



WORSHIP FOLDER

Welcome Home

Saturday, January 27th, 2024

5:00 pm

Welcome / Opening Hymn

"O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright"

[LSB #395...vs. 1 thru 4]

1. O Morning Star, how fair and bright! You shine with God's own truth and light,
Aglow with grace and mercy!
Of Jacob's race, King David's son, Our Lord and Master, You have won...
Our hearts to serve You only!
Lowly, holy! Great and glorious, All victorious, Rich in blessing!
Rule and might o'er all possessing!
2. Come, heav'nly Bridegroom, Light divine, And deep within our hearts now shine;
There light a flame undying!
In Your one body let us be As living branches of a tree,
Your life our lives supplying.
Now, though daily Earth's deep sadness May perplex us! And distress us,
Yet with heav'nly joy You bless us.
3. Lord, when You look on us in love, At once there falls from God above
A ray of purest pleasure.
Your Word and Spirit, flesh and blood Refresh our souls with heav'nly food.
You are our dearest treasure!
Let Your mercy Warm and cheer us! O, draw near us! For You teach us...
God's own love through You has reached us.

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4. Almighty Father, in Your Son You loved us when not yet begun
Was this old earth's foundation!
Your Son has ransomed us in love To live in Him here and above:
This is Your great salvation.
Alleluia! Christ the living, To us giving... Life forever,
Keeps us Yours and fails us never!

Invocation

P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son ✠, and of the Holy Spirit...

C: Amen.

Confession & Absolution

Pastor leads us in confession

Psalm for the Day - Psalm 45:1-7 [Cong. will join on selected verses]

P: My heart overflows with a pleasing theme;
I address my verses to the King;
my tongue is like the pen of a ready scribe.

C: **You are the most handsome of the sons of men;
grace is poured upon Your lips;
therefore God has blessed You forever.**

P: Gird Your sword on Your thigh, O mighty one,
in Your splendor and majesty!
In Your majesty ride out victoriously
for the cause of truth and meekness and righteousness;
let Your right hand teach You awesome deeds!

C: **Your arrows are sharp
in the heart of the King's enemies;
the peoples fall under You.
Your throne, O God, is forever and ever.**

P: The scepter of your kingdom is a scepter of uprightness;
you have loved righteousness and hated wickedness.

C: **Therefore God, Your God, has anointed You
with the oil of gladness beyond Your companions;**

P: Your robes are all fragrant with myrrh and aloes and cassia.
From ivory palaces stringed instruments make You glad.

Prayer of the Day

Old Testament Reading

- Deuteronomy 18:15-19

... "The LORD your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among you, from your brothers -- it is to him you shall listen -- just as you desired of the LORD your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly, when you said, 'Let me not hear again the voice of the LORD my God or see this great fire any more, lest I die.' And the LORD said to me, 'They are right in what they have spoken. I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their brothers. And I will put my words in his mouth, and he shall speak to them all that I command him. And whoever will not listen to my words that he shall speak in my name, I myself will require it of him.

Hymn Response

"O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright"

[LSB #395...vs. 5 and 6]



O let the harps break forth in sound! Our joy be all with music crowned,
Our voices gladly blending!
For Christ goes with us all the way -- Today, tomorrow, ev'ry day!
His love is never ending!
Sing out! Ring Out! Jubilation! Exultation! Tell the story!
Great is He, the King of glory!

What joy to know, when life is past, The Lord we love is first and last,
The end and the beginning!
He will one day, oh glorious grace, Transport us to that happy place
Beyond all tears and sinning!
Amen! Amen! Come, Lord Jesus! Crown of gladness! We are yearning...
For the day of Your returning.

Gospel

- Mark 1:21-27 (please rise)

... And they went into Capernaum, and immediately on the Sabbath He entered the synagogue and was teaching. And they were astonished at His teaching, for He taught them as one who had authority, and not as the scribes. And immediately there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit. And he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are -- the Holy One of God." But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!"

And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying out with a loud voice, came out of him.

And they were all amazed, so that they questioned among themselves, saying, "What is this? A new teaching with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey Him." And at once His fame spread everywhere throughout all the surrounding region of Galilee.

Hymn for the Day

"O Savior, Precious Savior"

[LSB #527]

1. O Savior, precious Savior, Whom yet unseen we love;
O name of might and favor, All other names above;
We worship Thee; we bless Thee; To Thee, O Christ, we sing;
We praise Thee and confess Thee, Our holy Lord and King.
2. O Bringer of salvation, Who marv-'lously hast wrought,
Thyself the revelation Of love beyond our thought:
We worship Thee; we bless Thee; To Thee, O Christ, we sing;
We praise Thee and confess Thee, Our gracious Lord and King.
3. In Thee all fullness dwelleth, All grace and pow'r divine;
The glory that excelleth, O Son of God, is Thine,
We worship Thee; we bless Thee; To Thee, O Christ, we sing;
We praise Thee and confess Thee, Our glorious Lord and King.
4. Oh, grant the consummation Of this our song above
In endless adoration And everlasting love;
Then shall we praise and bless Thee Where perfect praises ring
And evermore confess Thee, Our Savior and our King!

The Message

"Jesus... an Un-Likely God!!"

Receiving the Offering / Hymn Response

"When to Our World the Savior Came" [LSB #551 - selected vs... Leader alone on 1st vs.]

(Leader) *When to our world the Savior came
The sick and helpless heard His Name,
And in their weakness longed to see
The healing Christ of Galilee.*

(ALL) **His praises then were heard and sung
By opened ears and loosened tongue,
While lightened eyes could see and know
The healing Christ of long ago.**

**Of long ago: yet living still,
Who died for us on Calv'ry's hill;
Who triumphed over cross and grave,
His healing hands stretched forth to save.**

**His sovereign purpose still remains
Who rose in pow'r, and lives and reigns;
Till every tongue confess His praise,
The healing Christ of all our days.**

Prayers of the Church

Apostles' Creed

**C: 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 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**And 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.**

Lord's Prayer

**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.**

Benediction & Closing Hymn

"Jesus Has Come and Brings Pleasure" [LSB #533...vs. 1, 3 and 4]

1. Jesus has come and brings pleasure eternal,
Alpha, Omega, Beginning and End;
Godhead, humanity, union supernal,
O great Redeemer, You come as our friend!
Heaven and earth, now proclaims this great wonder:
Jesus has come and brings pleasure eternal!
3. Jesus has come as the mighty Redeemer.
See now the threatening strong one disarmed!
Jesus breaks down all the walls of death's fortress,
Brings forth the pris'ners triumphant, unharmed.
Satan, you wicked one, own now your master!
Jesus has come! He, the mighty Redeemer!
(please rise)
4. Jesus has come as the King of all glory!
Heaven and earth, O declare His great pow'r,
Capturing hearts with the heavenly story;
Welcome Him now in this fast fleeting hour!
Ponder His love! Take the crown He has for you!
Jesus has come! He, the King of all glory

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