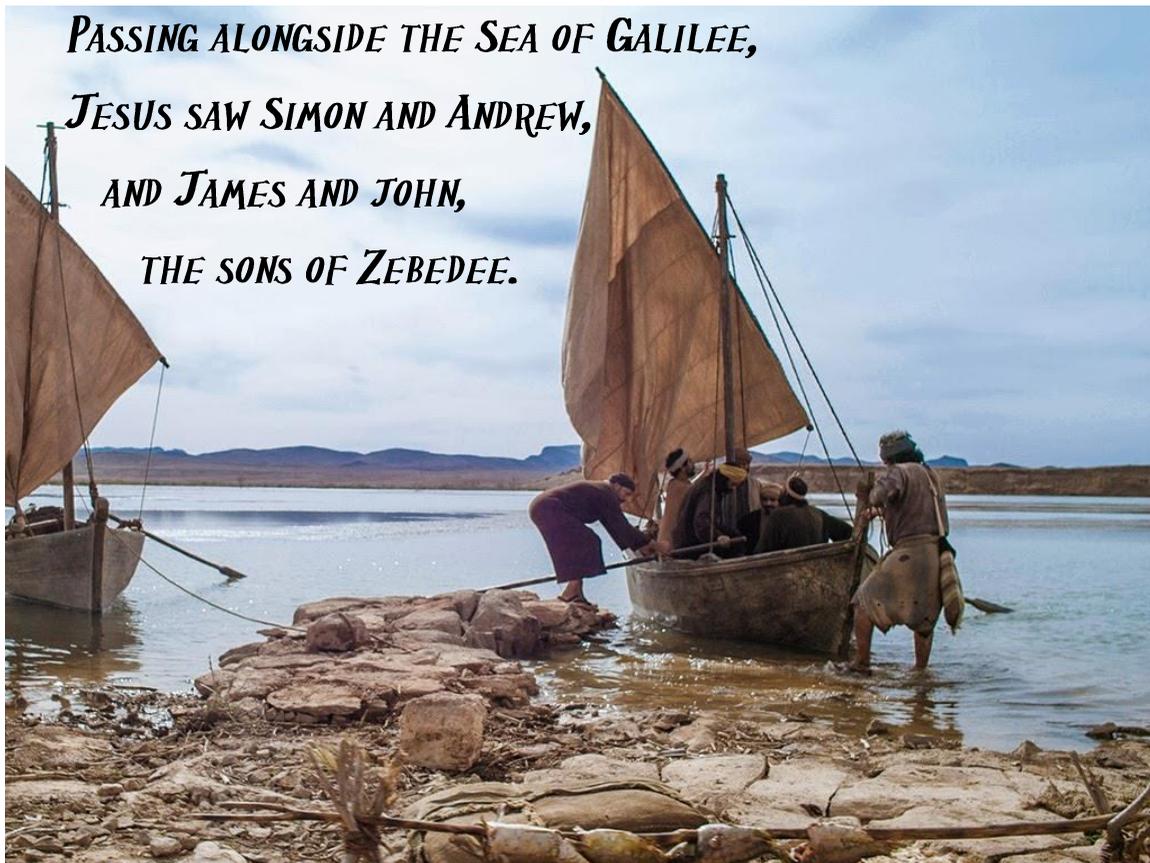


*PASSING ALONGSIDE THE SEA OF GALILEE,  
JESUS SAW SIMON AND ANDREW,  
AND JAMES AND JOHN,  
THE SONS OF ZEBEDEE.*



**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany**  
**January 21, 2018**

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## ***WORSHIP SCHEDULE***

Sundays 8:00 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.

Holy Communion: 1st, 3rd, 5th Sunday of the month  
Becky Lanzito & Karen Leicht - Organists, Ann Souza - Music Director,  
Mandi Stilson – Choir/New Music Accompanist

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### ***WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS***

We are pleased you chose to be with us in worship today, and pray the Lord blesses you as he has blessed us with your presence. Our goal is to help people find the right place for them to hear God's word and serve His mission. We'd love to support you in that spiritual journey. Please take a moment to complete an attendance card and place it in the Offering plate or give to an usher. This card will help us connect with you.

