

PRELUDE

◇ A time of quiet preparation

*O Word of God Incarnate/ G. Krapf
Beautiful Savior/ arr. L. Smith*

WORDS OF GREETING

Morris Lapi

WE APPROACH GOD

IN WORD

Psalm 42:1-5 (NIV)

Leader: As the deer pants for streams of water,

People: **So my soul pants for you, O God.**

Leader: My soul thirsts for God, for the living God.

People: **When can I go and meet with God?**

Leader: My tears have been my food day and night,
while men say to me all day long, "Where is your God?"

People: **These things I remember as I pour out my soul:
how I used to go with the multitude, leading the procession
to the house of God, with shouts of joy and thanksgiving
among the festive throng.**

Leader: Why are you downcast, O my soul?
Why so disturbed within me?

People: **Put your hope in God.**

IN PRAYER

***WE PRAISE OUR GOD**

HYMN OF PRAISE 522

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

WE CONFESS OUR SIN

Unison: **Jesus, you are the Way, the Truth and the Life.
But we confess that we have walked on other paths,
and not followed in your WAY.
We may have head knowledge of you as TRUTH,
but our hearts so often serve false gods:
gods of greed, lust, anger, pride, discontentment,**

un-forgiveness and resentment.

**We know that you are LIFE,
but so often we have sought life in other people, places,
and things that only bring death.**

Forgive us Lord Jesus.

You died and rose for all of these sins and more.

**You have told us that you delight to show mercy
and will have compassion on us.**

**You have promised to hurl our iniquities
into the depths of the sea.**

**Let your spirit renew our hearts
with the TRUTH of this good news.**

**Move our hearts to pursue you as the WAY;
to follow you and worship you throughout each day
as the only true source of LIFE.**

**May we find in you a joy and peace that restores our souls
and brings your LIFE and goodness to those around us.
In Jesus' name we pray this. Amen.**

***WE EXALT OUR LORD**

WORSHIP SONGS

Leader: For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came
through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God, but God the
One and Only, who is at the Father's side, has made him known.
John 1:17-18 (NIV)

WE GREET ONE ANOTHER

DISMISSAL OF CHILDREN TO CHILDREN'S WORSHIP (4 years old to 1st grade)

WELCOME TO VISITORS

MISSION MOMENT

Stephen & Charity Jones

WE SEEK GOD'S FACE

Prayers of God's People

WE OFFER OUR GIFTS

OFFERING/ CHORAL OFFERTORY

My Alleluia/ H. Sorenson

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

John 14:1-11 (NIV)

¹ "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God trust also in me. ² In my Father's house are many rooms; if it were not so, I would have told you. I am going there to prepare a place for you. ³ And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am. ⁴ You know the way to the place where I am going."

⁵ Thomas said to him, "Lord, we don't know where you are going, so how can we know the way?"

⁶ Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. ⁷ If you really knew me, you would know my Father as well. From now on, you do know him and have seen him."

⁸ Philip said, "Lord, show us the Father and that will be enough for us."

⁹ Jesus answered: "Don't you know me, Philip, even after I have been among you such a long time? Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? ¹⁰ Don't you believe that I am in the Father, and that the Father is in me? The words I say to you are not just my own. Rather, it is the Father, living in me, who is doing his work.

¹¹ Believe me when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; or at least believe on the evidence of the miracles themselves.

SERMON

Hope for Troubled Hearts
series: Jesus According to John
Rev. Thomas E. Nicholas

*WE GO FORTH TO SERVE

HYMN OF RESPONSE **402**

Abide with Me: Fast Falls the Eventide

WORDS OF PEACE

DISMISSAL OF CHILDREN FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL HOUR (2nd to 5th grade)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE

The Way of the Cross Leads Home/ P. Davis