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## **GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME**

### **Prelude**

#### **Greeting**

God is good.  
**All the time.**  
 And all the time.  
**God is good.**

#### **Call To Worship**

The law of God is perfect.  
**Reviving the soul.**  
 The decrees of God are right.  
**Rejoicing the heart.**  
 The commandments of God are clear.  
**Enlightening our spirits.**  
 The heavens are telling the Glory of our God.  
**Let us proclaim God's handiwork in praise and worship.**  
 Let us worship God.

#### **\*Hymn #53 O God, Who Gives Us Life**

**1. O God, who gives us life and breath,  
 who shapes us in the womb,  
 who guards our lives from birth to death,  
 then leads us from the tomb:  
 deliver us from fears that kill  
 the life we have from you.  
 Help us to know your Spirit still  
 is making all things new.**

**2. O God, who calls your people out  
 to venture and to dare,  
 to plumb the bleak abyss of doubt  
 and find you even there:**

**when we despair in wandering  
 through wastes of empty lies,  
 refresh us with the living spring  
 of hope that never dies.**

**3. O God of covenant and law,  
 revealed in cloud and flame,  
 your mighty deeds evoke our awe;  
 we dare not speak your name.  
 Yet we by faith are drawn to you  
 and will your people prove,  
 as on our hearts you write anew  
 the covenant of love.**

#### **\*Call to Confession**

#### **\*Confession of Sin**

**Rescuing God, you brought us out of the land of captivity, out of the house of slavery.  
 Forgive us when we willingly return to slavery, making divine the machine of production,  
 crafting idols from the excess of consumption. Forgive us when we consider ourselves so grand  
 that we do not rest and enjoy your presence, defining ourselves by our ability rather than your  
 love. Forgive us when we esteem ourselves so little that we dare not rest and sit with ourselves,  
 exposed, without the cloak of productivity.**

**Forgive us when we deem our species so central that we do not rest and halt consumption, decimating Earth, denying her Sabbath and integrity. Forgive us through Christ, who redeems us from the brokenness of slavery that we might enjoy your presence, creation, and community. Amen.**

**\*Words of Grace**

In Jesus Christ you are forgiven.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**The Peace Rick**

The peace of Christ be with you.  
**And also with you.** (A sign of peace is exchanged.)

**\*Response: Hymn #547 Go, My Children, With My Blessing vs 2**

**“Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.  
 Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.  
 Here you heard my dear Son’s story; here you touched him, saw his glory.  
 Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.”**

**PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD**

**Prayer for Illumination**

**First reading: Philippians 3:4b-14**

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**Children's Chat**

**Rick Boyer**

**Second reading: Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20**

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The Word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God**

**Sermon**

*Learn To Live*

**Rev. Dr. Rick Boyer**

**RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD**

**\*Hymn #453 Open Your Ears, O Faithful People**

**1. Open your ears, O faithful people;  
 open your ears and hear God’s word.  
 Open your hearts, O royal priesthood;  
 God has come to you.**

Refrain:

**God has spoken to the people, hallelujah!  
 God has spoken words of wisdom, hallelujah!  
 God has spoken to the people, hallelujah!  
 God has spoken words of wisdom, hallelujah!  
 Torah ora, Torah ora, hallelujah!  
 Torah ora, Torah ora, hallelujah!  
 Torah ora, Torah ora, hallelujah!  
 Torah ora, Torah ora, hallelujah!**

**2. They who have ears to hear the message,  
 they who have ears, now let them hear;  
 they who would learn the way of wisdom,  
 let them hear God's word.**

Refrain:

**God has spoken to the people, hallelujah!  
 God has spoken words of wisdom, hallelujah!  
 God has spoken to the people, hallelujah!  
 God has spoken words of wisdom, hallelujah!  
 Torah ora, Torah ora, hallelujah!  
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 Torah ora, Torah ora, hallelujah!**

**\*Affirmation of Faith- 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 Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;**

**he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**Prayers of the People**

Response:

**you are the Lord our God,  
 who brought us out of the land of Egypt,  
 out of the house of slavery.**

**Offering**

Musical Offering

Be Thou My Vision

arr. Heather Sorenson

Chancel Choir

Jenise Reedus, violin; Effie Latz, viola

**\*Praise God (Hymn #608)**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise Christ, all people here below;  
praise Holy Spirit evermore;  
praise Triune God, whom we adore.**

**\*Prayer of Dedication / 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 forever. Amen.**

**SENDING OUT IN GOD'S NAME**

**Sending the Church into Mission**

The Mission of Prospect Church

**To be a family in Christ reaching out to all with love, prayer, and service. Through worship, education, mission, and fellowship, we experience God's love, forgiveness, grace, and call.**

**Hymn #458 Thy Word Is A Lamp Unto My Feet**

Refrain:

**Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.  
Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.**

**When I feel afraid, and I think I've lost my way,  
still you're there right beside me.  
Nothing will I fear as long as you are near.  
Please be near me to the end. (Refrain)**

**\*Benediction and Congregational Response Hymn #305, "Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!" v 2**

**Long years have come and gone, and still God reigns supreme,  
empowering us to catch the vision, dream the dream!**

**In bold accord, come celebrate the journey now and praise the Lord!**

**Postlude**