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- Thank you for joining us for worship today. We pray that your time here in worship is uplifting as it strengthens your faith.

Pre-Service: Gathered Together (Julida Polka)

Gathered together, loving each other
Singing and praying, Lord God our Father
Bless us and guide us; teach us, unite us.
These things we ask Lord, please God forgive us.

Chorus: Holy God, Holy God, Father, Spirit, Son
 Holy God, Holy God, three persons all in one.
 Prayers and sacrifice, Your blood, it was the price.
 Holy God, Holy God, You're the one for us.

Accept our gifts Lord and our salutations.
In your name offered from this congregation.
We all are brothers praying for others
For our salvation to Your heavenly home. *Repeat Chorus*

Pre-Service: The People of God Come Rejoicing In

Chorus: The people of God come rejoicing in,
 Renewed and restored and redeemed from sin.
 We lift up our hearts as our prayers begin;
 Your people come to sing alleluia.

We come to celebrate Your love for us
With dancing melody,
Recalling all Your promises and all we hope to be;
We're Your adopted sons and daughters now,
Forgiven, loved and free,
And so Your people sing alleluia.

Chorus: The people of God come rejoicing in,
 Renewed and restored and redeemed from sin.
 We lift up our hearts as our prayers begin;
 Your people come to sing alleluia.

Pre-Service:

Let the Son Shine In

Joyful hope, love of God, and smiling faces,
Is the heritage we have as sons of God
Christ has risen to new life,
Put an end to death and strife,
Now we celebrate as one and sons of God.

Chorus: So let the Son shine in,
 Share Christ with your neighbor,
 And happiness will never leave your heart.
 So let the Son shine in,
 Shake hands with your neighbor,
 And happiness will never leave your heart.

On the job, in your home, or at a party
People wishing all their friends the peace of Christ
Happy feeling in the air,
Forget your troubles and your cares,
And join all those who share the peace of Christ. *Repeat Chorus:*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Opening Song: It's Time to Praise Our Savior

Lift up your voices, the worship begins.
It's time to praise our Savior.
Death is defeated, our sins are forgiv'n.
It's time to praise our Savior.
Thanksgiving, confession, we come as we are.
We find a gracious welcome.
Everybody sing together
And lift your voices to praise our Savior.



INVOCATION

P In the name of the Father and of the ✝ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

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

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

Psalmody: Psalm 116 (Blue Skirt Waltz)

I've had some sad times, oh Lord
Thank you for hearing me
I call on your name, oh Lord
Closer You come to me
Tears in my eyes, You've heard my cries
Watching so constantly
I will live for you oh Lord
Thank You for saving me.

KYRIE

P Lord, have mercy upon us.

C **Christ, have mercy upon us.**
Lord, have mercy upon us.

Hymn of Praise: Joy, Joy, Joy

- 1 I've got that joy, joy, joy, joy down in my heart,
Down in my heart, down in my heart,
I've got that joy, joy, joy, joy down in my heart
Down in my heart to stay.

Chorus: And I'm so happy, so very happy
I've got the love of Jesus in my heart. Repeat

- 2 I've got that peace that passes understanding, down in my heart.
Down in my heart, down in my heart,
I've got that peace that passes understanding
Down in my heart, down in my heart to stay. *Chorus*

- 3 I know the devil doesn't like it but it's down there to stay,
Down there to stay, down there to stay.
I know the devil doesn't like it but it's down there to stay.
Down in my heart to stay. *Chorus*

- 4 I've got the wonderful love of my blessed Redeemer
Way down in the depths of my heart,
Down in the depths of my heart, down in the depths of my heart.
I've got the wonderful love of my blessed Redeemer
Way down in the depths of my heart,
Down in my heart to stay. *Chorus*

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray. O God, our refuge and strength, the author of all godliness, hear the devout prayers of Your Church, especially in times of persecution, and grant that what we ask in faith we may obtain; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Genesis 50:15–21

When Joseph's brothers saw that their father was dead, they said, "It may be that Joseph will hate us and pay us back for all the evil that we did to him." So they sent a message to Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this command before he died, 'Say to Joseph, Please forgive the transgression of your brothers and their sin, because they did evil to you.' And now, please forgive the transgression of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. His brothers also came and fell down before him and said, "Behold, we are your servants." But Joseph said to them, "Do not fear, for am I in the place of God? As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good, to bring it about that many people should be kept alive, as they are today. So do not fear; I will provide for you and your little ones." Thus he comforted them and spoke kindly to them.

