



SERVICE OF CELEBRATION AND COVENANT RENEWAL

Season of Epiphany

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Without the Spirit of God, we can do nothing. We are as ships without wind. We are useless. —C.H. Spurgeon

That it is the work of the Holy Spirit to enable us to believe the Scripture to be the Word of God, or the supernatural, immediate revelation of His mind unto us, and infallibly to evidence it unto our minds, so as that we may spiritually and savingly acquiesce therein. —John Owen

## GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO WORSHIP

*It is God Himself who calls His people to worship. We do not call ourselves, but it is the King who opens His gates and beckons us into His courts.*

### Gospel Invitation—Titus 3:4-5

When the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, He saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to His own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit.

### Introit—Come, Christians, Join To Sing, Vs. 1



Text: Christian H. Bateman, 1843; Music: MADRID, Traditional Spanish melody,  
Arr. David Evans, 1927.

### Call to Worship—based on Psalm 25:4-5, 8-10

Pastor: Good and upright is the Lord.

All: All the paths of the Lord are steadfast love and faithfulness.

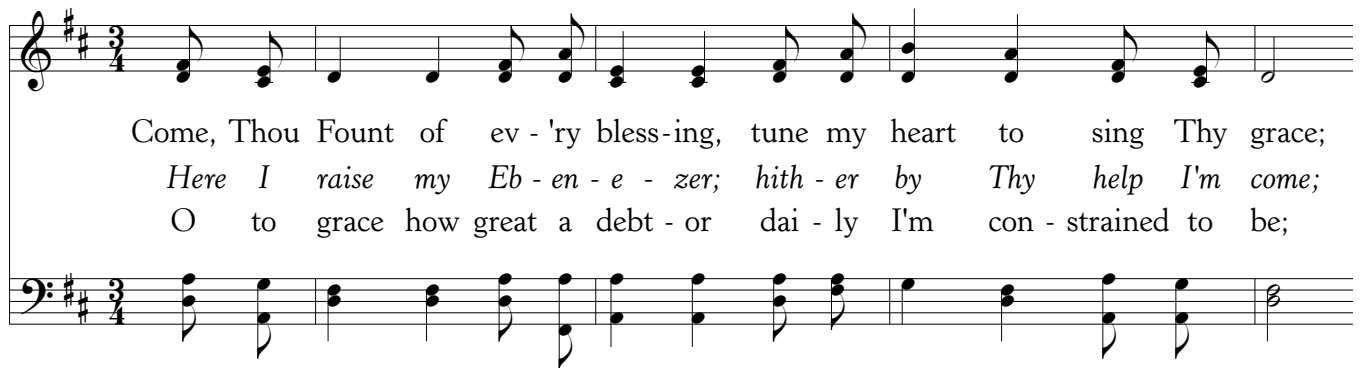
Reader 1: He instructs sinners in the way. He leads the humble in what is right. And He teaches the humble His way.

Reader 2: Make us to know Your ways, O Lord. Teach us Your paths.


All: Lead us in Your truth and teach us.

Pastor: For You are the God of our salvation.

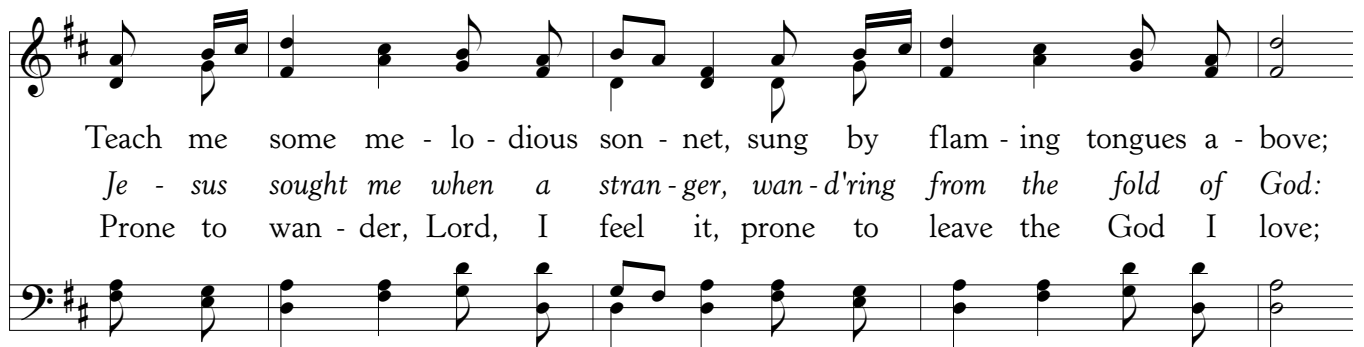
## Hymn of Praise—Come, Thou Fount Of Every Blessing



