

should receive us, but give your word and we shall be healed, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that is proof of God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! Glory to God. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Leader: The Lord be with you.

Congregation: And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth. You have made from one every nation and people to live on all the face of the earth. And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

COMMUNION LITURGY & RECEIVING OF THE ELEMENTS

*HYMN OF INVITATION

GOD OF GRACE AND GOD OF GLORY

#577, v. 1 & 4

WORDS BY HARRY EMERSON FOSDICK

MUSIC BY JOHN HUGHES

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1. God of grace and God of glory, on thy people pour thy power; crown thine ancient church's story; bring her bud to glorious flower. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the facing of this hour, for the facing of this hour.
4. Save us from weak resignation to the evils we deplore; let the search for thy salvation be our glory evermore. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, serving thee whom we adore, serving thee whom we adore.

*BENEDICTION

*SENDING FORTH

THIS LITTLE LIGHT OF MINE

#585, v. 1 & 2

WORDS & MUSIC FROM AFRO-AMERICAN SPIRITUAL

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1. This little light of mine, I'm goin'a let it shine, this little light of mine, I'm goin'a let it shine; this little light of mine, I'm goin'a let it shine, let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.
2. Everywhere I go, I'm goin'a let it shine, everywhere I go, I'm goin'a let it shine; everywhere I go, I'm goin'a let it shine, let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

POSTLUDE

LET THE REDEEMED

WARD ELLIS



**“He’s Got the Whole World
in His Hands”**

John 3:16-17

Matthew 28:17-20

Hebrews 12:1-2

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE
MORNING HAS BROKEN MEDLEY
ELEANOR FARJEON TO THE TUNE OF BUNESSAN

WELCOME HOME!
ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP
I GO TO THE ROCK
DOTTIE RAMBO

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Almighty God: from the ends of the earth
you have gathered us around Christ's holy table.

Congregation: We come to feast together.

Have mercy on your church, troubled and divided.

Renew us and make us one. O God, we join with our sisters and brothers around the world in remembering Christ's sacrifice for us. For the opportunity to eat and drink together and for the life we have received, we give you thanks and praise. In the abundance of your many gifts, grant us grace to fill one another's lives with love. Redeem, restore and remold us until we are made new. Transform our daily bread into the bread of life, and the cup that we drink into the cup of salvation. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

***HYMN OF PRAISE**
MARCHING TO ZION

#733 v. 1, 2, & 4
WORDS BY ISAAC WATTS
MUSIC BY ROBERT LOWRY
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1. Come, we that love the Lord, and let our joys be known; join in a song with sweet accord, join in a song with sweet accord and thus surround the throne, and thus surround the throne.

Refrain: We're marching to Zion, beautiful, beautiful Zion; we're marching upward to Zion, the beautiful city of God.

2. Let those refuse to sing who never knew our God; but children of the heavenly King, but children of the heavenly King may speak their joys abroad, may speak their joys abroad. [Refrain]

4. Then let our songs abound, and every tear be dry; we're marching through Emmanuel's ground, we're marching through Emmanuel's ground, to fairer worlds on high, to fairer worlds on high. [Refrain]

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen.

SHARING OF OUR JOYS & CONCERNS

CALL TO PRAYER
SPIRIT SONG

#347
WORDS & MUSIC BY JOHN WIMBER
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1. O let the Son of God enfold you with his Spirit and his love. Let him fill your heart and satisfy your soul. O let him have the things that hold you, and his Spirit like a dove will descend upon your life and make you whole.

Refrain: Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs. Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs.

2. O come and sing this song with gladness as your hearts are filled with joy. Lift your hands in sweet surrender to his name. O give him all your tears and sadness; give him all your years of pain, and you'll enter into life in Jesus' name. [Refrain]

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

**OFFERING PRAYER & RETURN OF
GOD'S TITHES & GIFTS**

*DOXOLOGY

PRAISE GOD, FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW

#94
WORDS BY THOMAS KEN
MUSIC FROM *GEISTLICHE KIRCHENGESANGE*
ARR. BY RALPH VAUGHAN WILLIAMS
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Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

SCRIPTURE READINGS

JOHN 3:16-17
MATTHEW 28:17-20
HEBREWS 12:1-2

SERMON

“HE’S GOT THE WHOLE WORLD IN HIS HANDS”

ANTHEM

I'D RATHER HAVE JESUS
GEORGE BEVERLY SHEA

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

PRAYER OF INVITATION & PARDON

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him and seek to grow into his likeness.
Let us draw near with faith, make our humble confession, and prepare to receive this Holy Sacrament.

We do not presume to come to this your table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own goodness, but in your unfailing mercies. We are not worthy that you