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PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TEMPLE TALK

Elaine Novak

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit Calls us together as the people of God.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

In celebration of our baptism, we worship

In the name of God: Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit.

Amen.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS OF SINS

Let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

Water may be poured into the font as the presiding minister continues.

Merciful God,

you are the one who was, who is, and who is to come.

You lead us beside still waters.

We thank you for the waters of creation:

morning dew, gentle rain, roaring waves.

We thank you for the waters that nourish us (local waters may be named).

Blessed are you.

You guide us to springs of the water of life.

Jesus Christ, you are the faithful witness

who accompanies us on our journeys.

We give you thanks for your life-giving death and resurrection.

We praise you for joining us in joy and sorrow.

Blessed are you.

You guide us to springs of the water of life.

Holy Spirit, you anoint our head with oil and our cup overflows.
Break down barriers that divide us.
Fill us with the breath of peace.
Blessed are you.
You guide us to springs of the water of life.

Holy One, we thank you for the gifts and grace of baptism,
and for making us a new creation.
We join with saints and angels, giving you honor and praise,
now and forever.
Amen.

KYRIE

The musical score for the Kyrie is written in 2/4 time with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). It consists of three staves of music. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a 2/4 time signature. The lyrics are: "Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy. Se - ñor, ten pie - dad. Se - ñor, ten pie - dad." The second staff continues the lyrics: "Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Cris-to, ten pie - dad. Cris-to, ten pie - dad. Se -". The third staff concludes the lyrics: "Lord have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy. ñor, ten pie - dad. Se - ñor, ten pie - dad." The score includes vocal parts for Cantor and All/Todos, with lyrics written below the notes.

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CANTICAL OF PRAISE

Glo - ry to God in the
Glo - ria a Dios en el

high - est, and on earth peace to peo - ple of good
cie - lo, y en la tie - rra paz a los hom - bres que a - ma el Se -

will. We praise you, we bless you, we a -
ñor. Por tu in - men - sa glo - ria te a - la -

dore you, we glo - ri - fy you, we give you
ba - mos, te ben - de - ci - mos, te a - do - ra - mos,

thanks, we give you thanks for your great glo - ry,
te glo - ri - fi - ca - mos, te da - mos gra - cias, Se -

Lord God, heav - en - ly King, O God, al - might - y
ñor Dios, Rey ce - les - tial, Dios Pa - dre to - do - po - de -

Fa - ther. Lord Je - sus Christ, On - ly Be - got - ten Son,
ro - so. Se - ñor, Hi - jo ú - ni - co, Je - su - cris - to, Se -

Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - ther,
ñor Dios, Cor - de - ro de Dios, Hi - jo del Pa - dre; tú que

you take a - way the sins of the world, have mer - cy on
qui - tas el pe - ca - do del mun - do, ten pie - dad de no -

us; you take a-way the sins of the world, re-
so-tros; tú que qui-tas el pe-ca-do del mun-do, a-

ceive our prayer; you are seat-ed at the
tien-de nues-tra sú-pli-ca; tú que es-tás sen-ta-do a

right hand of the Fa-ther, have mer-cy on
la de-re-cha del Pa-dre, ten pie-dad de no-

us. For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One,
so-tros. Por-que só-lo tú e-res San-to,

you a-lone are the Lord, you a-lone are the Most High,
só-lo tú Se-ñor, só-lo tú Al-tí-si-mo,

Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it, in the
Je-su-cris-to, con el Es-pí-ri-tu San-to en la

glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A - men.
glo-ria de Dios Pa-dre. A - mén.

APOSTOLIC GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty and ever-living God, you hold together all things in heaven and on earth. In your great mercy receive the prayers of all your children, and give to all the world the Spirit of your truth and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

CELEBRATION OF BAPTISMAL ANNIVERSARIES

Dear God, thank you for the gift of *these children* being part of your family through *their* baptism. We are thankful for parental love and ask that you bless all of us today as we remember and celebrate baptism.

Amen.

Prayer is the way that we can talk with God. It is also a way for us to share joys and sorrows with each other. Parents and children will you pray together?

Yes, by the help of God!

Devotional times are opportunities for you and your child to share your faith, and a good way to grow in faith together. Reading Bible stories and having daily devotions will help both your child and your relationship. Parents and children will you have devotions together?

Yes, by the help of God!

Worship participation for you with your child is one of the promises made at Baptism. Do you attend regular worship together?

Yes, by the help of God!

Christian Education is essential for you and your child as you "provide for instruction in the Christian faith." The church will help you by providing Sunday School, Confirmation instruction, Youth Group, and Adult Classes. Parents will you and your child participate in Christian education?

Yes, by the help of God!

Service toward others is one way we grow in our new life in Christ and live out our faith. Parents, will you teach your child to serve and help serve others together?

Yes, by the help of God!

Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism:

Holy God,

holy and merciful,

holy and mighty,

you are the river of life,

you are the everlasting wellspring.

In mercy and might you have freed us from death and raised us with Jesus, the firstborn of the dead.

In baptismal waters our old life is washed away,
and in them we are born anew.

(Water may be poured into the font as the presiding minister continues)

Glory to you for oceans and lakes,
for rivers and streams.
Honor to you for waters that wash us clean,
quench our thirst, and nurture both crops and creatures.
Praise to you for the life-giving water of baptism,
the outpouring of the Spirit of the new creation.

**Wash away our sin and all that separates us from you.
Empower our witness to your resurrection.
Strengthen our resolve in seeking justice for all.**

Satisfy the world's need through this living water.
Where drought dries the earth, bring refreshment.
Where despair prevails, grant hope.
Where chaos reigns, bring peace.
We ask this through Christ,
who with you and the Spirit reigns forever.
Amen.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

THE FIRST READING FROM ACTS 17:22-31

²² Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, "Athenians, I see how extremely spiritual you are in every way. ²³ For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, 'To an unknown god.' What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. ²⁴ The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, ²⁵ nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. ²⁶ From one ancestor he made all peoples to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, ²⁷ so that they would search for God and perhaps fumble about for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. ²⁸ For 'In him we live and move and have our being'; as even some of your own poets have said,

'For we, too, are his offspring.'

²⁹ "Since we are God's offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold or silver or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. ³⁰ While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, ³¹ because he has fixed a day on which he will

have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.”

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

SPECIAL MUSIC

Sing A New Song

Alleluia Singers

THE SECOND READING FROM 1 PETER 3:13-22

¹³ Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? ¹⁴ But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, ¹⁵ but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you, ¹⁶ yet do it with gentleness and respect. Maintain a good conscience so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. ¹⁷ For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God’s will, than to suffer for doing evil. ¹⁸ For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit, ¹⁹ in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, ²⁰ who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight lives, were saved through water. ²¹ And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, ²² who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,
A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya,

al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,
a - le - lu - ya. A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia.
a - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu, a - le - lu - ya.

GOSPEL

Please stand as you are able for the reading of the Gospel.

The Holy Gospel according to John the 14th Chapter

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said to the disciples:] ¹⁵“If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. ¹⁷This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

¹⁸“I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. ¹⁹In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. ²⁰On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. ²¹They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me, and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN’S SERMON

Pastor Orin W. Cummings

SERMON

Pastor Orin W. Cummings

HYMN OF THE DAY

ELW 735

Mothering God, You Gave Me Birth



1 Moth - er - ing God, you gave me birth in the bright
2 Moth - er - ing Christ, you took my form, of - fer - ing
3 Moth - er - ing Spir - it, nur - t'ring one, in arms of



morn - ing of this world. Cre - a - tor, source of ev - 'ry
me your food of light, grain . . . of life, and grape of
pa - tience hold me close, so that in faith I root and



breath, you are my rain, my wind, my sun.
love, your ver - y bod - y for my peace.
grow un - til I flow'r, un - til I know.

Text: Jean Janzen, b. 1933; based on Julian of Norwich, c. 1342–c. 1413
Music: NORWICH, Carolyn Jennings, b. 1936
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APOSTLES' CREED

With the whole church, let us affirm our faith with the Apostles' Creed:

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

Please share a sign of God's peace with one another.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Trusting in the power of Christ's resurrection to heal and redeem our broken world, let us pray for the needs of all creation, and open our hearts to God's will.

A brief silence.

God of new life, you call us through the waters of baptism to be in relationship with you and one another. Guide the church and its leaders to proclaim Christ's righteousness throughout the world. Merciful God, receive our prayer.

You create the world and all that is in it. Shelter budding plants and young animals, provide unpolluted habitats and clean water, and raise up stewards for the environment. Merciful God, receive our prayer.

You set civil servants in the places where we live. Instill truth and equity among judges and lawyers, gentleness and courage among first responders, and peace among leaders of towns and nations, especially in the Middle East, Asia, Africa, Eastern Europe, and the Americas. Merciful God, receive our prayer.

You provide comfort in times of trouble. Heal those who are sick, shelter any who are unhoused, feed those undernourished, and accompany and console all who are lonely, bereaved, anxious, or ill especially Cody Stevenson, Susan Klockow, Pam Bergin, Jennifer, Mr. Broussard, Lynn, Radar, Bridget, Cheryl Lundberg, Gahan Fallone, Hudson Greer, Matthew Peterson, Allison Gregory, Edward Dykman, Tommy Brewer, Sally McCarville, Terry Touhey, Linden Cummings, Juanita Steinbaugh, Andrew Langr, Mark Krueger, Bob White, and Beverly Carlson. Merciful God, receive our prayer.

