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Worship Focus

Christian Lives Reveal the Epiphany Lord



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OPENING HYMN

394 - Blessed Are the Saints of God



1 Bless - ed are the saints of God; They are bought with
2 They are jus - ti - fied by grace; They en - joy the
3 They are lights up - on the earth, Chil - dren of a



Christ's own blood. They are ran - somed from the grave;
Sav - ior's peace. All their sins are washed a - way;
heav'n - ly birth. One with God, with Je - sus one,



Life e - ter - nal they shall have. With them num - bered
They shall stand in God's great day. With them num - bered
Glo - ry is in them be - gun. With them num - bered



may we be Here and in e - ter - ni - ty.
may we be Here and in e - ter - ni - ty.
may we be Here and in e - ter - ni - ty.

Text: Joseph Humphreys, b. 1720, alt.

Tune: VOLLER WUNDER (77 77 77) Johann G. Ebeling, 1637-76.

INVOCATION

Minister

The grace of our Lord (+) Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

Congregation

And also with you.

CONFESSION OF SINS AND ABSOLUTION

M God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.

C **Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve Your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord have mercy on me a sinner.**

M God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given His only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called 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.

C **Amen.**

LORD HAVE MERCY (*Kyrie*)

M For all that we need in life and for the wisdom to use all your gifts with gratitude and joy, hear our prayer, O Lord.



M For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from your love and for the courage to stand firm against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our prayer, O Christ.



M For the well-being of your holy Church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord.



M Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care:



M The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise.

**All people that on earth do dwell, Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice.
Him serve with fear; his praise forthtell; Come ye before him and rejoice.**

**Oh, enter then his gates with praise; Approach with joy his courts unto.
Praise, laud, and bless his name always, For it is seemly so to do. (233:1,3)**

PRAYER AND PRAISE

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M Let us pray.

Almighty God, you sent your one and only Son as the Word of life for our eyes to see and our ears to hear. Help us to believe what the Scriptures proclaim about him and do the things that are pleasing in your sight; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.





THE WORD

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 58:5-9a

The prophet encourages expressions of selflessness toward others are ways to reveal the light of the Gospel from our hearts through to our hands.

ISAIAH 58:5 Is this the kind of fast I have chosen,
only a day for a man to humble himself?
Is it only for bowing one's head like a reed
and for lying on sackcloth and ashes?
Is that what you call a fast,
a day acceptable to the LORD?

⁶ "Is not this the kind of fasting I have chosen:
to loose the chains of injustice
and untie the cords of the yoke,
to set the oppressed free
and break every yoke?

⁷ Is it not to share your food with the hungry
and to provide the poor wanderer with shelter--
when you see the naked, to clothe him,
and not to turn away from your own flesh and blood?

⁸ Then your light will break forth like the dawn,
and your healing will quickly appear;
then your righteousness will go before you,
and the glory of the LORD will be your rear guard.

⁹ Then you will call, and the LORD will answer;
you will cry for help, and he will say: Here am I.

PSALM

Psalm 111

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All sing the refrain and Gloria. Those seated on the font side are asked to sing the first line of each verse. Those seated on the pulpit side will respond with the second line.

Refrain

Sing to the Lord a new song, for
he has done mar - vel - ous things.

Psalm tone

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(Font) Great are the works | of the LORD;*
(Pulpit) they are pondered by all who de | light in them.

Glorious and majestic | are his deeds,*
and his righteousness endures for | ever.

He has caused his wonders to be re | membered;*
the LORD is gracious and com | passionate.

Refrain

The works of his hands are faith | ful and just;*
all his precepts are trust | worthy.

He provided redemption for his | people;*
he ordained his covenant for | ever.

The fear of the LORD is the beginning of | wisdom;*
all who follow his precepts have good under | standing.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit,
as it was in the be | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Refrain

SECOND LESSON 1 Corinthians 2:1-5

Paul wanted the light of Christ and him crucified to shine through to the Corinthians.

1CORINTHIANS 2:1 When I came to you, brothers, I did not come with eloquence or superior wisdom as I proclaimed to you the testimony about God. ² For I resolved to know nothing while I was with you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. ³ I came to you in weakness and fear, and with much trembling. ⁴ My message and my preaching were not with wise and persuasive words, but with a demonstration of the Spirit's power, ⁵ so that your faith might not rest on men's wisdom, but on God's power.

VERSE OF THE DAY

**I heard the voice of Jesus say, "I am this dark world's light.
Look unto me; your morn shall rise And all your day be bright."
I looked to Jesus, and I found In him my star, my sun;
And in that light of life I'll walk Till trav'ling days are done. (338:3)**

GOSPEL Matthew 5:13-20

Christ urges his people to be salt and light in the world.