### ***HOLY COMMUNION***

The Lord's Supper is celebrated according to the Lutheran Confessions based on the teaching Jesus gave his disciples and us that he is truly present in this meal. Confident that our sins are forgiven, we experience our oneness with him and each other as he gathers us at his table. His true body and blood, given and shed for us, we share in this meal as he invites in Matthew 26:26-28, "Take and eat; this is My Body ... This is My Blood..." Baptized Christians sharing these beliefs are invited to receive Communion. All others are invited to the altar rail for a blessing. Wine can be taken by common chalice, individual cup, or by dipping your wafer into the chalice. Please address questions to the Elders or the Pastor. ***Non-alcoholic wine is in purple-colored cups.***

### ***NURSERY***

We have two rooms available for your use. When the service is in the sanctuary, the nursery is down the hall just past the restrooms. If the service is held in the gym, the nursery is in the youth room at the far end of the gym.

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### ***SERVING TODAY***

	<b><u>8:00 a.m.</u></b>	<b><u>10:45 a.m.</u></b>
<b><i>Elder:</i></b>	JJ Jones	Bob Souza
<b><i>Comm/Asst. Elder:</i></b>	Al Diercks	Dave Ziegler
<b><i>Acolytes:</i></b>	Lily Freehling, Holly Faitsch	<i>Allison Adams, Ruth Ziegler</i>
<b><i>Ushers:</i></b>	Tony Young, Chuck Johnson	<i>Lance Rasmussen, Monte Stoltzman</i>
<b><i>Lay Readers:</i></b>	<b>OPEN</b>	<i>Donna Danielsen</i>
<b><i>Greeters:</i></b>	<b>OPEN, OPEN</b>	The Nuechterlein Family, The Peplow Family
<b><i>Fellowship:</i></b>	The Freehling Family	
<b><i>Jan. Altar Guild:</i></b>	Diane Sanders	Sheila Bunnell
<b><i>Jan. Counters:</i></b>	Monte Stoltzman	Bill & Kathy Schwartz

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### ***TODAY'S FLOWERS ARE PROVIDED BY:***

Bill & Lynda Oesterreich in memory of Bill's mother, Clara Grossklags.

## PSALM SERVICE

This service uses portions of the Psalms as the parts of the liturgy.  
The Psalms are the hymnbook of the Bible and help us form our worship today.

### Opening Hymn

### O Christ, Who Called the Twelve

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1 O Christ, who called the Twelve To rise and fol - low You, For -  
2 O Christ, who taught the Twelve The truth for a - ges sealed, Whose  
3 O Christ, who led the Twelve A - mong the des - o - late And  
4 O Christ, who sent the Twelve On roads they'd nev - er trod To



sak - ing old, fa - mil - iar ways For ven - tures bold and new:  
words and works a - wak - ened faith, The ways of God re - vealed:  
broke as bread of life for all Your love com - pas - sion - ate:  
serve, to suf - fer, teach, pro - claim The near - er reign of God:



Grant us to hear Your call To risk se - cu - ri - ty And,  
In - struct us now, we pray, By Your em - pow'r - ing Word. True  
Lead us a - long the ways Where hope has near - ly died And  
Send us on ways where faith Tran - scends ti - mid - i - ty, Where



bound in heart and will to You, Find per - fect lib - er - ty.  
teach - er, be for all who seek Their light, their life, their Lord.  
help us climb the lone - ly hills Where love is cru - ci - fied.  
love in - forms and hope sus - tains Both life and min - is - try.

5 O Christ, the apostles' Lord,  
The martyrs' strength and song,  
The crucified and risen King  
To whom the saints belong:

Though generations pass,  
Our tribute still we bring,  
Our hymns a sacrifice of praise,  
Our lives an offering.

***Invocation and Call to Worship (Based on Psalm 92)***

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

P: O Lord, it does us good to give you thanks,

**C: to fill our lungs with the name of the Most High,**

P: To start the morning off with good news of your love,

**C: and to close the day with thanks for your faithfulness,**

P: You made us find joy in what you have done, O LORD.

**C: We will sing joyfully about the works of your hands.**

P: How spectacular are your works, O LORD!

**C: How very deep are your thoughts!**

***Confession and Absolution (Based on Isaiah 55 and Psalm 130)***

P: The Lord's thoughts are not your thoughts,

neither are your ways the Lord's ways.

