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Worship Focus

THE BELIEVER FOLLOWS CHRIST...
Followers of Christ love their neighbor.



The Good Samaritan

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OPENING HYMN

498 - Though I May Speak with Bravest Fire



1 Though I may speak with brav - est fire
2 Though I may give all I pos - sess
3 Come, Spir - it, come; our hearts con - trol.

And have the gift to all in - spire
And, striv - ing so, my love pro - fess
Our spir - its long to be made whole.

And have not love, my words are vain—
But not be giv'n by love with - in,
Let in - ward love guide ev - 'ry deed;

As sound - ing brass— and hope - less gain.
The prof - it soon turns strange - ly thin.
By this we wor - ship and are freed.

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INVOCATION

Minister

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



Congregation

A - men.

M Beloved in the Lord: Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

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.

LORD HAVE MERCY (*Kyrie*)

C: Lord, have mer - cy on us. Christ, have mer - cy
on us. Lord, have mer - cy on us.

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of lyrics, and the second staff contains the melody for the second line. The lyrics are: "C: Lord, have mer - cy on us. Christ, have mer - cy on us. Lord, have mer - cy on us."

ABSOLUTION

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: A - men.

The image shows a single staff of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody consists of a few notes: a quarter note G, a quarter note A, a quarter note B, a quarter note C, and a quarter note D, followed by a double bar line. The lyrics are: "C: A - men."

M In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord:

C Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on
earth. Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and

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Fa-ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we
 praise you for your glo-ry! Glo - ry to God in the
 high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.
 Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,
 Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world;
 have mer-cy on us. You are
 seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re -
 ceive our prayer, re - ceive our prayer.
 Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on
 earth. For you a-lone are the Ho - ly One,

you a - lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the
 Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the
 Ho - ly Spir-it in the glo - ry of God the Fa-ther.
 Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on
 earth. Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M The Lord be with you.

C: And al - so with you.

M Let us pray. Almighty God, we thank you for planting in us the seed of your Word. By your Holy Spirit help us to receive it with joy and to bring forth fruits in faith and hope and love; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: A - men.

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON Deuteronomy 30:9-14

Since we have received an abundance of the Lord's gifts to us for heart, mouth, soul, and body, faithful people respond in generosity towards others in need.

DEUTERONOMY 30:9 Then the LORD your God will make you most prosperous in all the work of your hands and in the fruit of your womb, the young of your livestock and the crops of your land. The LORD will again delight in you and make you prosperous, just as he delighted in your fathers, ¹⁰ if you obey the LORD your God and keep his commands and decrees that are written in this Book of the Law and turn to the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul.

¹¹ Now what I am commanding you today is not too difficult for you or beyond your reach. ¹² It is not up in heaven, so that you have to ask, "Who will ascend into heaven to get it and proclaim it to us so we may obey it?" ¹³ Nor is it beyond the sea, so that you have to ask, "Who will cross the sea to get it and proclaim it to us so we may obey it?" ¹⁴ No, the word is very near you; it is in your mouth and in your heart so you may obey it.



DEUTERONOMY 30:14, NIV

PSALM

Psalm 25

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To you, O LORD, I lift | up my soul;*
in you I trust, | O my God.

Remember, O LORD, your great mer | cy and love,*
for they are | from of old.

Remember not the sins of my youth and my re | bellious ways;*
according to your love remember me, for you are | good, O LORD.

Refrain

Turn to me and be gra | cious to me,*
for I am lonely and af | flicted.

Look upon my affliction and | my distress*
and take away | all my sins.

Guard my life and | rescue me,*
for I take ref | uge in you.

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 Colossians 1:1-14

This lesson begins a series of four readings from Paul's letter to the congregation at Colossae. Spirit-worked appreciation for what was given to them in Christ Jesus led the Colossians to bear fruits of faith and love for the benefit of God's kingdom.

COLOSSIANS 1:1 Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother,

² To the holy and faithful brothers in Christ at Colosse:

Grace and peace to you from God our Father.

³ We always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, when we pray for you, ⁴ because we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love you have for all the saints-- ⁵ the faith and love that spring from the hope that is stored up for you in heaven and that you have already heard about in the word of truth, the gospel ⁶ that has come to you. All over the world this gospel is bearing fruit and growing, just as it has been doing among you since the day you heard it and understood God's grace in all its truth. ⁷ You learned it from Epaphras, our dear fellow servant, who is a faithful minister of Christ on our behalf, ⁸ and who also told us of your love in the Spirit.

⁹ For this reason, since the day we heard about you, we have not stopped praying for you and asking God to fill you with the knowledge of his will through all spiritual wisdom and understanding. ¹⁰ And we pray this in order that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and may please him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God, ¹¹ being strengthened with all power according to his glorious might so that you may have great endurance and patience, and joyfully ¹² giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the kingdom of light. ¹³ For he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, ¹⁴ in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

VERSE OF THE DAY

Alleluia. The Word is very near you; it is in your mouth and in your heart so you may obey it. Alleluia.



C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

After the announcement of the Gospel the congregation responds:



C: Glo-ry be to you, O Lord!

GOSPEL Luke 10:25-37

With the Good Samaritan, Jesus connects love for God with love for our neighbors.

LUKE 10:25 On one occasion an expert in the law stood up to test Jesus. “Teacher,” he asked, “what must I do to inherit eternal life?”

²⁶ “What is written in the Law?” he replied. “How do you read it?”

²⁷ He answered: “ ‘Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind’ ; and, ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’ ”

²⁸ “You have answered correctly,” Jesus replied. “Do this and you will live.”