You are love and you desire that we love one another. As a mother hen cares for her chicks, bless all who provide motherly care in our lives, and inspire us to care for one another. Merciful God, receive our prayer.

God of new life, your steadfast love endures forever. Inspire us by the example of the faithful departed especially, Colleen Prosser, Lynda Minnick, Steve Moore, Kevin Darr, Morgan Cummings, and Deloris Needham who clung to your promises of life, forgiveness of sins, and salvation. Merciful God, receive our prayer.

God of resurrection power, use us and these prayers to proclaim the good news of new life to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.

Amen.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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 our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and ever living God. But chiefly we are bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of our Lord; for he is the true Passover Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin, who by his death has destroyed death, and by his rising has brought us to sternal life. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts.
San - to, San - to, San - to es el Se - ñor, Dios de U - ni - ver - so.
Heav - en and earth, heav - en and earth are full of your
Lle - nos es - tán el cie - lo y la tie - rra de tu
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
glo - ria. Ho - san - na en el cie - lo. Ben -
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
di - to el que vie - ne en nom - bre del Se - ñor. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
san - na en el cie - lo. Ho - san - na en el cie - lo.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:
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.

**Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever.
men.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come to the table of new life.
Receive the risen Lord.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

Cantor: *Assembly / Asamblea:*

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the
Cor - de - ro de Dios, que qui-tas el pe-ca-do del

To repeat *Cantor:*

world, have mer-cy on us.
mun-do, ten pie - dad de no - so-tros. Cor-

Last time *Cantor:*

us.
so - tros. Cor-

Assembly / Asamblea:

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world,
de - ro de Dios, que qui-tas el pe-ca-do del mun-do,

grant us peace, grant us peace.
da - nos la paz, da - nos la paz.

Oh, Sing to the Lord *Cantad al Señor*



1 *Can - tad al Se - ñor un cán - ti - co nue - vo.*
1 Oh, sing to the Lord, oh, sing God a new song.
2 For God is the Lord, and God has done won - ders.
3 So dance for our God and blow all the trum - pets.
4 Oh, shout to our God, who gave us the Spir - it.
5 For Je - sus is Lord! A - men! Al - le - lu - ia!



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For Je - sus is Lord! A - men! Al - le - lu - ia!



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Oh, sing to our God, oh, sing to our God.
Oh, sing to our God, oh, sing to our God.

Text: Brazilian folk song; tr. Gerhard M. Cartford, b. 1923, Spanish and English
Music: CANTAD AL SEÑOR, Brazilian folk tune
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Blest Be the Tie That Binds



1 Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Chris-tian love;
2 Be - fore our Fa - ther's throne we pour our ar - dent prayers;
3 We share our mu - tual woes, our mu - tual bur - dens bear,
4 From sor - row, toil, and pain, and sin we shall be free;



the u - ni - ty of heart and mind is like to that a - bove.
our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, our com - forts and our cares.
and of - ten for each oth - er flows the sym - pa - thiz - ing tear.
and per - fect love and friend - ship reign through all e - ter - ni - ty.

Text: John Fawcett, 1740–1817, alt.
Music: DENNIS, Johann G. Nägeli, 1773–1836, adapt.

TABLE BLESSING

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Holy One,
through this meal you have made your home among us
and are making all things new.
Send us now to speak peace to anxious hearts,
to love our enemies,
and to bring your healing to the nations.
In the name of Jesus,
Amen.

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

BLESSING

God Almighty, who is the beginning and the end,
Jesus Christ, the firstborn of the dead,
and the Spirit, our advocate and peace,
✠ bless you now and forever.
Amen.

SENDING HYMN

ELW 668

O Zion, Haste



1 O Zi - on, haste, your mis - sion high ful - fill - ing,
2 Pub - lish to ev - 'ry peo - ple, tongue, and na - tion
3 He comes a - gain! O Zi - on, ere you meet him,



to tell to all the world that God is light;
that God, in whom they live and move, is love;
make known to ev - 'ry heart his sav - ing grace;



that he who made all na - tions is not will - ing
tell how he stooped to save his lost cre - a - tion
let none whom he has ran - somed fail to greet him,



one soul should per - ish, lost in shades of night.
and died on earth that we might live a - bove.
through your ne - glect, un - fit to see his face.

Refrain



Pub - lish glad tid - ings, tid - ings of peace,



tid - ings of Je - sus, re - demp-tion, and re - lease.

Text: Mary A. Thomson, 1834–1923
Music: ANGELIC SONGS, James Walch, 1837–1901

MISSION STATEMENT

Guided by the Gospel, we:
Welcome all to worship;
Make disciples;
Hunger for ministry;
Nurture youth;
Gather resources for growing ministries;
Offer healing and care to all in need.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Praise the Lord. Alleluia!
Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

OFFERING

(Please place gifts in the plates as you leave)

POSTLUDE