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Experiencing Christ's Love

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Call to Worship

P The coming of Christ brings the love of God's presence into our midst!

C **We sing praises to God for the salvation Christ brings to us!**

P Because of Christ, the weak are strengthened, the fearful are encouraged, and the sinful are redeemed!

C **God comes to us in Christ to walk with us, so we come to praise and worship our Lord and Savior.**

P We gather in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen!**

349 Hark the Glad Sound



1 Hark the glad sound! The Sav - ior comes, The Sav - ior
2 He comes the pris - 'ners to re - lease, In Sa - tan's
3 He comes the bro - ken heart to bind, The bleed - ing
4 Our glad ho - san - nas, Prince of Peace, Thy wel - come



prom - ised long; Let ev - 'ry heart pre - pare a
bond - age held. The gates of brass be - fore Him
soul to cure, And with the trea - sures of His
shall pro - claim, And heav'n's e - ter - nal arch - es



throne And ev - 'ry voice a song.
burst, The i - ron fet - ters yield.
grace To en - rich the hum - ble poor.
ring With Thy be - lov - ed name.

Text: Philip Doddridge, 1702–51 Tune: Thomas Haweis, 1734–1820 Text and tune: Public domain

Confession and Absolution

P In the season of Advent, we are called to be people of hope – hopeful for the coming Messiah, the promised One of God. This is a season of waiting, but not passively. We wait and prepare with eager expectations. As we prepare for Christ to come, let us be truthful with God and acknowledge our own sin. We pause to reflect on our need for God's mercy again today.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination

Prayer of Confession

P Let us pray,

C **Father God, we confess that we have tried to hide from You, if not physically, certainly spiritually. We have lived for ourselves in many ways. We have**

skirted opportunities to bear the burdens of others and have turned away from the needs we've seen. We have not loved You fully, nor our neighbors as You have commanded. In Your mercy, forgive our sin, and free us from this attitude of selfishness and indifference. We ask this in the name of our Lord, Jesus. Amen

Assurance of Faith

P Friends, God sent His only begotten Son, Jesus to deliver His mercy and grace to us. Out of His amazing love, we are fully forgiven and set free to live our lives with joy and thanksgiving. We are indeed forgiven, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen! Come, Lord Jesus!

Song of Praise Video: "In Christ Alone" by Mercy Me

Prayer of the Day

Please be seated

Titus 2:11-15

For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people, training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age, waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for himself a people for his own possession who are zealous for good works.

Declare these things; exhort and rebuke with all authority. Let no one disregard you.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Please stand

Luke 1:5-25, 57-66

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

C Glory to You, O Lord

In the days of Herod, king of Judea, there was a priest named Zechariah, of the division of Abijah. And he had a wife from the daughters of Aaron, and her name was Elizabeth. And they were both righteous before God, walking blamelessly in all the commandments and statutes of the Lord. But they had no child, because Elizabeth was barren, and both were advanced in years.

Now while he was serving as priest before God when his division was on duty, according to the custom of the priesthood, he was chosen by lot to enter the temple of the Lord and burn incense. And the whole multitude of the people were praying outside at the hour of incense. And there appeared to him an angel of the Lord standing on the right side of the altar of incense. And Zechariah was troubled when he saw him, and fear fell upon him. But the angel said to him, “Do not be afraid, Zechariah, for your prayer has been heard, and your wife Elizabeth will bear you a son, and you shall call his name John. And you will have joy and gladness, and many will rejoice at his birth, for he will be great before the Lord. And he must not drink wine or strong drink, and he will be filled with the Holy Spirit, even from his mother’s womb. And he will turn many of the children of Israel to the Lord their God, and he will go before him in the spirit and power of Elijah, to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, to make ready for the Lord a people prepared.”

And Zechariah said to the angel, “How shall I know this? For I am an old man, and my wife is advanced in years.” And the angel answered him, “I am Gabriel, who stands in the presence of God, and I was sent to speak to you and to bring you this good news. And behold, you will be silent and unable to speak until the day that these things take place, because you did not believe my words, which will be fulfilled in their time.” And the people were waiting for Zechariah, and they were wondering at his delay in the temple. And when he came out, he was unable to speak to them, and they realized that he had seen a vision in the temple. And he kept making signs to them and remained mute. And when his time of service was ended, he went to his home.

After these days his wife Elizabeth conceived, and for five months she kept herself hidden, saying, “Thus the Lord has done for me in the days when he looked on me, to take away my reproach among people.”

