



8:30 a.m. ~ Sunday, February 11th

PRELUDE

“Puer Nobis”

Raymond Hana

Organ

WELCOME & RELATIONSHIPS of PEACE

OPENING HYMN “O Wondrous Type, O Vision Fair”

OPENING LITURGY

P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Christ is faithful over God’s house as a son.

C: **And we are His house.**

P: “This is My Son, My Chosen One;

C: **Listen to Him!”**

P: Exalt the LORD our God, and worship at His holy mountain;

C: **for the LORD our God is holy!**

P: God is light, and in Him is no darkness at all. If we say we have fellowship with Him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth.

C: **But if we walk in the light, as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from all sin.**

[Moment of silent confession]

P: Let us confess our sins to God our Father.

C: **Merciful God, we confess that we live surrounded by the darkness of sin. Our lives are spent in the darkness of the fallen world by our own sin in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done as well as the good we have failed to do. Deliver us from this darkness and grant us Your forgiveness by the light of Your Son’s saving death on the cross and the power of His resurrection. Amen.**

P: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has been so merciful to us by giving His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgiven all our sins. By the power of His Holy Spirit, He has worked faith in our hearts, and transformed us to live as His disciples, reminding us always that in Jesus Christ, our Savior, our sins are forgiven and we are now called to live a new life in His truth and grace. May He continue to strengthen us, forgive us, and renew us to live as His beloved and redeemed children.

C: **Amen.**

P: Exalt the LORD our God, and worship at His holy mountain;

C: for the LORD our God is holy!

P: The LORD reigns; let the peoples tremble!

C: He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake!

P: The LORD is great in Zion;

C: He is exalted over all the peoples.

P: Let them praise Your great and awesome name!

C: Holy is He!

P: The King in His might loves justice. You have established equity;

C: You have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.

P: Exalt the LORD our God; worship at His footstool!

C: Holy is He!

P: Exalt the LORD our God, and worship at His holy mountain;

C: For the LORD our God is holy!

RESPONSE “Holy, Holy, Holy”

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

ANTHEM

“Walk in the Light”

arr. Andre Thomas

Children’s Choir

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Acts 20:17-28 [ESV]

Now from Miletus he sent to Ephesus and called the elders of the church to come to him. And when they came to him, he said to them:

“You yourselves know how I lived among you the whole time from the first day that I set foot in Asia, serving the Lord with all humility and with tears and with trials that happened to me through the plots of the Jews; how I did not shrink from declaring to you anything that was profitable, and teaching you in public and from house to house, testifying both to Jews and to Greeks of repentance toward God and of faith in our Lord Jesus Christ. And now, behold, I am going to Jerusalem, constrained by the Spirit, not knowing what will happen to me there, except that the Holy Spirit testifies to me in every city that imprisonment and afflictions await me.

But I do not account my life of any value nor as precious to myself, if only I may finish my course and the ministry that I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God. And now, behold, I know that none of you among whom I have gone about proclaiming the kingdom will see my face again. Therefore I testify to you this day that I am innocent of the blood of all, for I did not shrink from declaring to you the whole counsel of God. Pay careful attention to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the church of God, which he obtained with his own blood.

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

HOLY GOSPEL Matthew 13:1-9 [ESV]

That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. And great crowds gathered about him, so that he got into a boat and sat down. And the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: "A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell along the path, and the birds came and devoured them. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and immediately they sprang up, since they had no depth of soil, but when the sun rose they were scorched. And since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and produced grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. He who has ears, let him hear."

R: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ!

STATEMENT of FAITH *The Nicene Creed*

RESPONSE "Take My Life and Let It Be"

SERMON "GENEROSITY IS TRANSFORMATIONAL"

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

"I Want to the Walk as a Child of the Light"

arr. Brenda Austin

Dona Nobis Pacem Handbells

PRAYERS of the CHURCH

THE LORD'S PRAYER

WORDS of INSTITUTION

THE PEACE

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**

DISTRIBUTION MUSIC

“Rise, My Soul”

Organ

arr. A. W. Leupold

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES

BENEDICTION

CLOSING RESPONSE “Alleluia, Song of Gladness”

POSTLUDE

“Prelude in C Major”

Organ

John Behnke



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