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WELCOME

HUMBLE THYSELF: CONFESSION OF SINS AND ANNOUNCEMENT OF FORGIVENESS

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WL: Satan is maliciously creative as he tries to deceive us and lead us to sin. Consider the Garden of Eden. “Did God really say...”—he takes God’s own words and twists them into a different perspective, one which God did not intend. This carried on after Adam and Eve fell into sin; they started passing the blame to God. “The serpent deceived me, and I ate!” Satan twisted and warped the truth; and by doing so, also their minds. “The woman YOU put here with me gave it to me and I ate!” Adam and Eve became bitter and began seeing God as the enemy. Satan still twists the truth, twists our perception and uses bitterness to mislead us into seeing God as the enemy and direct us to sin. This morning we will set ourselves aside, humble ourselves and confess our sins in prayer and in song.

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C: Heavenly Father, I have sinned against you in more ways than I can count. I have sinned in my thoughts, by my words and with my actions. There are sins I know I have done and sins that I do not know I have done. Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Call me from the darkness into your wonderful light. Assure me of your love for me, cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.

WL: God is love; the one who abides in love abides in him and God abides in them. By this perfect love—perfected through the perfect life and innocent death of Christ Jesus—every sin has been washed away. You are righteous in God’s sight. May the God of hope fill you with the peace and joy that comes only through his forgiveness. May his love drive out all fear and doubt, and overflow as you pour out that love on others and live your life in worship of the author and perfecter of our faith. Amen.

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NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

FIRST LESSON

Jonah 3:1-5, 10

Then the word of the Lord came to Jonah a second time: ² "Go to the great city of Nineveh and proclaim to it the message I give you."

overthrown." ⁵ The Ninevites believed God. A fast was proclaimed, and all of them, from the greatest to the least, put on sackcloth.

³ Jonah obeyed the word of the Lord and went to Nineveh. Now Nineveh was a very large city; it took three days to go through it. ⁴ Jonah began by going a day's journey into the city, proclaiming, "Forty more days and Nineveh will be

¹⁰ When God saw what they did and how they turned from their evil ways, he relented and did not bring on them the destruction he had threatened.

SECOND LESSON

Acts 13:1-5

Now in the church at Antioch there were prophets and teachers: Barnabas, Simeon called Niger, Lucius of Cyrene, Manaen (who had been brought up with Herod the tetrarch) and Saul.

³ So after they had fasted and prayed, they placed their hands on them and sent them off.

² While they were worshiping the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, "Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them."

⁴ The two of them, sent on their way by the Holy Spirit, went down to Seleucia and sailed from there to Cyprus.

⁵ When they arrived at Salamis, they proclaimed the word of God in the Jewish synagogues. John was with them as their helper."

"COME HOME"

[Verse 1]

I am hiding in the darkness;
Shameless, I am ignorant.
They say that ignorance is bliss.
Can't hit the mark if you aim to miss.
So, I sit and ask myself this,
"Who am I, that I should be missed?"

[Verse 2]

Then the still small voice cries out
Whispers my name in that quiet shout
"My dear friend, I still love you;
So please don't hide from me.
I paid the debt you had due.
I bore it on the tree

[Chorus 1]

So you can come home.
You can come home.
Please come home.

[Verse 3]

That still voice that sought me out
Was my Savior I had no doubt.
In the light, the Son he shines,
Calls me dear and he calls me mine.

[Chorus 2]

So, I'll sing: Gloria.
Gloria. Gloria. Gloria.

[Verse 4]

All those sins that held me down
In my baptism I will drown.
I'll still have fears and I'll have qualms,
But my heart it beats—A steady calm.

[Chorus 3]

Cause I'm going home; I'm going home.
Cause I'm going home; I'm going home.
Singin': Gloria. Gloria.
Gloria. Gloria. Gloria.

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EPIPHANY ENCOURAGEMENT:
YOU HAVE THE GOSPEL

MARK 1:14-20

After John was put in prison, Jesus went into Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God. ¹⁵ “The time has come,” he said. “The kingdom of God has come near. Repent and believe the good news!”

¹⁶ As Jesus walked beside the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the lake, for they were fishermen. ¹⁷ “Come, follow me,” Jesus said, “and I will send you out to

fish for people.” ¹⁸ At once they left their nets and followed him.

¹⁹ When he had gone a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John in a boat, preparing their nets. ²⁰ Without delay he called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men and followed him.

PRAYER

Vicar David will offer the Prayer. *Following the 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.

“SHINE, JESUS, SHINE”

[Chorus]

Shine, Jesus, shine
Fill this land with the Father's glory
Blaze, Spirit, blaze
Set our hearts on fire
Flow, river, flow
Flood the nations with grace and mercy
Send forth your word
Lord, and let there be light

[Verse 2]

Lord, I come to your awesome presence
From the shadows into your radiance
By the blood I may enter your brightness
Search me, try me, consume all my darkness
Shine on me, shine on me

[Chorus]

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[Verse 3]

As we gaze on your kingly brightness
So our faces display your likeness
Ever changing from glory to glory
Mirrored here may our lives tell your story
Shine on me, shine on me

[Chorus x2]

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BLESSING

WANT TO FOLLOW ALONG WITH THE MUSIC?

This playlist contains nearly every one of the songs that we use for contemporary worship over the year:

**Also, feel free to send song suggestions or recommendations to Staff Minister Kyle Heise. 😊*



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