

**THE GATHERING**

\* **Call to Worship:** *Psalm 100:1-5*  
*Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth.*  
*Worship the LORD with gladness;*  
*come before him with joyful songs.*  
***Know that the LORD is God.***  
***It is he who made us, and we are his;***  
***we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.***  
*Enter his gates with thanksgiving*  
*and his courts with praise;*  
*give thanks to him and praise his name.*  
***For the LORD is good and his love endures forever;***  
***his faithfulness continues through all generations.***

\* **God’s Greeting**

\* ***To God Be the Glory*** #473:1,3 (PH)  
To God be the glory, great things he has done!  
So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,  
Who yielded his life an atonement for sin  
And opened the Life gate that we may go in.  
  
*Refrain:* Praise the Lord, Praise the Lord,  
Let the earth hear his voice.  
Praise the Lord, Praise the Lord,  
Let the people rejoice.  
O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,  
And give him the glory, great things he has done.  
  
Great things he has taught us, great things he has done,  
And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;  
But purer and higher and greater will be  
Our wonder, our gladness, when Jesus we see. *Refrain*

\* ***I Will Extol You, O My God*** #185:1,3 (PH)  
I will extol you, O my God, and praise you, O my King;  
Yes, every day and evermore Your praises I will sing.  
Great is the Lord, our mighty God,  
And greatly to be praised;  
His greatness is unsearchable, above all glory raised.  
  
Your mighty acts and glorious deeds  
We shall with awe confess  
And sing of your great goodness and  
Your perfect righteousness.  
Most gracious and compassionate  
Is God, who reigns above;  
His wrath is ever slow to rise, unbounded is his love.

\* ***Lord, I Lift Your Name on High***  
Lord, I lift Your name on high;  
Lord, I love to sing Your praises.  
I’m so glad You’re in my life;  
I’m so glad You came to save us.  
You came from heaven to earth to show the way;  
From the earth to the cross, my debt to pay.  
From the cross to the grave, from the grave to the sky,  
Lord, I lift Your Name on high.

**THE CONFESSION**

**Call to Confession:** *Isaiah 1:18, 20b*  
*“Come now, let us reason together,” says the LORD.*  
*“Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white*  
*as snow; though they are red as crimson, they shall be*  
*like wool.” For the mouth of the LORD has spoken.*

**Prayer of Confession**

**Assurance: *How Vast the Benefits Divine*** #497:1,2 (PH)  
How vast the benefits divine which we in Christ possess!  
We are redeemed from sin and shame,  
And called to holiness.  
‘Tis not for works that we have done these all to him we owe;  
But he of his electing love salvation does bestow.  
  
To you, O Christ, alone is due all glory and renown;  
No merit of our own we claim, nor rob you of your crown.  
You were our only surety in God’s redemption plan;  
In you his grace was given us before the world began.  
  
(Children 3 years old – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade are invited to Children’s Church  
in the Ed. Building during the singing of this song.)

**THE GIVING**

**Offertory Prayer**

**Offering:** Ken & Chris

**Morning Prayer**

**THE PROCLAMATION**

\* ***Send Out Your Light and Your Truth*** #165:1,2 (PH)  
Send out your light and your truth, let them lead me;  
O let them bring me to your holy hill.  
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O let them bring me to your holy hill.

Lead me, O Lord, in the way everlasting;  
O lead and guide me to your holy hill.  
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O lead and guide me to your holy hill.

\* **Scripture:** *II Timothy 3* (NIV) pg. 1249  
<sup>1</sup> But mark this: There will be terrible times in the last days. <sup>2</sup> People will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boastful, proud, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, unholy, <sup>3</sup> without love, unforgiving, slanderous, without self-control, brutal, not lovers of the good, <sup>4</sup> treacherous, rash, conceited, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God— <sup>5</sup> having a form of godliness but denying its power. Have nothing to do with such people.  
<sup>6</sup> They are the kind who worm their way into homes and gain control over gullible women, who are loaded down with sins and are swayed by all kinds of evil desires, <sup>7</sup> always learning but never able to come to a knowledge of the truth. <sup>8</sup> Just as Jannes and Jambres opposed Moses, so also these teachers oppose the truth. They are men of depraved minds, who, as far as the faith is concerned, are rejected. <sup>9</sup> But they will not get very far because, as in the case of those men, their folly will be clear to everyone. <sup>10</sup> You, however, know all about my teaching, my way of life, my purpose, faith, patience, love, endurance, <sup>11</sup> persecutions, sufferings— what kinds of things happened to me in Antioch, Iconium and Lystra, the persecutions I endured. Yet the Lord rescued me from all of them. <sup>12</sup> In fact, everyone who wants to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted, <sup>13</sup> while evildoers and impostors will go from bad to worse, deceiving and being deceived. <sup>14</sup> But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have become convinced of, because you know those from whom you learned it, <sup>15</sup> and how from infancy you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. <sup>16</sup> All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, <sup>17</sup> so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

This is the Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**Message:** *The Survival Manual for Living*

**THE SENDING**

**\* Thy Word**

*Refrain:* Thy word is a lamp unto my feet  
And a light unto my path.  
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And a light unto my path.

When I feel afraid, and I think I've lost my way,  
Still You're there right beside me.  
Nothing will I fear as long as You are near.  
Please be near me to the end. *Refrain*

I will not forget Your love for me, and yet  
My heart forever is wandering.  
Jesus, be my guide and hold me to Your side;  
I will love You to the end. *Refrain*

**\* God's Blessing**

**\* God of Mercy, God of Grace**

God of mercy, God of grace,  
Show the brightness of your face.  
Shine upon us, Savior, shine;  
Fill your church with light divine;  
And your saving health extend unto earth's remotest end.

Let the people praise you, Lord;  
Earth shall then its fruits afford.  
Unto us your blessing give, we to you devoted live,  
All below and all above, one in joy and light and love.

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The sanctuary is equipped with an assistive listening system.  
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\* indicates to stand if able

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*II Timothy 3*

I. What is its nature

II. Why is it necessary



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