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**M:** Minister

**A:** All

## WELCOME

**HYMN:**

“Hail to the Lord’s Anointed”  
*found on page 6 of this worship folder*

## INVOCATION

**M:** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**A:** Amen.

## CONFESSION OF SINS

**M:** God created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

**A:** **Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.**

**M:** God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

**A:** Amen.

## THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

**M:** Let us pray.

*The minister offers the Prayer of the Day.*

## THE READING OF GOD'S WORD

**FIRST LESSON:**

Exodus 14:5-31

When the king of Egypt was told that the people had fled, Pharaoh and his officials changed their minds about them and said, “What have we done? We have let the Israelites go and have lost their services!”<sup>6</sup> So he had his chariot made ready and took his army with him.<sup>7</sup> He took six hundred of the best chariots, along with all the other chariots of Egypt, with officers over all of them.<sup>8</sup> The Lord hardened the heart of Pharaoh king of Egypt, so that he pursued the Israelites, who were marching out boldly.<sup>9</sup> The Egyptians—all Pharaoh’s horses and chariots, horsemen and troops—pursued the Israelites and overtook them as they camped by the sea near Pi Hahiroth, opposite Baal Zephon.<sup>10</sup> As Pharaoh approached, the Israelites looked up, and there were the Egyptians, marching after them. They were terrified and cried out to the Lord.<sup>11</sup> They said to Moses, “Was it because there were no graves in Egypt that you brought us to the desert to die? What have you done to us by bringing us out of Egypt?<sup>12</sup> Didn’t we say to you in Egypt, ‘Leave us alone; let us serve the Egyptians’? It would have been better for us to serve the Egyptians than to die in the desert!”<sup>13</sup> Moses answered the people, “Do not be afraid. Stand firm and you will see the deliverance the Lord will bring you today. The Egyptians you see today you will never see again.<sup>14</sup> The Lord will fight for you; you need only to be still.”<sup>15</sup> Then the Lord said to Moses, “Why are you crying out to me? Tell the Israelites to move on.<sup>16</sup> Raise your staff and stretch out your hand over the sea to divide the water so that the Israelites can go through the sea on dry ground.<sup>17</sup> I will harden the hearts of the Egyptians so that they will go in after them. And I will gain glory through Pharaoh and all his army, through his chariots and his horsemen.<sup>18</sup> The Egyptians will know that I am the Lord when I gain glory through Pharaoh, his chariots and his horsemen.”<sup>19</sup> Then the angel of God, who had been traveling in front of Israel’s army, withdrew and went behind them. The pillar of cloud also moved from in front and stood behind them,<sup>20</sup> coming between the armies of Egypt and Israel. Throughout the night the cloud brought darkness to the one side and light to the other side; so neither went near the other all night long.<sup>21</sup> Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and all that night the Lord drove the sea back with a strong east wind and turned it into dry land. The waters were divided,<sup>22</sup> and the Israelites went through the sea on dry ground, with a wall of water on their right and on their left.<sup>23</sup> The Egyptians pursued them, and all Pharaoh’s horses and chariots and horsemen followed them into the sea.<sup>24</sup> During the last watch of the night the Lord looked down from the pillar of fire and cloud at the Egyptian army and threw it into confusion.<sup>25</sup> He jammed the wheels of their chariots so that they had difficulty driving. And the Egyptians said, “Let’s get away from the Israelites! The Lord is fighting for them against Egypt.”<sup>26</sup> Then the Lord said to Moses, “Stretch out your hand over the sea so that the waters may flow back over the Egyptians and their chariots and horsemen.”<sup>27</sup> Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at daybreak the sea went back to its place. The Egyptians were fleeing toward<sup>[L]</sup> it, and the Lord swept them into the sea.<sup>28</sup> The water flowed back and covered the chariots and horsemen—the entire army of Pharaoh that had followed the Israelites into the sea. Not one of them survived.<sup>29</sup> But the Israelites went through the sea on dry ground, with a wall of water on their right and on their left.<sup>30</sup> That day the Lord saved Israel from the hands of the Egyptians, and Israel saw the Egyptians lying dead on the shore.<sup>31</sup> And when the Israelites saw the mighty hand of the Lord displayed against the Egyptians, the people feared the Lord and put their trust in him and in Moses his servant.

