



Prelude

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Epiphany / Human
Relations Day*

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WELCOME,
ANNOUNCEMENTS,
and
CELEBRATIONS



Bringing In The Light of Christ



Give Thanks

Let us quiet our minds, hearts, and spirits as we begin to focus on the presence of God as we bring the *Light of Christ* into our midst.

CALL to WORSHIP

Leader: Jesus surprised the people at the wedding.

People: **They were sure they would be disappointed.**

CALL to WORSHIP

Leader: They thought that their host wasn't prepared for their needs.

People: **We aren't much different. We aren't sure God is prepared for our needs.**

CALL to WORSHIP

Leader: Lord, change our whining in to praising!

People: **Change our moaning and complaining into celebrations of joy! AMEN.**

OPENING PRAYER

**Lord, open our hearts to
the surprising ways in
which you offer to us your
love and your presence.
Help us to truly believe in
the wondrous ways that
you work in our lives.**



OPENING PRAYER

**Give us hearts and spirits
for service to you. In
Jesus' Name, we pray.
AMEN.**



“Love Divine, All Love Excelling” UMH 384

WORDS: Charles Wesley, 1747 MUSIC: John Zundel, 1870

Please stand as you are able and comfortable.

Love divine, all loves excelling,
joy of heaven, to earth come down;
fix in us thy humble dwelling;
all thy faithful mercies crown!
Jesus, thou art all compassion,
pure, unbounded love thou art;
visit us with thy salvation;
enter every trembling heart.

“Love Divine, All Love Excelling” UMH 384

WORDS: Charles Wesley, 1747 MUSIC: John Zundel, 1870

Please stand as you are able and comfortable.

Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit
into every troubled breast!

Let us all in thee inherit;
let us find that second rest.

Take away our bent to sinning;

Alpha and Omega be;
end of faith, as its beginning,
set our hearts at liberty.

“Love Divine, All Love Excelling” UMH 384

WORDS: Charles Wesley, 1747 MUSIC: John Zundel, 1870

Please stand as you are able and comfortable.

Come, Almighty to deliver,
let us all thy life receive;
suddenly return and never,
never more thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
serve thee as thy hosts above,
pray and praise thee without ceasing,
glory in thy perfect love.

“Love Divine, All Love Excelling” UMH 384

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Please stand as you are able and comfortable.

Finish, then, thy new creation;
pure and spotless let us be.
Let us see thy great salvation
perfectly restored in thee;
changed from glory into glory,
till in heaven we take our place,
till we cast our crown before thee,
lost in wonder, love, and praise.

A young girl with long blonde hair, wearing a white and red winter hat with a pom-pom and a white fur-lined coat, stands in a snowy, starry night setting. She is holding a glowing lantern in her right hand. The background is dark with falling snow and several large, glowing golden stars hanging from above. The scene is framed by a white border.

Young Disciples' Message

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION


**Spirit of the living God,
fall afresh on me.**

**Spirit of the living God,
fall afresh on me.**

**Melt me, mold me, fill me,
use me.**

**Spirit of the living God,
fall afresh on me.**





Isaiah 62: 1 - 5

NRSVUE



¹ For Zion's sake I will not keep silent,
and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest,
until her vindication shines out like the dawn
and her salvation like a burning torch.

² The nations shall see your vindication
and all the kings your glory,
and you shall be called by a new name
that the mouth of the LORD will give.

³ You shall be a beautiful crown in the hand of
the Lord and a royal diadem in the hand of
your God.

⁴You shall no more be termed Forsaken,
and your land shall no more be termed

Desolate,

but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her

and your land Married,

for the LORD delights in you,

and your land shall be married.

⁵For as a young man marries a young
woman,
so shall your builder marry you,
and as the bridegroom rejoices over the
bride,
so shall your God rejoice over you.

Psalm 65

⁵ You answer us with awesome deeds of
righteousness,

O God our Savior,

The hope of all the ends of the earth and of
the farthest seas,

Psalm 65

⁶ who formed the mountains by your power,
Having armed yourself with strength,
⁷ who stilled the roaring of the seas, the
roaring of their waves,
And the turmoil of the nations.

Psalm 65

⁸ Those living far away fear your
wonders;
where morning dawns and evening
fades
you call forth songs of joy.

