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**P**RELUDE

WELCOME

GATHERING SONG

OPEN THE EYES OF MY HEART

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

To see You high and lifted up; shining in the light of your glory. Pour out your power and love, as we sing holy, want to see You.

Repeat at direction of musicians.

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father, and of the  $\oplus$  Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

#### Amen.

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.** 

Gathered in the presence of God and each other, let us confess our sin.

## Silence is kept for reflection

#### Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the 4 Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

## GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray -

Almighty and merciful God, we implore you to hear the prayers of your people. Be our strong defense against all harm and danger, that we may live and grow in faith and hope, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.



## CHILDREN'S SERMON

Reading: Lamentations 3:22-33

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never come to an end;
 they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.
 The Lord is my portion," says my soul, "therefore I will hope in him."

<sup>25</sup>The LORD is good to those who wait for him, to the soul that seeks him.

<sup>26</sup>It is good that one should wait quietly

for the salvation of the LORD.

27 It is good for one to bear

the yoke in youth,
<sup>28</sup>to sit alone in silence
when the Lord has imposed it,

<sup>29</sup>to put one's mouth to the dust (there may yet be hope),

<sup>30</sup>to give one's cheek to the smiter, and be filled with insults.

<sup>31</sup>For the Lord will not reject forever.

<sup>32</sup>Although he causes grief, he will have compassion according to the abundance of his steadfast love;

<sup>33</sup>for he does not willingly afflict or grieve anyone.

PSALM: PSALM 30

<sup>1</sup>I will extol you, O LORD, for you have drawn me up, and did not let my foes rejoice over me.

<sup>2</sup>O LORD my God, I cried to you for help, and you have healed me.

<sup>3</sup>O LORD, you brought up my soul from Sheol, restored me to life from among those gone down to the Pit.

<sup>4</sup>Sing praises to the LORD, O you his faithful ones, and give thanks to his holy name.
<sup>5</sup>For his anger is but for a moment; his favor is for a lifetime.
Weeping may linger for the night, but joy comes with the morning.

<sup>6</sup>As for me, I said in my prosperity,
"I shall never be moved."

<sup>7</sup>By your favor, O LORD,
you had established me as a strong mountain;
you hid your face;
I was dismayed.

<sup>8</sup>To you, O LORD, I cried, and to the LORD I made supplication: <sup>9</sup>"What profit is there in my death, if I go down to the Pit? Will the dust praise you? Will it tell of your faithfulness? <sup>10</sup>Hear, O LORD, and be gracious to me! O LORD, be my helper!"

<sup>11</sup>You have turned my mourning into dancing; you have taken off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy,
<sup>12</sup>so that my soul may praise you and not be silent.
O LORD my God, I will give thanks to you forever.

READING: 2 CORINTHIANS 8:7-15

<sup>7</sup>Now as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in utmost eagerness, and in our love for you—so we want you to excel also in this generous undertaking.

<sup>8</sup>I do not say this as a command, but I am testing the genuineness of your love against the earnestness of others. <sup>9</sup>For you know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. <sup>10</sup>And in this matter I am giving my advice: it is appropriate for you who began last year not only to do something but even to desire to do something—<sup>11</sup>now finish doing it, so that your eagerness may be matched by completing it according to your means. <sup>12</sup>For if the eagerness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has—not according to what one does not have. <sup>13</sup>I do not mean that there should be relief for others and pressure on you, but it is a question of a fair balance between <sup>14</sup>your present abundance and their need, so that their abundance may be for your need, in order that there may be a fair balance. <sup>15</sup>As it is written,

"The one who had much did not have too much, and the one who had little did not have too little."

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL: MARK 5:21-43

The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the 5th chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.** 

<sup>21</sup>When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered around him; and he was by the sea. <sup>22</sup>Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet <sup>23</sup>and begged him repeatedly, "My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live." <sup>24</sup>So he went with him.

