Outdoor Worship

Opening

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

P: *Praise the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them.*

C: Those who keep the Sabbath and call it a delight shall rejoice in God's kingdom.

P: All who hallow the seventh day shall be gladdened by God's goodness.

C: This day is the festival of the spirit, sanctified and blessed by God, the most precious of days, a symbol of the joy of creation.

Gathering Hymn Α7 D Lord pre - pare to be a sanc-tu - a me ry will live Lord. I as vou ask me. With your Spir - it, Fath-er, fill me: Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia. G D pure and ho ly tried and true find - ing truth in your com man me know he let. your pres-ence Al - le - lu ia, А men. Α7 With thanks - giv - ing I'11 be li - ving а ds 'Gainst all e - vils and temp - ta - tions, re. Ι am long - ing for your sal - va - tion. Al - le - lu - ia, A1 le - lu - ia, -G Α7 D fo - r sanc – tu – a ry you. your faith ful, T will stand. as Come. Ι want you to be near. A1 _ le - lu ia, А men.

Greeting

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

C: And also with you.

Dialog & Prayer of the Day

P: For the beauty of the earth, Creator God, **C: We give you thanks.**

P: For the rich abundance of the natural order, Lord,

C: We give you thanks.

P: For the many ways that you provide for all creation, Sustainer, **C: We give you thanks.**

P: For the material things that enable our survival and provide for our comfort, gracious God,

C: We give you thanks.

P: As we strive first for the Kingdom of God and its righteousness, **C: Teach us to pursue the work of justice.**

P: We live in a world that has the resources to satisfy everyone's hunger, if only we will share our food.

C: Teach us to love kindness.

P: We long to live lives characterized by reckless generosity and hospitality.

C: Teach us to walk humbly with you.

P: We commit to sharing all that you have entrusted to us with all people,

C: That in so doing, we might be transformed into more faithful followers of Jesus Christ.

P: Let us pray:

Almighty and everlasting God, come nurture our hearts, our minds and our souls with the wisdom of your word, the grace of your table and the encouragement of our fellowship. Refresh and sustain us for this life and for our hope in the eternal life promised through your Son, Jesus, in whose name we pray. Amen. Now a man from the house of Levi went and married a Levite woman. The woman conceived and gave birth to a son and when she saw that he was a fine baby, she hid him from Pharoah's death squads for three months. When she could hide him no longer, she got a little ark made of papyrus for him and plastered it with bitumen and pitch. Then she put the child in it and placed it among the reeds on the bank of the river. Now his sister stood at a distance, to see what would happen to him.

Now Pharaoh's daughter went down to bathe at the Nile, and her attendants walked along the Nile. She saw the little ark among the reeds and sent her maid to bring it. She opened it and saw him, the child! It was a boy, crying!

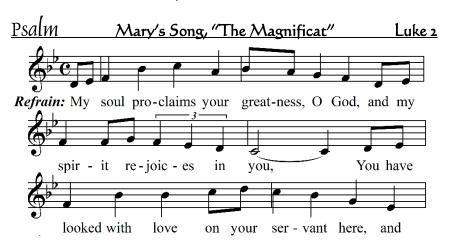
She pitied him and said, "This is one of the Hebrews' children." Then the boy's sister said to Pharaoh's daughter, "May I go and get you a nurse from the Hebrew women to nurse the child for you?"

Pharaoh's daughter said to her, "Go!"

So, the girl went and called the child's mother.

Pharaoh's daughter unknowingly said to the child's mother, "Take this child and nurse it for me, and I will pay you a salary." So, the woman took the child and nursed it.

When the child grew up, she brought him to Pharaoh's daughter, and Pharoah's daughter took him as her own son. She named him, "Moses," [he-who-draws out-out] "because," she said, "I drew him out of the water."



Reader: The Word of the Lord! C: Thanks be to God!



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Gospel Acclamation

P: The Holy Gospel according to Luke the 7th chapter. C: Glory to you, O Lord!

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Luke 7:36-8:3

ne of the Pharisees asked Jesus to eat with him, and he went into the Pharisee's house and took his place at the table. And a woman in the city, who was a sinner, having learned that Jesus was eating in the Pharisee's house, brought an alabaster jar of ointment. She stood behind him at his feet, weeping, and began to bathe his feet with her tears and to dry them with her hair. Then she continued kissing his feet and anointing them with the ointment.

But seeing this, the Pharisee who had invited Jesus said to himself, "If this man were a prophet, he would have known who and what kind of woman this is who is touching him-- that she is a sinner." Responding, Jesus said to him, "Simon, I have something to say to vou."

