

Lent 2

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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~ SOLO~ 'The Wonderful Cross'

WELCOME & GREETING

GATHERING SONG~ 'Revelation Song'

- 1 Worthy is the Lamb Who was slain
Holy holy is He
Sing a new song to Him Who sits on
Heaven's mercy seat **(Repeat)**

Chorus

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty
Who was and is and is to come
With all creation I sing "Praise to the King of kings!
You are my ev'rything and I will adore You!

- 2 Clothed in rainbows of living color;
Flashes of lightning rolls of thunder
Blessing and honor, strength and glory
and power be to You the only wise King! **(Chorus)**

Chorus

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Who was and is and is to come
With all creation I sing "Praise to the King of kings!
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(Ending)

Worthy is the Lamb Who was slain
Holy holy is He

CALL TO WORSHIP

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

C: Amen.

P: Thus says God, the Lord, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it,

C: who gives breath to the people on it and spirit to those who walk in it:

P: “I am the Lord; I have called you in righteousness; I will take you by the hand and keep you; I will give you as a covenant for the people, a light for the nations,

C: to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness.”

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: In the darkness of the world around us and amid our own blindness to His will and ways, God calls us to confess our sins.

C: Return to the Lord, your God, for He is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.

Silence for reflection and self-examination

P: God of God, Light of light,

C: we confess that by nature we are sinful and unclean, born in darkness. We are often blind to Your Word and Your work in our lives, sinning against You and against one another in thought, word, and deed. For the sake of Jesus, who is the light of the world, forgive me all my sins, that my eyes may be opened and my heart enlightened to look to You in faith and hope.

P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. Through His death on the cross, Jesus Christ has shined His eternal light of forgiveness, peace, and life on you. In the stead and by the command of our Lord Jesus Christ as a called and ordained servant of the Word,

I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☐ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, Your mercies are new every morning; and though we deserve only punishment, You receive us as Your children and provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

OPENING SONG~ 'Blessed Be Your Name'

1 Blessed be Your name, in the land that is plentiful
Where Your streams of abundance flow, blessed be Your name
Blessed be Your name, when I'm found in the desert place
though I walk through the wilderness, blessed be Your name

Every blessing You pour out, I'll turn back to praise
When the darkness closes in, Lord, Still I will say

Chorus

Blessed be the name of the Lord, Blessed be Your name.
Blessed be the name of the Lord, Blessed be Your glorious name.

2 Blessed be Your name, when the sun's shining down on me
when the world's all as it should be, blessed be Your name
Blessed be Your name, on the road marked with suffering
though there's pain in the offering, blessed be Your name

Every blessing You pour out, I'll turn back to praise
When the darkness closes in, Lord, Still I will say

Chorus

Blessed be the name of the Lord, Blessed be Your name.
Blessed be the name of the Lord, Blessed be Your glorious name.

Bridge

You give and take away, You give and take away
My heart will choose to say, Lord, Blessed be Your name.
You give and take away, You give and take away
My heart will choose to say, Lord, Blessed be Your name.

Chorus 2x

Blessed be the name of the Lord, Blessed be Your name.
Blessed be the name of the Lord, Blessed be Your glorious name.

FIRST READING~ Ephesians 5:8-14

⁸For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light ⁹(for the fruit of the light consists in all goodness, righteousness and truth) ¹⁰and find out what pleases the Lord. ¹¹Have nothing to do with the fruitless deeds of darkness, but rather expose them. ¹²For it is shameful even to mention what the disobedient do in secret. ¹³But everything exposed by the light becomes visible, ¹⁴for it is light that makes everything visible. This is why it is said: "Wake up, O sleeper, rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you."

GOSPEL READING~ (Responsive) John 9:1-7, 13-17, 34-39

P: This is the Gospel according to St. John the 9th chapter.

R: *As Jesus went along, he saw a man blind from birth. ²His disciples asked him,*

C: **"Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?"**

P: Neither this man nor his parents sinned, but this happened so that the works of God might be displayed in him. ⁴As long as it is day, we must do the works of him who sent me. Night is coming, when no one can work. ⁵While I am in the world, I am the light of the world.”

R: *⁶After saying this, he spit on the ground, made some mud with the saliva, and put it on the man's eyes*

P: “Go, wash in the Pool of Siloam”

R: *(this word means “Sent”). So the man went and washed, and came home seeing.*

R: *So they brought to the Pharisees the man who had been blind.*

¹⁴Now the day on which Jesus had made the mud and opened the man's eyes was a Sabbath. ¹⁵Therefore the Pharisees also asked him how he had received his sight. “He put mud on my eyes,” the man replied, “and I washed, and now I see.” ¹⁶Some of the Pharisees said, “This man is not from God, for he does not keep the Sabbath.” But others asked,

C: “How can a sinner perform such signs?”

R: *So they were divided. ¹⁷Then they turned again to the blind man, “What have you to say about him? It was your eyes he opened.” The man replied, “He is a prophet.” ³⁴To this they replied, “You were steeped in sin at birth; how dare you lecture us!” And they threw him out. ³⁵Jesus heard that they had thrown him out, and when he found him, he said,*

P: “Do you believe in the Son of Man?”

R: *“Who is he, sir?” the man asked. “Tell me so that I may believe in him.”*

P: “You have now seen him; in fact, he is the one speaking with you.”

R: *³⁸Then the man said, “Lord, I believe,” and he worshiped him. ³⁹Jesus said,*

P: “For judgment I have come into this world, so that the blind will see and those who see will become blind.”

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

CONFESSION OF FAITH~ The Apostles Creed

All: 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 Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

(Be seated)

CHILDREN'S TIME

MESSAGE SONG~ 'In Christ Alone'

- 1 In Christ alone, my hope is found
He is my light, my strength, my song
This Cornerstone, this solid ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love, what depths of peace
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease
My Comforter, my All in All
Here in the love of Christ I stand

- 2 In Christ alone, who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
'Til on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live, I live

3 There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious Day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

4 No guilt in life, no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell, no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

MESSAGE

THE GATHERING OF OUR GIFTS & WE CARE CARDS

OFFERING & OFFERING SONG~SOLO~ 'Nothing Without You'

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.

SENDING SONG~ 'You Are Worthy Of My Praise'

(Leader) I will worship

(All) I will worship

(Leader) With all of my heart

(All) With all of my heart

(Leader) I will praise You

(All) I will praise You

(Leader) With all of my strength

(All) All my strength

(Leader) I will seek You

(All) I will seek You

(Leader) All of my days

(All) All of my days

(Leader) I will follow

(All) I will follow

(Leader) All of Your ways

(All) All Your ways

Chorus (All)

I will give You all my worship. I will give You all my praise

You alone I long to worship. You alone are worthy of my praise

(Leader) I will bow down

(All) I will bow down

(Leader) Hail You as king

(All) Hail You as king

(Leader) I will serve You

(All) I will serve You

(Leader) Give You everything

(All) Give You everything

(Leader) I will lift up

(All) I will lift up

(Leader) My eyes to Your throne

(All) My eyes to Your throne

(Leader) And I will trust You

(All) And I will trust You

(Leader) I will trust You alone

(All) Trust You alone

(All) I will give You all my worship. I will give You all my praise

You alone I long to worship. You alone are worthy of my praise - Repeat

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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, the Light of the World

C: Thanks be to God

POST-SERVICE MUSIC