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GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude *Organ Partita on "I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light" Theme* John A. Behnke

Greeting

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

Call To Worship

God speaks and summons Earth.
We see God in the rising sun and in its setting.
 God shines forth in beauty.
Our God comes in glory and does not keep silent.
 A devouring fire, a tempest surrounds God.
Divine power unites the heavens above and calls Earth to God.
 God gathers God's faithful and makes a covenant of love.
Let us come together in faithfulness and love to praise the power of God's love for us and all creation.
 Let us worship God.

***Hymn #127 Hark The Herald Angels Sing (Walk in the Light)**

**1. Hark! the herald angels sing.
 Jesus, the light of the world.
 Glory to the newborn King,
 Jesus, the light of the world.**

Refrain:
**We'll walk in the light, beautiful light.
 Come where the dewdrops of mercy
 shine bright.
 O, shine all around us by day and by night.
 Jesus, the light of the world.**

**2. Joyful all you nations, rise.
 Jesus, the light of the world.**

**Join the triumph of the skies.
 Jesus, the light of the world. (Refrain)**

**3. Christ by highest heaven adored;
 Jesus, the light of the world.
 Christ, the everlasting Lord;
 Jesus, the light of the world. (Refrain)**

**4. Hail, the heaven-born Prince of Peace!
 Jesus, the light of the world.
 Hail, the Sun of righteousness!
 Jesus, the light of the world. (Refrain)**

***Call to Confession**

***Confession of Sin**

God of truth and glory, we confess that we make false gods of this world. We are eager to find hope in where we put our progress. We are quick to find our faith in systems that ensure our entitlement. We are tempted to find your sovereignty in situations we can control ourselves. Help us not to proclaim ourselves but to proclaim the light of the gospel and the glory of Christ. May Christ's light shine in our hearts and into the world. Amen

***Words of Grace**

In Jesus Christ you are forgiven.

Thanks be to God.

***The Peace**

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: 2 Corinthians 4:3-6

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The word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God

Children's Chat

Rick Boyer

Second reading: Mark 9:2-9

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The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God

Sermon

What Just Happened?

Rev. Dr. Rick Boyer

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

*Hymn #156 Sing of God Made Manifest

1. Sing of God made manifest
in a child robust and blest,
to whose home in Bethlehem
where a star had guided them,
magi came and gifts unbound,
signs mysterious and profound:
myrrh and frankincense and gold
grave and God and king foretold.

2. Sing of God made manifest
when at Jordan John confessed,
“I should be baptized by you,
but your bidding I will do.”
Then from heaven a double sign—
dove-like Spirit, voice divine—
hailed the true Anointed One:
“This is my beloved Son.”

3. Sing of God made manifest
when Christ came as wedding guest
and at Cana gave a sign,
turning water into wine;
further still was love revealed
as he taught, forgave, and healed,
bringing light and life to all
who would listen to God’s call.

4. Sing of God made manifest
on the cloud-capped mountain’s crest,
where the law and prophets waned
so that Christ alone remained:
glimpse of glory, pledge of grace,
given as Jesus set his face
towards the waiting cross and grave,
sign of hope that God would save.

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

Congregational Response: Let’s work to create a better world for everyone.

Offering

Musical Offering

This is My Beloved Son
Chancel Choir

Pepper Choplin

*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 and 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 #192 Lord, the Light of Your Love is Shining**

**1. Lord, the light of your love is shining,
in the midst of the darkness, shining;
Jesus, Light of the World, shine upon us;
set us free by the truth you now bring us.
Shine on me; shine on me.**

Refrain:

**Shine, Jesus, shine;
fill this land with the Father's glory.
Blaze, Spirit, blaze;
set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river, flow;
flood the nations with grace and mercy.
Send forth your word, Lord,
and let there be light.**

**2 Lord, I come to your awesome presence,
from the shadows into your radiance;
by the blood I may enter your brightness.
Search me; try me; consume all my
darkness.**

Shine on me; shine on me. (Refrain)

**3 As we gaze on your kingly brightness,
so our faces display your likeness;
ever changing from glory to glory,
mirrored here may our lives tell your
story.**

Shine on me; shine on me. (Refrain)

***Benediction and Congregational Response**

Hymn #305, "Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!" v 2

**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