

**PRELUDE** ◇ A time of quiet preparation                      *Voluntary in A minor/ Anon.*  
*Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness (Hymn 520)/ arr. D. Bish*

## WORDS OF GREETING

### WE APPROACH GOD

In Word    Psalm 92: 1-4 (NIV)

Leader: It is good to praise the LORD and make music to your name,  
O Most High,

People: **To proclaim your love in the morning  
and your faithfulness at night,**

Leader: To the music of the ten-stringed lyre and the melody of the harp.

People: **For you make me glad by your deeds, O LORD;  
I sing for joy at the works of your hands.**

IN PRAYER

### \*WE PRAISE OUR GOD

HYMN OF PRAISE 101

*Come, Thou Almighty King*

### \*WE CONFESS OUR SIN

Unison: **Father in heaven, we thank you for the freedom you have  
given us through the life, death and resurrection of your  
Son. But we confess today that we often live like slaves.  
Instead of living like you delight in us, we avoid you in  
shame and guilt. Instead of receiving your favor as a gift,  
we try to earn it with our efforts. Instead of accepting  
your freedom, we prefer our chains. Instead of pursuing  
your purposes, we cling to our short-sighted agendas.  
Forgive us. Embrace us. Cleanse us. Heal us.  
We ask this in the name of Jesus. Amen.**

### \*WE EXALT OUR LORD

WORSHIP SONGS

Leader: Praise the LORD. Sing to the LORD a new song, his praise in the  
assembly of the saints. Let Israel rejoice in their Maker; let the  
people of Zion be glad in their King.

Psalm 149: 1-2 (NIV)

## WE GREET ONE ANOTHER

WELCOME TO VISITORS

## WE OFFER OUR GIFTS

OFFERING/CHORAL OFFERTORY

## WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Romans 12: 1-2 (NIV)

<sup>1</sup>Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy,  
to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God—  
this is your spiritual act of worship. <sup>2</sup>Do not conform any longer  
to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of  
your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what  
God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.

Ps. 62:1-2, 5, 8 (NIV)

<sup>1</sup> My soul finds rest in God alone; my salvation comes from him.

<sup>2</sup> He alone is my rock and my salvation; he is my fortress, I will never  
be shaken.

<sup>5</sup> Find rest, O my soul, in God alone; my hope comes from him.

<sup>8</sup> Trust in him at all times, O people; pour out your hearts to him, for  
God is our refuge.

Ps. 63:1-8 (NIV)

<sup>1</sup> O God, you are my God, earnestly I seek you; my soul thirsts for  
you, my body longs for you, in a dry and weary land where there is  
no water.

<sup>2</sup> I have seen you in the sanctuary and beheld your power and your  
glory.

<sup>3</sup> Because your love is better than life, my lips will glorify you.

<sup>4</sup> I will praise you as long as I live, and in your name I will lift up my  
hands.

<sup>5</sup> My soul will be satisfied as with the richest of foods; with singing  
lips my mouth will praise you.

<sup>6</sup> On my bed I remember you; I think of you through the watches of  
the night.

<sup>7</sup> Because you are my help, I sing in the shadow of your wings.

<sup>8</sup> My soul clings to you; your right hand upholds me.

SERMON

*The Sacrifice of Worship*  
series: **Living Sacrifices for Jesus**  
Rev. Thomas E. Nicholas

**WE COME TO THE LORD'S TABLE**

THE APOSTLE'S CREED

Leader: Christian, what do you believe?

People: **I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
and born of the virgin Mary. He 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 is seated 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 catholic church, the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen**

THE INVITATION

THE BREAD

THE CUP

**WE REMEMBER THOSE IN NEED**

THE LOVE OFFERING/CLOSING HYMN **524** *Thy Works, Not Mine, O Christ*

\*WORDS OF PEACE

DISMISSAL OF CHILDREN FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL HOUR

(4 years through 5<sup>th</sup> grade)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*POSTLUDE

*I Lay My Sins on Jesus/ trad. Greek*