

## Order of Public Worship of God

The Fourteenth Day of January, Two Thousand Twenty-Four

*Second Sunday after Epiphany*

### PRELUDE

“The biggest cultural mistake we can indulge in is to yearn for technological solutions to our deepest cultural problems.”

- Andy Crouch, *Culture Making*

“If Christian culture is to be renewed, habits are more vital than revivals, rituals more edifying than spiritual highs, the creed more penetrating than theological insight.”

- Robert Louis Wilken, “Christ as Culture” *First Things*, April 2004

“The river and the garden have been the foundations of my economy here. Of the two I have liked the river best. It is wonderful to have the duty of being on the river the first and last thing every day. I have loved it even in the rain. Sometimes I have loved it most in the rain.”

- Wendell Berry, *Jayber Crow*



### OPENING PRAYER

**Lord of Creation**

**Bless this liturgy, our worshipful work:**

**fill the forms to fit our hearts for Heaven**

**Breathe your Spirit**

**into Word, Sacrament, and Prayer**

**That we might be renewed in Your image**

**and bring glory to Your Name.**

**Amen.**

### † HYMN OF WORSHIP | “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

**Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!**

**O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation!**

**All ye who hear, now to his temple draw near;**

**Join me in glad adoration!**

**Praise to the Lord, who o’er all things so wondrously reigneth,**

**Shelters thee under his wings, yea so gently sustaineth!**

**Hast thou not seen how thy desires e’re have been**

**Granted in what he ordaineth?**

**Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee,**

**Surely his goodness and mercy here daily attend thee.**

**Ponder anew what the Almighty can do,**

**If with his love he befriend thee.**

**Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!**

**All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him!**

**Let the amen sound from his people again:**

**Gladly, for aye we adore him.**

### † CALL TO WORSHIP | Psalm 1

Blessed is the man

who walks not in the counsel of the wicked,

nor stands in the way of sinners,

nor sits in the seat of scoffers;

**but his delight is in the law of the Lord,**

**and on his law he meditates day and night.**

He is like a tree

planted by streams of water

that yields its fruit in its season,

and its leaf does not wither.

**In all that he does, he prospers.**

The wicked are not so,

but are like chaff that the wind drives away.

Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment,

nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;

**for the Lord knows the way of the righteous,**

**but the way of the wicked will perish.**

### † HYMNS OF THANKSGIVING | “Holy, Holy, Holy”

**Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!**

**Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.**

**Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!**

**God in three persons, blessed Trinity!**

**Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,**

**Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;**

**Cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,**

**Who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.**

**Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,**

**Though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see,**

**Only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,**

**Perfect in pow’r, in love, and purity.**

**Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!**

**All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky, and sea;**

**Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!**

**God in three persons, blessed Trinity!**

“Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder”

**Let us love and sing and wonder, let us praise the Savior’s name,**

**He has hushed the law’s loud thunder, he has quenched Mount Sinai’s flame.**

**He has washed us with his blood, he has washed us with his blood,**

**He has washed us with his blood, he has brought us nigh to God.**

**Let us love the Lord who bought us, pitied us when enemies,**

**Called us by his grace and taught us, gave us ears and gave us eyes.**

**He has washed us with his blood, he has washed us with His blood,**

**He has washed us with his blood, he presents our souls to God.**

**Let us sing though fierce temptation, threaten hard to bear us down,**

**For the Lord our strong salvation, holds in view the conqueror’s crown.**

**He who washed us with his blood, he who washed us with his blood,**

**He who washed us with his blood soon will bring us home to God.**

**Let us wonder grace and justice, join and point to mercy’s store,**

**When through grace in Christ our trust is, Justice smiles and asks no more.**

**He who washed us with his blood, he who washed us with his blood,**

**He who washed us with his blood has secured our way to God.**

**Let us praise and join the chorus, of the saints enthroned on high,**

**Here they trusted him before us, now their praises fill the sky.**

**Thou hast washed us with thy blood, thou hast washed us with thy blood,**

**Thou hast washed us with thy blood, thou art worthy Lamb of God.**

### INVOCATION AND 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 debts**

**as we forgive our debtors,**

**and lead us not into temptation,**

**but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,**

**and the power, and the glory forever.**

**Amen.**

### GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

### MUSICAL OFFERING

### † CORPORATE PROFESSION OF FAITH | The Apostles’ Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,**

**maker of heaven and earth,**

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,**

**who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,**

**born of the virgin Mary,**

**suffered under Pontius Pilate,**

**was crucified, dead, and buried.**

**He descended into Hell.**

**The third day He rose again from the dead**

**He ascended into heaven**

**and is seated on the right hand of God the Father Almighty.**

**From there He will come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost,**

**the holy catholic church,**

**the communion of saints,**

**the forgiveness of sins,**

**the resurrection of the body,**

**and life everlasting.**

**Amen.**

### † DOXOLOGY

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;**

**Praise Him, all creatures here below;**

**Praise Him above, ye heav’nly host:**

**Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

### † GREETING

*Junior Worship begins for children age four through first grade. Please escort children to the following classrooms.*

*Preschool - Room 10; Kindergarten and First Grade - Room 9. Children will return to sit with their families*

*before communion.*

### READING OF GOD’S WORD | Psalm 65

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### SERMON | Sanctuary: Psalms of the Soul Room

Sermon - “Deep and Wide”

- Rev. Joshua Smith

