



Service Order for February 3, 2019

Welcome

Invocation

Confession and Forgiveness:

P: We have come here today to worship the Lord. In worship we hear the Word of God, we receive God's blessings, and respond with thanks and praise. We begin by seeking God's blessing of forgiveness. He has promised to remove the guilt and shame of our sin through the sacrifice of Jesus Christ on the cross.

Psalm 103:8-12

P: The Lord is merciful and gracious; slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

C: He will not always scold, nor will he keep his anger forever.

P: He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to what we have done wrong.

C: For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our sins from us.

P: Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

(a time of silence to reflect and personally confess our sins)

P: Heavenly Father,

C: Heavenly Father,

P: I have done things that were wrong.

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P: I have been mean to others.

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P: I have not obeyed my parents.

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P: I have not obeyed You, God.

C: I have not obeyed You, God.

P: I have not always trusted You.

C: I have not always trusted You.

P: But I am very sorry.

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P: Please forgive me.

C: Please forgive me.

P: I love You very much.

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P: And I know You love me, too.

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P: God has heard your apology. He loves you very much. God has told us that when we believe and trust in Him, He makes us His children. As far as the east is from the west, so far does He remove our sins from us. He has told me to tell you that you are forgiven. So, as His servant I forgive you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

First Song:

- I Am Free

First Reading - Jeremiah 1:4-5

The Lord's message came to me:

"Before I made you in your mother's belly,

I knew you.

Before you were born,

I chose you for a special work.

I chose you to be a prophet to the nations."

Children's Message

Second Song:

- Children of the Heavenly Father

Second Reading - Jeremiah 1:6-8

Then I said, "But, Lord God, I don't know how to speak. I am only a child.

"But the Lord said to me,

"Don't say, 'I am only a child.

'You must go everywhere I send you

and say everything I tell you to say.

Don't be afraid of anyone.

I am with you, and I will protect you."

This message is from the Lord.

Children's Message

Special Music by the Youth Choir: "Ask, Seek, Knock"

Offering

Sermon Hymn - Who You Say I Am

Sermon - Love Overcomes Shame

1 Cor. 12:31—13:13

Now eagerly desire the greater gifts.

And yet I will show you the most excellent way.

If I speak in the tongues[a] of men or of angels, but do not have love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give all I possess to the poor and give over my body to hardship that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.

Love never fails. But where there are prophecies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be stilled; where there is knowledge, it will pass away. For we know in part and we prophesy in part, but when completeness comes, what is in part disappears. When I was a child, I talked like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I put the ways of childhood behind me. For now we see only a reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known.

And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.

Prayers

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 there 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.

The 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

Words of Institution

Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you all.

C: And also with you.

P: We greet each other in the peace of Christ.

Distribution

Prayer

Benediction

Closing Song - Marvelous Light

Announcements (*Service Ends*)

Clean Up