R This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE

Romans 14:1–12

As for the one who is weak in faith, welcome him, but not to quarrel over opinions. One person believes he may eat anything, while the weak person eats only vegetables. Let not the one who eats despise the one who abstains, and let not the one who abstains pass judgment on the one who eats, for God has welcomed him. Who are you to pass judgment on the servant of another? It is before his own master that he stands or falls. And he will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make him stand. One person esteems one day as better than another, while another esteems all days alike. Each one should be fully convinced in his own mind. The one who observes the day, observes it in honor of the Lord. The one who eats, eats in honor of the Lord, since he gives thanks to God, while the one who abstains, abstains in honor of the Lord and gives thanks to God. For none of us lives to himself, and none of us dies to himself. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord. So then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, that he might be Lord both of the dead and of the living.

Why do you pass judgment on your brother? Or you, why do you despise your brother? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God; for it is written,

"As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me,
and every tongue shall confess to God."

So then each of us will give an account of himself to God.

R This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 18:21–35

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the eighteenth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

Peter came up and said to [Jesus], "Lord, how often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "I do not say to you seven times, but seventy times seven.

"Therefore the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. When he began to settle, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents. And since he could not pay, his master ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made. So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' And out of pity for him, the master of that servant released him and forgave him the debt. But when that same servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii, and seizing him, he began to choke him, saying, 'Pay what you owe.' So his fellow servant fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' He refused and went and put him in prison until he should pay the debt. When his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their master all that had taken place. Then his master summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. And should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?' And in anger his master delivered him to the jailers, until he should pay all his debt. So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Pre-Sermon Song: I Saw the Light

1. I wandered so aimless, life filled with sin.
I wouldn't let my dear Savior in.
Then Jesus came like a stranger in the night.
Praise the Lord! I saw the light!

Chorus: I saw the light; I saw the light.
No more darkness, no more night!
Now I'm so happy, no sorrow in sight.
Praise the Lord! I saw the light!

2. Just like a blind man I wandered along;
Worries and fears I claimed for my own.
Then like the blind man that God gave back his sight,
Praise the Lord! I saw the light! *Chorus*

3. I was a fool to wander and stray;
Straight is the gate and narrow the way.
Now I have traded the wrong for the right.
Praise the Lord! I saw the light! *Chorus*

SERMON

APOSTLES' CREED

P God has made us His people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

C **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 thence 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.

Pre-Prayer Song: Take My Hand, Precious Lord

1. Precious Lord, take my hand
Lead me on, help me stand
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn
Through the storm, through the night
Lead me on to the light
Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home
2. When my way grows more drear
Precious Lord, linger near
When my last breath of life soon is gone
Hear my cry, hear my call
Hold my hand lest I fall
Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home
3. When the darkness appears
And the night draweth near
When the daylight has dimmed and long gone
At the river I stand
Guide my feet, hold my hand
Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home
4. Precious Lord, take my hand
Lead me on, help me stand
I am tired, I am weak, feel alone
Through the storm, through the night
Lead me on to the light
Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home

Prayer of the Church

P Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Various petitions, silent or spoken, will now be prayed, each petition ending:

P Lord, in Your mercy, **C** **hear our prayer.**

LORD'S PRAYER (Matthew 6:9–13)

P Lord remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray;

C **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.**

BENEDICTION: Go Now in Peace (Over Three Hills)

1. Go now in peace, Oh Lord, we pray.
God is with you, all night and day.
Go now in faith, stand straight and tall.
He will guide you in all you do.
2. It is Your love, Oh Christ, alone
That gives us strength and fills our hearts
With love and grace from up above
And brings Your heavenly peace to all.

DISMISSAL

P Go in peace as you serve the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God!**

CLOSING SONG: I'll Fly Away

1. Some glad morning when this life is o'er, I'll fly away;
To a home on God's celestial shore, I'll fly away.
Refrain: I'll fly away, O glory, I'll fly away;
When I die, hallelujah, by and by, I'll fly away
2. When the shadows of this life have gone, I'll fly away;
Like a bird from prison bars has flown, I'll fly away. *Refrain*
3. Just a few more weary days and then, I'll fly away;
To a land where joys shall never end, I'll fly away. *Refrain*

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