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Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer,  
 Than all the angels in the sky.

Beautiful Savior, Lord of the nations,  
 Son of God and Son of Man!  
 Glory and honor, Praise, adoration,  
 Now and forevermore be Thine!

### To Our Guests and Visitors

We *WELCOME* all our friends in Christ who have come to worship with us. If you are a guest, please feel at home with us, sign our guest register, and worship with us whenever you are able. If you do not have a church home, we invite you to consider becoming a part of our church family.

## NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST SERVICE OF SONG, EARLY SERVICE

JULY 29, 2012

*Worshippers who have difficulty rising and standing during our services may remain seated with our complete understanding.*

*Upon entering the Sanctuary, please turn off cell phones, pagers, etc. and use the time as a quiet time for personal reflection and meditation in preparation for worship. This is a time for anyone to join in praying for the service, and for the church in general.*

*Verse for meditation: Alleluia. Take heart, it is I. Do not be afraid. Alleluia. (Mark 6:50c)*

## WE COME BEFORE GOD WITH PRAISE AND CONFESSION

OPENING HYMN

### *Beautiful Savior*

Beautiful Savior, King of Creation,  
 Son of God and Son of Man!  
 Truly I'd love Thee, Truly I'd serve Thee,  
 Light of my soul, my Joy, my Crown.

Fair is the sunshine, Fair is the moonlight,  
 Bright the sparkling stars on high;

### THE INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost.

**C: Amen.** *(Matthew 28:19-20)*

### CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

L: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. *(Heb. 10:22)*

L: Our help is in the name of the Lord.  
**C: Who made heaven and earth.** *(Psalm 124:8)*

L: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.  
**C: And You forgave the iniquity of my sin.** *(Psalm 32:5)*

L: Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**C: O most merciful God, who has given Your only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

L: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To them that believe on His name He gives power to become the children of God and has promised them His Holy

Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this,  
Lord, unto us all. (Mark 16:16, John 1:12)

**C: Amen.**

HYMN *My Faith Looks Up to Thee*

My faith looks up to Thee, Thou Lamb of Calvary,  
Savior divine.

Now hear me while I pray; Take all my guilt away;  
Oh, let me from this day Be wholly Thine!

May Thy rich grace impart, Strength to my fainting heart,  
My zeal inspire!

As Thou hast died for me, Oh, may my love to Thee  
Pure, warm, and changeless be, A living fire!

When ends life's transient dream, When death's cold, sullen stream  
Shall o'er me roll,

Blest Savior, then, in love, Fear and distrust remove;  
Oh, bear me safe above, A ransomed soul!

SALUTATION AND COLLECT (2 Timothy 4:22)

L: The Lord be with you.

**C: And with thy spirit.**

L: Let us pray:  
(Prayer)

**C: Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READINGS Worship Insert

*After the reading:*

L: This is the word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

THE GOSPEL READING (Mark 6:14-23) Worship Insert

L: The Holy Gospel is written in the 6<sup>th</sup> Chapter of St. Mark,  
beginning at the forty-fifth verse.

**C: Glory be to Thee, O Lord!**

*The Holy Gospel is read*

L: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise be to Thee, O Christ!**

APOSTLES' CREED (Inside back cover of hymnal)

HYMNS *Holy God, We Praise Thy Name*

Holy God, we praise Thy name; Lord of all, we bow before Thee.  
All on earth Thy scepter claim, All in heaven above adore Thee.

Infinite Thy vast domain,  
Everlasting is Thy reign.

Holy Father, Holy Son, Holy Spirit, three we name Thee;  
Though in essence only one, Undivided God we claim Thee  
And, adoring, bend the knee  
While we own the mystery.

SERMON

OFFERING HYMN *What a Friend We Have in Jesus*

What a Friend we have in Jesus, All our sins and griefs to bear!  
What a privilege to carry, Ev'rything to God in prayer!

Oh, what peace we often forfeit,  
Oh, what needless pain we bear,

All because we do not carry, Ev'rything to God in prayer!

Are we weak and heavy laden, Cumbered with a load of care?  
Precious Savior, still our Refuge--Take it to the Lord in prayer.

Do thy friends despise, forsake thee?

Take it to the Lord in prayer;

In His arms He'll take and shield thee, Thou wilt find a solace there.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BENEDICTION

Sing Alleluia! Amen!

Let your prayers and your praises ascend.

Lift up your voices and sing, to our Lord God, our Savior, our King!

Here brought together by grace, we are gathered as friends in this place.

*Chorus:*

*And assembled as one, in the name of the Son,  
lifting hearts, lifting hands, celebrating as friends,  
and proclaiming the Lord, all our praises afford.*

*We are brothers and sisters in Christ.*

Man walked alone and in need,  
without faith, hope or promise or creed;  
wandering aimlessly lost, unaware of the staggering cost;  
that God in His mercy would save  
all His people from death and the grave.

*Chorus*

Lord, teach us how to proclaim  
all Your goodness, Your love and Your name!

Lord, teach us how to forgive, and in love, teach us Lord, how to live.

Raising our voices in song, help us tell all the world we belong.

*Chorus*

*Soli Deo Gloria*

**Amen**

***Please note: The start of pre-service music is the sign that our worship has begun and prayerful quiet is observed inside the church area. Please respect other people's time of quiet prayer and preparation for worship, as in our worship we come first and foremost to meet with God.***