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THE PRELUDE

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OPENING HYMN:

Behold a Host, Arrayed in White

LSB#676

1 Be - hold a host, ar - rayed in white, Like thou - sand
2 De - spised and scorned, they so - journed here; But now, how
snow - clad moun - tains bright! With palms they stand; Who
glo - rious they ap - pear! Those mar - tyrs stand, A
is this band Be - fore the throne of light? These are the
priet - ly band, God's throne for - ev - er near. On earth they
saints of glo - rious fame, Who from the great af -
wept through bit - ter years; Now God has wiped a -
flic - tion came And in the flood Of Je - sus' blood
way their tears, Trans - formed their strife To heav'n - ly life,
Are cleansed from guilt and shame. They now serve God both
And freed them from their fears. They now en - joy the
day and night; They sing their songs in end - less light. Their
Sab - bath rest, The heav'n - ly ban - quet of the blest; The
an - thems ring As they all sing With an - gels shin - ing bright.
Lamb, their Lord, At fes - tive board Him - self is host and guest.

*THE INVOCATION

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

*RESPONSIVE PSALM: *Psalm 146*

P ¹Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD, O my soul!

C ²**I will praise the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.**

P ³Put not your trust in princes, in a son of man, in whom there is no salvation.

C ⁴**When his breath departs he returns to the earth; on that very day his plans perish.**

P ⁵Blessèd is he whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the Lord his God,

C ⁶**who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, who keeps faith forever;**

P ⁷who executes justice for the oppressed, who gives food to the hungry. The LORD sets the prisoners free;

C ⁸**the LORD opens the eyes of the blind. The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down; the LORD loves the righteous.**

P ⁹The LORD watches over the sojourners; he upholds the widow and the fatherless, but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.

C ¹⁰**The LORD will reign forever, your God, O Zion, to all generations. Praise the LORD!**

*CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

C **Almighty and ever-living God, You have given exceedingly great and precious promises to those who trust in You. Grant us so firmly to believe in Your Son Jesus that our faith may never be found wanting; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING: *1 Kings 17:8–16*

⁸Then the word of the LORD came to him, ⁹“Arise, go to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and dwell there. Behold, I have commanded a widow there to feed you.” ¹⁰So he arose and went to Zarephath. And when he came to the gate of the city, behold, a widow was there gathering sticks. And he called to her and said, “Bring me a little water in a vessel, that I may drink.”

¹¹And as she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, “Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand.” ¹²And she said, “As the LORD your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of flour in a jar and a little oil in a jug. And now I am gathering a couple of sticks that I may go in and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it and die.” ¹³And Elijah said to her, “Do not fear; go and do as you have said. But first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterward make something for yourself and your son. ¹⁴For thus says the LORD the God of Israel, ‘The jar of flour shall not be spent, and the jug of oil shall not be empty, until the day that the LORD sends rain upon the earth.’” ¹⁵And she went and did as Elijah said. And she and he and her household ate for many days. ¹⁶The jar of flour was not spent, neither did the jug of oil become empty, according to the word of the LORD that he spoke by Elijah.

EPISTLE READING: *Hebrews 9:24–28*

²⁴For Christ has entered, not into holy places made with hands, which are copies of the true things, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. ²⁵Nor was it to offer himself repeatedly, as the high priest enters the holy places every year with blood not his own, ²⁶for then he would have had to suffer repeatedly since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the ages to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself. ²⁷And just as it is appointed for man to die once, and after that comes judgment, ²⁸so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

White As Snow

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**White as snow, white as snow
Though my sins were as scarlet
Lord, I know, Lord, I know
That I'm clean and forgiven**

**Through the power of Your blood
Through the wonder of Your love
Through faith in You
I know that I can be
White as snow**

***HOLY GOSPEL:** *Mark 12:38-44*

P The Holy Gospel according to St Mark the twelfth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

