OPENING HYMN

CWS #777 (CONGREGATION SINGS VERSES 2-3)

Now Let Us All in Hymns of Praise 777



The Christian poet Fred Pratt Green reminds us that success in gospel outreach comes simply by faithfully proclaiming the gospel. The results are left to the Holy Spirit, who works faith when and

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INVOCATION

M: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

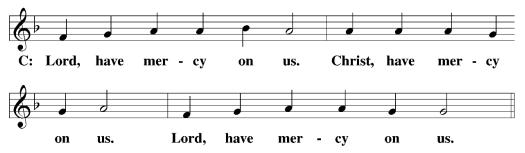


CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

- M: Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

LORD, HAVE MERCY

KYRIE



M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.



PRAYER AND PRAISE

M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.



Prayer of the day

M: The Lord be with you.



M: Let us pray.

The minister says the Prayer of the Day.

Merciful Father, your kindness caused the light of the gospel to shine among us. Use us now as instruments of your love to reach out with the message of salvation to all people. Bless those who labor in the mission fields of our nation and grant success to their witness that many may be freed from sin; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



THE FIRST LESSON Jonah 3:1-10

Then the word of the LORD came to Jonah a second time: ² "Get up. Go to Nineveh, the great city, and preach to it the message that I tell you."

³So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh just as the word of the LORD had commanded. Now Nineveh was a great city to God. It required a three-day walk. ⁴Jonah walked through the city for a day, and he called out, "Forty more days and Nineveh is going to be overthrown!"

⁵ The men of Nineveh believed God. They proclaimed a fast and put on sackcloth, from the greatest of them to the least. ⁶ When word reached the king of Nineveh, he got up from his throne, took off his royal robe, covered himself with sackcloth, and sat in ashes. ⁷ Then he issued a proclamation in Nineveh.

By the decree of the king and his leading officials:

Do not let people or animals, herds or flocks, taste anything. Do not let them eat food or drink water. ⁸ Instead, let people and animals be covered with sackcloth. Let everyone call fervently to God. Let them turn from their evil way and from the violence that is in their hands. ⁹ Who knows? God may turn and relent. He may turn from his burning anger so that we will not perish.

¹⁰ When God saw their actions, that they had turned from their evil way, God relented from the disaster which he said he would bring on them, and he did not carry it out.

Psalm of the Day

Psalm 96 (Sung Responsively)





Refrain

Sing to the LORD, <u>praise</u> his name;* proclaim his salvation day <u>after</u> day.

Declare his glory among the <u>nations</u>,* his marvelous deeds among all <u>peoples</u>.

Worship the LORD in the splendor of his <u>ho</u>liness;* tremble before him, <u>all</u> the earth.

Refrain

Let the heavens rejoice, let the <u>earth</u> be glad;* let the sea resound, and all that <u>is</u> in it;

let the fields be jubilant, and everything in them.*
Then all the trees of the forest will sing for joy;

for he comes to judge the world in <u>right</u>eousness* and the peoples <u>in</u> his truth.

Glory be to the Father and <u>to</u> the Son* and to the Holy <u>Spir</u>it, as it was in the beg<u>in</u>ning,* is now, and will be forever. <u>A</u>men.

Refrain

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⁸ But what does it say? "The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart," [a] that is, the word of faith that we are proclaiming. ⁹ Certainly, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰ For it is with the heart a person believes, resulting in righteousness, and it is with the mouth that a person confesses, resulting in salvation. ¹¹ For Scripture says, "Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame."

¹²So there is no distinction between Jew and Greek, because the same Lord is Lord of all, who gives generously to all who call on him. ¹³Yes, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

¹⁴So then, how can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one about whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without a preacher? ¹⁵ And how can they preach unless they are sent? Just as it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news of peace, who preach the gospel of good things!"

VERSE OF THE DAY

M: Alleluia. Tell about his glory among the nations, about his marvelous deeds among all peoples. Alleluia. (Psalm 96:3)



PLEASE STAND, IF YOU ARE ABLE

M: The Gospel according to St. Matthew chapter 9, verses 35-38



³⁵ Jesus traveled through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every disease and every sickness.

³⁶ When he saw the crowds, he was moved with compassion for them, because they were troubled and downcast, like sheep without a shepherd. ³⁷ Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. ³⁸ Therefore pray that the Lord of the harvest will send out workers into his harvest."

M: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

After the Gospel, the congregation sings:



THE APOSTLES' CREED

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,
born of the virgin Mary,
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 Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

SERMON HYMN CW #566

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We All Are One in Mission

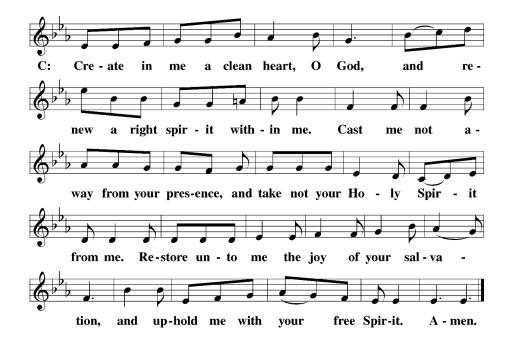


SERMON Matthew 28:19-20

"One in Mission(s)"

After the sermon, the congregation sings:

CREATE IN ME



PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

C: 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

HYMN CW #573

573 Hark! The Voice of Jesus Crying



PLEASE STAND, IF YOU ARE ABLE

M: Almighty God, grant to your Church the Holy Spirit and the wisdom that comes from above. Let nothing hinder your Word from being freely proclaimed to the joy and edifying of Christ's holy people, so that we may serve you in steadfast faith and confess your name as long as we live, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



M: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

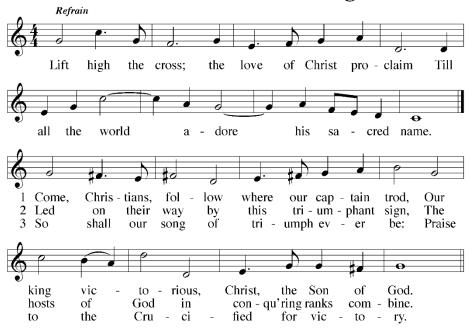
The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.



CLOSING HYMN CW #579

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Lift High the Cross



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