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WELCOME TO THE STORY

Mark's gospel makes clear how great was the press of the crowd, with its countless needs to be met, on Jesus and his disciples. Yet in today's gospel Jesus advises his disciples to get away and rest, to take care of themselves. Sometimes we think that when others are in great need we shouldn't think of ourselves at all; but Jesus also honors the caregivers' need. We are sent from Christ's table to care for others and for ourselves.

A Story that Invites Us

All invitations to stand or kneel are for those who are able.

Singing Bowl

During the ringing of the bowl, you are encouraged to center your thoughts on God the Creator, Christ the Redeemer, and the Holy Spirit our Comforter.

SONG . . . "Rooftops"

Verse 1:

Here I am before You,
Falling in love and seeking Your truth,
Knowing that Your perfect grace
Has brought me to this place.
Because of You I freely live.
My life to You oh God, I give.

So I stand before You, God.
I lift my voice 'cuz You set me free.

Chorus 1:

So, I shout out Your name,
From the rooftops I proclaim
That I am Yours, I am Yours.

Verse 2:

All the good You've done for me,
I lift up my hands for all to see.
You're the only one
Who brings me to my knees,
To share this love across the earth,
The beauty of Your holy worth.
So I kneel before You, God
I lift my hands 'cuz You set me free.

Chorus 2:

So, I shout out Your name,
From the rooftops I proclaim
That I am Yours, I am Yours.
All that I am
I place into Your loving hands,
And I am Yours, I am Yours

Bridge

Here I am, I stand with arms wide open
To the One, the Son, the everlasting God,
The everlasting God.
(Repeat Bridge)

Chorus 3:

So I shout out Your name,
From the rooftops I proclaim
That I am Yours, I am Yours.

WELCOME

SHARING OF THE PEACE

L: No one here is a stranger!

All: We all belong to God's household!

*L: Let us greet our brothers and sisters in the peace of
Christ Jesus.*

All: All are welcome.

Please Stand

CONFESSION and FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross,
the sign marked at baptism.

*L: Jesus, our Compassion, you see our suffering and seek
all who have lost hope, all who struggle to love one
another.*

**All: Forgive us when we build barriers of hatred, and
bring us together in your peace.**

L: Build us up in your hope and love,

All: that God may live in our lives. Amen.

Silence is kept for reflection.

*L: Mark writes: "When Jesus arrived and saw a large
crowd, he had compassion on them." This
compassionate Jesus also looks upon us and brings us
near; to him and to one another.*

**All: We are forgiven and made new by the One who
builds us into the very place where God lives.**

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Welcome, friends and strangers, long-timers and newcomers, those from nearby and far off.

All: We gather as one because Christ is our peace.

L: We gather as the temple where God lives through the Spirit.

All: We gather with Christ Jesus as our cornerstone, the one who joins us together.

L: Hear the good news of peace that brings us together.

All: With all of our community, we are no longer strangers, but residents with God.

SONG . . . “Love the Lord”

Verse 1:

Love the Lord your God
With all your heart, With all your soul, With all your mind
And with all your strength
(Repeat)

Chorus 1:

With all your heart
With all your soul
With all your mind
With all your strength
Love the Lord your God
With all your heart, With all your soul, With all your mind
And with all your strength

Verse 2:

I will serve the Lord
With all my heart, With all my soul, With all my mind
And with all my strength
(Repeat)

Chorus 2:

With all my heart
With all my soul
With all my mind
With all my strength
I will serve the Lord
With all my heart, With all my soul, With all my mind
And with all my strength

Bridge:

I will love you
I will praise you
I will serve you
I will trust you, Lord

Chorus 3:

With all my heart
With all my soul
With all my mind
With all my strength
(Repeat)

Ending:

I will love you Lord
With all my heart, With all my soul, With all my mind
And with all my strength
(Repeat 2x)

GREETING

L: *The grace that is Christ’s gift to us, the love of God, and the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace is with you all.*

All: And also with you. Amen.

LITANY OF PEACE

L: To honor you, O God,

All: we come before you to worship and praise.

L: Transform every moment of our lives

All: into moments of worship and praise that honor you.

L: To be near you, Holy One,

All: we come into your presence with hope and prayer.

L: Transform our words and thoughts

All: into acts of prayers and thanksgiving that bring us ever close to you.

L: We want to be people of unity and peace.

All: Transform our community with love that is boundless and with peace that passes all understanding,

L: that others may see us knit together as one,

All: built on the cornerstone of Christ.

L: In your loving peace we sing...

HYMN OF PRAISE . . . "Glory to God"



All: Glo - ry to God in the high - est, the high - est, and



peace to God's peo - ple on earth.