"Teacher," he replied, "Speak."

"A certain creditor had two debtors; one owed five hundred denarii, and the other fifty. When they could not make their payments, the creditor canceled the debts for both of them. Who then, will love the creditor more?"

Simon answered, saying, "I assume the debtor who received the greater relief."

And Jesus said to him, "You have judged correctly."

Then turning toward the woman, he said to Simon, " Do you see this woman? I entered your house; you gave me no water for my feet, but she bathed my feet with her tears and dried them with her hair. You gave me no kiss, but from the time I came in she has not stopped kissing my feet. You did not anoint my head with oil, but she has anointed my feet with ointment. Therefore, I tell you, her sins, which were many, have been forgiven, because she loved with a wholistic love. But the one to whom little is forgiven, loves little."

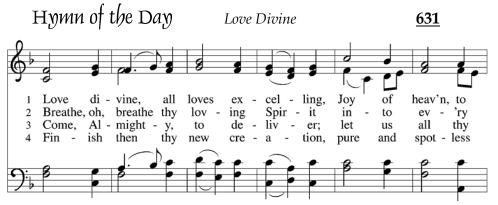
Then Jesus said to the woman, "Your sins are forgiven." But those who were at the table with him began to say among themselves, "Who is this who even forgives sins?"

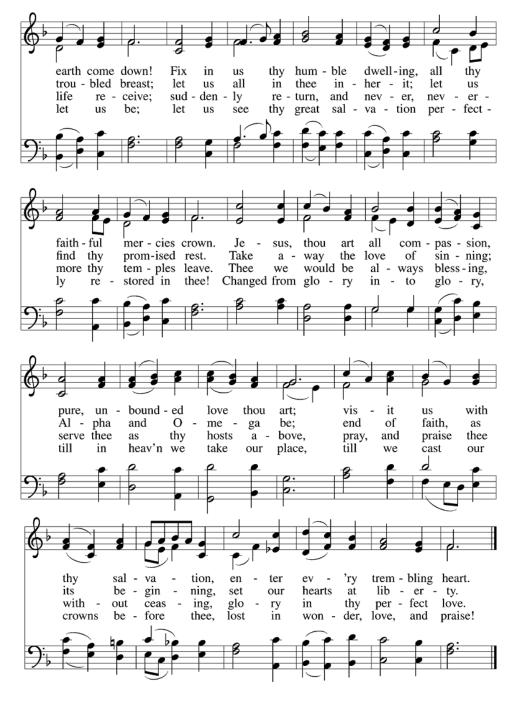
And Jesus said to the woman, "Your faith has saved you; go in peace."

And after this, Jesus went on through cities and villages proclaiming and evangelizing the kingdom of God. "The Twelve" were with him, as well as some women who had been cured of evil spirits and weakness: Mary, called Magdalene - from whom seven demons had gone out, and Joanna - the wife of Herod's steward Chuza, and Susanna, and many others, who served them from whatever they had.

P: The Gospel of the Lord! C: Praise to you, O Christ!

Sermon





Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers & Passing of the Peace

Words of Institution

P: The Lord be with you. C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts. C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is indeed right and responsible that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. We recall and proclaim that in your great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who came as the Messiah, reaching out to heal the sick and suffering, preaching good news to the poor, and inviting all to your table through his sacrifice on the cross.

In that night in which he was handed over . . .

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

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.

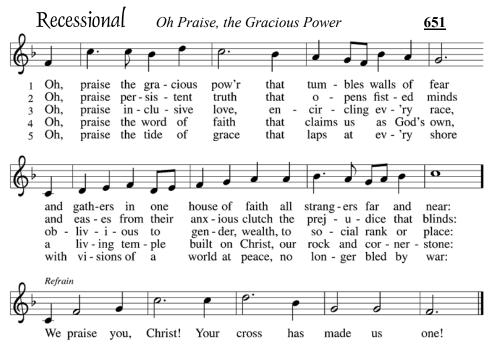
Post Communion Prayer

P: Let us pray.

C: We rejoice that you use the harvests of the field, the fruit

of the vineyard and the fellowship of the table to fulfill your promise of an abiding presence in our lives. As we leave this sacred time lead us out to faithful lives that manifest that presence through all that we say and do. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Benediction



Oh, praise the pow'r, the truth, the love, the word, the tide. Yet more than these, oh, praise their source, praise Christ the crucified: *Refrain* Oh, praise the living Christ with faith's bright songful voice! Announced the gospel to the world and with these words rejoice: *Refrain*

Dismissal A: Go in peace, serve the Lord! C: Thanks be to God!