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Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

1 Chronicles 29:11

Yours, O Lord, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the victory and the majesty, for all that is in the heavens and in the earth is yours. Yours is the kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as head above all.

*Hymn of Praise

Holy, Holy, Holy

Dykes

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;

Holy, Holy, Holy! Merciful and mighty, God in three persons, blessed Trinity.

Holy, Holy, Holy! All the saints adore Thee, Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee. Who wert, and art, and evermore shall be.

Holy, Holy, Holy! Though the darkness hide Thee, Though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see,
Only Thou art holy, there is none beside Thee, Perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty! All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth, and sky and sea,
Holy, Holy, Holy! Merciful and mighty, God in three persons, blessed Trinity.

*Invocation and The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Confession of Sin

O King of Glory, we confess that our praise of Your majesty has often been faint, our performance as citizens of Your kingdom treasonous. We have surrendered to the enemy by secret and known sins. For our treason You died, Lord Jesus. For our restoration, You rose again. Draw us closer to You, that our eyes may catch the vision of You, and our hearts, the wonder of Your grace. By the Holy Spirit's continuing discipline, let us be loyal and loving servants of the King. In the name of Christ, we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Isaiah 44:21-22

Remember these things, O Jacob, and Israel, for you are my servant; I formed you; you are my servant; O Israel, you will not be forgotten by me. I have blotted out your transgressions like a cloud and your sins like mist; return to me, for I have redeemed you.

Hymn of Forgiveness*Blessed be the Lord God Almighty****Fitts**

Father in heaven how we love You, We lift Your name in all the earth.
May Your kingdom be established in our praises, As Your people declare Your mighty works.

Blessed be the Lord God Almighty, Who was, and is, and is to come.

Blessed be the Lord God Almighty, Who reigns forevermore.

Father of mercy, be exalted, May Jesus's name be lifted high,
For His sacrifice of love has won my pardon. And His resurrection power give me life.

Affirmation of Faith*Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

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 Church**Tithes & Offering****Hymn of Preparation****Before the Throne of God Above****Bancroft & Cook**

Before the throne of God above, I have a strong, a perfect plea,
A great High Priest whose name is "Love," who ever lives and pleads for me.

My name is graven on His hands, my name is written on His heart;
I know that while in heav'n He stands no tongue can bid me thence depart.
No tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair, and tells me of the guilt within,
Upward I look and see Him there Who made an end to all my sin.

Because the sinless Savior died, my sinful soul is counted free;
For God, the Just, is satisfied to look on him and pardon me.

To look on him and pardon me.

Behold him there! The risen Lamb, my perfect, spotless Righteousness,

The great unchangeable I AM, the King of glory and of grace!

One with Himself I cannot die, my soul is purchased by His blood;
My life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ, my Savior and my God.
With Christ, my Savior and my God.

***Hymn of Response**

O Church, Arise

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O Church, arise, and put your armor on; hear the call of Christ our Captain.
For now the weak can say that they are strong in the strength that God has given.
With shield of faith and belt of truth, we'll stand against the devil's lies;
An army bold, whose battle cry is love, reaching out to those in darkness.

Our call to war, to love the captive soul, but to rage against the captor;
And with the sword that makes the wounded whole, we will fight with faith and valor.
When faced with trials on every side, we know the outcome is secure,
And Christ will have the prize for which He died, an inheritance of nations.

Come see the cross, where love and mercy meet, as the Son of God is stricken;
Then see His foes lie crushed beneath His feet, for the Conquerer has risen!
And as the stone is rolled away and Christ emerges from the grave,
This victory march continues till the day every eye and heart shall see Him.

So Spirit come, put strength in every stride, give grace for every hurdle,
That we may run with faith to win the prize of a servant good and faithful.
As saints of old still line the way, retelling triumphs of His grace,
We hear their calls and hunger for the day when with Christ we stand in glory.

***Benediction**

Corporate Response

Micah 6:8

He has shown you (echo), O man (echo)
What is good and what the Lord requires of you
But to do justly (echo) And to love mercy (echo)
And to walk humbly with your God