²⁹ But he wanted to justify himself, so he asked Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?”

³⁰ In reply Jesus said: “A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, when he fell into the hands of robbers. They stripped him of his clothes, beat him and went away, leaving him half dead. ³¹ A priest happened to be going down the same road, and when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. ³² So too, a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. ³³ But a Samaritan, as he traveled, came where the man was; and when he saw him, he took pity on him. ³⁴ He went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he put the man on his own donkey, took him to an inn and took care of him. ³⁵ The next day he took out two silver coins and gave them to the innkeeper. ‘Look after him,’ he said, ‘and when I return, I will reimburse you for any extra expense you may have.’

³⁶ “Which of these three do you think was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of robbers?”

³⁷ The expert in the law replied, “The one who had mercy on him.”

Jesus told him, “Go and do likewise.”

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

After the reading of the Gospel the congregation responds:



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

CONFESSION OF FAITH – THE APOSTLES’ CREED

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

I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.
From there 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.



HYMN OF THE DAY

456 - Forth in Your Name, O Lord, I Go



1 Forth in your name, O Lord, I go, My dai - ly
2 Oh, let me cheer - ful - ly ful - fill The task your
3 May I find you at my right hand; Your eyes see
4 Give me to bear your eas - y yoke And ev - 'ry
5 For you I joy - ous - ly em - ploy What - ev - er



la - bor to pur - sue, De - ter - mined on - ly
wis - dom has as - signed And do your good and
tru - ly what I do, I la - bor on at
mo - ment watch and pray And still to things e -
you in grace have giv'n; I run my dai - ly



you to know In all I think or speak or do,
per - fect will— In all my works your pres - ence find!
your com - mand And of - fer all my works to you,
ter - nal look And has - ten to your glo - rious day,
course with joy And close - ly walk with you to heav'n.

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SERMON

Luke 10:30-37

Make the Good Samaritan Come to Life

1. Embody the Good Samaritan's attitude
2. Embody the Good Samaritan's actions

PRAISE AND PRAYER

RESPONSE TO THE WORD



C: Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
way from your pres - ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of your sal - va -
tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it. A - men.

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Brief silence

Heavenly Father, as You have loved us in Your Son, Jesus, grant us faith to love You with all our hearts, with all our souls, with all our minds, and to love our neighbors as ourselves, that our lives might bring glory to Your name and good into the world. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

As Your Son has had compassion on us and bound up our wounds, pouring on them the oil and the wine of His grace and mercy, grant us such compassion for the lost around us, that we might not pass them by but reach out to them with His love. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

As You have granted us to live in a nation where Your people may still gather without fear, bless our leaders with Your wisdom and guard us from the rising ungodliness in our land, that Your Gospel may be preached boldly and continue to bear fruit and grow. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

As You grant the length of days to many in our families and communities, You bless us with their wisdom and grant us the opportunity to live out Your love for them. Help us to rightly treasure them, and as they grow in weakness and need, deepen their trust in Your strength to bear and Your power to save. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

As You have revealed the depths of Your heart in the compassion-filled life of Your Son, You embolden us to bring before You the sick, the dying, the grieving and all those who suffer amongst us. [*Today we especially remember before You _____.*] In accord with Your good and gracious will, sustain, help and heal them. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

As Your Son has carried us through Baptism into the safety of the inn of His Church and provided for our continued care with the gifts of His body and blood, help us to abide in this place of refuge and to rightly rejoice in His gracious care. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Into Your hands, dear Father, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

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.

SERMON HYMN

524 - O Fount of Good, for All Your Love



1 O Fount of good, for all your love Our
2 But you have need - y broth - ers here, Par -
3 In their sad ac - cents of dis - tress Your
4 Then help us, Lord, your yoke to wear And
5 Your face with rev - 'rence and with love We



true thanks should be paid. What can we ren - der,
tak - ers of your grace, Whose names you will your -
plead - ing voice is heard; You may in them be
glad - ly do your will, Each oth - er's dai - ly
in the poor will view, And, while we min - is -



Lord, to you, When you own all that's made?
self con - fess Be - fore the Fa - ther's face.
clothed and fed And vis - it - ed and cheered.
bur - dens share, The law of love ful - fill.
ter to them, We do it as to you.

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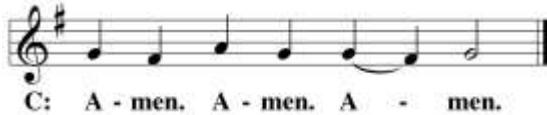
PRAYER AND BLESSING

M Blessed Lord, you have given us your Holy Scriptures for our learning. May we so hear them, read, learn, and take them to heart, that being strengthened and comforted by your holy Word, we may cling to the blessed hope of everlasting 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 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

490 – Love in Christ Is Strong and Living

1 Love in Christ is strong and liv - ing,
 2 Love is pa - tient and for - bear - ing,
 3 Love in Christ a - bides for - ev - er,

Bind - ing faith - ful hearts in one;
 Clothed in Christ's hu - mil - i - ty,
 Faint - ing not when ills at - tend;

Love in Christ is true and giv - ing—
 Gen - tle, self - less, kind, and car - ing,
 Love, for - giv - ing and for - giv - en,

May his will in us be done!
 Reach - ing out in char - i - ty,
 Shall en - dure un - til life's end.

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After worship, please feel free to stay and greet your neighbors.

**"Go and
do likewise."**

LUKE 10:37