Psalm 65

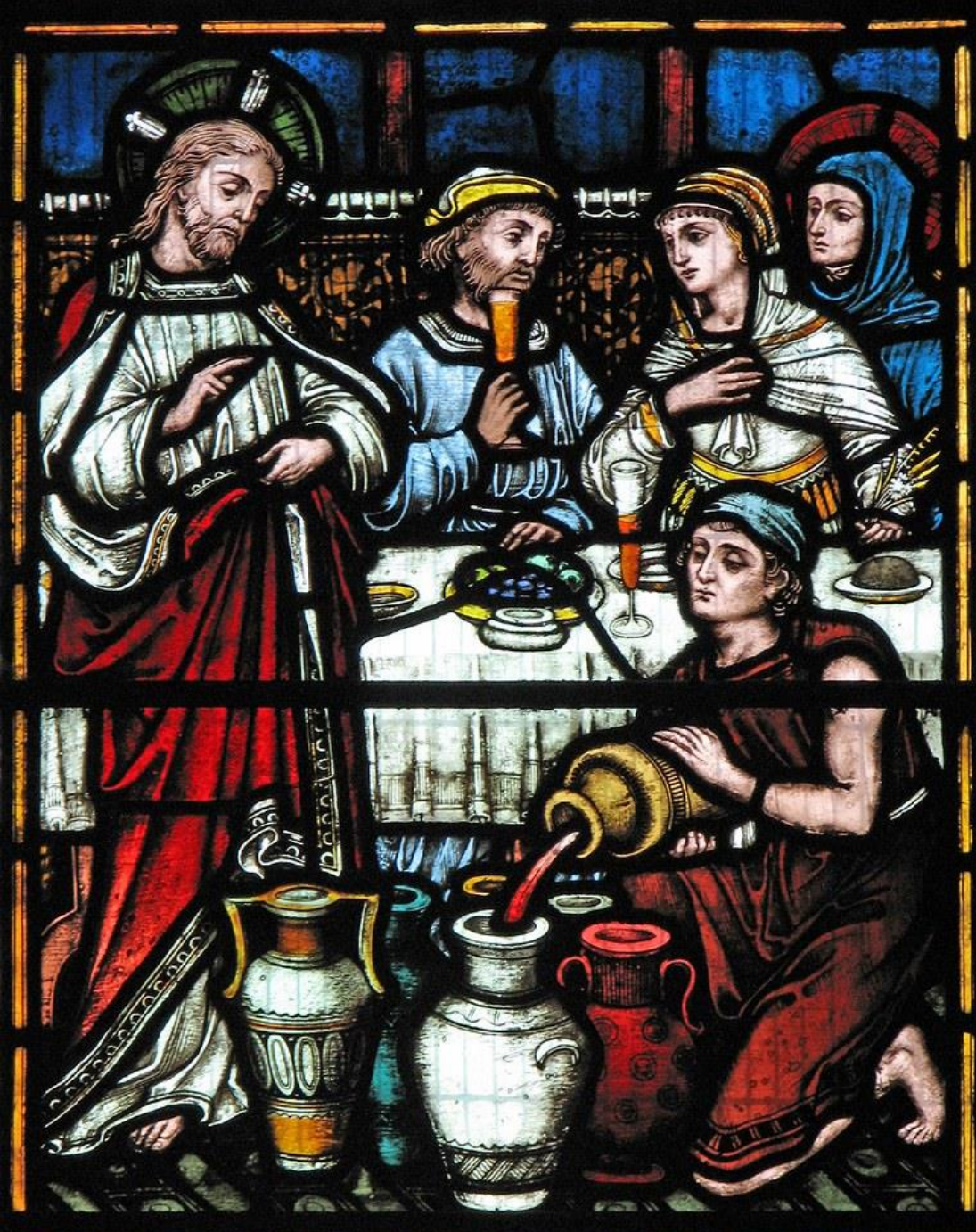
⁹ You care for the land and water it;
You enrich it abundantly.

The streams of God are filled with water
To provide the people with grain,
For so you have ordained it.

Psalm 65

¹⁰ You drench its furrows and level its
ridges;

You soften it with showers and bless its
crops.



