

## Service of Worship

**Preparing for worship**—For our spiritual edification and for the benefit of one another, let us spend the time before worship in silent preparation, meditation, and prayer, reading Scripture and familiarizing ourselves with today's Scripture readings, prayers, and hymns.

Leader: The Lord be with you!  
**People: The Lord bless you!**

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRAYER REQUESTS

PRELUDE

### God Calls Us

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 150:1-6

Leader: Let us rise and worship God! In the name of the Father, of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen!**

† INTROIT *O Come, O Come Emmanuel*

O come, O come, Emmanuel, And ransom captive Israel,  
That mourns in lonely exile here Until the Son of God appear.  
*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.*

O come, Thou Wisdom from on high, Who orderest all things mightily;  
To us the path of knowledge show, And teach us in her ways to go.  
*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.*

† PRAYER OF ADORATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

RESPONSIVE PSALM Psalm 2  
Why do the nations rage, And the people plot a vain thing?

**The kings of the earth set themselves,  
And the rulers take counsel together,**

Against the Lord and against His Anointed, saying,  
“**Let us break Their bonds in pieces And cast away Their cords from us.**”  
He who sits in the heavens shall laugh;

**The Lord shall hold them in derision.**

Then He shall speak to them in His wrath,  
**And distress them in His deep displeasure:**

“Yet I have set My King On My holy hill of Zion.”  
“I will declare the decree: The Lord has said to Me,

**‘You are My Son, Today I have begotten You.**

Ask of Me, and I will give You The nations for Your inheritance,  
**And the ends of the earth for Your possession.**

You shall break them with a rod of iron;  
**You shall dash them to pieces like a potter's vessel.’”**

Now therefore, be wise, O kings; Be instructed, you judges of the earth.  
**Serve the Lord with fear, And rejoice with trembling.**

Kiss the Son, lest He be angry, And you perish in the way,  
When His wrath is kindled but a little.

**Blessed are all those who put their trust in Him.**

Leader: O Lord, give ear to our prayers.  
**People: Light the darkness of our hearts, Christ Jesus!**

† PSALM OF APPROACH Psalm 138a

### God Cleanses Us

CONFESSION OF SIN (*Let those who are able kneel*)

Leader: Let us humbly kneel and confess our sins to Almighty God:

**People: Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred, and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against thy holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and there is no health in us. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent, according to thy promise declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we, being defended from fear of our enemies, may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of thy holy Name. Amen!**

Leader: Arise, and hear the good news!

ASSURANCE OF PARDON Acts 10:42-43

Leader: Brothers and sisters, your sins are forgiven and your lives are rescued in our Lord Jesus Christ and His victory over the grave. Believe this, and rejoice!



Leader: Lift up your hearts!  
**People: We lift them up to the Lord!**  
Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God!  
**People: It is proper and right to do so.**

### God Consecrates Us

† FIRST READING Deuteronomy 8:7-18

† SECOND READING 2 Corinthians 9:6-15

Leader: The Word of the Lord—  
**People: Thanks be to God!**

PASTORAL PRAYER

† SERMON TEXT 1 John 2:3-6

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON *The Proof of Our Profession*  
Mr. Ron White

† HYMN OF RESPONSE # 172 – Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder

### God Communes With Us

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good!  
**People: And His mercy endures forever!**

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S TABLE  
Passing of the Bread # 98 – Now Thank We All Our God  
Passing of the Wine # 429 – Let Thy Blood in Mercy Poured

Leader: The Body and Blood of our Lord strengthen and preserve you steadfast in the true faith until life everlasting, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen!**

† GLORIA PATRI # 735

† CONFESSION 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 Spirit, 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 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.**

**Amen!**

### God Commissions Us

† BENEDICTION

‡ DOXOLOGY

† The congregation will please stand  
‡ With hands uplifted

