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Worship Gathering
Second Sunday of Lent
February 25, 2018

Gathering as the Body

Announcements

Call to Worship / Silence

Opening Acclamation

Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

His mercy endures forever.

Collect for Purity

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.

Summary of the Law

Jesus said, "'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' This is the first and greatest commandment.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments"

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Trisagion Hymn

Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One
Have mercy, mercy, mercy upon us

Confession of Sin & Absolution

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.**

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.
Amen.

Song: Great Are You Lord

You give life, You are love, You bring light to the darkness
You give hope, You restore, every heart that is broken
Great are You, Lord

*It's Your breath in our lungs
So we pour out our praise, we pour out our praise
It's Your breath in our lungs
So we pour out our praise to You only*

And all the earth will shout Your praise
Our hearts will cry, these bones will sing
Great are You, Lord

Collect of the Day

The Lord is here.

And His Spirit is with us.

Let us pray.

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word, Jesus Christ your Son; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Blessing of the Children

Let's bless one another as we continue to worship:

Adults: **The Lord be with you as you worship**

Kids: **And also with you.**

Listening for the Word

Prayer for Illumination

Prepare our hearts, O God, to accept you Word. Silence in us any voices but your own, so that we may hear your Word and also do it; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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So we pour out our praise to You only

Scripture Reading *Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16*

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsive Psalm Reading *Psalms 22:23-31*

You who fear the Lord, praise him!

All you descendants of Jacob, honor him!

Revere him, all you descendants of Israel!

**For he has not despised or scorned
the suffering of the afflicted one;
he has not hidden his face from him
but has listened to his cry for help.**

From you comes the theme of my praise in the great assembly;
before those who fear you I will fulfill my vows.

**The poor will eat and be satisfied;
those who seek the Lord will praise him—
may your hearts live forever!**

All the ends of the earth will remember and turn to the Lord,
and all the families of the nations will bow down before him,
**for dominion belongs to the Lord
and he rules over the nations.**

All the rich of the earth will feast and worship;
all who go down to the dust will kneel before him—
those who cannot keep themselves alive.

**Posterity will serve him;
future generations will be told about the Lord.**

They will proclaim his righteousness,
declaring to a people yet unborn: He has done it!

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

Scripture Reading *Romans 4:13-25*

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Gospel Reading *Mark 8:31-38*

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

Lord Jesus, I confess my disappointment with _____.
Help me trust you to bring resurrection life as I take up my cross
and follow you. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

(Prayers for others and the world...)

Lord of love and light,

Hear us.

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Communing at the Table

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise him all creatures here below
Praise him above ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Amen

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:

(sung together)

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

...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:

(sung together)

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.

...Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast.

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: Hope

Hope, we will find our hope, we will find our hope

We will find our hope in You

Peace, we will find our peace, we will find our peace

We will find our peace in You

Song: Trust You

Father of heavenly lights, Fount of wisdom and love

All is laid bare in Your sight, You know my ways

I believe You will provide all I need in my life

I will not fear anymore, for I will ever

Trust You Jesus, trust You Jesus
Trust You with my life (repeat)

You hold the world in Your hands, God of mercy and might
Knew me before I was born, called me by name
How could I ever respond, but to fall and adore
I live to know You more, Lord I will ever

Let not the wise trust in their wisdom
Let not the strong boast in their might
Let not the rich glory in riches
I will trust You (I will ever...)

Song: Have Mercy On Me

The goodness of the Lord is the kindness of the Lord
With ev'ry breath we take, the gift of life and grace
The power of the Lord is the meekness of the Lord
Who bore humanity with brave humility

Let Your mercy flow through us, Your mercy, Your mercy
Let Your mercy flow through us, Your mercy, Your mercy

The beauty of the Lord is the suff'ring of the Lord
Is Christ upon a tree, stripped of dignity
The glory of the Lord is the mercy of the Lord
Gives life for us to see a new humanity

When they see us, may they see your mercy, Your mercy
When they know us, may they know your mercy, Your mercy

Bless the hands and feet, of those who serve in need
Of the broken and ashamed
Bless the weary soul, the Lord will make us whole
God, speak peace to those afraid
May the words we speak build a bridge for peace
Your loving kindness shows the way
Open up our doors, giving refuge for
All the weary and afraid

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Sending

**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.**

The Sending and Blessing

The worship is over! The service has begun!
Receive the benediction:

Go now, and live before God in openness and integrity.
Set your minds on the ways of God,
not clinging to your own life,
but taking up your cross and following Jesus.

And may God give you a share in the eternal covenant;
May Christ Jesus be proud of you when he comes in glory;
And may the Holy Spirit make you grow strong in faith
and lead you in the ways of righteousness.

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.

