

Soli Deo Gloria

To God Alone be the Glory



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Order of Worship

Call to Worship & Prayer of Praise

Psalm 97

The LORD reigns, let the earth rejoice;
let the many coastlands be glad!

**Clouds and thick darkness are all around him;
righteousness and justice are the foundation of
his throne.**

Fire goes before him
and burns up his adversaries all around.

**His lightnings light up the world;
the earth sees and trembles.**

The mountains melt like wax before the LORD,
before the Lord of all the earth.

**The heavens proclaim his righteousness,
and all the peoples see his glory.**

All worshipers of images are put to shame,
who make their boast in worthless idols;
worship him, all you gods!

**Zion hears and is glad,
and the daughters of Judah rejoice,
because of your judgments, O LORD.**

For you, O LORD, are most high over all the earth;
you are exalted far above all gods.

**O you who love the LORD, hate evil!
He preserves the lives of his saints;
he delivers them from the hand of the wicked.**

Light is sown for the righteous,
and joy for the upright in heart.

**Rejoice in the LORD, O you righteous,
and give thanks to his holy name!**

Hymns of Praise

JOYFUL, JOYFUL, WE ADORE THEE (*Hymn #13*)

Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee, God of glory, Lord of love;
Hearts unfold like flowers before Thee, opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away.
Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day!

All Thy works with joy surround Thee, earth and heaven reflect Thy rays.
Stars and angels sing around Thee, center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain, flowery meadow, flashing sea,
Chanting bird and flowing fountain call us to rejoice in Thee!

Thou art giving and forgiving, Ever blessing, ever blessed,
Wellspring of the joy of living, Ocean depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ our Brother, All who live in love are Thine;
Teach us how to love each other, Lift us to the joy divine.

COME THOU FOUNT (*Hymn #98*)

Come, Thou Fount of every blessing, Tune my heart to sing Thy grace.
Streams of mercy, never ceasing, Call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet, Sung by flaming tongues above;
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it. Mount of Thy redeeming love.

Here I raise mine Ebenezer; Hither by Thy help I'm come.
And I hope, by Thy good pleasure, Safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger; Wandering from the fold of God;
He, to rescue me from danger, Interposed His precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor Daily I'm constrained to be!
Let Thy grace, Lord, like a fetter, Bind my wandering heart to Thee;
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, Prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart, Lord, take and seal it; Seal it for Thy courts above.

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Scripture Reading

1 JOHN 1:5 – 2:11

⁵ 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. ⁶ If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. ⁷ But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. ⁸ If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. ⁹ If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. ¹⁰ If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

2 My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. ² He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world. ³ And by this we know that we have come to know him, if we keep his commandments. ⁴ Whoever says "I know him" but does not keep his commandments is a liar, and the truth is not in him, ⁵ but whoever keeps his word, in him truly the love of God is perfected. By this we may know that we are in him: ⁶ whoever says he abides in him ought to walk in the same way in which he walked.

⁷ Beloved, I am writing you no new commandment, but an old commandment that you had from the beginning. The old commandment is the word that you have heard. ⁸ At the same time, it is a new commandment that I am writing to you, which is true in him and in you, because the darkness is passing away and the true light is already shining. ⁹ Whoever says he is in the light and hates his brother is still in darkness. ¹⁰ Whoever loves his brother abides in the light, and in him there is no cause for stumbling. ¹¹ But whoever hates his brother is in the darkness and walks in the darkness, and does not know where he is going, because the darkness has blinded his eyes.

Prayer of Confession

Hymn of Response

THERE IS A FOUNTAIN (*Hymn #224*)

There is a fountain filled with blood drawn from Immanuel's veins;
And sinners, plunged beneath that flood, lose all their guilty stains;
Lose all their guilty stains, lose all their guilty stains;
And sinners, plunged beneath that flood, lose all their guilty stains;

The dying thief rejoiced to see that fountain in his day;
And there may I, though vile as he, wash all my sins away;
Wash all my sins away, wash all my sins away;
And there may I, though vile as he, wash all my sins away.