³⁸ In his teaching [Jesus] said, “Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes and like greetings in the marketplaces ³⁹and have the best seats in the synagogues and the places of honor at feasts, ⁴⁰who devour widows’ houses and for a pretense make long prayers. They will

receive the greater condemnation.”⁴¹ And he sat down opposite the treasury and watched the people putting money into the offering box. Many rich people put in large sums.⁴² And a poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which make a penny.⁴³ And he called his disciples to him and said to them, “Truly, I say to you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the offering box.⁴⁴ For they all contributed out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

*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.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

SERMON HYMN

Grace

by Rich Thompson,
Johnny Robinson & Niki Shepherd

- 1 Your grace that leads this sinner
home
From death to life forever,
And sings the song of righteousness,
By blood and not by merit.**
- 2 Your grace that reaches far and wide,
To every tribe and nation,
Has called my heart to enter in
The joy of Your salvation.**

Chorus

*By grace, I am redeemed
By grace, I am restored
And now I freely walk
Into the arms of Christ my Lord*

- 3 Your grace that I cannot explain
Not by my earthly wisdom
The Prince of life, without a stain
was traded for this sinner**

Chorus

- 4 Let praise rise up and overflow
My song resound forever
For grace will see me welcomed home
To walk beside my Savior**

Chorus x2

SERMON
OFFERING

*PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

*THE LORDS 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.

I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table

LSB#618

The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature (C). It consists of four staves of music. The lyrics are: "I I come, O Sav - ior, to Thy ta - ble, For weak and wea - ry is my soul; Thou, Bread of Life, a - lone art a - ble To sat - is - fy and make me whole: Refrain Lord, may Thy bod - y and Thy blood Be for my soul the high - est good!"

*WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION HYMN: *Yet Not I but Through Christ In Me* by Michael Farren,
Jonny Robinson and Rich Thompson

1 What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer,
There is no more for heaven now to give,
He is my joy, my righteousness,
and freedom my steadfast love,
my deep and boundless peace.
To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus
for my life is wholly bound to His.
Oh, how strange and divine, I can sing:
all is mine!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

2 The night is dark but I am not forsaken,
for by my side, the Savior He will stay.
I labor on in weakness and rejoicing,
For in my need, His power is displayed.
To this I hold, my Shepherd will defend
me,
Through the deepest valley He will lead.
Oh, the night has been won, and I shall
overcome!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

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3 No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven,
The future sure, the price it has been paid.
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon,
And He was raised to overthrow the grave.

To this I hold, my sin has been defeated.

Jesus now and ever is my plea.

Oh, the chains are released, I can sing: I
am free!

Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

4 With every breath I long to follow Jesus
For He has said that he will bring me
home.

And day by day, I know he will renew me
until I stand with joy before the throne.

To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus.

All the glory evermore to Him.

When the race is complete, still my lips
shall repeat:

Yet not I, but through Christ in me!

When the race is complete, still my lips
shall repeat:

Yet not I, but through Christ in me!

Yet not I, but through Christ in me!

***BENEDICTION**

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with His favor and give you His peace.

C Amen.

CLOSING SONG:

I Can Only Imagine

by **Bart Millard**

I can only imagine what it will be like
When I walk by Your side
I can only imagine what my eyes will see
When Your face is before me, I can only
imagine. Yeah.

Surrounded by Your glory
What will my heart feel?
Will I dance for you Jesus?
Or in awe of You be still?

Surrounded by Your glory
What will my heart feel?
Will I dance for you Jesus?
Or in awe of You be still?

Will I stand in Your presence?
Or to my knees will I fall?
Will I sing Hallelujah?
Will I be able to speak at all? I can only
imagine

Will I stand in Your presence?
Or to my knees will I fall?
Will I sing Hallelujah?
Will I be able to speak at all?
I can only imagine
I can only imagine

Yeah, I can only imagine
I can only imagine
Yeah, I can only imagine
I can only imagine
I can only imagine
I can only imagine

I can only imagine when that day comes
And I find myself standing in the Son
I can only imagine when all I would do
Is forever, forever worship You,
I can only imagine. Yeah.
I can only imagine

When all I will do
Is forever, forever worship You
I can only imagine