

PRESERVICE MUSIC**WELCOME****CALL TO WORSHIP***Ps. 32:1–2, 5–7, 10*

Reader: In the name of the Father and of the Son + and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen!

Reader: Many are the sorrows of the wicked,

People: but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the Lord.

Reader: Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.

People: Blessed is the man against whom the Lord counts no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

Reader: I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity;

People: I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord," and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Reader: Therefore let everyone who is godly offer prayer to you at a time when you may be found.

People: Surely in the rush of great waters, they shall not reach him.

Reader: You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from trouble;

People: You surround me with shouts of deliverance.

OPENING SONG OF PRAISE *"Give Us Clean Hands"*

We bow our hearts, we bend our knees

Oh Spirit, come, make us humble.

We turn our eyes from evil things

Oh Lord, we cast down our idols.

Chorus:

Give us clean hands, give us pure hearts.

Let us not lift our souls to another,

Given us clean hands, give us pure hearts.

Let us not lift our souls to another.

And God, let us be a generation that seeks,

That seeks your face, oh God of Jacob. Repeat All

Ending: Chorus again

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OLD TESTAMENT READING

Deuteronomy 18:15-20

“The LORD your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among you, from your brothers—it is to him you shall listen— just as you desired of the LORD your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly, when you said, ‘Let me not hear again the voice of the LORD my God or see this great fire any more, lest I die.’ And the LORD said to me, ‘They are right in what they have spoken. I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their brothers. And I will put my words in his mouth, and he shall speak to them all that I command him. And whoever will not listen to my words that he shall speak in my name, I myself will require it of him.

But the prophet who presumes to speak a word in my name that I have not commanded him to speak, or who speaks in the name of other gods, that same prophet shall die.”

R This is the Word the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING

1 Corinthians 8:1-13

Now concerning food offered to idols: we know that “all of us possess knowledge.” This “knowledge” puffs up, but love builds up. If anyone imagines that he knows something, he does not yet know as he ought to know. But if anyone loves God, he is known by God.

Therefore, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that “an idol has no real existence,” and that “there is no God but one.” For although there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth—as indeed there are many “gods” and many “lords”— yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist.

However, not all possess this knowledge. But some, through former association with idols, eat food as really offered to an idol, and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. Food will not commend us to God. We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. But take care that this right of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. For if anyone sees you who have knowledge eating in an idol’s temple, will he not be encouraged, if his conscience is weak, to eat food offered to idols? And so by your knowledge this weak person is destroyed, the brother for whom Christ died. Thus, sinning against your brothers and wounding their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. Therefore, if food makes my brother stumble, I will never eat meat, lest I make my brother stumble.

R This is the Word the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

SONG

"Oh, How He Loves You and Me"

Oh, how He loves you and me; Oh, how He loves you and me.
He gave His life what more could He give?
Oh, how He loves you; Oh, how He loves me;
Oh, how He loves you and me.

Jesus to Calvary did go, His love for sinners to show,
What He did there brought hope from despair.

Oh, how He loves you; Oh, how He loves me;
Oh, how He loves you and me.

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Stand

GOSPEL READING

Mark 1:21–28

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the first chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

And they went into Capernaum, and immediately on the Sabbath Jesus entered the synagogue and was teaching. And they were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one who had authority, and not as the scribes. And immediately there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit. And he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God." But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!" And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying out with a loud voice, came out of him. And they were all amazed, so that they questioned among themselves, saying, "What is this? A new teaching with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him." And at once his fame spread everywhere throughout all the surrounding region of Galilee.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and one another. I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven, and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed by my own fault. Therefore, I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.

C The almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon,
forgiveness, and forgiveness of all your sins. Amen.

C I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of
heaven, and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have
sinned in thought, word, and deed by my own fault.
Therefore, I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me,
forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life.
Amen.

P The almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon,
forgiveness, and forgiveness of all your sins. As a called and
ordained servant of Christ, and by his authority, I forgive you
all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of
the Holy Spirit.

John 20:19-23

C Amen.

NICENE CREED

**I 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 His 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 sits at the right hand of the Father.**

**And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped
and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.**

**And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic
Church,**

**I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Sit

CHILDREN'S TALK

SONG OF THE DAY *"Thy Word is a Lamp Unto My Feet"*

Chorus:

**Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.
Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.**

**When I feel afraid, think I've lost my way,
still You're there right beside me.**

And nothing will I fear as long as You are near.

Please be near me to the end. *Chorus:*

**I will not forget Your love for me,
and yet my heart forever is wandering.**

Jesus, be my guide and hold me to Your side,

And I will love You to the end. *Chorus:*

Ending: You're the Light unto my path.

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SERMON LORD, MAKE US ALL FAITHFUL AND TRUE PROPHETS, *Deuteronomy 18:15–20*

(Stand)

PRAYERS Lord in your mercy . . . **Hear our prayer.**

(Sit)

OFFERING

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

(Stand)

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them up to the Lord.

P Give thanks to the Lord our God

C It is right to give Him our thanks and praise.

COMMUNION PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. 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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

(Sit)

DISTRIBUTION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

"Come to the Table"

Come to the table of mercy, prepared with the wine and the bread;
All who are hungry and thirsty, come and your souls will be fed.

Chorus:

Come at the Lord's invitation, receive from His nail-scarred hand;
Eat of the bread of salvation, drink of the blood of the Lamb.

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"The Lamb" AGPS 229

1. The Lamb, the Lamb, O Father, where's the sacrifice?
Faith sees, believes God will provide the Lamb of price!

Refrain:

Worthy is the Lamb whose death makes me His own!
The Lamb is reigning on His throne.

2. **The Lamb, the Lamb, One perfect final offering.
The Lamb, the Lamb, Let earth join heaven His praise to
sing. *Refrain:***
3. **The Lamb, the Lamb, As wayward sheep their shepherd kill.
So still, His will on our behalf the Law to fill. *Refrain:***
4. **He sighs, He dies, He takes my sin and wretchedness.
He lives, forgives, He gives me His own righteousness. *Refrain:***
5. **He rose, He rose, My heart with thanks now overflows
His song prolong 'Till ev'ry heart to Him belong. *Refrain:***

"Oh Lord, You're Beautiful"

**O Lord, You're beautiful, Your face is all I seek,
For when Your eyes are on this child, Your grace abounds to
me.**

**O Lord, please light the fire, that once burned bright and clear.
Replace the lamp of my first love, that burned with holy fear.**

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(Stand)

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

(Amen)

BENEDICTION *Numbers 6:24-26*

*Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you, the Lord make His face to
shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord lift up His
countenance upon you, and give you peace.*

People: Amen!

CLOSING SONG OF PRAISE "*Ancient of Days*"

***Blessing and honor, glory and power
Be unto the ancient of days,
From ev'ry nation, all of creation,
Bow before the ancient of days.***

Chorus:

***Ev'ry tongue in heaven and earth shall declare your glory,
Ev'ry knee shall bow at your throne in worship.***

You will be exalted, o God,

And your kingdom shall not pass away, o ancient of days.

Repeat from beginning

Bridge:

Your kingdom shall reign over all the earth,

Sing unto the ancient of days

For none can compare to your matchless worth,

Sing unto the ancient of days. Chorus.

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