John 2: 1 - 11

NRSVUE

IMPLETE · HYDRIAS · AQUA

¹On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there.

²Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding.

³When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine."

⁴ And Jesus said to her, “Woman, what concern is that to me and to you? My hour has not yet come.”

⁵ His mother said to the servants, “Do whatever he tells you.”

⁶ Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons.

⁷ Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water."

And they filled them up to the brim.

⁸ He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the person in charge of the banquet." So they took it.

9 When the person in charge tasted the water that had become wine and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), that person called the bridegroom

10 and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now."

11 Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee and revealed his glory, and his disciples believed in him.

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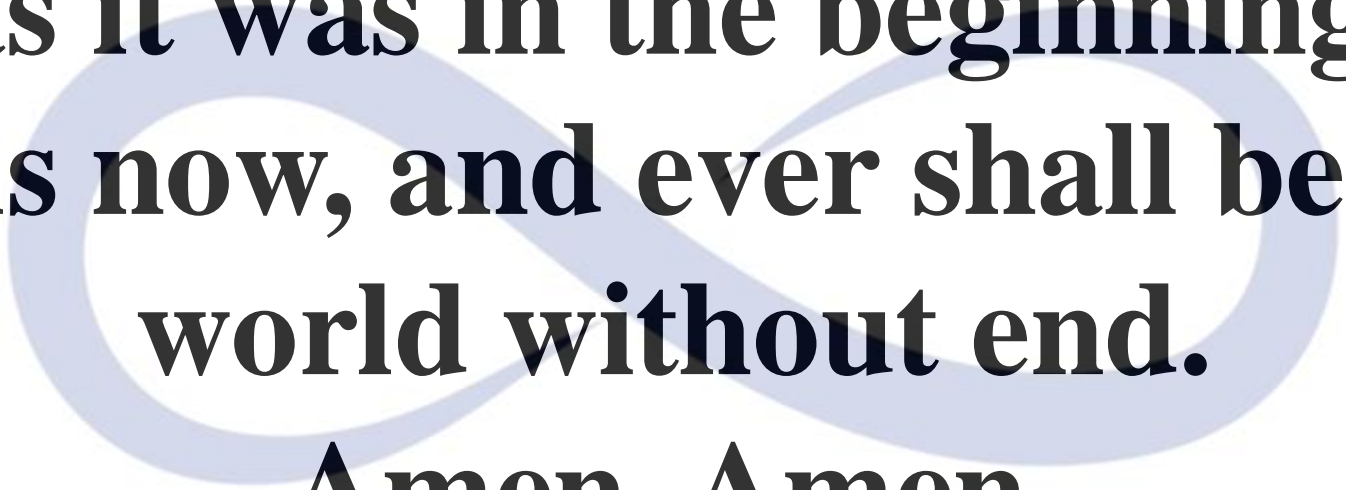
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Glory Be to the Father

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WORDS: Lesser Doxology, 3rd-4th cent.

