

* **Call to Worship:**

Let us worship God today, for God is great.

God has blessed us with life, with faith, and with community.

Let us worship God today, for God is good.

God forgives us, and encourages us, and loves us.

Let us worship God today.

Because we are God's people.

Let us worship God.

* **God's Greeting**

* **Make Me a Blessing**

#473:2,3 (HFG)

Tell the sweet story of Christ and His love;

Tell of His pow'r to forgive.

Others will trust Him if only you prove

True every moment you live.

Refrain: Make me a blessing, make me a blessing,
Out of my life may Jesus shine;
Make me a blessing, O Savior I pray,
Make me a blessing to someone today.

Give as 'twas given to you in your need;

Love as the Master loved you.

Be to the helpless a helper indeed;

Unto your mission be true. *Refrain*

* **Bless the Lord, O My Soul**

Refrain: Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul,
Worship His holy name.
Sing like never before, O my soul,
I worship your holy name.

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning.

It's time to sing your song again.

Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me,

Let me be singing when the evening comes. *Refrain*

You're rich in love and you're slow to anger.

Your name is great and your heart is kind.

For all your goodness, I will keep on singing,

Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find. *Refrain*

* **Blessed Be Your Name**

Blessed be your name in the land that is plentiful,

Where your streams of abundance flow;

Blessed be your name.

Blessed be your name when I'm found in the desert place.

Though I walk through the wilderness,

Blessed be your name.

Refrain: Every blessing you pour out, I'll turn back to praise.
When the darkness closes in, Lord still I will say,
"Blessed be the name of the Lord,
Blessed be your name.
Blessed be the name of the Lord,
Blessed be your glorious name."

Blessed be your name when the sun's shining down on me,
When the world's "all as it should be."

Blessed be your name

Blessed be your name on the road marked with suffering;

Though there's pain in the offering,

Blessed be your name. *Refrain*

Prayer of Confession

Words of Assurance: *from 2 Corinthians 9*

Children of God, know that God can provide you with every blessing, in abundance, so that by always having enough, you may in turn share abundantly!

The God who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched for your great generosity!

Cadet Litany: Be a Blessing

Leader: Be a blessing. We have been blessed with riches and talents, which we can use to bless others. We are told in our theme verse that, "God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work." There are many ways we, as Christians, can be a blessing in this world.

Cadets & Counselors: *We can bless people by sharing our abundance with them.*

Congregation: "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

Cadets & Counselors: How should we give?

Congregation: "... give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."

Leader: We have received much and we are thankful for this. We respond to God with love.

Cadets & Counselors: *Jesus said, "If you love me you will keep my commandments."*

Congregation: "Whoever loves God must also love his brother."

Leader: The world and the communities around us are blessed when they see God's love shown through each of us, His people.

All: We are called to live our Christian lives in love, so that the world will know we are Christians by our love.

Living for Jesus

#462:1 (HFG)

Living for Jesus, a life that is true.

Striving to please Him in all that I do.

Yielding allegiance gladhearted and free.

This is the pathway of blessing for me.

Refrain: O Jesus, Lord and Savior,
I give myself to Thee.
For Thou in Thy atonement,
Didst give Thyself for me;
I own no other master,
My heart shall be Thy throne;
My life I give henceforth to live,
O Christ, for Thee alone.

Cadet Landmarks

Cadet Year-in-Review

Offertory Prayer

Offering: Cadets

(Children 3 years old – 2nd grade are invited to Children's Church in the Ed. Building while the offering is received.)

Morning Prayer

* indicates to stand if able

* **Scripture:** *1 Corinthians 10:23, 31* pg. 1200
²³ "All things are lawful," but not all things are helpful.
"All things are lawful," but not all things build up.
³¹ So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do,
do all to the glory of God.

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

Message: *Left to Our Own Devices:
Digital Distractions and Addictions*

* **Now Thank We All Our God** #525:3 (HFG)
O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,
With ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us,
And keep us in His grace, and guide us when perplexed,
And free us from all ills in this world in the next.

* **God's Blessing**

* **We Receive Your Blessing**

We receive Your blessing, we receive Your grace,
As we walk in the light shining from Your face.
May the peace that You give change the way that we live.
We receive Your blessing as we leave this place.
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him, all creatures here below.
Praise Him, above You heavenly hosts.
Praise Father, Son and praise the Holy Ghost.
We receive Your blessing as we leave this place.

Worship services are broadcast live in the church basement
for anyone who is unable to worship in the sanctuary.
The sanctuary is equipped with an assistive listening system.
Please switch hearing aids to "T" to use this system.

Pastor: Robert W
Prayer: Cadet, Robert W
Music: Ken & Lisa Q
Offering: Cadets is a ministry to 1st-8th grade boys and is led by
Brian S and several other men in the congregation.

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1 Corinthians 10:23, 31

Cadet Sunday 2019



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so that in all things at all times,
having all that you need,
you will abound in every good work.***

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