WELCOME AND SHARING OF THE PEACE

OPENING HYMN

by Jonas Mirin, Matt Redman 10,000 Reasons (Bless The Lord)

Chorus:

Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul, Worship His holy name; sing like never before O my soul, I'll worship Your holy name.

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning, It's time to sing Your song again; Whatever may pass, and whatever lies before me, Let me be singing when the evening comes. *Chorus*

You're rich in love, and You're slow to anger, Your name is great and Your heart is kind; For all Your goodness I will keep on singing, Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find. *Chorus*

And on that day when my strength is failing, The end draws near and my time has come; Still my soul will sing Your praise unending, Ten thousand years and then forevermore! *Chorus (2x)*

Worship Your holy name, Lord, I'll worship Your holy name.

Sing like never before, O my soul, I'll worship Your holy name, Worship Your holy name, Lord, I'll worship Your holy name.

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INVOCATION, CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

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- **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.
- But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.
- P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- 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.

INTROIT Psalm 68:1–4

- P God shall arise, his enemies shall be scattered;
- and those who hate him shall flee before him!
- P As smoke is driven away, so you shall drive them away;
- as wax melts before fire, so the wicked shall perish before God!
- P But the righteous shall be glad; they shall exult before God;
- C they shall be jubilant with joy!
- **P** Sing to God, sing praises to his name;
- lift up a song to him who rides through the deserts; his name is the Lord; All: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; As it was in the beginning is now, and will be forever. Amen.
- P God shall arise, his enemies shall be scattered:
- and those who hate him shall flee before him!

SALUTATION & COLLECT

P The Lord be with you.

G And also with you.

FIRST READING Acts 1:1–11

P This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

Ephesians 1:15–23

P This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SONG

by Paul Baloche **Open The Eyes Of My Heart, Lord**

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord, Open the eyes of my heart; I want to see You, I want to see You.

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord, Open the eyes of my heart; I want to see You, I want to see You.

1 To see You high and lifted up, Shining in the light of Your glory. Pour out Your power and love; As we sing holy, holy, holy.

Holy, holy, holy, Holy, holy, holy; Holy, holy, holy, I want to see You. Holy, holy, holy, Holy, holy, holy; Holy, holy, holy, I want to see You. 2 To see You high and lifted up, Shining in the light of Your glory. Pour out Your power and love; As we sing holy, holy, holy.

Holy, holy, holy, holy, holy; You are holy, holy, holy, I want to see You.

Holy, holy, holy, holy, holy; You are holy, holy, holy, I want to see You.

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GOSPEL LESSON Luke 24:44-53

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, chapter 24.
- Glory to You, O Lord.
- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to You. O Christ.

THE 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 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.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SERMON HYMN by Jaroslav J. Vajda Up Through Endless Ranks of Angels LSB 491

- Cries of triumph in His ears, To His heav'nly throne ascending, Having vanguished all their fears, Christ looks down upon His faithful, Leaving them in happy tears.
- 2 Death-destroying, life-restoring, Proven equal to our need. Now for us before the Father As our brother intercede: Flesh that for our world was wounded. Living, for the wounded plead.
- 1 Up through endless ranks of angels, 3 To our lives of wanton wandering Send your promised spirit-guide, Through our lives of fear and failure With your power and love abide: Welcome us, as You were welcomed, To an endless eastertide.
 - 4 Alleluia, alleluia, Oh, to breathe the spirit's grace! Alleluia, alleluia, Oh, to see the Father's face! Alleluia, alleluia, Oh, to feel the Son's embrace!

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SERMON AND PRAYER

OFFERINGS

PRAYER FOR OUR GRADUATES

Kaylee Carpenter – South Grand Prairie High School, Grand Prairie

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Calvin Garcia - Uplift North Hills Preparatory High School, Irving

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Concordia Seminary, St Louis, MO

Jarrett Pleasant - Magnolia High School, Magnolia, TX

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH Each petition ends with:

- P Lord in Your mercy
- Hear our prayer.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

- **P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
- 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

CLOSING HYMN

The Head That Once Was Crowned with Thorns

LSB 532 v. 1-2, 6

The Head that once was crowned with thorns Is crowned with glory now; A royal diadem adorns The mighty Victor's brow.

The highest place that heav'n affords Is His, is His by right, The King of kings and Lord of lords, And heav'n's eternal Light;

The cross He bore is life and health. Though shame and death to Him: His people's hope, His people's wealth, Their everlasting theme.

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