1 Lord God, heav-en - ly King, al - might-y God and Fa-ther,



we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you



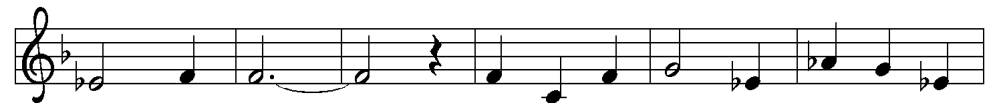
for your glo - ry. Glo - ry to God in the high-



est, the high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



2 Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God,



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat-ed at the



right hand of the Fa-ther: re - ceive our prayer.



Glo - ry to God in the high - est, the high - est, and



peace to God's peo - ple on earth. 3 For you a -



lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the
Ho - ly Spir - it, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther.
A - men. A - men. A - men.
Final refrain
Glo - ry to God in the high - est, the high - est, and peace to God's
peo - ple on earth. Glo - ry to God in the high -
est, the high - est, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: God of the storm's still eye: when we are overwhelmed by pressures and demands which cut us off from life,

All: take us to a place apart where we might find again our true heart's center, our far horizon, the silence that awaits a world where we can breathe; through Jesus Christ, who brings us near to you. Amen.

Be Seated

The Story that Shapes and Forms Us

READING . . . Psalm 23:1-6

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not be in want.

The Lord makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters.

You restore my soul, O Lord, and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake.

Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

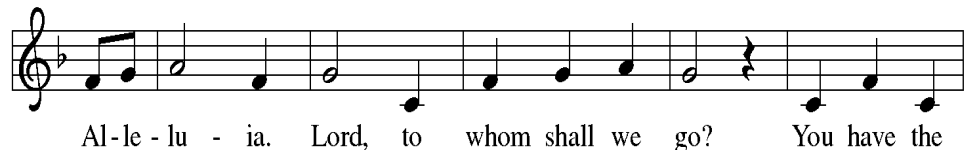
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

L: Word of God, word of life.

All: Thanks be to God.

Please Stand

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al-le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the



words of e - ter - nal life. Al-le - lu - ia.



Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.



Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

L: The Holy Gospel according to Mark the sixth chapter.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL . . . Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

When Jesus sent his disciples out to teach and heal, they ministered among large numbers of people. Their work was motivated by Christ's desire to be among those in need.

The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

L: The Gospel, the good news of God

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

Be Seated

CHILDREN'S TIME . . . Carmen Blair

Please Stand

SONG . . . "Blessed Be Your Name"

Verse 1:

Blessed be Your name in the land that is plentiful
Where Your streams of abundance flow
Blessed be Your name

Verse 2:

Blessed be Your name when I'm found in the desert place
Though I walk through the wilderness
Blessed be Your name

Chorus:

Ev'ry 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

Verse 3:

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

Verse 4:

Blessed be Your name on the road marked with suffering
Though there's pain in the offering
Blessed be Your name

Chorus

Bridge:

You give your love away
You give your love away
My heart will choose to say
"Lord blessed be Your name"

(Repeat)

Ending:

Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be Your name
Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be Your glorious name

Be Seated

MESSAGE . . . *Carmen Blair*

A Story that Feeds Us

INVITATION TO OFFERING

L: We are not strangers to one another, for together we are members of God’s household.
All: **Let us give offerings that bring the good news of our peace to many.**

THANKFUL OFFERING



SONG . . . “*Canticle of the Turning*” vs. 1, 3

Verse 1:

My soul cries out with a joyful shout
That the God of my heart is great;
And my spirit sings of the wondrous things
That that you bring to the ones who wait.
You fixed your sight on your servant’s plight,
And my weakness you did not spurn,
So from east to west shall my name be blest,
Could the world be about to turn?

Chorus:

My heart shall sing of the day you bring.
Let the fires of your justice burn.
Wipe away all tears, for the dawn draws near,
And the world is about to turn.

Verse 3:

From the halls of pow’r to the fortress tow’r,
Not a stone will be left on stone.
Let the king beware for your justice tears
Ev’ry tyrant from his throne.
The hungry poor shall weep no more,
For the food they can never earn;
There are tables spread, ev’ry mouth be fed,
For the world is about to turn.

Chorus

Please Stand

OFFERTORY RESPONSE . . . “Accept, O Lord the Gifts We Bring”



1 Ac - cept, O Lord, the gifts we bring to place up - on your ta - ble.
3 Our hopes and dreams, our toils and cares we lift in prayer be - fore you.



We do not wor - ship as we ought but on - ly as we’re a - ble.
Lord, by your grace now come to us, as hum - bly we a - dore you.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

L: Jesus, our Hope, we send these gifts: to those without hope,
All: **to those who need your love, and to those longing for your peace.**

L: May our gifts and may our very lives reveal that God lives in us and that we look upon all,
All: stranger and friend alike, as our family of faith. Amen.

THE PRAYERS

L: Growing in faith and discipleship, we give thanks for God's merciful compassion as we pray for the church, the world, and all in need. God, you are our cornerstone, giving your people a strong foundation of faith. Help us to seek meaningful change in the world, and lead us to places of rest where you renew us for mission. Lord, in your mercy,

All: hear our prayer.