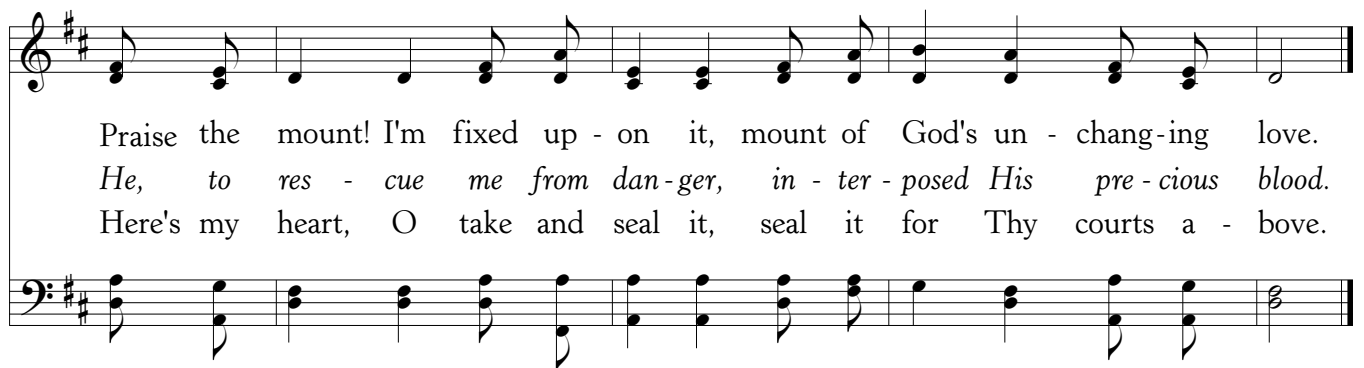
Come, Thou Fount of ev - 'ry bless - ing, tune my heart to sing Thy grace;  
Here I raise my Eb - en - e - zer; hith - er by Thy help I'm come;  
O to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con - strained to be;



Streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.  
And I hope, by Thy good pleas - ure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home.  
Let that grace now, like a fet - ter, bind my wan - d'ring heart to Thee.



Teach me some me - lo - dious son - net, sung by flam - ing tongues a - bove;  
Je - sus sought me when a stran - ger, wan - d'ring from the fold of God:  
Prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;



Praise the mount! I'm fixed up - on it, mount of God's un - chang - ing love.  
He, to res - cue me from dan - ger, in - ter - posed His pre - cious blood.  
Here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for Thy courts a - bove.

Text: Robert Robinson, 1758; Music: NETTLETON, Asahel Nettleton, 1825.

# GOD SPEAKS TO HIS PEOPLE THROUGH HIS WORD

*The Bible is the means by which God graciously reveals Himself to His people—so we listen, read, and study with expectant hearts. God particularly entreats us in His Word to sing psalms. And while all Scripture is appropriate for hymns and spiritual songs, there is a specific exhortation for us to make use of the Psalter as the church’s songbook.*

## Psalm of Praise—Blest Be The Lord, My Rock, My Might (Psalm 144)



Blest be the Lord, my rock, my might, who trains my fin - gers for the fight  
Lord, bow Your heav'ns, in might de - scend, come touch the hills the moun-tains rend  
O You to whom in trust I flee, stretch forth your hand and res - cue me  
Now I will sing a glad new song, Your praise, O God, I will pro - long



My shield, my righ - teous - ness, — My — shield, my righ - teous - ness. —  
And they shall smoke and flame, — And — they — shall smoke and flame. —  
From all the for - eign throng, From all — the for - eign throng. —  
For You have heard my prayer, For — You — have heard my prayer. —



My strong high tow'r, my Sa - vior true, who keeps my en - e - mies sub - dued  
As ar - rows send Your light - ning out, to put Your en - e - mies to — rout  
Their mouths are false for lies they speak, their hands of strength a - gainst the weak,  
You give the vic - to - ry to kings, Your own You keep with shel - t'ring wings



My shel - ter in dis - tress, — My — shel - ter in dis - tress.  
And fill Your foes with shame, — And fill — Your foes with shame.  
Are filled with craft and wrong, — Are — filled with craft and wrong.  
From cru - el sword and snare, — From cru - el sword and snare.

Text: *The Psalter*, 1912, Alt. Henry C. Haffner, 2016; Music: POLK COUNTY, Henry C. Haffner, 2016.

## Scripture Reading—Romans 8:14-17

For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, “Abba! Father!” The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs— heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with Him in order that we may also be glorified with Him.

Elder: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God

## Hymn of Praise—Come, O Creator Spirit Blest

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a vocal line on a treble clef staff and a piano accompaniment line on a bass clef staff. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 3/4. The lyrics are printed between the two systems of music.