Seek the Lord while he may be found;

call upon him while he is near;

let the sinners abandon their ways,

and the unrighteous turn away from their thoughts;

Return to the Lord, for he will have compassion on you,

Return to our God, for he will forgive generously.

**C: Yes, let us return to the Lord and confess our sin.**

P: Out of the pit we call you, Lord;

**C: please, Lord, hear us;**

P: Though our voices are faint let them reach your ears

**C: and touch your heart of mercy.**

P: Lord, if you keep a tally of all our sins, C: then who could survive?

P: But Lord, you have the power to forgive; C: So we worship and honor you.

P: His word is our only hope; C: We wait on the Lord, we wait in our souls,

P: eager as any watchman waits for the morning.

***(Silence for reflection on personal sins and need for forgiveness).***

P: You wait for the Lord, because his love for you will never run out,

and because he has the power to set you free;

Only he will save you from your sins,

Only he has sent his son to die for you

and rise again to give you new life.

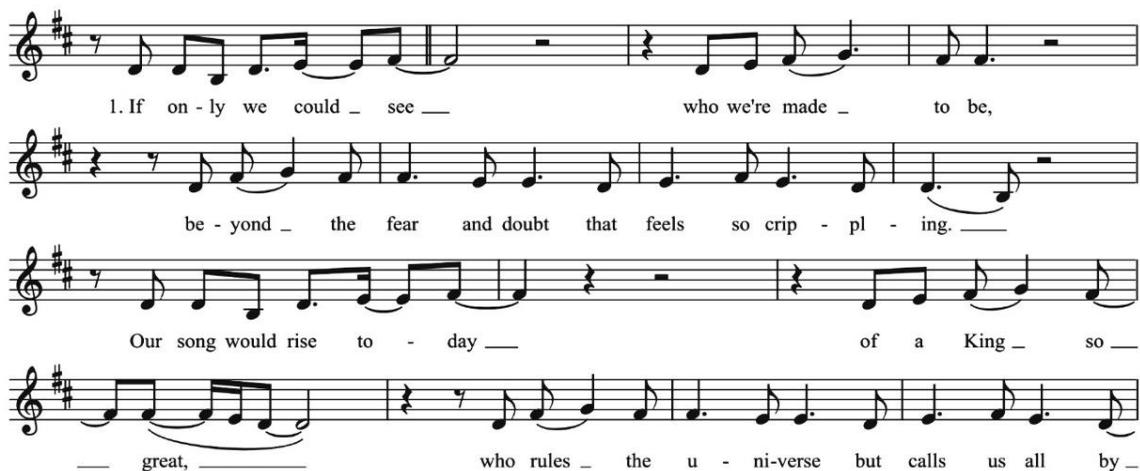
Your sins are forgiven in the Name of the Father

and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. C: Amen.

# Song of Praise

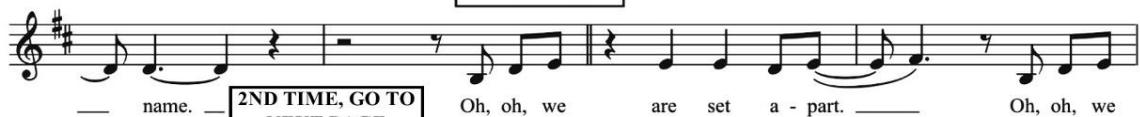
# We Are The Kingdom

## VERSE 1



1. If on - ly we could - see - who we're made - to be,  
be - yond - the fear and doubt that feels so crip - pl - ing. -  
Our song would rise to - day - of a King - so -  
- great, - who rules - the u - ni - verse but calls us all by -

## PRE-CHORUS 1



- name. - Oh, oh, we are set a - part. - Oh, oh, we

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## CHORUS 1a



know who we are. - We are - the King - dom, we are - the light.  
You set - a fi - re we can - not hide. And we'll be - Your cit - y

## INTERLUDE 1



burn - ing - so bright, 'cause we are - the King - dom. Oh, -  
- oh, - oh.

## REPEAT VERSE 1



We are - the King - dom. -

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PRE-CHORUS 2



Oh, oh, we are set a - part .



Oh, oh, this is where we start.