MATTHEW 5:13 "You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled by men.

¹⁴ "You are the light of the world. A city on a hill cannot be hidden. ¹⁵ Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. ¹⁶ In the same way, let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven.

¹⁷ "Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. ¹⁸ I tell you the truth, until heaven and earth disappear, not the smallest letter, not the least stroke of a pen, will by any means disappear from the Law until everything is accomplished. ¹⁹ Anyone who breaks one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever practices and teaches these commands will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. ²⁰ For I tell you that unless your righteousness surpasses that of the Pharisees and the teachers of the law, you will certainly not enter the kingdom of heaven.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

After the reading of the Gospel the congregation responds:



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

HYMN OF THE DAY

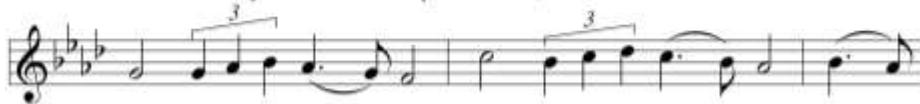
280 - Thy Strong Word



1 Thy strong word did cleave the dark - ness; At thy
 2 Lo, on those who dwelt in dark - ness, Dark as
 3 Thy strong Word be - speaks us right - eous; Bright with
 4 From the cross thy wis - dom shin - ing Break - eth
 5 Give us lips to sing thy glo - ry, 'Tongues thy



speak - ing it was done. For cre - at - ed
 night and deep as death, Broke the light of
 thine own ho - li - ness, Glo - rious now, we
 forth in con - qu'ring might; From the cross for -
 mer - cy to pro - claim, Throats to shout the



light we thank thee While thine or - dered sea -
 thy sal - va - tion, Breathed thine own life - giv -
 press toward glo - ry, And our lives our hopes
 ev - er beam - eth All thy bright re - deem -
 hope that fills us, Mouths to speak thy ho -



sons run. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Praise
 ing breath. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Praise
 con - fess. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Praise
 ing light. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Praise
 ly name. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! May

to thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia!
to thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia!
to thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia!
to thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia!
the light which thou dost send Fill our songs with

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!
al - le - lu - ias, Al - le - lu - ias with - out end!

6 God the Father, light-creator,
To thee laud and honor be.
To thee, Light from Light begotten,
Praise be sung eternally.
Holy Spirit, light-revealer,
Glory, glory be to thee.
Mortals, angels, now and ever
Praise the holy Trinity!

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Tune: EBENEZER (87 87 D) Thomas J. Williams, 1869-1944.

SERMON
Isaiah 58:5-9a

Listen to What Your Actions Are Saying

CONFESSION OF FAITH – THE NICENE CREED

**C We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one being with the Father.**

Through him all things were made.

**For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary,
and became fully human.**

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

FRIENDSHIP REGISTER

GATHERING OF OFFERINGS

MUSICAL OFFERING

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

M Gracious God and Father, we praise you for the countless blessings, which we receive from your hand: the beauties of creation and the bounties of the earth, the joy of life and the pleasure of friendship, the good of work and the gift of rest, the privilege to share happiness and sorrow with one another. Above all we praise and thank you for your saving Word and for your Son's body and blood, which you give us to eat and to drink in the sacrament. Through these means of grace, you send the Holy Spirit into our hearts and unite us to Jesus and to the whole Christian Church on earth.

C **Strengthen us through this heavenly food; increase our trust in Christ and our love for one another.**

M Great God and Lord, without your continuing help we easily waver in our faith, lose courage, and grow careless in our watchfulness. The times and days are perilous. Give us strength to face the evils of each day with fresh confidence. Open our lips to speak of your grace, and move us to use the gifts that you give us to share your Word of salvation with all people. Protect and prosper the family, the school, the government, and all good institutions that you have established for the benefit of society. Remember in mercy those who are sick and suffering, and bring your healing to troubled homes and lives.

C **Move us to pray for those in need and to help them with deeds of kindness.**

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

M Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer.

M Now, eternal God and Father, keep us in the saving faith and so enable us to overcome all things through our Lord Jesus Christ.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

C Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.



THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE and PROPER PREFACES

M The Lord be with you.



C: And al - so with you.

M Lift up your hearts.



C: We lift them up to the Lord.

M Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

M Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. In the past he spoke to us through the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, who is the radiance of his glory. Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (*Sanctus*)



C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.



The whole earth is full of your glo - ry.



You are my God, and I will ex - alt you.



I will give you thanks, for you have be - come my sal -



va - tion. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.