**Glory be to the Father
and to the Son
and to the Holy Ghost;**

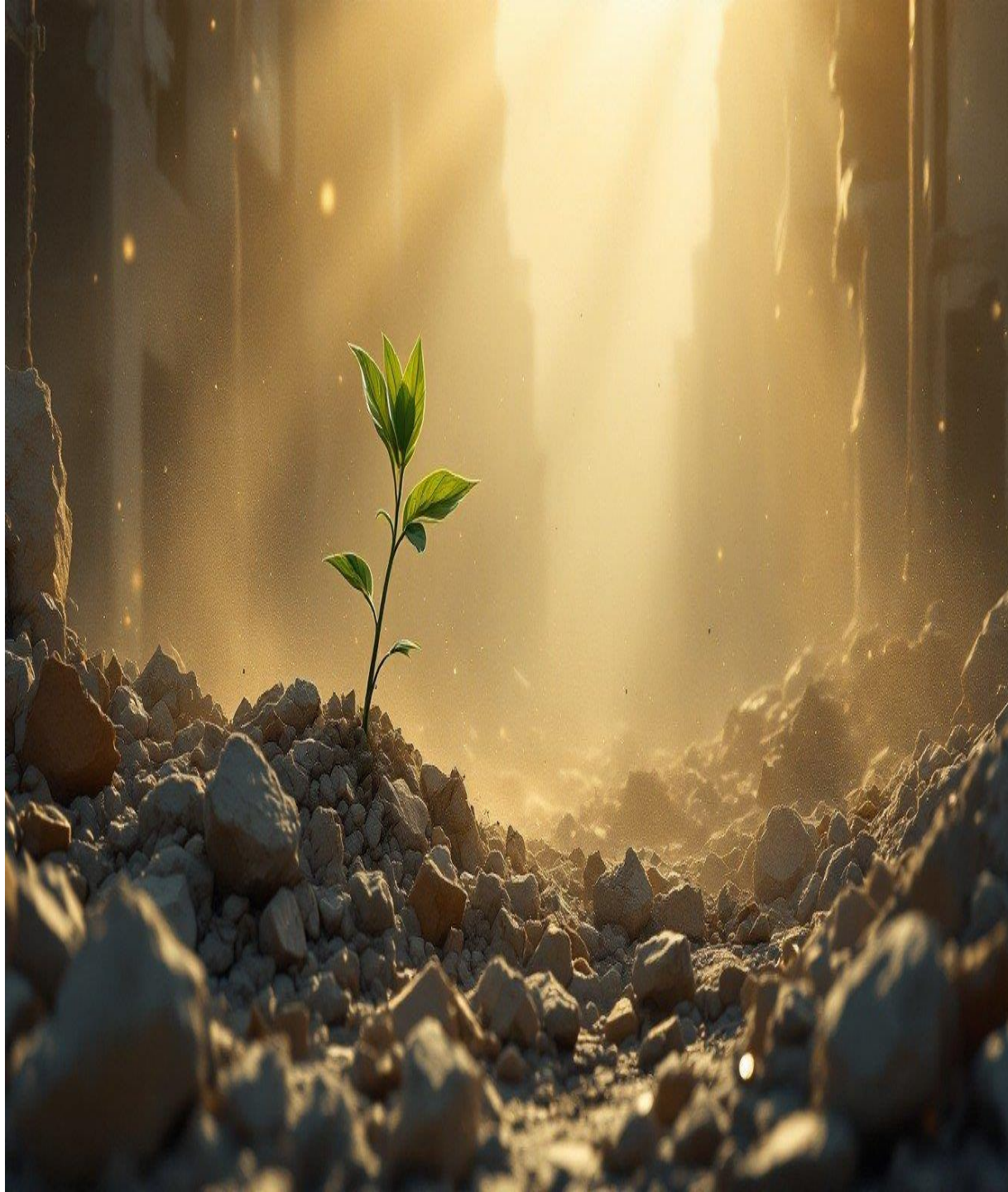


**as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ever shall be,
world without end.
Amen. Amen.**

Sermon

“The Wedding at
Cana;

Transformation &
New Beginning



“Are Ye Able” UMH 530

WORDS: Earl Marlatt, 1926 MUSIC: Harry S. Mason, 1924

Please stand as you are able and comfortable.

“Are ye able,” said the Master,
“to be crucified with me?”

“Yea,” the sturdy dreamers answered,
“to the death we follow thee.”

“Are Ye Able” UMH 530

WORDS: Earl Marlatt, 1926 MUSIC: Harry S. Mason, 1924

Please stand as you are able and comfortable.

Lord, we are able.

Our spirits are thine.

Remold them, make us,
like thee, divine.

Thy guiding radiance
above us shall be
a beacon to God,
to love, and loyalty.

“Are Ye Able” UMH 530

WORDS: Earl Marlatt, 1926 MUSIC: Harry S. Mason, 1924

Please stand as you are able and comfortable.

Are ye able to remember,
when a thief lifts up his eyes,
that his pardoned soul is worthy
of a place in paradise?

“Are Ye Able” UMH 530

WORDS: Earl Marlatt, 1926 MUSIC: Harry S. Mason, 1924

Please stand as you are able and comfortable.

Lord, we are able.

Our spirits are thine.

Remold them, make us,
like thee, divine.

Thy guiding radiance
above us shall be
a beacon to God,
to love, and loyalty.

“Are Ye Able” UMH 530

WORDS: Earl Marlatt, 1926 MUSIC: Harry S. Mason, 1924

Please stand as you are able and comfortable.

