

Preparing for Worship Today

- Welcome to this service of worship at Mark the Evangelist!
- Today's service is being live-streamed for the participation of those who can't join us physically today.
- Congregational responses are printed in ***bold italics***.
- Pray for those who will be leading us in our worship today!



A SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

Prelude J Pachelbel, *Herr Christ, der ein'ge Gottessohn*

The Gathering of the People of God

Sung Processional (TIS 127 v.1)

If you are able, please stand when the cantor sings the first line, and sing as the Scriptures are brought into the worship space:

***Holy God, we praise your name,
Lord of all, we bow before you;
all on earth your power proclaim,
all in heaven above adore you;
boundless is your vast domain,
everlasting is your reign.***

Call to Worship

The Lord be with you!
And also with you!

Be joyful in God, all you lands;
sing the glory of God's name;

Be joyful in God, all you lands;
sing the glory of God's praise.

(Psalm 66.1)

Prayer of invocation

Hymn 100 All creatures of our God and king (vv.1, 4-7)

The Word Spoken: Scripture and Preaching

The Testimony of Scripture

Your word, O Lord, is a lamp to our feet
and a light to our path.

Jeremiah 29:1,4-7 *To all the exiles...*

Psalm 66.1-12 *Be joyful in God, all the earth* [PCS Tone 3, p.343]

*REFRAIN: Organ, then cantor, then all together;
The psalm text is sung responsively to the TONE*

REFRAIN Hal H. Hopson

Praise _ the Lord. Praise _ the
Lord. Praise _ the name of the Lord. ____

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TONE

¹ Be joyful in God, all the earth;
***sing the glory of his name;
sing the glory | of his praise.***

²Say to God, 'How awesome are your deeds!
Because of your great strength
your enemies shall | bow before you.

³'All the earth shall worship you,
sing to you, sing praise | to your name.'

⁴Come now and behold the works of God,
how wonderful he is in his dealings with | humankind.

⁵He turned the sea into dry land; the river they passed through on foot;
there we re- | -joiced in him.

⁶In his might he rules for ever; his eyes keep watch over the nations;
let no rebel rise | up against him.

⁷Bless our God, O you peoples;
make the voice of his praise | to be heard,

⁸Who holds our souls in life
and suffers not our | feet to slip.

⁹For you, O God, have proved us;
you have tried us as | silver is tried.

¹⁰You brought us into the snare;
you laid heavy burdens up- | -on our backs.

¹¹You let enemies ride over our heads; we went through fire and water;
but you brought us out into a | place of liberty.

¹²I will come into your house with burnt offerings and will pay you my vows,
which my lips uttered and my mouth promised
when I | was in trouble.

REFRAIN

Luke 17:11-19 *The faith which makes well*

This is the gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The Preaching of the Word

*The sermon text will normally be available
after worship and online*

A 'sermon of stillness' – a moment for quiet reflection – usually follows the preaching

Prayer of Confession



Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

Declaration of Forgiveness

(Please stand if you are able)

...hear, then, Christ's word of grace to us:
Your sins are forgiven.

Thanks be to God!

Doxology



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a-way the
 sins of the world: have mer-cy on us; you are seat-ed at the right hand of the
 Fa-ther: re-ceive our prayer. For you a-lone are the
 ho-ly one, You a-lone are the Lord, you a-lone are the most high,
 Je-sus Christ with the Ho-ly Spi-rit, in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther.
 A - men. A - men. A - - - men.

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

Affirmation of faith: God is with us

*We are not alone,
 we live in God's world.*

*We believe in God:
 who has created and is creating,
 who has come in Jesus,
 the Word made flesh,
 to reconcile and make new,
 who works in us and others
 by the Spirit.*

We trust in God.

