

Sunday, September 25, 2022

Prelude

Lord, Listen to Your Children

Lord, listen to your children praying,
Lord send your Spirit in this place,
Lord, listen to your children praying,
Send us love, send us power, send us grace.

Welcome

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who is eager to forgive and who loves us beyond our days.

Amen.

Dear friends, together let us acknowledge that we do not love this world as Jesus does.

God of mercy and forgiveness,

We confess that sin still has a hold on us. We have harmed your good creation. We have failed to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you. Turn us in a new direction. Show us the path that leads to life. Be our refuge and strength on the journey so that we might walk in the light of your love. We pray this through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend.

Amen.

Beloved of God, your sins are forgiven and you are made whole. God points the way to new life in Christ, who meets us on the road. Journey now in God's abiding love through the power of the Holy Spirit so that we might be about God's purpose of Faithful Living and Changing Lives.

Amen.

Opening Hymn

Day by Day

Day by day, your mercies, Lord, attend me, bringing comfort to my anxious soul.
Day by day, the blessings, Lord, you send me draw me nearer to my heavenly goal.
Love divine, beyond all mortal measure, brings to naught the burdens of my quest,
Savior, lead me to the home I treasure, where at last I'll find eternal rest.

Day by day, I know you will provide me strength to serve and wisdom to obey,
I will seek your loving will to guide me o'er the paths I struggle day by day.
I will fear no evil of the morrow, I will trust in your enduring grace.
Savior, help me bear life's pain and sorrow till in glory I behold your face.

Oh, what joy to know that you are near me when my burdens grow too great to bear,
Oh, what joy to know that you will hear me when I come, O Lord, to you in prayer.
Day by day, no matter what betide me, you will hold me ever in your hand.
Savior, with your presence here to guide me, I will reach at last the promised land.

Invocation

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

Kyrie

Kyrie Eleison means "Lord have mercy."

Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison.
Christe eleison, Christe eleison, Christe eleison, Christe eleison.
Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison.

Hymn of Praise

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus! His the scepter, his the throne,
Alleluia! His the triumph, his the victory alone.
Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion thunder like a mighty flood.
Jesus, out of every nation, has redeemed us by his blood.

Alleluia! King eternal, Lord omnipotent we own,
Alleluia! Born of Mary, earth your footstool, heaven your throne.
As within the veil you entered, robed in flesh, our great high priest,
Here on earth both priest and victim in the Eucharistic feast!

Prayer of the Day

Gracious Lord God, You filled Jacob's dreams with your vision for a new day.
Fill us with your vision as well, so that we might follow where you lead.

Amen.

Reading

Genesis 27 & 28

Jacob's Dream

Many years later, living as a refugee because of his cheating, Jacob left Beersheba and went toward Haran. He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. And he dreamed that there was a stairway set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven, and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. And the LORD stood beside him and said, "I am the LORD, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring, and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south, and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go and will bring you back to this land, for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you." Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, "Surely the LORD is in this place—and I did not know it!" And he was afraid and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven."

Message

Hymn of the Day

Lord of All Hopefulness

Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy,
Whose trust, ever child-like, no cares could destroy,
Be there at our waking, and give us, we pray,
Your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.

Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith,
Whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe,
Be there at our labors, and give us, we pray,
Your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.

Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm,
Whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm,
Be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray,
Your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

Apostles' 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.

Sharing of the Peace

Offering

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Offertory Song

Take, Oh, Take Me As I Am

Take, oh, take me as I am, summon out what I shall be,
Set your seal upon my heart and live in me.

Closing Prayer

Gracious God of our abundant life, you have refreshed our hearts in this worship with the bread of life.
Give us your grace on the road that we might serve our neighbors with joy.
We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

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

May Almighty God, Creator, Christ, and Comforter, keep you in God's light, God's truth,
and God's love, now and forever.
Amen.

Closing Hymn

Let Your Light From the Lighthouse

Chorus:

Let it shine on me, let it shine on me
Let your light from the lighthouse shine on me
Let it shine on me, let it shine on me
Let your light from the lighthouse shine on me

Well I've got good religion and I'm not ashamed
Let your light from the lighthouse shine on me
The God who made the world also knows my name
Let your light from the lighthouse shine on me (*Chorus*)

My Lord has done exactly what he said
Let your light from the lighthouse shine on me
Fed the hungry, healed the sick and raised the dead
Let your light from the lighthouse shine on me (*Chorus*)

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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In Our Prayers this Week:

Aiko Landgraf (niece of Sue Magnuson), Guenther Moesler
(father of Heidi Guetzkow), Allison Roosevelt (sister of Dana Vraspir),
Delmer Malo (father of Pam Olson), Rick & Laurie Mann,
Lyle Kuntz (father of Kim Kuntz), Deanna Nelson (sister of Elvina Nelson),
Sara Baluski (currently deployed in the U.S. military)

We extend our sympathy to Nancy Pickering and her husband John Millar upon the recent passing of John's brother, Steve Millar. May God grant you peace and comfort.