Are ye able when the shadows
close around you with the sod,
to believe that spirit triumphs,
to commend your soul to God?

“Are Ye Able” UMH 530

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Please stand as you are able and comfortable.

Lord, we are able.

Our spirits are thine.

Remold them, make us,
like thee, divine.

Thy guiding radiance
above us shall be
a beacon to God,
to love, and loyalty.

“Are Ye Able” UMH 530

WORDS: Earl Marlatt, 1926 MUSIC: Harry S. Mason, 1924

Please stand as you are able and comfortable.

Are ye able? Still the Master
whispers down eternity,
and heroic spirits answer,
now as then in Galilee.

“Are Ye Able” UMH 530

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Please stand as you are able and comfortable.

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The Apostle's Creed

Traditional Version

UMH 881

I believe in God
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;

The Apostle's Creed

Traditional Version

UMH 881

And in Jesus Christ

his only Son our Lord:

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

born of the Virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, dead, and buried;

The Apostle's Creed

UMH 881

Traditional Version

the third day he rose from the dead;

he ascended into heaven,

and sitteth at the right hand of God the

Father Almighty;

from thence he shall come to judge the quick

and the dead.

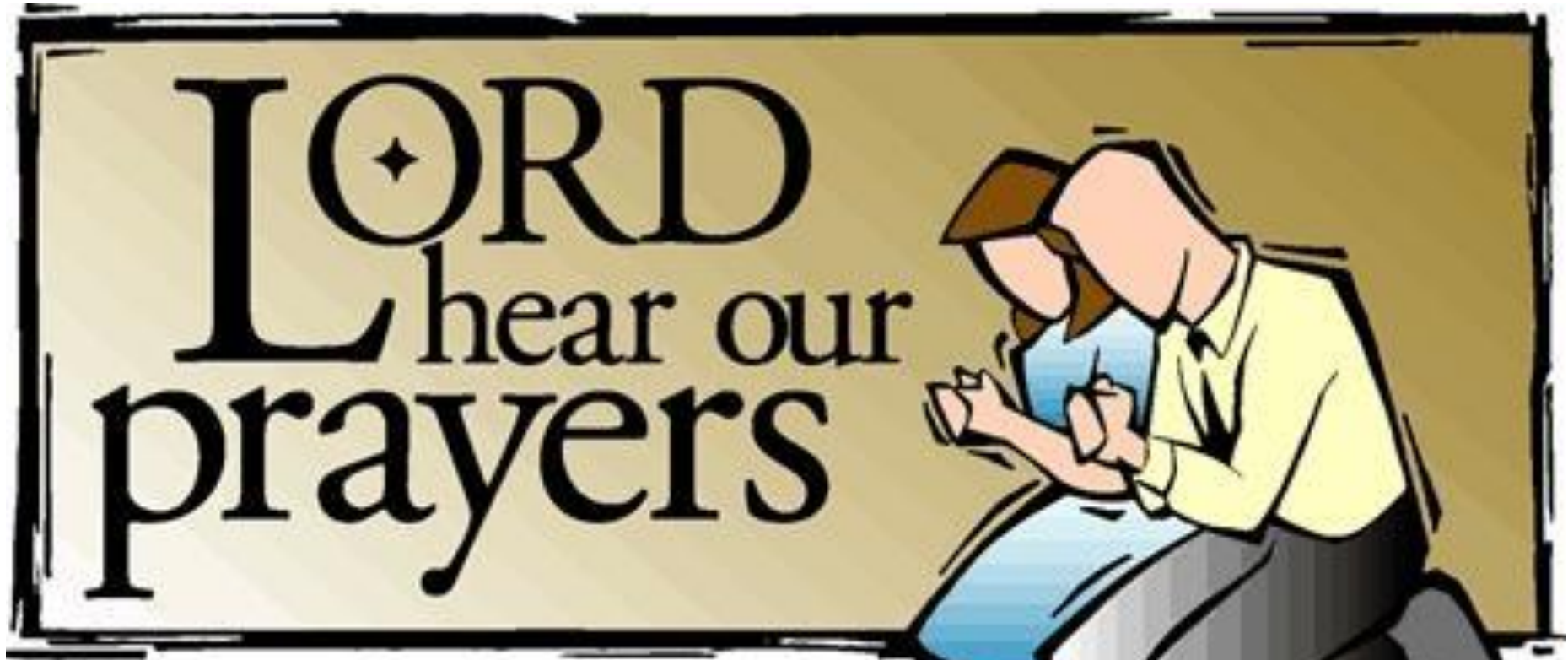
The Apostle's Creed

Traditional Version

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I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS of the PEOPLE



