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Welcome & Announcements

Invitation to Worship

(Please Stand)

Song of Love

Jesus, King of my heart.
Father, my peace and my light.
Spirit, the joy of my soul You are.

Jesus, to You none compare.
Father, I rest in Your care.
Spirit, the hope of my heart You are.

Chorus: The heavens declare You are God.
The mountains rejoice.
The oceans cry, "Alleluia," as we worship You, Lord.
For this is our song of love.

Jesus, You saved my soul
I thank You forevermore
Jesus, the love of my life You are. **(chorus)**

Jesus, I am in awe of the love that You have shown.
Jesus, how precious You are to me, to me.

The heavens declare You are God.
The mountains rejoice.
The oceans cry, "Alleluia," as we worship You, Lord. **(repeat)**

We worship You, Lord.
For this is our song of love.

Prayer of Confession

Holy, triune God, all that is, all that was, and all that ever will be belongs to You alone. You have spoken to us through Your Word made flesh. We confess that we don't always want to listen to what You say. We rebel and ignore the words of our Father. Forgive us, once again, and guide us into the Truth by the gift of Your Holy Spirit, so that we may glorify You as the One true God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

Words of Grace

Song of Response

Praise the Father, Praise the Son

O sov'reign God, O matchless King
The saints adore, the angels sing,
And fall before the throne of grace
To You belongs the highest praise.

These sufferings, this passing tide
Under Your wings I will abide,
And ev'ry enemy shall flee;
You are my hope and victory.

Chorus: Praise the Father, praise the Son,
Praise the Spirit, Three in One;
Clothed in power and in grace,
The name above all other names.

To the valley for my soul;
Thy great descent has made me whole!
Your word my heart has welcomed home;
Now peace like water ever flows. **(chorus 2 times)**

Yours is the kingdom, Yours is the power,
Yours is the glory forever! **(repeat)**

Praise the Father, praise the Son,
Praise the Spirit, Three in One;
Clothed in power and in grace,
The name above all other names.
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Scripture Readings

(Please Sit)

Genesis 1:1-2:4a

¹In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. ²The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters.

³And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. ⁴And God saw that the light was good. And God separated the light from the darkness. ⁵God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

⁶And God said, "Let there be an expanse in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters." ⁷And God made the expanse and separated the waters that were under the expanse from the waters that were above the expanse. And it was so. ⁸And God called the expanse Heaven. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

⁹And God said, "Let the waters under the heavens be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear." And it was so. ¹⁰God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good.

¹¹And God said, "Let the earth sprout vegetation, plants yielding seed, and fruit trees bearing fruit in which is their seed, each according to its kind, on the earth." And it was so. ¹²The earth brought forth vegetation, plants yielding seed according to their own kinds, and trees bearing fruit in which is their seed, each according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. ¹³And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

¹⁴And God said, "Let there be lights in the expanse of the heavens to separate the day from the night. And let them be for signs and for seasons, and for days and years, ¹⁵and let them be lights in the expanse of the heavens to give light upon the earth." And it was so. ¹⁶And God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. ¹⁷And God set them in the expanse of the heavens to give light on the earth, ¹⁸to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. ¹⁹And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

²⁰And God said, "Let the waters swarm with swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the expanse of the heavens." ²¹So God created the great sea creatures and every living creature that moves, with which the waters swarm, according to their kinds, and every winged bird according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. ²²And God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth." ²³And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

²⁴And God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures according to their kinds—livestock and creeping things and beasts of the earth according to their kinds." And it was so. ²⁵And God made the beasts of the earth according to their kinds and the livestock according to their kinds, and everything that creeps on the ground according to its kind. And God saw that it was good.

²⁶ Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth."

²⁷ So God created man in his own image,
in the image of God he created him;
male and female he created them.

²⁸ And God blessed them. And God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it, and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth." ²⁹ And God said, "Behold, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is on the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit. You shall have them for food. ³⁰ And to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the heavens and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food." And it was so. ³¹ And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

¹ Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them. ² And on the seventh day God finished his work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all his work that he had done. ³ So God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it God rested from all his work that he had done in creation.

⁴ These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God!**

Acts 2:14a, 22-36

¹⁴ But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them:

²² "Men of Israel, hear these words: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with mighty works and wonders and signs that God did through him in your midst, as you yourselves know— ²³ this Jesus, delivered up according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of lawless men. ²⁴ God raised him up, loosing the pangs of death, because it was not possible for him to be held by it. ²⁵ For David says concerning him,

"I saw the Lord always before me,
for he is at my right hand that I may not be shaken;
²⁶ therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced;
my flesh also will dwell in hope.

²⁷ For you will not abandon my soul to Hades,
or let your Holy One see corruption.

²⁸ You have made known to me the paths of life;
you will make me full of gladness with your presence.'

