



...AND THE *grace*
OF OUR LORD
overflowed FOR ME
WITH THE FAITH AND LOVE THAT ARE IN
CHRIST JESUS.

-1 TIMOTHY 1:14

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Welcome and Greeting

Please Stand

Call to Worship

- P** Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised! One generation will commend His works to another.
- C** We will speak of His awesome deeds and declare His greatness
- P** The Lord is near to all who call on Him and He upholds all who are falling.
- C** Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised!
- P** We make our beginning in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen!

802 Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise



1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,
3 To all life Thou giv - est— to both great and small—
4 Great Fa - ther of glo - ry, pure Fa - ther of light,



In light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
Nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, Thou rul - est in might;
In all life Thou liv - est, the true Life of all;
Thine an - gels a - dore Thee, all veil - ing their sight;



Most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
Thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove
We blos - som and flour - ish as leaves on the tree
All laud we would ren - der: O help us to see



Al - might - y, vic - to - rious, Thy great name we praise.
Thy clouds which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
And with - er and per - ish— but naught chang - es Thee.
'Tis on - ly the splen - dor of light that hides Thee.

Confession of Sin

- P** God's word is true! In His great love He has claimed us as His own! Dear friends, we are children of God, but we still struggle to think, speak or act the way God has called us. However, He promises that when we're honest and confess our failures, He forgives us and cleanses us from all that makes us unholy. So, we pause now to reflect on our need for His mercy and forgiveness before we confess our sin.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

Prayer of Confession

- P** Let us pray:
- C** **Almighty God, we realize that even though through faith in Jesus we have new life in You, our lives don't always reflect who we are in Christ. We have sinned against You by what we have done and also by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart and we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of Your Son, we humbly ask that You forgive us. Send us the power of Your Holy Spirit so we can grow more fully into who You created us to be in Christ. Amen.**

Assurance of Faith

- P** Friends, hear the good news and believe! Almighty God, in His mercy, has given us His only Son, Jesus Christ to die for us and for His sake, forgives us all our sins! We have been redeemed and set free! Thanks be to God!
- C** **Hallelujah, we are forgiven! Hallelujah, we are set free!**

Please be seated

Hymn of Praise Video: "The Power of the Cross" by Casting Crowns

Prayer of the Day

Please be seated

1 Timothy 1:5-7, 12-17

The aim of our charge is love that issues from a pure heart and a good conscience and a sincere faith. Certain persons, by swerving from these, have wandered away into vain discussion, desiring to be teachers of the law, without understanding either what they are saying or the things about which they make confident assertions.

I thank him who has given me strength, Christ Jesus our Lord, because he judged me faithful, appointing me to his service, though formerly I was a blasphemer, persecutor, and insolent opponent. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the

world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost. But I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display his perfect patience as an example to those who were to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Please Stand

Luke 15:1-10

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the fifteenth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

Now the tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to hear Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes grumbled, saying, “This man receives sinners and eats with them.”

So he told them this parable: “What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he has lost one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the open country, and go after the one that is lost, until he finds it? And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and his neighbors, saying to them, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.’ Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

“Or what woman, having ten silver coins, if she loses one coin, does not light a lamp and sweep the house and seek diligently until she finds it? And when she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.’ Just so, I tell you, there is joy before the angels of God over one sinner who repents.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

I 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 His 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 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 at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I 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 I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Please be seated

686 Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing



1 Come, Thou Fount of ev - 'ry bless - ing, Tune my heart to
 2 Here I raise my Eb - en - e - zer, Hith - er by Thy
 3 Oh, to grace how great a debt - or Dai - ly I'm con -
 4 Oh, that day when freed from sin - ning, I shall see Thy



sing Thy grace; Streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing,
 help I've come; And I hope, by Thy good plea - sure,
 strained to be; Let that grace now like a fet - ter
 love - ly face; Clothed then in the blood - washed lin - en,



Call for songs of loud - est praise. While the hope of end - less
 Safe - ly to ar - rive at home. Je - sus sought me when a
 Bind my wan - d'ring heart to Thee: Prone to wan - der, Lord, I
 How I'll sing Thy won - drous grace! Come, my Lord, no long - er



glo - ry Fills my heart with joy and love, Teach me
 strang - er, Wan - d'ring from the fold of God; He, to
 feel it; Prone to leave the God I love. Here's my
 tar - ry; Take my ran - som'd soul a - way; Send Thine



ev - er to a - dore Thee; May I still Thy good - ness prove.
 res - cue me from dan - ger, In - ter - posed His pre - cious blood.
 heart, O take and seal it, Seal it for Thy courts a - bove.
 an - gels soon to car - ry Me to realms of end - less day.

SERMON:
MERCY WITH PURPOSE
TIMOTHY 1:5-7, 12-17

Please Stand

955 Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful

Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, And fill to the brim our
cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were
sown, That we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the
hopes and the dreams of all; U - nite them with the prayers we
of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with Your pres - ence, and
give us A fore - taste of the feast to come.

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Prayer of the Congregation

- A** Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** hear our prayer.

The Lord's Prayer

Malotte

Our Fa - ther which art in Hea - ven hal - low - ed be Thy name.
Thy king - dom come Thy will be done on Earth as it is in Hea - ven.

Give us this day our dai - ly bread and for - give us our debts as we for - give our
 debt - ors and lead us not in to temp - ta - tion but de - li - ver us from e - vil for
 Thine is the King - dom and the po - wer and the glo - ry for - e - ver A - men

Please remain standing

Words of the Institution

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

Please be seated

Video During Communion: "Communion Song" by Jonathan Stockstill and Bethany

Continuous Distribution by Pastor

(Family units come forward to receive the elements and take them to their seats. Please wait to eat and drink until instructed.)

All Receive the Sacrament together

(Pastor will indicate when to take the wafer and then the cup.)

Thank the Lord

C Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev - 'ry-one what
 He has done. Let ev - 'ry-one who seeks the Lord re -
 joice and proud - ly bear His name. He re - calls His prom - is -
 es and leads His peo - ple forth in joy with shouts of thanks -



Benediction

895 Now Thank We All Our God



1 Now thank we all our God With hearts and hands and voic - es,
2 Oh, may this boun-teous God Through all our life be near us,
△ 3 All praise and thanks to God The Fa - ther now be giv - en,



Who won-drous things has done, In whom His world re - joic - es;
With ev - er joy - ful hearts And bless - ed peace to cheer us
The Son, and Him who reigns With them in high - est heav - en,



Who from our moth - ers' arms Has blest us on our way
And keep us in His grace And guide us when per - plexed
The one e - ter - nal God, Whom earth and heav'n a - dore;



With count - less gifts of love And still is ours to - day.
And free us from all ills In this world and the next!
For thus it was, is now, And shall be ev - er - more.

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Dismissal

P Go in peace, serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God!

Please be seated and please wait for the ushers to dismiss you.

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