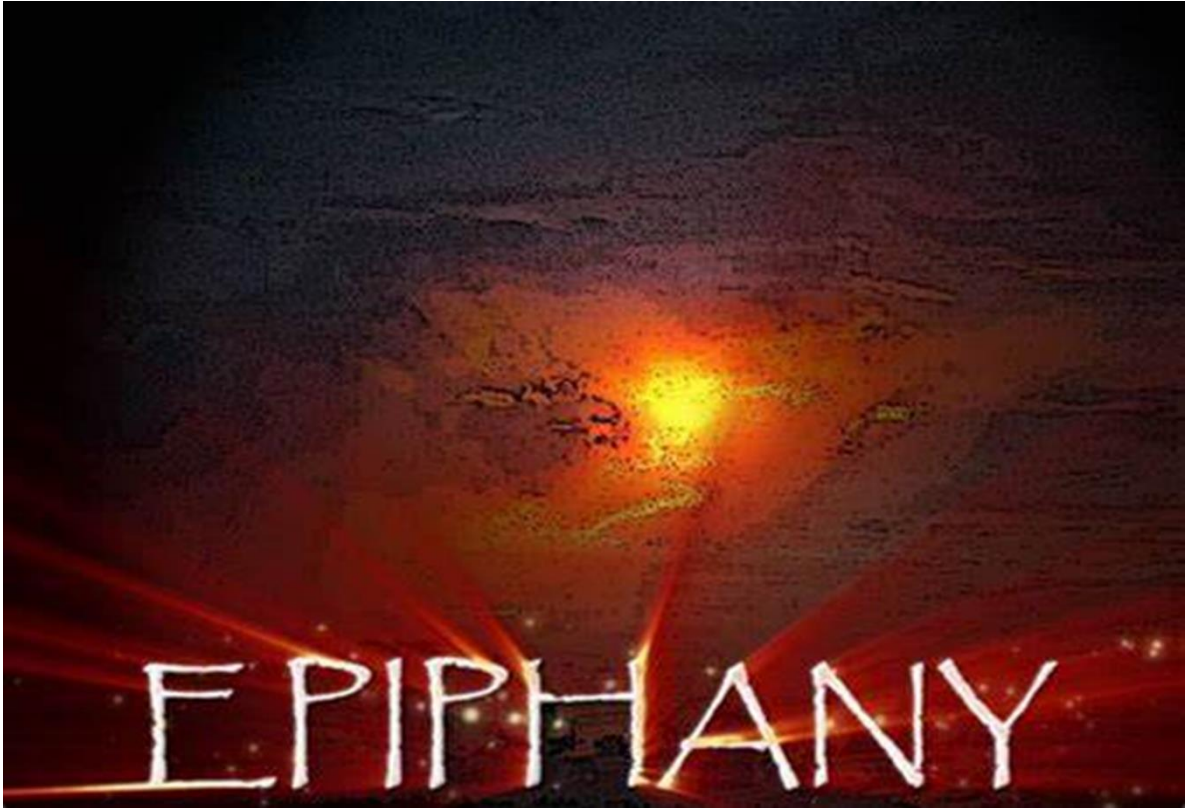


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We at St. Luke's dedicate ourselves to grow in faith and love, to serve together, and to reach out with the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

WELCOME & GREETING

GATHERING SONG~ 'Lord We've Come To Worship'

1. Lord, we've come to worship, and we have come to pray;
For Lord, we've come to listen, and hear what You would say;
Lord our hearts are longing to meet with You today;
For we have come to seek You, and we have come to say:

Refrain:

Worthy, You are worthy, King of kings,
Lord of lords You are worthy;
All blessing and power, all riches and wisdom,
All glory and honor and praise to the Lamb.

2. Lord, we need forgiveness; we've wandered far away;
Look down in tender mercy, forgive our sin, we pray;
Lord, we need revival, all across this land;
Come move among Your people, with Your mighty hand.

Refrain:

Worthy, You are worthy, King of kings,
Lord of lords You are worthy;
All blessing and power, all riches and wisdom,
All glory and honor and praise .
To the Lamb that was slain
To redeem us back to God again.
To the Lamb Who will reign forever and ever. Amen.
To the Lamb that was slain
To redeem us back to God again.
To the Lamb Who will reign forever and ever. Amen.
Forever and ever, Amen;
Forever and ever, forever and ever,
For ever and ever. Amen, Amen, Amen.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: "Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth."
Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people, we take refuge in the infinite mercy of God our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C: Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life.

P: "Behold, now is the favorable time; behold, now is the day of salvation." Upon this, your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God to all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

OPENING SONG~ 'House of the Lord'

1 We worship the God who was
We worship the God who is
We worship the God who evermore will be
He opened the prison doors
He parted the raging sea
My God He holds the victory yeah

Chorus

There's joy in the house of the Lord
There's joy in the house of the Lord today
And we won't be quiet
We shout out Your praise
There's joy in the house of the Lord
Our God is surely in this place
And we won't be quiet
We shout out Your praise

Interlude

Oh oh oh
We shout out Your praise

2 We sing to the God who heals
We sing to the God who saves
We sing to the God who always makes a way
'Cause He hung up on that cross
Then He rose up from that grave
My God's still rolling stones away **(Chorus)**

Bridge

('Cause) We were the beggars
Now we're royalty
We were the prisoners
Now we're running free
We are forgiven accepted
Redeemed by His grace
Let the house of the Lord sing praise *(Repeat)*

(Chorus x2)

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray. Almighty God, You are the strength of all who put their trust in You. Defend us, O Lord against all adversity, as You guide us to fulfill Your will in whatever responsibilities you call us. We pray this through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

FIRST READING~ Psalm 103:1-9 (Responsive)

R: Praise the Lord, my soul;

C: all my inmost being, praise his holy name.

