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**9:30**

Sunday, February 18, 2018

**PRELUDE**

**THE GATHERING**

**Welcome/Announcements/Meet and Greet**

**Gathering Song**      *Sanctuary*

**Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary,  
Pure and holy, tried and true;  
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living  
Sanctuary for You.  
(repeat)**

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Sanctuary for You.**

**Offering**      *As the Deer*

**As the deer pants for the water,  
So my soul longs after you;  
You alone are my heart's desire  
And I long to worship you.  
You alone are my strength and shield;  
To you alone may my spirit yield.  
You alone are my heart's desire  
And I long to worship you.**

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**Prayer and Song of Thanksgiving**  
*How Can I Be Free From Sin?*

**How can I be free from sin? Lead me to the cross of Jesus;  
From the guilt, the pow'r, the pain, Lead me to the cross of  
Jesus.**

**There's no other way, no price that I could pay,  
Simply to the cross I cling.  
This is all I need, this is all I plead, that his blood was shed for  
me.**

**How can I know peace within? Lead me to the cross of Jesus;  
Sing a song of joy again, Lead me to the cross of Jesus.**

**Flowing from above, all forgiving love,  
From the Father's heart to me.  
What a gift of grace, his own righteousness,  
Clothing me in purity.**

**How can I live day by day? Lead me to the cross of Jesus;  
Following his narrow way, Lead me to the cross of Jesus.**

**Dismissal of Children                      Open Our Eyes Lord**

**Open our eyes Lord; we want to see Jesus,  
To reach out and touch him, and say that we love him.  
Open our ears, Lord; and help us to listen.  
Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus.  
(repeat)**

**THE WORD PROCLAIMED**  
**Prayer of the Day**

**Leader:**                      The Lord be with you.  
**Congregation:**            And also with you.  
**L:**            Let us pray. . . .  
**C:**            Amen.

## **FIRST READING: Isaiah 60: 1-6**

**L:** A reading from chapter 60 of the book of Isaiah.

<sup>1</sup>Arise, shine; for your light has come,  
and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you.

<sup>2</sup>For darkness shall cover the earth,  
and thick darkness the peoples;  
but the LORD will arise upon you,  
and his glory will appear over you.

<sup>3</sup>Nations shall come to your light,  
and kings to the brightness of your dawn.

<sup>4</sup>Lift up your eyes and look around;  
they all gather together, they come to you;  
your sons shall come from far away,  
and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms.

<sup>5</sup>Then you shall see and be radiant;  
your heart shall thrill and rejoice,  
because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you,  
the wealth of the nations shall come to you.

<sup>6</sup>A multitude of camels shall cover you,  
the young camels of Midian and Ephah;  
all those from Sheba shall come.  
They shall bring gold and frankincense,  
and shall proclaim the praise of the LORD.

**L:** The Word of the Lord.

**C:** **Thanks be to God.**

## **RESPONSE *Thy Word***

### ***Refrain:***

**Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.**

**Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.**

**I will not forget your love for me, and yet**

**My heart forever is wandering.**

**Jesus, be my guide and hold me to your side,**

**And I will love you to the end.**

**(refrain)**

## **GOSPEL: John 1: 1-14**

**L:** The Holy Gospel according to Saint John, chapter one.

**C:** **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. <sup>2</sup>He was in the beginning with God. <sup>3</sup>All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being <sup>4</sup>in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. <sup>5</sup>The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

<sup>6</sup>There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. <sup>7</sup>He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. <sup>8</sup>He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. <sup>9</sup>The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.

<sup>10</sup>He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. <sup>11</sup>He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. <sup>12</sup>But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, <sup>13</sup>who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.

<sup>14</sup>And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.

**L:** The Gospel of the Lord.

**C:** **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **Message**

## OUR RESPONSE TO THE WORD

### The Prayer of Confession

**C:** Gracious God in Heaven, we bow before You to confess to You that we have sinned and done that which is evil in Your sight. We have walked in pride, we have not been as thankful, or forgiving as You would like us to be. Help us to show forth the fruits of Your Spirit, the love, joy and peace that You have shown to us. And forgive us for all our wrong doing, even those stubborn habits that we struggle with, for we pray this in the Name of Jesus our Lord, Amen.

**L:** In the mercy of almighty God,  
Jesus Christ was given to die for us,  
and for his sake God forgives us all our sins.  
To those who believe in Jesus Christ  
he gives the power to become the children of God  
and bestows on them the Holy Spirit.

**C:** Amen

### The Prayers

**L:** Lord, in your mercy,

**C:** hear our prayer.

### PREFACE

**L:** The Lord be with you.

**C:** And also with you.

**L:** Lift up your hearts.

**C:** We lift them to the Lord.

**L:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C:** It is right to give him thanks and praise.

### THANKSGIVING

In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

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

**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.**

### **Blessing**

**P:** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.  
In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,  
**C: Amen.**

### **Closing Song**      *Carry the Light*

**Carry the light, carry the light.  
Go and tell the children they are precious in his sight.  
Carry the light, carry the light.  
Go and preach the gospel till there is no more night.  
In the name of Jesus Christ, carry the light.  
(repeat)**

## **Dismissal**

**L:** Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**C:** **Thanks be to God.**

## **Postlude**

## **PREPARING FOR NEXT WEEK**

1 Corinthians 13: 1-7, Mark 1: 9-22

*Welcome!*

*Please complete the pew card before you leave worship this day.*

*Pastor Keller would be happy to visit with you at the time and place of your choosing to answer questions about membership.*

*Simply call the church office at 724-352-2333 to make an appointment.*

## **THIS MORNING'S WORSHIP MINISTRY TEAM INCLUDES:**

**Greeter**

**Shannon Miller**

**Usher**

**Mike Begeman**

**Praise Team**

**Cortney Christoforetti**

**Marilyn Merbach**

**Jean Yohe**

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