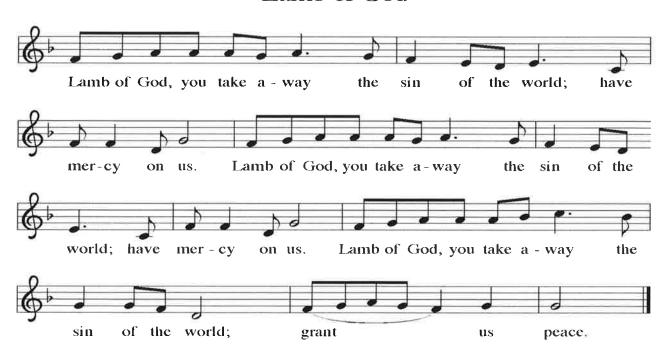
INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Taste and see that the Lord is good.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION (Holy communion is a gift of God's grace and is open to all. Please come down the center aisle as directed by the ushers to receive the host from the pastor. Gluten free hosts are available. Receive the wine from the Assisting Minister. Grape juice is available in the center ring. Return to your seats by the side aisle placing empty cups in receptacle.)

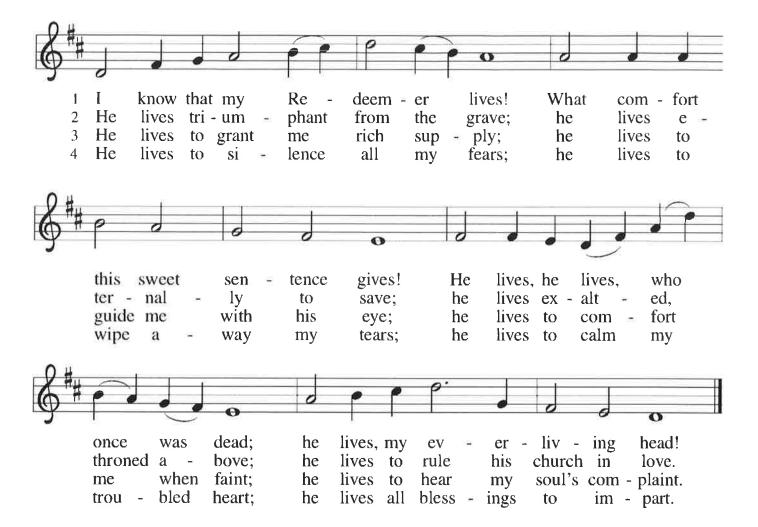
COMMUNION CANTICLE

Lamb of God



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I Know That My Redeemer Lives!



- 5 He lives to bless me with his love; he lives to plead for me above; he lives my hungry soul to feed; he lives to help in time of need.
- 6 He lives, my kind, wise, heav'nly friend; he lives and loves me to the end; he lives, and while he lives, I'll sing; he lives, my prophet, priest, and king!
- 7 He lives and grants me daily breath; he lives, and I shall conquer death; he lives my mansion to prepare; he lives to bring me safely there.
- 8 He lives, all glory to his name! He lives, my Savior, still the same; what joy this blest assurance gives: I know that my Redeemer lives!

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There Is a Balm in Gilead



Text: African American spiritual

Music: BALM IN GILEAD, African American spiritual

Crown Him with Many Crowns



- Crown him with man y the I crowns, Lamb up on his throne;
- Crown him the vir - gin's Son, the God in - car - nate born.
- Crown him the Lord of love be = hold his hands and side.
- Crown him the Lord tri - umphed o'er of life. who the grave
- Crown him the Lord of years, the po - ten - tate of time,



hark, how the heav'n-ly an - them drowns all mu - sic but its own. whose arm those crim-son tro - phies won which now his brow a - dorn; bove, in beau-ty glo = ri - fied. rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a and vic - to - rious in the strife for those he came to save. roll - ing spheres, in - ef - fab - ly of the





and hail him as thy match-less king through all e - ter - ni - ty. the root whence mer - cy ev - er flows, the babe of Beth - le - hem. but down - ward bend their burn - ing eyes at mys-ter-ies so bright. to bring, and who died. life e - ter - nal lives that death may die. thy praise and glo - ry shall not fail through-out e - ter - ni - ty.

Text: Matthew Bridges, 1800-1894, sts. 1-3, 5; Godfrey Thring, 1823-1903, st. 4 Music: DIADEMATA, George J. Elvey, 1816–1893

(When all who desire have received the sacrament, we stand as we are able)

TABLE BLESSING

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A: Let us pray,

We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

BLESSING

P: Please receive this blessing. May God be with you all, above you to watch over you, beneath you to carry you, in front of you to lead you, behind you to encourage you, beside you to befriend you, within you to bring you to eternal life. May God watch between me and thee while we are absent one from another.

Amen.

SENDING SONG

ELW 632 Vs. 1—4

O God, Our Help in Ages Past



- 1 O God, our help in a ges past, our hope for years to come,
- 2 Un der the shad ow of your throne your saints have dwelt se cure;
- 3 Be fore the hills in or der stood or earth re ceived its frame,
- 4 A thou-sand a ges in your sight are like an eve ning gone,



shel-ter from the blast, and e - ter - nal storm - y our home: suf - fi - cient is your arm a - lone, and our de - fense is sure. from ev - er - last - ing you are God, to end-less years the same. the watch that ends the night be - fore the ris - ing sun.

- 5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream, bears all our years away; they fly forgotten, as a dream dies at the op'ning day.
- 6 O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, still be our guard while troubles last and our eternal home.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674-1748, alt.

Music: ST. Anne, William Croft, 1678-1727

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DISMISSALGo share the good news!
With Gods help!

POSTLUDE

Please inform Pastor Ben in writing or by phone of any

- 1) Upcoming medical interventions in which you desire pastoral prayers and/or visitation.
- 2) Changes to the prayer list,
- 3) Announcements for the bulletin.

Pastor Ben can be reached by cell at 904-556-6687

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