²⁹ "Brothers, I may say to you with confidence about the patriarch David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. ³⁰ Being therefore a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would set one of his descendants on his throne, ³¹ he foresaw and spoke about the resurrection of the Christ, that he was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh see corruption. ³² This Jesus God raised up, and of that we all are witnesses. ³³ Being therefore exalted at the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, he has poured out this that you yourselves are seeing and hearing. ³⁴ For David did not ascend into the heavens, but he himself says,

"The Lord said to my Lord,
"Sit at my right hand,
³⁵ until I make your enemies your footstool."

³⁶ Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified."

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God!**

(Please Stand)

Matthew 28:16-20

¹⁶ Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. ¹⁷ And when they saw him they worshiped him, but some doubted. ¹⁸ And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹ Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

L: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God!**

Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Kid's Talk

(Please Sit)

Eric Oswald, DCE

Message

Joel Prusi, Elder

Offering

Bringing tithes and financial gifts to the Lord is an act of worship. These offerings help to accomplish ministry both here at Bethlehem and around the world. May God bless your response of faith.

Please join our members in signing the Red Friendship Registers in your pew. Thank you!

Holy, Holy, Holy

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning
Our song shall rise to Thee.
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty.
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,
Casting down their golden crowns
Around the glassy sea;
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
Which wert and art and evermore shall be.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide Thee,
Though the eye made blind by sin
Thy glory may not see.
Only Thou art holy, there is none beside Thee,
Perfect in pow'r, in love and purity.

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty!
All Thy works shall praise Thy name
In earth and sky and sea.
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty.
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity.

Prayers of the Church & The Lord's Prayer

(Please Stand)

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.

Blessing of Our Graduates

C: May Almighty God bless you in all you do. May He fill you with the love of the Father, the peace of Christ, and the power of the Holy Spirit, so that you may be a blessing to others. Amen.

Words of Institution

Distribution Songs

(Please Sit)

He Will Be

God is faithful to His word,
Even when there seems no way.
Though time may pass,
His memory will not fade,
His promises will never fail.

Faithful He has been, faithful He will be.
Time and time again, His Word returns complete.
To His truth, I cling when the night is deep.
Faithful He has been, faithful He will be.

God is gracious when I doubt.
He draws near though I retreat.
Though I may wander
Through the wilderness,
He goes with me and gives me peace.

Gracious He has been, gracious He will be.
What I don't deserve, the Father gives to me.
Where He leads my feet, I shall not want or need.
Gracious He has been, gracious He will be.

God is worthy of my song.
Countless are His awesome deeds.
His mighty hand has parted raging seas.
For those He loves, He has redeemed.

Worthy He has been, worthy He will be.
Crowned in endless praise, all earth and heaven sing.
Holy is the Lord, who reigns in majesty.
Worthy He has been, worthy He will be.

He is my provider, covenant protector.
All my hope is in the Lord, my God.
He is my sustainer, merciful redeemer.
All my hope is in the Lord, my God. **(repeat)**

Worthy He has been, worthy He will be.
Crowned in endless praise, all earth and heaven sing.
Holy is the Lord, who reigns in majesty.
Worthy He has been, worthy He will be. **(repeat)**

Worthy He has been worthy He will be.
Worthy He has been worthy He will be.

God So Loved

Come all you weary, come all you thirsty.
Come to the well that never runs dry. Drink of the water,
Come and thirst no more.

Come all you sinners, come find His mercy.
Come to the table; He will satisfy. Taste of His goodness,
Find what you're looking for.

For God so loved the world that He gave us His one and only Son to save us.
Whoever believes in Him will live forever.

Bring all your failures, bring your addictions.
Come lay them down at the foot of the cross. Jesus is waiting there
With open arms.

Chorus: For God so loved the world that He gave us
His one and only Son to save us. Whoever believes in Him will live forever.
The power of hell forever defeated. Now it is well, I'm walking in freedom.
For God so loved, God so loved the world.

Praise God, praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him, praise Him for the wonders of His love. **(repeat)**

For God so loved the world that He gave us His one and only Son to save. **(chorus)**

Bring all your failures, bring your addictions.
Come lay them down at the foot of the cross. Jesus is waiting,
God so loved the world.

Communion Blessing

(Please Stand)

L: Now may the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in true faith
unto life everlasting.

C: **Amen.**

Post Communion Prayer

L: We give thanks to You, Almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore
You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love
toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy
Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

Benediction

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

C: **Amen.**

Closing Praise

Great I Am

I wanna be close, close to Your side.
So Heaven is real and death is a lie.
I wanna hear voices of angels above
Singing as one:

Chorus: Hallelujah, holy, holy, God Almighty, great I Am.
Who is worthy, none beside Thee,
God Almighty, great I Am.

I wanna be near, near to Your heart.
Loving the world, hating the dark.
I wanna see dry bones living again
Singing as one: **(chorus)**

The mountains shake before You, the demons run and flee
At the mention of Your name, King of majesty.
There is no pow'r in hell or any who can stand,
Before the power and the presence of the great I Am.
The great I Am, the great I Am
The great I Am, the great I Am, the great I Am. **(chorus 2 times)**

Sending

L: Go in peace, serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

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