INTERLUDE 2



Oh, oh,

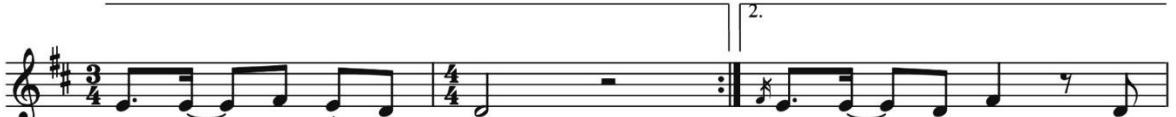
CHORUS 1a & 1b



We are \_ the King - dom, we are \_ the light. You set \_ a fi - re



we can - not hide. And we'll be \_ Your cit - y burn - ing \_ so bright, 'cause



we are \_ the King - dom. burn - ing \_ so bright, 'cause



we are \_ the King - dom. (We are \_ the King - dom.) We are \_ the King -

ENDING



-dom. Oh, oh,



oh. We are \_ the King - dom.

**Old Testament Reading**

**Exodus 1:8–14; 2:23–25 (ESV)**

<sup>8</sup>Now there arose a new king over Egypt, who did not know Joseph. <sup>9</sup>And he said to his people, “Behold, the people of Israel are too many and too mighty for us. <sup>10</sup>Come, let us deal shrewdly with them, lest they multiply, and, if war breaks out, they join our enemies and fight against us and escape from the land.” <sup>11</sup>Therefore they set taskmasters over them to afflict them with heavy burdens. They built for Pharaoh store cities, Pithom and Raamses. <sup>12</sup>But the more they were oppressed, the more they multiplied and the more they spread abroad. And the Egyptians were in dread of the people of Israel. <sup>13</sup>So they ruthlessly made the people of Israel work as slaves <sup>14</sup>and made their lives bitter with hard service, in mortar and brick, and in all kinds of work in the field. In all their work they ruthlessly made them work as slaves.

<sup>23</sup>During those many days the king of Egypt died, and the people of Israel groaned because of their slavery and cried out for help. Their cry for rescue from slavery came up to God. <sup>24</sup>And God heard their groaning, and God remembered his covenant with Abraham, with Isaac, and with Jacob. <sup>25</sup>God saw the people of Israel—and God knew.

L: This is the Word of the Lord

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**Anthem**

**“Wonderful Words of Life”**

**Adult Choir**

Sing them over again to me, wonderful words of life,  
Let me more of their beauty see, wonderful words of life;  
Words of life and beauty teach me faith and duty.

*Refrain: Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of life,  
Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of life.*

Christ, the blessèd One, gives to all wonderful words of life;  
Sinner, list to the loving call, wonderful words of life;  
All so freely given, wooing us to heaven.

Sweetly echo the Gospel call, wonderful words of life;  
Offer pardon and peace to all, wonderful words of life;  
Jesus, only Savior, sanctify us forever. *Refrain*

**Holy Gospel**

**Mark 1:14–20 (ESV)**

<sup>14</sup>Now after John [the Baptist] was arrested, Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, <sup>15</sup>and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel.”

<sup>16</sup>Passing alongside the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and Andrew the brother of Simon casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. <sup>17</sup>And Jesus said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you become fishers of men.” <sup>18</sup>And immediately they left their nets and followed him. <sup>19</sup>And going on a little farther, he saw James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, who were in their boat mending the nets. <sup>20</sup>And immediately he called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired servants and followed him. P: This is the Gospel of the Lord. C: **Thanks be to God.**

**Prayer of the Day** P: God of new realities close at hand—the Kingdom of heaven that is in our midst, open our ears to hear your call. Give us the insight to know that it is You who calls us. Grant us the courage to go where you send us as we notice that You also call others to Your Kingdom, through the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. C: **Amen.**

**Hymn of the Day**

**Listen, God Is Calling**

LSB 833

Leader All



Lis - ten, lis - ten, God is call - ing Through the Word in - vit - ing,



Of - fer - ing for - give - ness, Com - fort, and joy. joy.

Leader All



1 Je - sus gave His man - date: Share the good news  
 2 Let none be for - got - ten Through - out the world.  
 3 Help us to be faith - ful, Stand - ing stead - fast,

Leader All Refrain



That He came to save us \_\_\_\_\_ And set us free.  
 In the tri - une name of God Go and bap - tize.  
 Walk - ing in Your pre - cepts, \_\_\_\_\_ Led by Your Word.

