

Service of Worship

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRAYER REQUESTS

God Calls Us

CALL TO WORSHIP I Chronicles 16:28-30a

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

INTROIT # 604 – Rejoice All Ye Pure in Heart

† PRAYER OF ADORATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

RESPONSIVE PSALM Psalm 18:1-19

I love you, O Lord, my strength.

**The Lord is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer,
my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge,**

He is my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.

**I call upon the Lord, who is worthy to be praised,
and I am saved from my enemies.**

The cords of death encompassed me;
the torrents of destruction assailed me;

**The cords of Sheol entangled me;
the snares of death confronted me.**

In my distress I called upon the Lord;
to my God I cried for help.

**From his temple he heard my voice,
and my cry to him reached his ears.**

Then the earth reeled and rocked;
the foundations also of the mountains trembled and quaked,
because he was angry.

**Smoke went up from his nostrils,
and devouring fire from his mouth;
glowing coals flamed forth from him.**

He bowed the heavens and came down;
thick darkness was under his feet.

**He rode on a cherub and flew;
he came swiftly on the wings of the wind.**

He made darkness his covering, his canopy around him,
thick clouds dark with water.

**Out of the brightness before him hailstones
and coals of fire broke through his clouds.**

The Lord also thundered in the heavens,
and the Most High uttered his voice, hailstones and coals of fire.

**And he sent out his arrows and scattered them;
he flashed forth lightnings and routed them.**

Then the channels of the sea were seen,
and the foundations of the world were laid bare

at your rebuke, O Lord, at the blast of the breath of your nostrils.

He sent from on high, he took me; he drew me out of many waters.

He rescued me from my strong enemy

and from those who hated me, for they were too mighty for me.

They confronted me in the day of my calamity,
but the Lord was my support.

**He brought me out into a broad place;
he rescued me, because he delighted in me.**

Leader: O Lord, give ear to our prayers.

People: **Light the darkness of our hearts, Christ Jesus!**

† HYMN OF APPROACH # 682 – In Thee, O Lord, I Put My Trust

God Cleanses Us

CONFESSION OF SIN

Leader: Let us humbly kneel and confess our sins to Almighty God:
(Those who are able kneel)

Leader: O God, whose chosen dwelling is a heart that longs for Your presence and humbly seeks Your love:

People: **We come to You to acknowledge and confess that we have sinned in thought, word and deed; We have not loved You with our whole heart, soul, mind and strength; Nor have we loved our neighbors as ourselves. Deepen within us our sorrow for the wrong we have done, and for the good we have left undone. But You, O Lord, are gracious and full of compassion. You are slow to anger and abounding in mercy, and there is forgiveness with You. Restore to us the joy of Your salvation; Bind up that which is broken; Give light to our minds; Give strength to our wills and rest to our souls. Let Your Word abide with us and work in us Your holy will. Amen!**

Leader: Arise, and hear the good news!

ASSURANCE OF PARDON Micah 7:18-20

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!



fff Hal-le - lu-jah! Praise to God the Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit.



Glo-ry to You, O Lord, both now and for-ev - er. Hal - le - lu - jah!

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 2 Timothy 2:14-26

† SECOND READING Titus 2:1-8

Leader: The Word of the Lord—

People: **Thanks be to God!**

PASTORAL PRAYER

† SERMON TEXT 1 Timothy 3:2

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON

Part 4: The Elder as Teacher
Pastor Jay Barfield

† HYMN OF RESPONSE # 411 – Shine Thou upon Us, Lord

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

Psalm 98a (verses 1-3)

Passing of the Wine

Psalm 98a (verses 4-7)

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 Nicene Creed*

**We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
and of all things visible and invisible.**

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds; God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God; begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made. Who, for us men and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; and He shall come again, with glory, to judge the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life; who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets.

And we believe one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.

Amen!

God Commissions Us

† BENEDICTION

‡ DOXOLOGY

† The congregation will please stand

‡ With hands uplifted

