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November 22, 2020

Christ the King

Ringing of the Peace Bell

Prelude (jazz)

Welcome

Opening Song "O Come, All Ye Faithful" John Francis Wade

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant!

O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem!

Come and behold him, born the King of angels;

3 Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation, Sing, all ye citizens of heav'n above:

"Glory to God, all glory in the highest!" [Refrain]

Refrain:

O come, let us adore him,

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O come, let us adore him, Christ, the Lord!

4 Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this happy morning;

Jesus, to thee be all glory giv'n;

Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing;

[Refrain]

2 The Highest, Most Holy, Light of Light eternal,

Born of a Virgin, a mortal He comes! Son of the Father, now in flesh appearing.

[Refrain]

Apostolic Greeting

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Calls to Worship

Be with Us, Great Spirit

Leader: We are your children.

People: We have heard you in the winds, seen you in the sunrise;

We have felt your kindness in the seasons.

Leader: Great Spirit, we know you! We hear you speak!

People: We know this very moment you are near to us as the air surrounds us

and fills our lungs with life.

Leader: Be with us, Great Spirit. Show us the way you would have us go!

From Family Prayer by Sister Kevin Marie Flynn. Used by permission.

We Are All Related

Leader: We share our stories.

People: Each of us brings a unique story and gifts from the Creator.

Leader: Our stories are about journeys of faith.People: We walk a path of righteousness.Leader: We share our path with all creation.

People: We are all related.

From Eastern Cherokee prayer tradition by Z. Susanne Aikman (Eastern Cherokee) @ 1992

*Confession and Forgiveness

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, †one God, in whose image we are made, who claims us and calls us beloved. **Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. *Silence is kept for reflection.*

P: Holy One,

C: we confess that we are not awake for you. We are not faithful in using your gifts. We forget the least of our siblings. We do not see your beautiful image in one another. We are infected by sin that divides your beloved community. Open our hearts to your coming, open our eyes to see you in our neighbor, open our hands to serve your creation. Amen.

P: Beloved, we are God's children, and Jesus, our Beloved, opens the door to us. Through † Jesus you are forgiven, by Jesus you are welcome, in Jesus you are called to rejoice! Let us live in the promises prepared for us from the foundation of the world. **Amen.**

P: Let us pray together the prayer of the day:

O God of power and might, your Son shows us the way of service, and in him we inherit the riches of your grace. Give us the wisdom to know what is right and the strength to serve the world you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

First Lesson Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24 Second Lesson Ephesians 1:15-23

Children's Time Mission Moment

Song "Sweet Little Jesus Boy"

Robert MacGimsey

Sweet little Jesus boy
They made you be born in a
manger
Sweet little holy child
We didn't know who you were
Didn't know you'd come to save
us Lord
To take our sins away
Our eyes were blind, we could
not see
We didn't know who you were

Long time ago
You were born
Born in a manger Lord
Sweet little Jesus boy
The world treats you mean Lord
Treats me mean too
But that's how things are down
here
We don't know who you are

You have told us how We are trying Master you have shown us how Even when you were dying Just seems like we can't do right Look how we treated you But please Sir forgive us Lord We didn't know it was you

Sweet little Jesus boy Born a long time ago Sweet little holy child We didn't know who you were Gospel acclamation: Alleluia. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David. Alleluia.

The Holy Gospel Matthew 25:31-46

(Response after the announcement: Glory to you, O Lord.)

(Response after the reading: Praise to you, O Christ.)

"Open Our Eyes" Sermon

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Hymn "Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness"

Verse 1 Praise the One who breaks the darkness With a liberating light; Praise the One who frees the pris'ners, Turning blindness into sight. Praise the One who preached the gospel, Healing ev'ry dread disease, Calming storms and feeding thousands

With the very bread of peace.

Verse 2 Praise the One who blessed the children With a strong yet gentle word; Praise the One who drove out demons with a piercing, two-edged sword. Praise the One who brings cool water To the desert's burning sand; From this well comes living water Quenching thirst in eve'ry land.

Verse 3 Praise the one true love incarnate: Christ, who suffered in our place; Jesus died and rose for many That we may know God by grace. Let us sing for joy and gladness, Seeing what our God has done. Praise the one redeeming glory; Praise the One who makes us one.

Act of Faith

We believe in God, Mother and Father of all, who has called us all to work together to build a new world of unity and peace.

We believe in Jesus Christ, Son of God and our brother, who suffered, died and rose again for us, that we might learn to live for others, and find hope in his victory over death.

We believe in the Spirit, in the power of truth, of peace, and of love.

We believe in the church, the unity and fellowship to which all are called, that we may heal the shattered world, and find a new and better life, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Lord, in your mercy, Hear our prayer

Sharing of the Peace

Lord's Prayer

Benediction

Closing Song

"Walking With the King"

Hallelujah, I'm walking with the King Praise His holy name Walking with the King hallelujah I'm walking with the King Ev'ry day I'm walking with the King!

Go in peace; serve the Lord!

Postlude

"Who Would Imagine a King"

Ringing of the Peace Bell

Lighting of candles and reciting of prayer list

10:00 a.m. service Musicians: Marilyn Keller, George Mitchell, Ron Steen, Kevin Deitz, Dr. Walter Krueger

11:30 Spanish language Service with leaders/musicians Francisco Aguirre, Oscar Amaya, Elvio Gonzalez, Jackeline Luna, Dora Reyna, Aranza and Miranda Aguirre

Assisting Ministers: Francisco Aguirre, Andrea Robideau, Helen Deitz

Livestream/Tech Crew (rotating): Ben Joy, Dave Schmidt, Jenny Schmidt, Lane Johnson, Andy Fort, Jon Jensen, Francisco Aguirre, Marilyn Keller, Glen Jacobs, Terri Svetich, Ken Petersen, Andrew Kindschuh, Mark Wells, Nate Fort, Joe Paterno, Brandon Knutson (remote), Ayn Frazee (remote), Rev. Tom Campbell-Schmitt (remote), Tamrah Knutson (remote), Rick Gordon (advisor); Rebecca Dodson (webpage) Mark Knutson (advisor)

Bell ringer, Property, Tellers: Ansel Johnson, Glen Jacobs, Judy Embler

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