\* Call to Worship: I Chronicles 16:8-10, 31 Give praise to the LORD, proclaim his name; make known among the nations what he has done.
Sing to him, sing praise to him; tell of all his wonderful acts.
Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice.
Let the heavens rejoice, let the earth be glad; let them say among the nations, "The LORD reigns!"

\* **Opening Prayer** 

\* **Come, All You People, Praise Our God** Come, all you people, praise our God And tell his glorious works abroad, Who holds our souls in life;

He never lets our feet be moved And, though our faith he often proved, Upholds us in the strife.

We come with offerings to his house, And here we pay the solemn vows We uttered in distress; To him our all we dedicate, To him we wholly consecrate The lives his mercies bless.

Come, listen, all who fear the Lord, While I with grateful heart record What God has done for me; I cried to him in deep distress, And now his wondrous grace I bless, For he has set me free.

## \* I Will Extol You, O My God

#185:1,2,3 (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.

Each generation to the next shall testimony bear, And to your praise, from age to age, Your wondrous acts declare. Upon your glorious majesty and honor I will dwell, And all your grand and glorious works And greatness I will tell. 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

\* Jesus Loves Even Me

#225:1,2 (HFG)

I am so glad that my Father in heaven Tells of His love in the Book He has given; Wonderful things in the Bible I see, This is the dearest, that Jesus loves me.

Refrain: I am so glad that Jesus loves me, Jesus loves me; Jesus loves me. I am so glad that Jesus loves me, Jesus loves even me.

Though I forget Him and wander away, Still Jesus loves me wherever I stray; Back to His dear loving arms I would flee, When I remember that Jesus loves me. *Refrain* 

Profession of Faith: Romans 5:6-10, NRSV While we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person, though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies,

we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life.

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**Evening Prayer** 

Children's Message

\* Your Word is Everlasting Truth

Your Word is everlasting truth. How pure is every page! That holy book shall guide my youth And well support my age. It's like the sun, a heavenly light That guides us all the day, And through the dangers of the night A lamp to lead the way.

Let all the human writers join To form one perfect book, Great God, if once compared with Yours, How scant their writings look. Not one of all the rules they gave Could show one sin forgiven, Nor lead one step beyond the grave. But Yours brings us to heaven!

When nature sinks and spirits droop, Your promises of grace Are pillars that support my hope And keep me in Your ways. Now I am Yours, forever Yours. O save your servant, Lord! You are my shield, my hiding place. My hope is in Your Word.

\* Scripture: I John 4:7-12, 16(ESV) pg. 1280
<sup>7</sup> Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God.
<sup>8</sup> Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love. <sup>9</sup> In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. <sup>10</sup> In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins. <sup>11</sup> Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. <sup>12</sup> No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God abides in us and his love is perfected in us.

<sup>16</sup> So we have come to know and to believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and whoever abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him.

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

Message: God is Love

## \* My Jesus, I Love Thee

#456:1,2 (HFG)

My Jesus, I love Thee, I know Thou art mine; For Thee all the follies of sin I resign; My gracious Redeemer, my Savior art Thou: If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

I love Thee because Thou hast first loved me, And purchased my pardon on Calvary's tree; I love Thee for wearing the thorns on Thy brow: If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

## \* God's Blessing

## \* Our God Reigns

#195 (PH)

How lovely on the mountains are the feet of him Who brings good news, good news Announcing peace, proclaiming news of happiness. Our God reigns; our God reigns! Our God reigns; our God reigns! Our God reigns; our God reigns!

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Pastor: Robert W Children's Message: Rich H Music: Mike H Offering: Kidstown International Snahakunjia Orphanage in Calcutta, India serves HIV positive children who are socially rejected. Kidstown International works alongside this orphanage to assist and improve their ministry. For more information, visit kidstown.org

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**God is Love** I John 4:7-12, 16



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