L: God, you are our righteousness, proclaiming peace to those who are far off and to those who are near. Remove hostility that divides nations. Make us no longer strangers or aliens but fellow citizens with all your saints. Lord, in your mercy,

All: hear our prayer.

L: God, you are our compassion, bringing rest to all who seek treatments and diagnoses and are left without answers or energy. Restore the aching souls and bodies of those who seek comfort. Lord, in your mercy,

All: hear our prayer.

L: God, you are our creativity, creating joy and purpose through all artists in the church: composers, writers, visual artists, musicians, poets, and dancers. Open our hearts to experience your truth in new and beautiful ways through their work. Lord, in your mercy,

All: hear our prayer.

L: God of all, hear now the prayers of our heart said either silently or aloud.

L: Lord, in your mercy,

All: hear our prayers.

L: Gracious God, we lift to you these prayers and the prayers of our hearts, trusting in your everlasting love and mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

L: God is with you.

All: And also with you.

L: Lift up your hearts

All: We lift them to God.

L: Let us give thanks to God.

All: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

L: *Now bread and wine are before us, the memory of our meals, our working, our talking, the story which shapes us, the grieving and the pain; the seeking and the loving. And we give thanks for all that holds us together in our humanity; that binds us to all who live and have lived, who have cried and are crying, who hunger and are thirsty, who pine for justice, and who hold out for the time that is coming. In these elements which were consecrated earlier, we are bound to the life and death and resurrection of Jesus. God, food of the poor; Christ, our bread, give us a taste of the tender bread from your creation's table; bread newly taken from your heart's oven, food that comforts and nourishes us. A loaf of community that makes us human joined hand in hand, working and sharing. A warm loaf that makes us a family, sacrament of your body, your wounded people.*

All: As we come together to eat at your table, we offer ourselves to you in praise and thanksgiving for your mighty acts.

Here other prayers may be offered.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

L: As you are one with us, O Christ, make us one with you as we pray as you taught...

All: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

FRACTION RITE

L: This is Jesus, our Prophet and Teacher, raised up to take away all sin.

All: Happy are we who receive Jesus and the Good News!

Be Seated

LAMB OF GOD



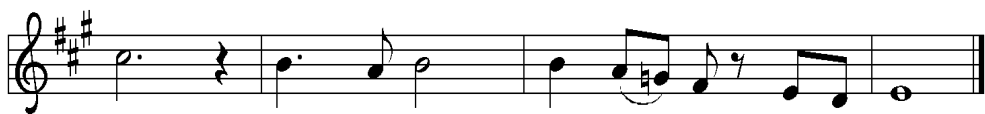
Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the



world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the



world; grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

Holy Communion is open to all.

Communion is by intinction down the center aisle.

Grape juice is white, wine is red.

Let an usher know if you desire communion brought to you.

COMMUNION HYMN . . . "Come to the Table" (2x)

Come to the table of mercy
Prepared with the wine and the bread
All who are hungry and thirsty
Come and your souls will be fed

Come at the Lord's invitation
Receive from his nail-scarred hands
Eat of the bread of salvation
Drink of the blood of the Lamb

COMMUNION HYMN . . . "Awesome God" (3x)

Our God is an awesome God
He reigns from heaven above
With wisdom pow'r and love
Our God is an awesome God

Singing Bowl

Please Stand

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

L: Creator God, bless this gift of bread with the yeast of your love.

All: Flow through this gift of wine with your life-giving grace.

L: As we receive these gifts, make us one with you through the power of your Holy Spirit.

All: Nurture our lives, that we may be loaves of your generous abundance.

L: Pour your grace into our hearts, that we may be vines of loving nourishment for one another and for a world in need of growth and strength.

All: In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

L: Jesus Christ, host of this meal, you have given us not only this bread and cup, but your very self, that we may share in your great love.

All: Filled again by these signs of your grace, may we hunger for your reign of justice, may we thirst for your way of peace, for you an everlasting God! Amen.

Be Seated

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please Stand

A Story that Sends Us Out to Love and Serve

COMMISSIONING

L: Christ is our peace!

All: Christ is building us into a people of peace.

L: Christ is our cornerstone, joining us together as one.

All: Christ is building us into a place where God lives.

L: Let us be people who are built into a temple of peace.

All: We will be a people where God lives in the world. Amen.

Those who desire extra time to exit are invited to do so during the last hymn.

SENDING OUT. . . "I'll Fly Away"

Verse 1:

Some glad morning when this life is o'er
I'll fly away
To a home on God's celestial shore
I'll fly away

Chorus:

I'll fly away O glory, I'll fly away
When I die hallelujah by and by
I'll fly away

Verse 2:

When the shadows of this life have grown
I'll fly away
Like a bird from prison bars has flown
I'll fly away

Chorus

Verse 3:

Just a few more weary days and then
I'll fly away
To a land where joys shall never end
I'll fly away

Chorus

Ending:

When I die hallelujah by and by, I'll fly away

DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Serve God.

All: Thanks be to God!