*We are called to be the Church:
 to celebrate God's presence,
 to live with respect in Creation,*

*to love and serve others,
 to seek justice and resist evil,
 to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,
 our judge and our hope.*

*In life, in death, in life beyond death,
 God is with us.
 We are not alone.
 Thanks be to God.*

*The United Church of Canada,
 General Council 1968, alt. 1998*

The Visible Word: Thanksgiving

LITBIT: "The only real fall of man is his noneucharistic life in a noneucharistic world."
 ALEXANDER SCHMEMMANN

Hymn 495 Father, we give you thanks who planted

(If you are able, please remain standing until after the Lord's Prayer)

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

(The prayer continues...)

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, God of pow'r and might, hea-ven and earth are
 full of your glo-ry, ho-sa-na in the high-est. Bles-sed is he who comes in the name of the
 Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est! Ho-san-na in the high-est!

*Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might,
 heaven and earth are full of your glory,
 hosanna in the highest.
 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
 Hosanna in the highest!
 Hosanna in the highest!*

(The prayer continues...)



*Christ has died.
 Christ is risen.
 Christ will come again.*

(The prayer continues...)



*Blessing and honour, glory and pow'r
 are yours forever and ever,
 are yours forever and ever.*

(The prayer continues...)

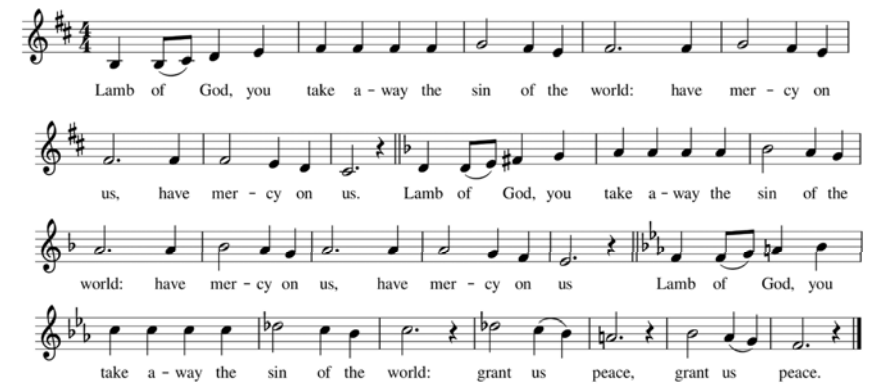
The Lord's Prayer

*Our Father in heaven,
 hallowed be your name,
 your kingdom come,
 your will be done,
 on earth as in heaven.
 Give us today our daily bread.
 Forgive us our sins,
 as we forgive those who sin against us.
 Save us from the time of trial
 and deliver us from evil.
 For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
 now and for ever. Amen.*

(The people sit)

The Breaking of the Bread

The gifts of God for the people of God....



*Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
 have mercy on us, have mercy on us.*

*Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
 have mercy on us, have mercy on us.*

*Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
 grant us peace, grant us peace.*

...Let us receive what we are,
 let us become what we receive
The body of Christ

The Communion

The Uniting Church recognises this Table as the Lord's and, so, open to all who would normally commune in their home congregations.

After the invitation, and commencing from the front rows, please come forward in single file to the table, where you will be offered the bread at one point and the wine (in communion glasses only) at a second point. The wine has been prepared with as much COVID-19 precaution as practicable, and the celebrant and wine-server have sanitised their hands prior to the distribution. The common cup will only be used by the celebrant

If you can't stand or walk to the front but would like to receive communion, please raise your hand if the celebrant has not already noticed you.

Prayers of the People

(Names for inclusion in the prayers may be recorded in the book in the narthex)

Offering

Many members now make their offering by electronic transfer; the plate will be passed for those who prefer to make cash/envelope offerings. The prayer dedicating the offerings 'captures' the full range of gifts.

Notices

The Sending Forth of the People of God

Hymn 617 By gracious powers

*'...we shall remember all the days we lived through
and our whole life shall then be yours alone...'*

Word of Mission and Blessing

Postlude J Pachelbel, *Allein Gott in der Hoeh' sei He*

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