Welcome

Lighting the Christ Candle

Prelude

Call to Worship  
Adapted from Colossians 2:3; Revelation 5:12

The Lord Jesus who calls us to worship him today is the same Jesus who refused the temptation to worship the evil one. Rather than receive the glorious kingdoms of this world, he endured the shame of the cross, and today is Lord of lords and King of kings. Now are gathered in him all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge, glory, and power. With the saints of all ages we say,

“Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise!”

The Pastor’s Workshop

Gathering Song  
“How Great Thou Art”  
arr. by Lloyd Larson

Mica Tharp, vocalist
Gathering Prayer
Lord, listen to our prayers for ourselves at this time.
Bring to our minds the places we have compromised the truth
for that which is convenient to us;
the times we have shut our eyes and ears and hearts to the needs of others;
the times we have indulged ourselves to our own detriment.
Help us, dear God, to know that you forgive these things,
and give us strength to resist them in the future.
Lord, hear our prayer.

Lord, listen to our prayers for others at this time:
for those who hunger for bread but only find stones;
for those who seek justice but can find no advocate who will help them;
for those who are in danger and have no one watching over them.
Lord, hear our prayer.

Lord, speak to us in the silence of our hearts.
Show us the way to go…

We pray to you in the name of Jesus,
who taught us to come to you saying,
Our God….

Children’s Time

Scripture Reading Matthew 4:1-11 & 1 Corinthians 10:13
Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. And he fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterward he was hungry. And the tempter came and said to him, “If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread.” But Jesus answered, “It is written, ‘Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God.’”
Then the devil took him to the holy city, and set him on the pinnacle of the temple, and said to him, “If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written, ‘He will give his angels charge of you,’ and ‘On their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone.’” Jesus said to him, “Again, it is written, ‘You shall not tempt the Lord your God.’”
Again, the devil took him to an extremely high mountain, and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and the glory of them and he said to Jesus, “All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.” Then Jesus said to him, “Begone, Satan! for it is written, ‘You shall worship the Lord your God and God only shall you serve.’” Then the devil left Jesus, and behold, angels came and ministered to him.

1 Corinthians 10:13
No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to humankind. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.

Music for Reflection I Love You Anyway - Matt and Josie Minikus

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HE LOOKED BEYOND MY FAULT

WORDS BY DOTTIE RAMBO
MUSIC ADAPTED FROM "LONDONDERRY AIR"

A-maz-ing grace shall al-ways be my song of praise.

F Fm C F/C C C7 Dm7 G7 F/G G7

For it was grace that bought my li-ber-ty. I do not

C F/C C7 F Fm6

know just why He came to love me so. He looked be-

C/G F C/G G F/G G7 C F/G G7

yond my fault and saw my need. I shall for-

C F C Dm/B E7

ev-er lift mine eyes to Cal-va-ry, to view the

Am Am/G F C/E Dsus D7 G7sus G7

cross where Je-sus died for me. How mar-

C E+ E7 F C Am C Fm6/Ab

vel-ous the grace that caught my fall-ing soul. He looked be-

C/G F C/E Dm7 F/G G7 C

yond my fault and saw my need.