

The Lord's Service

January 6, 2019

**Standing together is our ordinary practice,
but you are welcome to remain seated.*

Prelude

*Song of Praise with Greeting

Shine, Jesus, Shine

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.

Chorus:

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.

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. (Chorus)

(1987 Make Way Music)

Welcome and Announcements

God Calls Us

In silent meditation, prepare to meet the unchanging God in worship.

*Call to Worship

Psalm 150.1-6

LEADER: Praise the Lord! Praise God in his sanctuary;
praise him in his mighty heavens!

PEOPLE: **Praise him for his mighty deeds; praise him
according to his excellent greatness!**

LEADER: Praise him with trumpet sound; praise him with
lute and harp!

PEOPLE: **Praise him with tambourine and dance;
praise him with strings and pipe!**

LEADER: Praise him with sounding cymbals; praise him
with loud clashing cymbals!

PEOPLE: **Let everything that has breath praise the
Lord! Praise the Lord!**

*Hymn

No. 38

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

*Invocation

Elder Ken Henry

God Cleanses Us

Reading of the Law of God

Deuteronomy 4.36-39

LEADER: Out of heaven he let you hear his voice, that he might discipline you. And on earth he let you see his great fire, and you heard his words out of the midst of the fire.

PEOPLE: And because he loved your fathers and chose their offspring after them and brought you out of Egypt with his own presence, by his great power,

LEADER: Driving out before you nations greater and mightier than you, to bring you in, to give you their land for an inheritance, as it is this day,

PEOPLE: Know therefore today, and lay it to your heart, that the Lord is God in heaven above and on the earth beneath: there is no other.

*Whether seated or kneeling,
let us approach the Lord together with a posture of reverence.*

Corporate Confession of Sin (in unison)

**Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against You in
thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved You with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves.
We are truly sorry, and we humbly repent.
For the sake of Your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in Your will,
and walk in Your ways,
to the glory of Your name. Amen.**

LEADER: Lift up your heads and hear the Good News:

“Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who by God’s power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.”

The peace of the Lord be with you!

PEOPLE: **And also with you!**

*Hymn

No. 441

Jesus Shall Reign

God Consecrates Us

Old Testament Reading

Elder Mark Wilson

Isaiah 2.1-5 (p. 567)

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Anthem

Choir

I Shall See

from Psalm 27

Teach me Your way; lead me in a straight path.

One thing I seek, to dwell in Your house.

Your face I seek, hide not from me,

You are my light, whom should I fear?

In times of trouble He shall hide me.

I will not fear. He is my strength.

I believe I shall see all of Your good in the land of the living.

Wait upon Him and He will strengthen you.

Wait for Him, He is your strength.

I will not fear. He is my strength.

(Trotta 2012 Birnamwood Publications)

*Doxology No. 731

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of the Church Pastor Jones

*Hymn No. 687

Make Me a Captive, Lord

Scripture Lesson Matthew 5.14-16 (p. 810)

Sermon Dr. Richard Pratt

LIGHT IN THE DARKNESS

*Hymn No. 442

Arise, O God

Confession of Faith Westminster Larger Catechism 41

LEADER: Why was our mediator called Jesus?

PEOPLE: **Our mediator was called Jesus, because
he saveth his people from their sins.**

*Gloria Patri No. 735

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, amen.

God Communes with Us

*The Celebration of the Lord's Supper

LEADER: Lift up your hearts.

PEOPLE: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

LEADER: Let us give thanks to the Lord.

PEOPLE: **It is good and right so to do.**

LEADER: It is right, and good, and a joyful thing...

Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we praise and magnify Your glorious name, ever more praising and singing...

*Song of Ascent

Sanctus



Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might, — Ho - ly,



ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might; — Heav'n and earth are



full, — full of Your glo - ry, Ho - san-na in the high - est, Ho - san-na



in the high - est! Bles-sed is He that comes — in the Name of the Lord.



— Ho - san - na in the high - est, Ho - san - na in the high - est!

The Institution

Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me

♩ ^A Unison Bm⁷ A

1. Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, let me hide my -
 2. Not the la - bors of my hands can ful - fil thy
 3. Noth - ing in my hand I bring, sim - ply to thy
 4. While I draw this fleet - ing breath, when mine eye - lids

self in thee; let the wa - ter and the blood, from thy riv - en
 law's de - mands; could my zeal no res - pite know, could my tears for -
 cross I cling; na - ked, come to thee for dress; help - less, look to
 close in death, when I soar to worlds un - known, see thee on thy

side which flowed, be of sin the dou - ble cure, cleanse me from its
 ev - er flow, all for sin could not a - tone; thou must save, and
 thee for grace; foul, I to the Foun - tain fly; wash me, Sav - ior,
 judg - ment throne, Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, let me hide my -

guilt and pow'r.
 thou a - lone.
 or I die.
 self in thee.

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NEW CITY FELLOWSHIP 7.7.7.7.7.
 James Ward, 1984

Amazing Grace! (vs. 1-3, 6)

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found,
Was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
And grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed!

Thro' many dangers, toils, and snares,
I have already come;
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far,
And grace will lead me home.

When we've been there ten thousand years,
Bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise
Than when we've first begun.

God Commissions Us

*Benediction

Postlude