* Call to Worship: Psalm 95:1-2

Come, let us sing for joy to the LORD; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation. Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song.

* Opening Prayer

* It is Good to Sing Thy Praises

#330:1,3 (HFG)

#343:1,2 (HFG)

It is good to sing Thy praises And to thank Thee, O Most High, Showing forth Thy loving kindness When the morning lights the sky. It is good when night is falling Of Thy faithfulness to tell. While with sweet, melodious praises Songs of adoration swell.

But the good shall live before Thee, Planted in Thy dwelling place, Fruitful trees and every verdant, Nourished by Thy boundless grace. In his goodness to the righteous God His righteousness displays; God, my rock, my strength and refuge, Just and true are all His ways.

* Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

Sing praise to God who reigns above, The God of all creation, The God of power, the God of love, The God of our salvation; With healing balm my soul he fills, And ev'ry faithless murmur stills: To God all praise and glory!

What God's almighty power hath made His gracious mercy keepeth; By morning glow or evening shade His watchful eye ne'er sleepeth. Within the kingdom of his might, Lo! all is just and all is right: To God all praise and glory!

* Father, We Love You

#634:1,2,3 (PH)

Father, we love You, we worship and adore You.

Glorify Thy name in all the earth.

Glorify Thy name, glorify Thy name,

Glorify Thy name in all the earth!

Jesus, we love You, we worship and adore You.

Glorify Thy name in all the earth.

Glorify Thy name, glorify Thy name,

Glorify Thy name in all the earth!

Spirit, we love You, we worship and adore You.

Glorify Thy name in all the earth.

Glorify Thy name, glorify Thy name,

Glorify Thy name in all the earth!

Profession of Faith: Athanasian Creed

Whoever wants to be saved must, above all, hold the catholic faith. Now this is the catholic faith,

that we worship one God in three persons

and three persons in one God without confusing the persons

nor dividing the divine being.

For the Father is one person,

the Son is another,

and the Holy Spirit is still another;

but there is one God,

the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,

all equal in glory and eternal in majesty.

It is necessary that one also believe faithfully that our Lord Jesus Christ became human. For this is the true faith, that we believe and confess, that our Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God, is both God and human:

God, begotten before all worlds from the being of the Father, and human,

born in the world from the being of his mother, perfect God and perfect human, with a rational soul and a human body.

Offering: Building the Future

Evening Prayer

* Open My Eyes, That I May See

Open my eyes, that I may see Glimpses of truth You have for me; Place in my hands the wonderful key That shall unlock and set me free. Silently now I wait for You, Ready, my God, Your will to do;

Open my eyes, illumine me, Spirit divine!

Open my ears, that I may hear Voices of truth so sharp and clear; And while the message sounds in my ear, Everything else will disappear. Silently now I wait for You, Ready, my God, Your will to do; Open my ears, illumine me, Spirit divine!

* **Scripture:** *Acts* 20:28-31a (ESV)

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#486:1,2 (HFG)

²⁸ Pay careful attention to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the church of God, which he obtained with his own blood. 29 I know that after my departure fierce wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock; 30 and from among your own selves will arise men speaking twisted things, to draw away the disciples after them. 31 Therefore be alert, remembering that for three years I did not cease night or day to admonish every one with tears.

lude 1:3-4 (ESV)

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³ Beloved, although I was very eager to write to you about our common salvation, I found it necessary to write appealing to you to contend for the faith that was once for all delivered to the saints. 4 For certain people have crept in unnoticed who long ago were designated for this condemnation, ungodly people, who pervert the grace of our God into sensuality and deny our only Master and Lord, Jesus Christ.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Message: Athanasius Against the World

Prayer

* indicates to stand if able

* For All the Saints

#505:1,2,3 (PH)

For all the saints, who from their labors rest, Who to the world by faith their Lord confessed, Your name, O Jesus, be forever blest. Alleluia, Alleluia!

You were their rock, their fortress, and their might; You, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight; And in the darkness drear, their one true light. Alleluia, Alleluia!

May all your soldiers, faithful, true, and bold, Fight as the saints who nobly fought of old, And win with them the victor's crown of gold. Alleluia, Alleluia!

* God's Blessing

* Glory Be To the Father

#635 (PH)

Glory be to the Father and to the Son And to the Holy Ghost,
As it was in the beginning,
Is now, and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen. Amen.

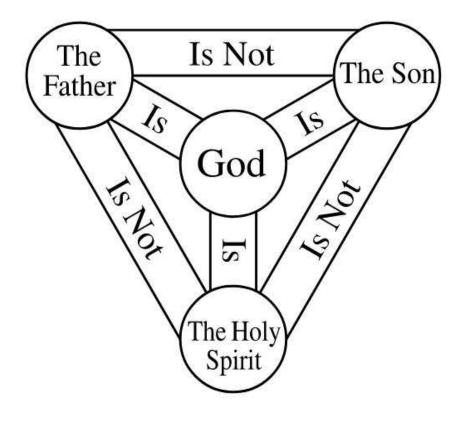
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Pastor: Robert W Music: Perlene H

Offering: First CRC Building the Future Fund is in place to fund future building projects of our church. For more information, talk to a member of the Long-Range Ministry Team.

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