

Service for the Lord's Day
January 22, 2023
We Gather to Worship God

Introit **“Invocation”**

Welcome, Announcements and Mission Statement

*The Passing of the Peace
The Peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
And also with you.

***Call to Worship**

Come out of the shadows and into God's light!
We will not play hide and seek, but will make a pilgrimage to God's heart.

Lay down all which is a burden to you!
We will give our fears to God, who is our help in every moment.
Follow the One who will lead you to new life!
We long to live in God's presence every day of our lives.

Prayer of Adoration

***Hymn #169** **“Dear Lord and Father of Mankind”**

Unison Prayer for Forgiveness

We admit, God our Light, that we do indeed try to tear Christ apart - a piece of him here to support our politics, a part of him to undergird our economic views, the rest of him to bolster our fears of others. We could leave immediately to follow him, but need to wait until we see where he might lead us. We want you to look upon us with favor always, but have no trouble turning our backs on those around us.

Hear us, God our Deliverer, as we speak of our failures! Have mercy on us, we appeal to you, have mercy! May your love become the core of our hearts, may your compassion become the

words we speak, may your hope illuminate the ways in which we serve others, even as we seek to follow the One who calls us to new life, Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

Silence is observed for a moment of personal confession

Assurance of Pardon

God is our help, so why should we be afraid? God keeps us safe, there is nothing to dread! This is good news for all of us.

Sheltered in God's gracious heart of mercy and love, we raise shouts of joy: thanks be to God, we are forgiven! Amen.

*Congregational Response

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, Amen**

God's Word to Us

Special Music: “Beneath the Cross of Jesus”

Moment for Children

Prayer of Illumination

Sermon Text: Matthew 6:5-15 (pg. 678 in the pew bible)

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Sermon Title: “Thy Kingdom Come” Rev. Julie Fuller

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Responding to God's Word

*Hymn #170 "You Walk Along Our Shoreline"

***Affirmation of Faith** (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 Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. AMEN.

The Pastoral Prayer and Prayers of the People

Presentation of God's Tithes and our Offerings

*Doxology

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Sending into the World

*Hymn #213 "In the Cross of Christ I Glory" (v. 1-4)

*Benediction

*Hymn #213 "In the Cross of Christ I Glory" (v. 5)

**Please stand if able*

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