**SECOND LESSON:**

Luke 4:16-21

He went to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, and on the Sabbath day he went into the synagogue, as was his custom. He stood up to read, <sup>17</sup> and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was handed to him. Unrolling it, he found the place where it is written: <sup>18</sup> “The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free, <sup>19</sup> to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.” <sup>20</sup> Then he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant and sat down. The eyes of everyone in the synagogue were fastened on him. <sup>21</sup> He began by saying to them, “Today this scripture is fulfilled in your hearing.”

**THE APOSTLES’ CREED**

**A: I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.  
From there 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.**

**HYMN:**

“We All Are One in Mission”  
*found on page 8 of this worship folder*

## MESSAGE

“The 8<sup>th</sup> Annual ‘State of Grace’ Message”  
*based on Philippians 4:13*

Philippians 4:13

I can do all this through him who gives me strength.

## **PRAYERS & BLESSING**

### **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

*The minister offers the Prayer of the Church.*

### **LORD'S PRAYER**

**A: 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.**

### **HYMN:**

**“All Glory Be to Christ”**  
*found on page 9 of this worship folder*

### **BLESSING**

## Hail to the Lord's Anointed

1 Hail to the Lord's A - noint - ed, Great Da - vid's great - er  
 2 He comes with res - cue speed - y To those who suf - fer  
 3 Kings shall bow down be - fore him And gold and in - cense  
 4 O'er ev - 'ry foe vic - to - rious, He on his throne shall

Son! Hail, in the time ap - point - ed, His reign on  
 wrong, To help the poor and need - y And bid the  
 bring; All na - tions shall a - dore him; His praise all  
 rest, From age to age more glo - rious, All bless - ing

earth be - gun! He comes to break op - pres - sion, To  
 weak be strong, To give them songs for sigh - ing, Their  
 peo - ple sing. To him shall prayer un - ceas - ing And  
 and all - blest. The tide of time shall nev - er His

set the cap - tive free, To take a - way trans -  
 dark - ness turn to light Whose souls, con - demned and  
 dai - ly vows as - cend, His king - dom still in -  
 cov - e - nant re - move; His name shall stand for -

gres - sion, And rule in eq - ui - ty.  
 dy - ing, Are pre - cious in his sight.  
 creas - ing, A king - dom with - out end.  
 ev - er — That name to us is Love.

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We All Are One in Mission

1 We all are one in mis - sion; We all are one in call,  
 2 We all are called to ser - vice, To wit - ness in God's name.  
 3 Now let us be u - nit - ed, And let our song be heard;

Our var - ied gifts u - nit - ed By Christ, the Lord of all.  
 Our min - is - tries are dif - f'rent; Our pur - pose is the same:  
 Now let us be a ves - sel For God's re - deem - ing Word.

A sin - gle great com - mis - sion Com - pels us from a - bove  
 To touch the lives of oth - ers With God's sur - pris - ing grace,  
 We all are one in mis - sion; We all are one in call,

To plan and work to - geth - er That all may know Christ's love.  
 So ev - 'ry folk and na - tion May feel God's warm em - brace.  
 Our var - ied gifts u - nit - ed By Christ, the Lord of all.

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## “ALL GLORY BE TO CHRIST”

Verse 1: Should nothing of our efforts stand  
No legacy survive  
Unless the Lord does raise the house  
In vain its builders strive

Verse 2: To you who boast tomorrow's gain  
Tell me what is your life  
A mist that vanishes at dawn  
All glory be to Christ

Chorus: All glory be to Christ our king  
All glory be to Christ  
His rule and reign we'll ever sing  
All glory be to Christ

Verse 3: His will be done; His kingdom come  
On earth as is above  
Who is himself our daily bread  
Praise Him the Lord of love

Verse 4: Let living water satisfy  
The thirsty without price  
We'll take a cup of kindness yet  
All glory be to Christ.

Chorus: All glory be to Christ our king  
All glory be to Christ  
His rule and reign we'll ever sing  
All glory be to Christ

Verse 5: When on the day the great I Am  
The faithful and the true  
The Lamb who was for sinners slain,  
Is making all things new!

Verse 6: Behold our God shall live with us  
And be our steadfast light  
And we shall e'er his people be  
All glory be to Christ

Chorus x2: All glory be to Christ our king  
All glory be to Christ  
His rule and reign we'll ever sing  
All glory be to Christ

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