Dear dying Lamb, Thy precious blood shall never lose its power
Till all the ransomed church of God be saved, to sin no more;
Be saved, to sin no more, be saved, to sin, no more;
Till all the ransomed church of God be saved, to sin no more.

E'er since by faith I saw the stream Thy flowing wounds supply,
Redeeming love has been my theme, and shall be till I die;
And shall be till I die, and shall be till I die;
Redeeming love has been my theme, and shall be till I die.

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Scripture Reading

JOHN 1:1-13

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ² He was in the beginning with God. ³ All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made. ⁴ In him was life,^[a] and the life was the light of men. ⁵ The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

⁶ There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. ⁷ He came as a witness, to bear witness about the light, that all might believe through him. ⁸ He was not the light, but came to bear witness about the light.

⁹ The true light, which gives light to everyone, was coming into the world. ¹⁰ He was in the world, and the world was made through him, yet the world did not know him. ¹¹ He came to his own,^[b] and his own people^[c] did not receive him. ¹² But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God, ¹³ who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.

2 CORINTHIANS 4:1-6

Therefore, having this ministry by the mercy of God,^[a] we do not lose heart. ² But we have renounced disgraceful, underhanded ways. We refuse to practice^[b] cunning or to tamper with God's word, but by the open statement of the truth we would commend ourselves to everyone's conscience in the sight of God. ³ And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. ⁴ In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. ⁵ For what we proclaim is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, with ourselves as your servants^[c] for Jesus' sake. ⁶ For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

SERMON

“JESUS: THE TRUE LIGHT OF MEN”

I. JESUS – THE WORD OF GOD (John 1:1-5, 14-18)

A. The Divine Nature of the Word

- E_____ with the F_____ and F_____ God

B. The Divine Work of the Word

- The C_____ of All T_____
- The G_____ of L_____ & L_____

II. JESUS – THE TRUE LIGHT OF MEN (John 1:5-13)

A. The Light of *Knowledge* (Ps. 90:8; 2 Cor. 4:1-6, John 3:16-21)

- Revealing God’s G_____ and G_____
- Exposing Our S_____ and S_____

B. The Light of *Salvation* (Num.6:24-26; Ps. 27; 1 John 1:5-2:2)

- Bearing God’s C_____ and W_____ for us
- Bringing God’s B_____ and J_____ to us

C. The Light of *Hope & Glory* (Is. 9:2-7; 60; John 3:16-21)

- Saving us from D_____ and D_____
- Giving us E_____ L_____

III. WHAT WE DO WITH THE LIGHT

A. We *Walk* in the Light (1 John 1:5-10)

- Let us C_____ our S_____

B. We *Follow* the Light (John 1:6-13; 8:12)

- Let us R_____ & R_____ our S_____

C. We *Abide* in the Light (1 John 2:7-11)

- Let us L_____ our B_____

Hymn of Response

IN CHRIST ALONE (*Hymn #506*)

In Christ alone my hope is found. He is my light, my strength, my song;
This Cornerstone, this solid Ground, Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace, When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My Comforter, my All in All, here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone! Who took on flesh, Fullness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love and righteousness, Scorned by the ones He came to save;
Till on that cross as Jesus died, The wrath of God was satisfied;
For every sin on Him was laid; here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay, Light of the world by darkness slain;
Then bursting forth in glorious day...Up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory Sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
For I am His and He is mine, Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the power of Christ in me.
From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.
No power of hell, no scheme of man Can ever pluck me from His hand;
Till He returns or calls me home; Here in the power of Christ I'll stand!

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Missions Moment

Pregnancy Care Center

Prayers of the Church

Doxology & Dedication of Tithes & Offerings

Closing Hymn

REVIVE US AGAIN (*Hymn #493*)

We praise Thee, O God! For the Son of Thy love,
For Jesus Who died, and is now gone above.:

Hallelujah! Thine the glory.

Hallelujah! Amen.

Hallelujah! Thine the glory.

Revive us again.

We praise Thee, O God, for Thy Spirit of light
Who hath shown us our Savior and scattered our night.

All glory and praise to the Lamb that was slain,
Who has taken our sins, and has cleansed every stain.

Revive us again; Fill each heart with Thy love;
May each soul be rekindled with fire from above

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Benediction