

DOXOLOGY*

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

HOLY COMMUNION

As we continue to navigate the implications of Covid we will have two options for partaking. After coming down the center aisle, you can choose one of the two lines. One will have a common cup for intinction (dipping); the other will have individual cups that can be drank from and then placed in the provided empty tray. Please choose whichever line you feel most comfortable with.

SENDING

SONG* - Down in the River to Pray

As I went down in the river to pray

Studying about that good old way

And who shall wear the starry crown, good Lord show me the way

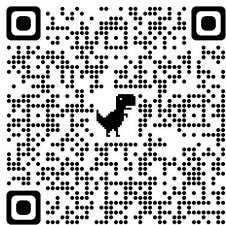
Oh people let's go down, Let's go down, come on down

Oh people let's go down, down in the river to pray

CHARGE & BENEDICTION*

*Stand, as you are able

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GATHERING

CALL TO WORSHIP* (by Rev. Sarah (Are) Speed | A Sanctified Art LLC)

God says,

“Do not be afraid.”

God says,

“I have called you by name.”

God says,

“I will be with you.”

God says,

“You are precious and honored in my sight.”

At the beginning of this season, at the start of this week, at the top of this hour, may we wrap ourselves in these words.

May we begin again.

Let us worship our Holy God!

PROCESSION HYMN* - We Light a Candle

We light a candle to resist
indifference and despair,
to kindle hope within our midst
and action from our prayer.

LIGHTING OF ADVENT CANDLE

SONG* - O Come, O Come Emmanuel (CH #120)

SONG* - Cornerstone

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| My hope is built on nothing less | In ev'ry high and stormy gale |
| Than Jesus' blood and righteousness | My anchor holds within the veil |
| I dare not trust the sweetest frame | |
| But wholly trust in Jesus' name | Chorus |
| Chorus: | When He shall come with trumpet sound |
| Christ alone, Cornerstone | Oh may I then in Him be found |
| Weak made strong in the Savior's love | Dressed in His righteousness alone |
| Through the storm, He is Lord, Lord of al | Faultless stand before the throne |
| When darkness seems to hide his face | |
| I rest on His unchanging grace | Chorus |

CONFESSION OF SIN (by Rev. Sarah (Are) Speed | A Sanctified Art LLC)

Affirming God,
Your first words to creation were words of love.
You looked at this earth and said, "It is good."
You spoke affirmations through the prophets.
You spoke blessings over Mary.
You spoke belonging through Christ.
At every turn, you have reiterated that we are a blessing,
made in your image, held in your love.
Forgive us for forgetting this truth.
Forgive us for measuring our worth by society's measuring stick instead of yours.
We believe. Help our unbelief. In Christ's name we pray, amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

God says,
"Do not fear, for I have redeemed you. I have called you by name. You are mine."
We are forgiven. We are loved. Let it leave you awestruck.
Thanks be to God! May we believe it. Amen.

PASSING OF THE PEACE*

The Lord be with you.
And also with you

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Pastor Kyle

SONG - Wait for the Lord (CH #143)

WORD

OLD TESTAMENT

Isaiah 43:1-7

GOSPEL LESSON*

Luke 1:26-38

SERMON

You Are A Blessing

Pastor Kyle

RESPONSE

HYMN* - Hope of the World (CH #694)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING

Many in our community give their tithes and offerings online (rescov.org/give) and yet we believe it is still good and right to give God thanks as part of our worship. If you have offering this morning you are welcome to place it in the basket in the center aisle as we give God thanks.