Come, O Cre - a - tor Spir - it blest, and in our souls take up Your rest;  
Great Com - for - ter, to Thee we cry; O high - est gift of God most high,  
Kin - dle our sen - ses from a - bove, and make our hearts o'er - flow with love;  
Spir - it of love and ho - li - ness, des - cend on us, Thy ser - vants bless;

Come, with Your grace and heav'n - ly aid, to fill the hearts which You have made.  
O fount of life, O fire of love, and sweet a - noin - ting from a - bove!  
With pa - tience firm, and vir - tue high, the weak - ness of our flesh supp - ly.  
That we may nev - er speak de - ceit, but on - ly pur - sue ho - ly peace.

Text: Rhabanus Maurus, c. 800, Tr. Edward Caswall, 1849;  
Music: TRURO, *Psalmodia Evangelica*, 1789.

## Reading of the Word—1 Corinthians 2:1-16

And I, when I came to you, brothers, did not come proclaiming to you the testimony of God with lofty speech or wisdom. <sup>2</sup>For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and Him crucified. <sup>3</sup>And I was with you in weakness and in fear and much trembling, <sup>4</sup>and my speech and my message were not in plausible words of wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, <sup>5</sup>so that your faith might not rest in the wisdom of men but in the power of God.

<sup>6</sup>Yet among the mature we do impart wisdom, although it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to pass away. <sup>7</sup>But we impart a secret and hidden wisdom of God, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. <sup>8</sup>None of the rulers of this age understood this, for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. <sup>9</sup>But, as it is written, “What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the heart of man imagined, what God has prepared for those who love Him”— <sup>10</sup>these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit. For the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. <sup>11</sup>For who knows a person’s thoughts except the spirit of that person, which is in him? So also no one comprehends the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God. <sup>12</sup>Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we might understand the things freely given us by God. <sup>13</sup>And we impart this in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual truths to those who are spiritual.

<sup>14</sup>The natural person does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are folly to him, and he is not able to understand them because they are spiritually discerned. <sup>15</sup>The spiritual person judges all things, but is himself to be judged by no one. <sup>16</sup>“For who has understood the mind of the Lord so as to instruct him?” But we have the mind of Christ.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

## Sung Response—Teach Me O Lord, Thy Holy Way, Vs. 1

Teach me, O Lord, Thy ho - ly way, and give me an o - be - dient mind;

That in Thy ser - vice I may find my soul's de - light from day to day.

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). It consists of two systems, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The lyrics are placed between the two staves of each system.

Text: William T. Matson, 1862; Music: TALLIS' CANON, Thomas Tallis, 1560.

## Sermon—*The Work of the Spirit*

—Pastor, George Grant

## GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO CONFESSION, REPENTANCE, AND RECONCILIATION

*The People of God respond to His Word by confessing their sins, repenting of their sinful ways, and seeking God's favor through the reconciling work of Jesus, the Son of God.*

### Confession of Sin—based on Ephesians 2:1-5

Pastor: Lord, we come confessing. We come confessing because we are sinners, every one of us, without exception.

All: **We all were dead in the trespasses and sins in which we once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air.**

Pastor: The spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience was once at work among us.

All: **We all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind.**

Pastor: But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ.

All: **In Him we have forgiveness. By grace we have been saved.**

### Assurance of Pardon—Titus 2:11-14; Galatians 5:25; Matthew 11:28

The grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for us all, training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age, waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, who gave Himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for Himself a people for His own possession who are zealous for good works. If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.

Pastor: This is the promise of God.

All: **This is the Word of the Lord.**

Pastor: He says to us, "Come to Me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest."

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Pastor: Amen.

### Sung Response—There Is No Greater Portrait, Vs. 4

O Sav - ior, let this sin - ner be ran - somed by the flood  
Of mer - cy and for - give - ness a - bun - dant in Your blood.  
O Lord, be my sal - va - tion, Your Ho - ly Spir - it send  
To change my heart and cause me to love You to the end.

# HEAVENLY GIFT—EUCCHARISTO

*As God beckons His people to the bounty of His table, they make joyous profession of their fealty to Him.*

## Profession of Faith—The Apostles' Creed

We believe in God, the Father Almighty, the Creator of Heaven and Earth,  
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord: who was conceived of the Holy Spirit,  
Born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
Was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into Hell.  
On the third day He rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into Heaven and now sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
From whence He shall come to judge the living and the dead.

We believe in the Holy Spirit; the one holy church—both visible and invisible;  
The communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;  
The resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. *Amen.*

## Sursum Corda

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

Pastor: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to You, Father Almighty, Creator of Heaven and Earth. Therefore, we praise You, Triune God, and we join our voices with the angels, the archangels, and the whole company of Heaven in this hymn of eternal praise:

WOMEN



MEN Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho - ly, Lord. Ho-ly, ho-ly, God of pow'r and might, Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho - ly, Lord. Ho-ly, ho-ly, God of pow'r and might, - Heav'n and Earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the high - est. Heav'n and Earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho san-na in the high - est. Bless-ed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the Bless-ed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est, Ho high - est, Ho san-na in the high - est, Ho-san-na in the high - est. A - men. san-na in the high - est, Ho san-na in the high - est. A - men.

