

PRELUDE MUSIC

WELCOME and INVOCATION

OPENING HYMN: "Blessed Jesus, at Your Word" (904)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN OF PRAYER: "Lord, Help Us Walk Your Servant Way" (857)

CONFESSION OF SINS AND ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

(We pause to remember our sin, but more importantly to remember God's great love and forgiveness)

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

C: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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 neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

KYRIE PRAYER (Spoken)

P: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C: Amen.

PRAYER FOR THE DAY

P: The peace of the Lord be with you.

C: And also with you!

P: Let us pray together:

C: O Lord of grace and mercy, teach us by Your Holy Spirit to follow the example of Your Son in true humility, that we may withstand the temptations of the devil and with pure hearts and minds avoid ungodly pride; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever, Amen!

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

Our Old Testament reading is **Proverbs 25.2-10**. These verses teach the wisdom of humility, urging us not to exalt ourselves but to let honor come from God and others.

The Psalm is **Psalm 131**. This psalm is a prayer of quiet trust, calling us to rest in God with childlike humility. ***We will speak the Psalm together.***

Today's Gospel is **Luke 14.1-14**. Jesus teaches about true humility and generosity, pointing us to the great banquet of God's kingdom where the lowly are exalted.

Please stand for the Gospel reading out of respect for the Lord Jesus

L: These are the Words of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

CONFESSION OF FAITH

APOSTLES' CREED (Screens)

SERMON HYMN: "Son of God, Eternal Savior" (842)

THE SERMON: Luke 14.1-14

OFFERTORY and OFFERING

PRAYERS & THE LORD'S PRAYER

AFFIRMATION OF HOPE

P: To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, in

Your holy Church forever and ever. Amen!

**C (Loudly): CHRIST HAS COME! CHRIST IS RISEN! CHRIST SHALL
COME AGAIN!**

THE BENEDICTION

C: Amen!

CLOSING HYMN: "Lift High the Cross" (837)

Pastor: We have gathered this morning to worship the Lord, to be renewed and strengthened in God's love and the forgiveness of sins. As we go, let us remember who we are and what we do:

**C: "We are rooted in God's love, united in connecting people to
Jesus."**

Pastor: You are dearly loved and treasured by God, planted and growing in God's love. As God's beloved children, go in peace! Love one another! Be a blessing! Share the faith! Serve the Lord with gladness!

C: Thanks be to God!

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