The whole earth is full of your glo - ry.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

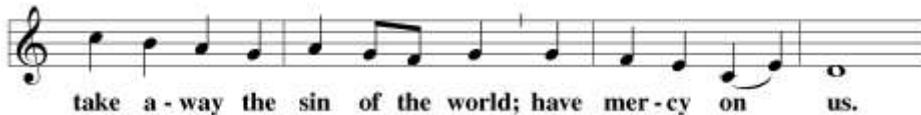
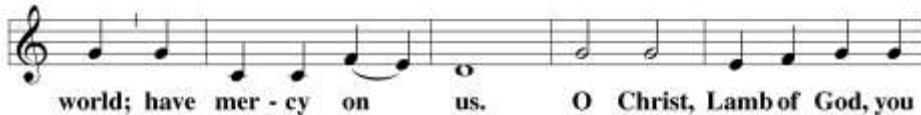
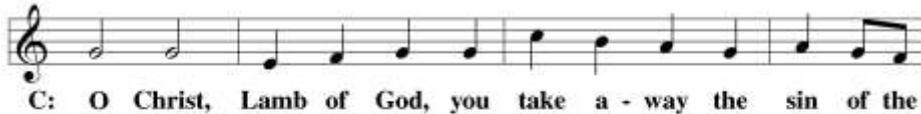
M Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, “Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

M The peace of the Lord be with you always.



O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD (*Agnus Dei*)



DISTRIBUTION

The Scriptures teach that the celebration of the Lord's Supper connects us intimately with Christ and with one another as Christians who are united around a common confession of faith. Therefore, we ask that only those who are members of Calvary or churches within our fellowship come forward to receive the Lord's Supper.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

458 - May We Your Precepts, Lord, Fulfill



1 May we your pre-cepts, Lord, ful - fill And do on
2 So may we join your name to bless, Your grace a -
3 Spir - it of life, of love, and peace, U - nite our



earth our Fa - ther's will As an - gels do a - bove,
dore, your pow'r con - fess, To flee from sin and strife.
hearts, our joy in - crease, Your gra - cious help sup - ply.



Still walk in Christ, the liv - ing way, With all your
One is our call - ing, one our name, The end of
To each of us the bless - ing give In Chris - tian



chil - dren, and o - bey The law of Chris - tian love.
all our hopes the same: A glo - rious crown of life.
fel - low - ship to live, In joy - ful hope to die.

Text: Edward Osler, 1798–1863, alt.
Tune: MERIBAH (886 886) Lowell Mason, 1792–1872.



"Is not this the kind of
fasting I have chosen:
to loose the chains of injustice
and untie the cords of the yoke,
to set the oppressed free and
break every yoke?"

Isaiah 58:6, NIV

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

523 – God of Grace and God of Glory



1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, On your peo -
 2 Lo, the hosts of e - vil round us Scorn the Christ,
 3 Cure your chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness; Bend our pride
 4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion To the e -



ple pour your pow'r; Crown your an - cient Church's
 as - sail his ways. From our fears that long have
 to your con - trol; Shame our wan - ton, self - ish
 vils we de - plore; Let the gift of your sal -



sto - ry; Bring its bud to glo - rious flow'r.
 bound us, Free our hearts to faith and praise.
 glad - ness, Rich in things and poor in soul.
 va - tion Be our glo - ry ev - er - more.



Grant us wis - dom; grant us cour - age For the fac - ing
 Grant us wis - dom; grant us cour - age For the liv - ing
 Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age Lest we miss your
 Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, Serv - ing you whom



of this hour, For the fac - ing of this hour.
 of these days, For the liv - ing of these days.
 king - dom's goal, Lest we miss your king - dom's goal.
 we a - dore, Serv - ing you whom we a - dore.

Text: Harry E. Fosdick, 1878-1969, abr., alt.
 Tune: CWM RHONDDA (87 87 877) John Hughes, 1873-1932.

THANKSGIVING

THANK THE LORD



C: Thank the Lord and sing his praise, Tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re-joice and proud-ly bear his name.



He re-news his prom-is - es and leads his peo-ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

PRAYER AND BLESSING

M Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

M Brothers and sisters, go in peace.
Live in harmony with one another.
Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.



CLOSING HYMN

319 – On My Heart Imprint Your Image

On my heart im - print your im - age, Bless - ed Je - sus,
King of grace, That life's rich - es, cares, and plea - sures Have no
pow'r to hide your face. This the su - per - scrip - tion be:
Je - sus, cru - ci - fied for me, Is my life, my
hope's foun - da - tion, And my glo - ry and sal - va - tion.

Text: Thomas H. Kingo, 1634–1703, abr.; tr. Peer O. Strömme, 1856–1921, alt.
Tune: DER AM KREUZ (87 87 77 88) Johann B. König, 1691–1758.

1 CORINTHIANS 2:4



The
Holy Spirit's
power
was
in my words



HE WHO
GIVES
ME
JUSTICE
IS
NEAR

ISAIAH 58:8