

# THE DIVINE SERVICE

MARCH 11, 2018 – 9:30 AM

## PRELUDE

### PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

*This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all.* 1 John 1:5

## ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GREETING

# GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP HIM

## INTROIT

SALUTATION ..... MATTHEW 28:19

MINISTER: We are gathered in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

CALL TO WORSHIP ..... PSALM 99 & 100

MINISTER: Make a joyful shout to the Lord, all you lands!  
Serve the Lord with gladness;  
Come before His presence with singing.  
Know that the Lord, He is God.

PEOPLE: **It is He who has made us and not we ourselves;  
We are His people and the sheep of His pasture.**  
Enter into His gates with thanksgiving,  
And into His courts with praise.  
Be thankful to Him, and bless His name.  
**For the Lord is good; His mercy is everlasting,  
And His truth endures to all generations.**

Exalt the Lord our God,  
And worship at His holy hill;  
For the Lord our God is worthy.

\* PSALM OF APPROACH ..... Trinity Psalter

*Psalms 9:1-10*

PEOPLE: AMEN!

\* PRAYER OF ADORATION

VOWS OF MEMBERSHIP

*Scott & Jessica Martin*

# GOD DIRECTS US TO HIS TRUTH

\* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

THE APOSTLES' 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 Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick<sup>2</sup> and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic<sup>3</sup> church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen!**

<sup>1</sup>hades (i.e., death), <sup>2</sup>living, <sup>3</sup>universal

\* GLORIA PATRI

No. 735

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.**

\* SCRIPTURE READING ..... PSALM 8

ELDER: The grass withers and the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever.

Isaiah 40:8

PEOPLE: AMEN!

# GOD RENEWS US IN CHRIST

CONFESSION OF SIN

FROM PSALM 51

MINISTER: Let us now humbly confess our transgressions before our heavenly Father saying,

PEOPLE: **Have mercy upon us, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out our transgressions. For we are ever conscious of our transgressions and our sin.**

**Against you, you only, have we sinned and done what is evil in your sight; for you are just when you charge us, and right when you condemn us.**

**Purge us with hyssop and we shall be clean; wash us, and we shall be whiter than snow. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within us.**

**For you do not delight in sacrifices or we would give them. The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, these you will not despise.**

(SILENT CONFESSION)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

MINISTER: Now hear and embrace God's forgiveness as earned through the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, our savior:

*And you, who were dead in your trespasses, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross.* Col. 2:13-14

PEOPLE: AMEN!

\* HYMN OF THANKSGIVING ..... No. 172

*Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder*

PEOPLE: AMEN!

## GOD INVITES US TO JOYFUL SACRIFICE

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

\* DOXOLOGY ..... No. 731

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heav'nly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

THE LORD'S PRAYER ..... Matthew 6:9-13

**Our Father, which 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

## GOD FEEDS US FROM HIS WORD

\* THE SERMON TEXT ..... JOHN 8:12

MINISTER: This is the word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: AMEN!

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

## I AM THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD



## GOD FEEDS US AT HIS BANQUET TABLE

\* HYMN OF PRAISE ..... No. 107

*Praise Ye the Father!*

PEOPLE: AMEN!

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

## GOD BLESSES & SENDS US OUT

\* HYMN OF RESPONSE ..... No. 725

*The Lord's Prayer*

PEOPLE: AMEN!

\* BENEDICTION ..... NUMBERS 6:24-26

\* CONGREGATIONAL THREEFOLD AMEN ..... No. 740

## SUNDAY EVENING SERVICE

MARCH 11, 2018 – 6:00 PM

CALL TO WORSHIP

OPENING PRAYER

\* RESPONSIVE READING ..... PAGE 828

PSALM 117

\* PSALM 40:1-9 ..... Trinity Psalter

EVENING PRAYER

\* SERMON TEXT ..... PSALM 40

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

**O LORD, BE GRACIOUS TO ME**

BENEDICTION ..... 2 CORINTHIANS 13:14

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