**as we lift up to you our
joys and our concerns.**



ST. LUKE 2
...the shepherds and the angels
...the night of the Lord came upon
...the angel of the Lord shone upon
...and they were sore afraid.
...angel said unto them, Fear not:
...bring you good tidings of great
...all be to all people.
...you is born this day in
...Saviour, which is Christ the
...all be a sign unto you; the
...the wrapped in swaddling
...there was with the angels
...heavens.

ST. LUKE 2 189
...things which were told them by the
...shepherds. But Mary kept all these things, and
...pondered them in her heart.
...And the shepherds returned, glorifying
...praising God for all the things that they
...heard and seen, as it was told unto them.
The Presentation of Jesus in the Temple
21 And when eight days were accomplished
...the circumcising of the child, his name
...called Jesus, which was so named of
...angel before he was conceived in the
...And when the days of his purification
...in the law of Moses were expired,
...she brought him into Jerusalem, to
...present him to the Lord,
...as it is written in the law of the Lord,
...that every first-born male shall be
...sanctified to the Lord.

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

UMH 895



Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be
done

on earth as it is in heaven.

The Lord's Prayer

UMH 895



Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses, as
we forgive those who trespass
against us.

The Lord's Prayer

UMH 895



And lead us not into temptation,

But deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,

and the power,

and the glory,

forever.

Amen

The background of the slide is a light blue color with a pattern of white snowflakes and stars of various sizes scattered across it. The snowflakes are intricate and detailed, while the stars are simple five-pointed shapes. The overall aesthetic is clean and festive.

Tithes and Offerings

Worship through giving

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” UMH 94

WORDS: Thomas Ken, 1674; adapted by Gilbert H. Viera, 1978

MUSIC: Geistliche Kirchengesange, 1623; harmonized by Ralph Vaughn Williams, 1906

Please stand as you are able and comfortable.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below:

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, the source of all our gifts!

Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!

Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!



Offertory Prayer

Forward Through the Ages UMH 555

WORDS: Frederick Lucian Hosmer, 1909; MUSIC: Arthur S. Sullivan, 1871

Please stand as you are able and comfortable.

Forward through the ages,

In unbroken line,

Move the faithful spirits

At the call divine.

Gifts in differing measure,

Hearts of one accord,

Manifold the service,

One the sure reward;

Forward Through the Ages UMH 555

WORDS: Frederick Lucian Hosmer, 1909; MUSIC: Arthur S. Sullivan, 1871

Please stand as you are able and comfortable.

Refrain:

Forward through the ages,
In unbroken line,
Move the faithful spirits
At the call divine.

Forward Through the Ages UMH 555

WORDS: Frederick Lucian Hosmer, 1909; MUSIC: Arthur S. Sullivan, 1871

Please stand as you are able and comfortable.

Wider grows the kingdom,

Reign of love and light;

For it we must labor,

Till our faith is sight.

Prophets have proclaimed it,

Martyrs testified,

Poets sung its glory,

Heroes for it died.

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At the call divine.

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Please stand as you are able and comfortable.

Not alone we conquer,

Not alone we fall;

In each loss or triumph

Lose or triumph all.

Bound by God's far purpose

In one living whole,

Move we on together

To the shining goal!

Forward Through the Ages UMH 555

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Move the faithful spirits
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Benediction



A winter night scene featuring a snowy village with warm lights from houses and a church spire. The sky is dark blue with numerous colorful fireworks exploding. A white rectangular frame with a thin border is centered in the image, containing the word "POSTLUDE" in a bold, black, sans-serif font. The overall atmosphere is festive and serene.

POSTLUDE

BLESSING AND BENEDICTION



Love. Grow. Serve.

This service has ended, and now
your service in the world begins!

Rectortown United Methodist Church

serving God with
Prayer, **A**ction, and **L**ove
through **S**ervice.