# Arts Appreciation

## the art of noticing: why notice?

### the big idea

The first step in developing a relationship with anyone starts with noticing them.

When you intentionally pay attention to people around you, you will begin to see them differently.

### the big idea

With a fresh perspective and simple, everyday practices, any Christian can engage in the Great Commission.

### the arts of spiritual conversations



*Sermon*

*“Yahweh Noticed, Jesus Noticed”*

*Exodus 1&2 and Mark 1*

## **Confession of Faith**

## **Nicene Creed**

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.—And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And he will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.—And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## **Offering & Prayer Requests**

In addition to the prayer requests already received, Pastor will pause here to see if there are additional requests. Prayers can be thanksgivings, joy, requests for yourself, or requests for others.

## **Offertory**

## **We Give Thee But Thine Own**

LSB 781 sts. 1–2

*(Sung as the offerings are brought forward to the altar)*



1 We give Thee but Thine own, What - e'er the gift may be;  
2 May we Thy boun - ties thus As stew - ards true re - ceive



All that we have is Thine a - lone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee.  
And glad - ly, as Thou bless - est us, To Thee our first-fruits give!

## **Prayers**

## **The Lord's Supper: What We Believe**

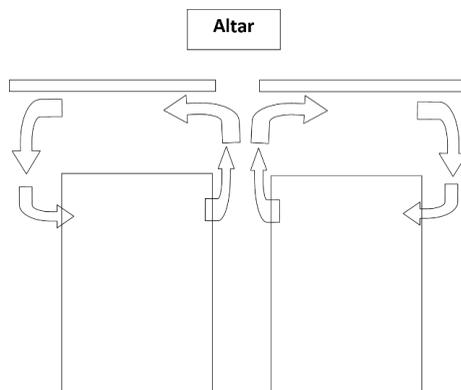
All Christians who are baptized and have been instructed are invited to receive Communion with us if you believe as we do—that the bread is the body of Christ, and the wine is the blood of Christ, truly present for us for the forgiveness of our sins.

If this is a new teaching to you, or if this is different than you believe, we ask that you wait to commune until we've had a further chance to talk. We invite those who are not communing to come to the rail, cross your arms, and receive a blessing from the Lord.



## **Communion Distribution**

- Pastor distributes the bread, and the Elders distribute the wine—with individual cups or common cup. The individual trays also contain alcohol-removed wine in the center of each tray in the purple cups.
- Each side will be ushered from the center aisle to the communion rail, row by row, starting with the front.
- Go to the rail on your side of the sanctuary, filling in starting with the outside wall towards the center.
- Once you have received the elements, you may remain at the rail for prayer and leave at your own pace.
- Return to your seat using the outside aisle.
- Use the distribution time to prepare yourself for communion, sing the hymns as prayers to God, and maintain this as meditative time.



### ***Preparation for the Lord's Supper***

(Based on Psalm 98)

P: Sing to the LORD a new song, for He has done marvelous things;  
His right hand and His holy arm have worked salvation for him.

**C: *The LORD has made His salvation known  
and revealed His righteousness to the nations.***

P: He has remembered His love and His faithfulness to the house of Israel;  
all the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

**C: *Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth,  
burst into jubilant song with music;***

P: make music to the LORD with the harp,  
with the harp and the sound of singing,  
with trumpets and the blast of the ram's horn—  
shout for joy before the LORD, the King.

### ***The Lord's Prayer***

P: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

***All: 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.***

### ***Words of Institution***

#### ***Pax Domini (The Peace of the Lord)***

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

**C: *And also with you.***

(We greet one another in peace saying "God's peace" or "The Lord be with you.")



