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Worship Gathering
1st Sunday of Epiphany
January 7, 2018

Gathering as the Body

Announcements / Call to Worship / Silence

Arise, shine! For your light has come (*repeat*)

The glory of the Lord is risen

The glory of the Lord has come

The glory of the Lord is risen upon you

Oh my God, shine your light on us, that we might live

Opening Prayers

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

**Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known,
and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our
hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may
perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Song: Hail to the Lord's Anointed

Hail to the Lord's anointed, great David's greater Son!

Hail in the time appointed, His reign on earth begun!

He comes to break oppression, to set the captive free,
To take away transgression, and rule in equity.

He comes in succor speedy to those who suffer wrong,
To help the poor and needy, and bid the weak be strong.
To give them songs for sighing, their darkness turn to light,
Whose souls, condemned and dying, are precious in His sight.

He shall come down like showers upon the fruitful earth,
Love, joy, and hope, like flowers, spring in His path to birth.
The tide of time shall never His covenant remove.
His Name shall stand forever, That Name to us is Love.

Blessing of the Children

————— *Listening for the Word* —————

Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

[sing together]:

Arise, shine! For your light has come (repeat)

Scripture Reading *Genesis 1:1-5*

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

[sing together]:

Oh my God, shine your light on us, that we might live (repeat)

Responsive Psalm Reading *Psalm 29*

Ascribe to the Lord, you heavenly beings,

ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name;

worship the Lord in the splendor of his holiness.

The voice of the Lord is over the waters;

the God of glory thunders,

the Lord thunders over the mighty waters.

The voice of the Lord is powerful;

the voice of the Lord is majestic.

The voice of the Lord breaks the cedars;

the Lord breaks in pieces the cedars of Lebanon.

He makes Lebanon leap like a calf,

Sirion like a young wild ox.

The voice of the Lord strikes
with flashes of lightning.

**The voice of the Lord shakes the desert;
the Lord shakes the Desert of Kadesh.**

The voice of the Lord twists the oaks
and strips the forests bare.

And in his temple all cry, "Glory!"

The Lord sits enthroned over the flood;
the Lord is enthroned as King forever.

**The Lord gives strength to his people;
the Lord blesses his people with peace.**

[sing together]:

**For the glory of the Lord is risen
The glory of the Lord has come
The glory of the Lord is risen upon you**

Scripture Reading *Acts 19:1-7*

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

[sing together]:

Oh my God, shine your light on us, that we might live

Gospel Reading *Mark 1:4-11*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

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The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

The Lord be with you

And also with you.

Prayers of the People

Jesus I thank you that you would rather love me than control me.
Teach me to stand with others like you do in _____.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Confession of Sin

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**Most merciful God,
we confess that 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 are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

Jesus Christ was baptized in the deep waters of death so that we might be buried and raised with him and have our sins washed away in the depths of God's mercy. Sisters and Brothers, your sins are forgiven; be at peace.

Welcoming One Another in Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Communing at the Table

Prayers Around the Table

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise!

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
 heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in the
 high - est! Bless-ed is he who comes in the name
 of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high -
 est! Ho - san - na in the high - est!

...Therefore we proclaim the mystery of our faith:

Christ has died! Christ is risen! Christ will come again!

...Because you are one with us, O Christ,
 make us one with you as we pray the prayer you taught us:

Our Fa - ther, who art in heav - en, Give us this day our dai - ly bread. And
 hal - low - ed be thy name, thy king - dom for - give us our tres - pas - ses, as we for -
 come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in give those who tres - pass a - gainst
 heav'n. us. And lead us not in to temp - ta - tion

but de - liv - er us from e - vil.
 For thine is the king - dom, and the
 pow - er, and the glo - ry, for - ev - er and
 ev - er. A - men.

...Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

All are welcome to come to the Lord's table. Come with open hands to receive the bread, dip it in the cup, and feed on Christ's presence, with thanksgiving.

If you are not a baptized Christian, come with your arms crossed over your chest to receive a blessing. (And let us know if you're interested in being baptized.)

Song: Through the Water

When God began creating, before the world took shape
 The Spirit hovered over the waters darkened face
Through the water to new life
You spoke the word and there was light
Through the water to new life
In all you make you take delight

When Moses led the people, to where the sea began
 Delivered now from slavery, they crossed upon dry land
Through the water to new life, A great sea wall on either side
Through the water to new life, Pharaoh's army put to flight

When John came to the river, to find the chosen one
 The Spirit dove descended, God said, "This is my Son."
Through the water to new life, with our sin identified
Through the water to new life, Christ to suffer, then to rise

Though sinful our beginning, we to the water come
Baptized into the name of, the Father, Spirit, Son
Through the water to new life
We're reborn and clothed with Christ
Through the water to new life, cleansed from sin and justified

Song: All Creatures

All creatures of our God and King
Lift up your voice and with us sing: Oh, praise Him, Alleluia
Thou burning sun with golden beam
Thou silver moon with softer gleam
Oh, praise Him, Oh, praise Him - Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Thou rushing wind that art so strong
Ye clouds that sail in heav'n along: Oh, praise Him, Alleluia
Thou rising moon in praise rejoice
Ye lights of evening find a voice
Oh, praise Him, Oh, praise Him - Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Let all things their creator bless
And worship Him in humbleness: Oh, praise Him, Alleluia
Praise, praise the Father praise the Son
And praise the Spirit three in one
Oh, praise Him, Oh, praise Him - Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Song: We Will Feast In The House Of Zion

We will feast in the house of Zion
We will sing with our hearts restored
He has done great things we will say together
We will feast and weep no more

We will not be burned by the fire, He is the Lord our God
We are not consumed by the flood upheld protected gathered up

In the dark of night before the dawn - My soul be not afraid
For the promised morning oh how long
Oh God of Jacob be my strength

Every vow we've broken and betrayed, You are the faithful one
And from the garden to the grave, bind us together bring shalom

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Sentness

**Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Sending & Blessing

Go now, with the divine word in your ears
assuring you that you are God's beloved children.
Live out the deep truth of your baptism
and tell others of the abundant life beyond the waters.

And may God, our beloved, give you strength;
May Christ Jesus fill you with his Holy Spirit;
And may the Holy Spirit strengthen you and bless you with peace.

In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
go in peace to love and serve the Lord,

Thanks be to God.