R: ²Praise the Lord, my soul, and forget not all his benefits—

C: ³who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases,

R: ⁴who redeems your life from the pit

C: and crowns you with love and compassion,

R: ⁵who satisfies your desires with good things

C: so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

R: ⁶The Lord works righteousness and justice for all the oppressed.

C: ⁷He made known his ways to Moses, his deeds to the people of Israel.

R: ⁸The Lord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love.

C: ⁹He will not always accuse, nor will he harbor his anger forever;

R: ¹⁰he does not treat us as our sins deserve

C: or repay us according to our iniquities.

R: ¹¹For as high as the heavens are above the earth,

C: so great is his love for those who fear him;

R: ¹²as far as the east is from the west,

C: so far has he removed our transgressions from us.

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING~ 1 Timothy 2:1-7

¹I urge, then, first of all, that requests, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for everyone-- ²for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness. ³This is good, and pleases God our Savior, ⁴who wants all men to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth. ⁵For there is one God and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, ⁶who gave himself as a ransom for all men--the testimony given in its proper time.

⁷And for this purpose I was appointed a herald and an apostle--I am telling the truth, I am not lying--and a teacher of the true faith to the Gentiles.

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING~ Luke 6:27-37

²⁷"But I tell you who hear me: Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, ²⁸bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you. ²⁹If someone strikes you on one cheek, turn to him the other also. If someone takes your cloak, do not stop him from taking your tunic. ³⁰Give to everyone who asks you, and if anyone takes what belongs to you, do not demand it back. ³¹Do to others as you would have them do to you.

³²"If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? Even `sinners' love those who love them. ³³And if you do good to those who are good to you, what credit is that to you? Even `sinners' do that. ³⁴And if you lend to those from whom you expect repayment, what credit is that to you? Even `sinners' lend to `sinners,' expecting to be repaid in full. ³⁵But love your enemies, do good to them, and lend to them without expecting to get anything back. Then your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High, because he is kind to the ungrateful and wicked. ³⁶Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

³⁷"Do not judge, and you will not be judged. Do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to You O Christ

CONFESSION OF FAITH~ Apostle's Creed~ First Article w/ explanation

C: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

P: What does this mean?

C: I believe that God has made me and all creatures; that He has given me my body and soul, eyes, ears, and all my members, my reason and all my senses, and still takes care of them. He also gives me clothing and shoes, food and drink, house and home, wife and children, land, animals, and all I have. He richly and daily provides me with all that I need to support this body and life. He defends me against all danger and guards and protects me from all evil. All this He does only out of fatherly, divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness in me. For all this it is my duty to thank and praise, serve and obey Him.

All: This is most certainly true.

CHILDREN'S TIME

MESSAGE SONG~ 'Open The Eyes of My Heart'

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord. Open the eyes of my heart.
I want to see You. I want to see You.

Repeat

To see You high and lifted up
Shining in the light of Your glory.
Pour out Your power and love
As we sing holy, holy, holy.

Repeat verse and chorus

Holy, holy, holy. Holy, holy, holy. Holy, holy, holy.
I want to see You.

Repeat 3x

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MESSAGE

THE GATHERING OF OUR GIFTS & WE CARE CARDS

OFFERING SONG ~ 'In Jesus Name (God of Possible) ~ Praise Team

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

P: Lord, in Your mercy,

All: hear our prayer. *(after final petition: Amen.)*

LORD'S PRAYER

All: 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.

CLOSING SONG ~ 'Invited'

Verse 1 - Praise Team

Oh Lord oh Lord You know
I want a heart like Yours
When I was down and bound
You met me on the floor
So come open up my hands
Open up my doors
Oh Lord oh Lord You know
I want a heart like Yours Yours

Chorus 1 - Congregation

Everyone's invited
To sit at the table
Don't matter if you're feeling
Fit or unfaithful
'Cause even when you're guilty
Our God is able

To love you on and on and on and on
All your life

Verse 2 - Praise Team

Oh Lord oh Lord You know
I want to live it well
One life You've given me
I want to share the wealth
And a story that's generous
Is one I want to tell

Bridge - Praise Team

There's enough space
For all sons and daughters
To sit at the feet of the Heavenly Father
Open up room make way for salvation
I never want to stop giving Your invitation

Bridge 2 - Congregation

There's enough space
For all sons and daughters
To sit at the feet of the Heavenly Father
Open up room make way for salvation
I never want to stop giving Your invitation

Chorus - Congregation

Everyone's invited
To sit at the table
Don't matter if you're feeling
Fit or unfaithful
'Cause even when you're guilty
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To love you on and on and on and on
All your life

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To love you on and on and on and on
All your life
To love you on and on and on and on
All your life
To love you on and on and on and on
All your life

SENDING

P: The Lord Bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you
The Lord look upon you with favor and † give you peace.

All: Amen & Amen

P: Go in peace and serve the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

POST-SERVICE MUSIC