And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. <sup>25</sup>Now there was a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years. <sup>26</sup>She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. <sup>27</sup>She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, <sup>28</sup>for she said, "If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well." <sup>29</sup>Immediately her hemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. <sup>30</sup>Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, "Who touched my clothes?" <sup>31</sup>And his disciples said to him, "You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, 'Who touched me?'" <sup>32</sup>He looked all around to see who had done it. <sup>33</sup>But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. <sup>34</sup>He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease."

<sup>35</sup>While he was still speaking, some people came from the leader's house to say, "Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?" <sup>36</sup>But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, "Do not fear, only believe." <sup>37</sup>He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. <sup>38</sup>When they came to the house of the leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. <sup>39</sup>When he had entered, he said to them, "Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping." <sup>40</sup>And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside, and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him, and

went in where the child was. <sup>41</sup>He took her by the hand and said to her, "Talitha cum," which means, "Little girl, get up!" <sup>42</sup>And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. <sup>43</sup>He strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

The Gospel of our Lord.

Praise to you O Christ

**S**ERMON

Hymn Messiah

Verse 1

Someone's shouting from the desert. Someone's shouting from the sea Someone's shouting from the mountain. Someone's shouting from the valley

Chorus:

Mes-si-ah, Messiah come and be our King. Mes-si-ah, Messiah come and be our King.

Verse 2

Someone's shouting from the city, "I am young and I am cold." Someone's shouting from the country, "I am lonely, I am old."

Repeat Chorus

Verse 3

Someone's shouting, "I am broken." Someone's shouting "make me whole." Someone's shouting "Come and save me." Someone's shouting "Save my soul."

Repeat Chorus

Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.

On the third day he rose again;

he ascended into heaven,

he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

## Prayers of Intercession

Response to "Lord in your mercy" is "hear our prayer." If you would like to add a prayer petition, email it to Pastor Aleese at pastor@shepherdofthecross.org

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always! And also with you!

Congregation is invited to share a sign of peace with others. Pull out your cell phones and send a text and/or a picture to someone, sharing the peace of Christ with them as well!



OFFERING

J-O-Y DOWN IN MY HEART

J-O-Y, down in my heart, deep deep down in my heart (repeat)
Jesus put it there, and nothing can destroy it, destroy it, destroy it! ARGH!
J-O-Y, down in my heart, deep, deep down in my heart

OFFERING PRAYER

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Words of Institution

## LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

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.

## COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

Congregation is invited to receive the sacrament communally with the entire congregation or within their family units. If you are worshipping on your own, hear the words proclaimed by Pastor Aleese as God's Word of promise is spoken to you. All are welcome to share in God's feast given to us in love.

#### COMMUNION SONG

SANCTUARY

Verse 1
Lord prepare me, to be a sanctuary
Pure and holy, tried and true
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living,
Sanctuary, for you.

Verse 2

Lord renew me, you see right through me. Sins departed from my soul. With thanksgiving, I'll be a living, Sanctuary, for you.

Verse 3

When the Lord comes, with shouts of glory And our work here, on earth is done How I long to, to hear you saying Faithful servant, well done.

FATHER, I ADORE YOU

Father, I adore you, Lay my life before you How I love you

Jesus...

Spirit...

Three in one...

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

| SENDING  |  |
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## BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy.
The Lord look upon you with favor, and + give you peace.
Amen.

## SENDING SONG

TRADING My Sorrows

#### Verse

I'm trading my sorrows, I'm trading my shame; I'm laying them down, for the joy of the Lord! I'm trading my sickness, I'm trading my pain; I'm laying them down for the joy of the Lord!

#### Chorus

We say, "Yes Lord, yes Lord, yes, yes, Lord. Yes Lord, yes Lord, yes, yes, Lord. Yes Lord, yes Lord, yes, yes, Lord. Amen."

## Bridge

I am pressed but not crushed, persecuted not abandoned, Struck down but not destroyed.

I am blessed beyond the curse for his promise will endure, That his joy's gonna be my strength.

Though the sorrow may last for the night,
His joy comes with the morning.

# Repeat verse and chorus

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### DISMISSAL

You are the body of Christ, raised up for the world. Go with peace, and go with courage, as the Spirit empowers you, to share the good news.

Thanks be to God!

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