**Announcements**

**Invocation**P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

**Call to Worship- Psalm 119:57-64**P: You are my portion, Lord; I have promised to obey your words.  
**All: I have sought your face with all my heart; be gracious to me according to your promise.**P: I have considered my ways and have turned my steps to your statutes.  
**All: I will hasten and not delay to obey your commands.**  
P: Though the wicked bind me with ropes, I will not forget your law.  
**All: At midnight I rise to give you thanks for your righteous laws.**P: I am a friend to all who fear you, to all who follow your precepts.  
**All: The earth is filled with your love, Lord; teach me your decrees.**

**Song of Praise- All Glory Be to God**Should nothing of our efforts stand, No legacy survive  
Unless the Lord does raise the house In vain its builders strive.|  
To you who boast tomorrow’s gain tell me what is your life  
A mist that vanishes at dawn All glory be to Christ! *Chorus*

*Chorus: All glory be to Christ our king!  
All glory be to Christ!  
His rule and reign we’ll ever sing,  
All glory be to Christ!*

His will be done, His kingdom come on earth as is above!   
Who is Himself our daily bread Praise Him the Lord of love!  
Let living water satisfy, the thirsty without price!  
We’ll take a cup of kindness yet All glory be to Christ! *Chorus*

When on the day the great I Am, the faithful and the true.  
The Lamb who was for sinners slain is making all things new.

Behold our God shall live with us and be our steadfast light  
And we shall ere his people be All glory be to Christ! *Chorus*

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**Confession & Forgiveness**P: Blessed be God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.  
**ALL: And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

P**:** Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify you holy Name; through Christ our Lord.  
**ALL: Amen.**

(Silent confession)

P: Lord, have mercy.   
**ALL: Christ, have mercy.**P:Lord, have mercy.

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him:

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. (1 Timothy 1.15) + Jesus says, “Your sins are forgiven.” (Luke 7.48).

**ALL: Amen.**

**Worship in Song- Lord Reign in Me**

Over all the earth you reign on high  
Every mountain stream, every sunset sky  
But my one request, Lord my only aim  
Is that you'd reign in me again *Chorus*

*Chorus: Lord reign in me, reign in your power  
 Over all my dreams, in my darkest hour  
 You are the Lord of all I am  
 So won't you reign in me again*  
  
Over every thought, over every word  
May my life reflect the beauty of my Lord  
Cause you mean more to me than any earthly thing  
So won't you reign in me again. *Chorus*

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**Confession of Faith  
We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through Him, all things were made. For us and for our salvation He came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit He became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man.**

**For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate; He suffered death and was buried. On the third day He rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and His Kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son He is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one Holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

**Scripture Readings  
Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43  
Acts 8:4-40**

**Worship in Song: Lord Whose Love in Humble Service (LBW 423)**Lord, whose love in humble service, bore the weight of human need,  
Who upon the cross, forsaken, worked your mercy’s perfect deed:  
We, your servants, bring the worship, not of voice alone, but heart;  
Consecrating to your purpose, ev’ry gift which you impart.

Still your children wander homeless; still the hungry cry for bread;  
Still the captives long for freedom: still in grief we mourn our dead.  
As you, Lord, in deep compassion healed the sick and freed the soul,  
By Your Spirit send Your power to our world to make it whole.

As we worship, grant us vision, till your love’s revealing light.  
In its height and depth and greatness dawns upon our quickened sight,  
Making known the needs and burdens Your compassion bids us bear,  
Stirring us to ardent service, Your abundant life to share.  
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**Sermon**

**Prayers of the Church**

**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.

**Benediction  
For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.** *Romans 8:38-39*

**Closing Song- Lord, I Lift Your Name on High**Lord I lift Your name on high  
Lord I love to sing Your praises  
I'm so glad Your in my life  
I'm so glad You came to save us

You came from heaven to earth  
To show the way  
From the earth to the cross  
My debt to pay  
From the cross to the grave  
From the grave to the sky  
Lord I lift Your name on high

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**Communion**