Now the time came for Elizabeth to give birth, and she bore a son. And her neighbors and relatives heard that the Lord had shown great mercy to her, and they rejoiced with her. And on the eighth day they came to circumcise the child. And they would have called him Zechariah after his father, but his mother answered, “No; he shall be called John.” And they said to her, “None of your relatives is called by this name.” And they made signs to his father, inquiring what he wanted him to be called. And he asked for a writing tablet and wrote, “His name is John.” And they all wondered. And immediately his mouth was opened and his tongue loosed, and he spoke, blessing God. And fear came on all their neighbors. And all these things were talked about through all the hill country of Judea, and all who heard them laid them up in their hearts, saying, “What then will this child be?” For the hand of the Lord was with him.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ**

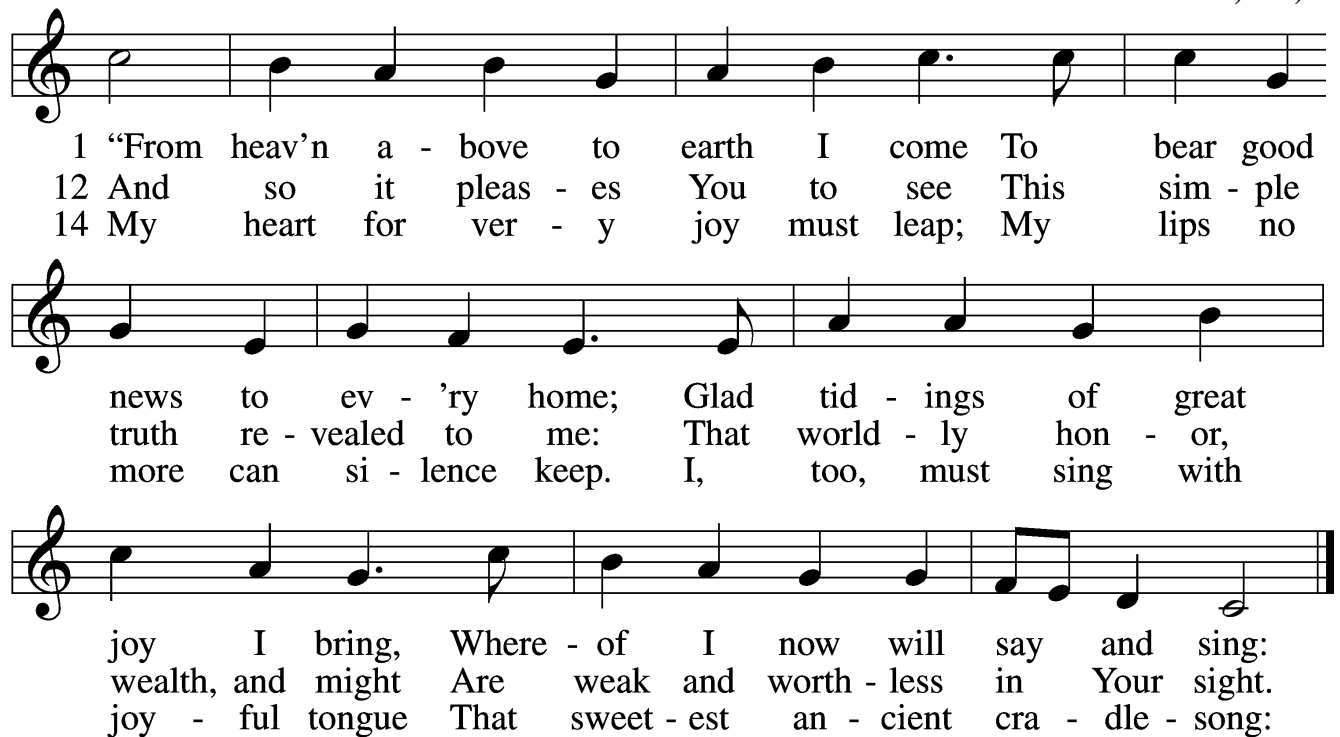
Apostles' Creed

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, 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 there He will come to judge the living and the dead. 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.

Please be seated

358 From Heaven Above to Earth I Come

sts. 1, 12, 14



1 "From heav'n a - bove to earth I come To bear good
12 And so it pleas - es You to see This sim - ple
14 My heart for ver - y joy must leap; My lips no
news to ev - 'ry home; Glad tid - ings of great
truth re - vealed to me: That world - ly hon - or,
more can si - lence keep. I, too, must sing with
joy I bring, Where - of I now will say and sing:
wealth, and might Are weak and worth - less in Your sight.
joy - ful tongue That sweet - est an - cient cra - dle - song:

Text: Martin Luther, 1483–1546; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt.