1 Let us ev - er walk with Je - sus, Fol - low His ex -  
 2 Let us suf - fer here with Je - sus And with pa - tience  
 3 Let us glad - ly die with Je - sus. Since by death He  
 4 Let us al - so live with Je - sus. He has ris - en



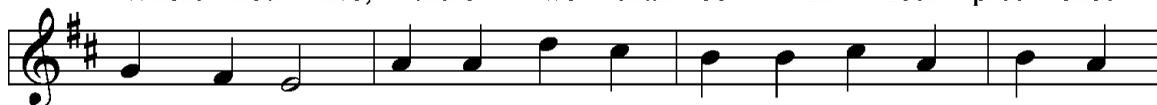
am - ple pure, Through a world that would de - ceive us And to  
 bear our cross. Joy will fol - low all our sad - ness; Where He  
 con - quered death, He will free us from de - struc - tion, Give to  
 from the dead That to life we may a - wak - en. Je - sus,



sin our spir - its lure. On - ward in His foot - steps tread - ing,  
 is, there is no loss. Though to - day we sow no laugh - ter,  
 us im - mor - tal breath. Let us mor - ti - fy all pas - sion  
 You are now our head. We are Your own liv - ing mem - bers;



Pil - grims here, our home a - bove, Full of faith and  
 We shall reap ce - les - tial joy; All dis - com - forts  
 That would lead us in - to sin; And the grave that  
 Where You live, there we shall be In Your pres - ence



hope and love, Let us do the Fa - ther's bid - ding. Faith - ful  
 that an - noy Shall give way to mirth here - af - ter. Je - sus,  
 shuts us in Shall but prove the gate to heav - en. Je - sus,  
 con - stant - ly, Liv - ing there with You for - ev - er. Je - sus,



Lord, with me a - bide; I shall fol - low where You guide.  
 here I share Your woe; Help me there Your joy to know.  
 here with You I die, There to live with You on high.  
 let me faith - ful be, Life e - ter - nal grant to me.

**Second Distribution Hymn****Christ the Eternal Lord**

LSB 829



1 Christ the e - ter - nal Lord, Whose prom - ise here we claim,  
 2 Christ the un - chang - ing Word To ev - 'ry pass - ing age,  
 3 Christ the re - deem - ing Son, Who shares our hu - man birth,  
 4 Christ the un - fad - ing Light Of ev - er - last - ing day,



Whose gifts of grace are free - ly poured On all who name Your name;  
 Whose time - less teach - ings still are heard Set forth on Scrip - ture's page;  
 And by His death sal - va - tion won For ev - 'ry child of earth;  
 Our Morn - ing Star in splen - dor bright, The Life, the Truth, the Way;



With thank - ful - ness and praise We stand be - fore Your throne,  
 Trans - form our thought and mind, En - light - en all who read,  
 In - spire our hearts, we pray, To tell Your love a - broad,  
 That light of truth You give To ser - vants as to friends,



In - tent to serve You all our days And make Your glo - ry known.  
 With - in Your Word by faith to find The bread of life in - deed.  
 That all may hon - or Christ to - day And fol - low Him as Lord.  
 Your way to walk, Your life to live, Till earth's brief jour - ney ends.

- 5 Christ the ascended King  
 Exalted high above,  
 Whose praise unending ages sing,  
 Whom yet unseen we love;  
 When mortal life is past  
 Your voice from heaven's throne  
 Shall call Your children home at last  
 To know as we are known.

***Common Dismissal***

P: Now may this true body and true blood of our Lord...

**C: Amen.**

***Thanksgiving Prayer***

P: Let us pray: Lord Jesus Christ, we give you praise this day for all of your blessings, especially for giving us your body and blood. Keep us through this meal to always be under your care. Watch over us as we go throughout the day, so that we may never wander from your way. This we pray in your name, for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

***Benediction (Based on Psalm 67 and Numbers 6)***

P: God is good to us, he is blessing us,

**C: The face of God is shining down on us,**

P: Let the peoples praise You, O God;

**C: Let all the peoples praise You.**

P: Oh, let the nations be glad and sing for joy!

**C: God, our own God, shall bless us.**

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

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

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

**C: Amen.**

## Closing Hymn

## Fishers of Men



1. I will make you fish - ers of men, fish - ers of men,  
2. Hear Christ call - ing, "Come un - to Me, come un - to Me,



fish - ers of men; I will make you fish - ers of men, if you fol - low  
come un - to Me;" Hear Christ call - ing, "Come un - to Me, I will give you



Me. If you fol - low Me, if you fol - low Me,  
rest. I will give you rest, I will give you rest."



I will make you fish - ers of men, if you fol - low Me.  
Hear Christ call - ing, "Come un - to Me, I will give you rest."

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