Text: Is 6:3, Rev 4:8, Mt 21:9; Music: FRANKLIN SANCTUS, Gregory Wilbur, 2009. ©2009 Greyfriars Press.



# WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND THE LORD'S TABLE

This table is open to all baptized Christians who have made a profession of faith. You may come forward to receive the bread and wine or grape juice.

## Hymn of Praise—Breathe On Me, Breath Of God

Breathe on me, Breath of God, fill me with life a - new,  
Breathe on me, Breath of God, un - til my heart is pure,  
Breathe on me, Breath of God, 'til I am whol - ly thine,  
Breathe on me, Breath of God, so shall I ne - ver die,  
That I may love what Thou dost love, and do what Thou wouldst do.  
Un - til my will is one with thine, to do and to en - dure.  
Un - til this earth - ly part of me glows with Thy fire div - ine.  
But live with Thee the per - fect life of Thine e - ter - ni - ty.

Text: Edwin Hatch, 1878, Music: TRENTHAM, Robert Jackson, 1888.

## Hymn of Praise—There Is A Redeemer

There is a Re - deem - er Je - sus, God's own Son;  
Je - sus, my Re - deem - er, name a - bove all names;  
When I stand in glo - ry, I will see His face;  
Pre - cious Lamb of God, Mes-si - ah, Ho - - - ly One.  
Pre - cious Lamb of God, Mes-si - ah, hope for sin - ners slain.  
There I'll serve my King for-ev - er in that ho - ly place.  
Thank you, O my Fa - ther, for giv-ing us Your Son,  
And leav - ing Your Spir - it till the work on earth is done.

## GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND IN GRATEFUL PRAISE, PETITIONS, TITHES & OFFERINGS

*Our praying, serving, and giving are essential aspects of worship. It is here that our faith moves from our heads and hearts into our lives and callings.*

### Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession—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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. *Amen.*

### Hymn of Praise—May The Mind Of Christ, My Savior

May the mind of Christ, my Sav - ior, live in me from day to day,  
May the Word of God dwell rich - ly in my heart from hour to hour,  
May the love of Je - sus fill me as the wa - ters fill the sea;  
May I run the race be - fore me, strong and brave to face the foe,

By His love and pow'r con - trol - ling all\_ I do\_ and say.  
So that all may see I tri - umph on - ly through His pow'r.  
Him ex - alt - ing, self a - bas - ing: this is vic - to - ry.  
Look - ing on - ly un - to Jes - us as\_ I on - ward go.

Text: Kate B. Wilkinson, 1925; Music: ST. LEONARDS, A. Cyril Barham-Gould, 1925.

# GOD SENDS HIS PEOPLE OUT

*After calling His people into His presence, forgiving their sins, instructing them in His Word, and providing a foretaste of the marriage supper of the Lamb, God sends His people into the world to show His light in the darkness.*

## Benediction—based on Romans 15:13

Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

## Sung Response—Gloria Patri



Glor - y be to the Fath - er, and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost;

As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be,

World with - out end. A - men. A - men.

Text: Lesser Doxology, 2<sup>nd</sup> century;  
Music: Nathan George, 2015, Harm. Henry C. Haffner, 2015.

## Announcements

## Worship Notes:

“I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, even the Spirit of truth ...”  
—John 14:16-17

This morning’s service will place particular emphasis on the work of the Holy Spirit as our helper and teacher. Take a look through the bulletin, and notice how many times in our hymns we ask for help. We’ll ask for help to sing (“tune my heart to sing Thy grace”—*Come, Thou Fount Of Every Blessing*). We will ask the Lord to defend us from our enemies (*Blest Be The Lord, My Rock, My Might—Psalm 144*). We ask for patience and virtue, that we might “only pursue holy peace” in the body (*Come, O Creator Spirit Blest*), and an “obedient mind” (*Teach Me, O Lord, Thy Holy Way*), recalling the Spirit’s role in guiding our understanding. We ask God to send the Spirit to “change our hearts” (*There Is No Greater Portrait*) and to help us endure (*Breathe On Me Breath Of God*). We ask these things, and the Lord is faithful to answer. Since the Scriptures promise that Christians will be “led by the Spirit of God” (Romans 8:14) and “taught by the Spirit” (1 Corinthians 2:13), how else can we respond but with gratitude? “Thank You, O my Father for giving us Your Son, and leaving Your Spirit till the work on earth is done.” —Henry C. Haffner

**Key Words:** Spirit, Power, Depths, Comprehends, Understand, Impart, Natural, Spiritual  
**Keystone Verse:** Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we might understand the things freely given us by God. (1 Corinthians 2:12)



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