Tune: Geistliche lieder, Leipzig, 1539, ed. Valten Schumann

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SERMON: THE GREAT SENDING (TITUS 2:11-15)

Please Stand

783 Take My Life and Let It Be

sts. 1, 3, 6



1 Take my life and let it be Con-se - crat - ed, Lord, to Thee;
3 Take my voice and let me sing Al-ways, on - ly for my King;
6 Take my love, my Lord, I pour At Thy feet its trea - sure store;



Take my mo-ments and my days, Let them flow in cease-less praise.
Take my lips and let them be Filled with mes - sag - es from Thee.
Take my-self, and I will be Ev - er, on - ly, all for Thee.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–79 Tune: William H. Havergal, 1793–1870
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Prayer of the Congregation

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

The 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

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: "Amazing Love" by Mercy Me

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

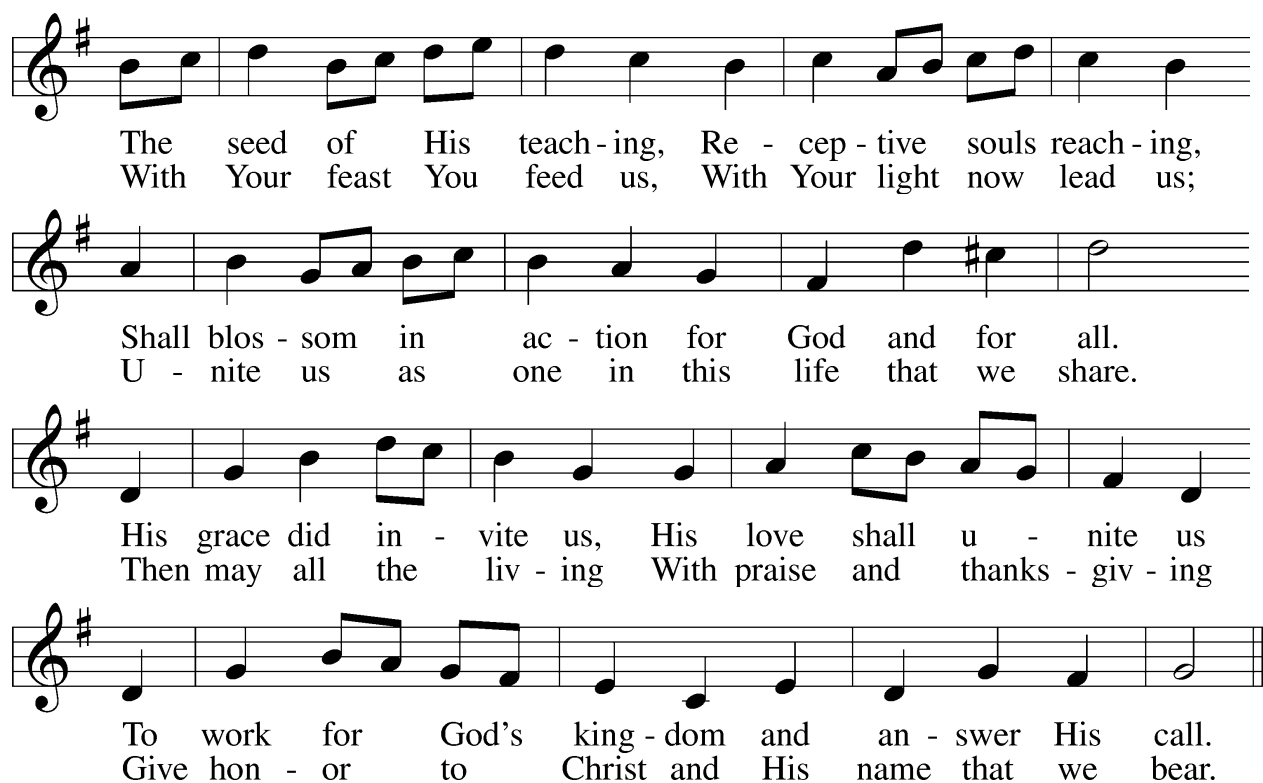
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C Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what
He has done. Let ev - 'ry-one who seeks the Lord re -
joice and proud - ly bear His name. He re-calls His prom-is-
es and leads His peo - ple forth in joy with shouts of thanks -
giv - ing.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

Benediction

643 Sent Forth by God's Blessing

1 Sent forth by God's bless-ing, Our true faith con - fess-ing,
2 With praise and thanks - giv - ing To God ev - er - liv - ing,
The peo - ple of God from His dwell - ing take leave.
The tasks of our ev - 'ry - day life we will face.
The Sup - per is end - ed. O now be ex - tend - ed
Our faith ev - er shar - ing, In love ev - er car - ing,
The fruits of this ser - vice in all who be - lieve.
Em - brac - ing His chil - dren of each tribe and race.



The seed of His teach - ing, Re - cep - tive souls reach - ing,
With Your feast You feed us, With Your light now lead us;
Shall blos - som in ac - tion for God and for all.
U - nite us as one in this life that we share.
His grace did in - vite us, His love shall u - nite us
Then may all the liv - ing With praise and thanks - giv - ing
To work for God's king - dom and an - swer His call.
Give hon - or to Christ and His name that we bear.

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Tune: Welsh

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Dismissal

P Go in peace, serve the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God!**

Please be seated and wait for the ushers to dismiss you

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