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Raising up Servant Leaders and Gospel Communities in Beaufort and Beyond



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## Welcome and Call to Worship

Officiant: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People: His mercy endures for ever.

## Come Thou Fount

Come thou Fount of every blessing,  
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace.  
Streams of mercy never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.  
Teach me some melodious sonnet  
Sung by flaming tongues above  
Praise the mount oh fix me on it  
Mount of God's unchanging love

Here I find my greatest treasure,  
Hither by Thy help I've come.  
And I hope by Thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.  
Jesus sought me when a stranger  
Wandering from the fold of God.  
He to rescue me from danger,  
Interposed His precious blood

Oh to grace how great a debtor,  
Daily I'm constrained to be.  
Let Thy goodness like a fetter,  
Bind my wandering heart to Thee.  
Prone to wander Lord I feel it, prone to leave the God I love.  
Here's my heart Lord take and seal it,  
Seal it for Thy courts above

Oh that day when freed from sinning,  
I shall see Thy lovely face.  
Clothed then in the blood washed linen,  
How I'll sing Thy wondrous grace.  
Come my Lord, no longer tarry, take my ransomed soul away.  
Send Thine angels now to carry,  
Me to realms of endless day

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## **How Great is the Greatness of God**

Chorus

How faithful the Father above  
How wondrous the work of the Son  
How sweet is the Spirit given to us  
How great is the greatness of God

Morning by morning with every dawn  
My soul with a new song awaits  
Even in evening my praise goes on  
Forever my God is the same

When my heart gazes on Calvary  
At all of your mercies arrayed  
Oh that my Savior would die for me  
I sing out with infinite thanks

Oh what a comfort in every trial  
His presence is all that I need  
Power that brought resurrection life  
That power is living in me that power is living in me

## **Prayers of the People**

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### **Prayer of Confession (saying together)**

**Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

### **The Comfortable Words**

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

John 3:16: “For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.”

### **The Peace**

Officiant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People: And with your spirit.**

### **Announcements**

**Scripture Reading:** Colossians 2:6-15

Therefore, as you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in him, <sup>7</sup>rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving. <sup>8</sup>See to it that no one takes you captive by philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the world, and not according to Christ. <sup>9</sup>For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, <sup>10</sup>and you have been filled in him, who is the head of all rule and authority. <sup>11</sup>In him also you were circumcised with a circumcision made without hands, by putting off the body of the flesh, by the circumcision of Christ, <sup>12</sup>having been buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through faith in the powerful working of God, who raised him from the dead. <sup>13</sup>And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, <sup>14</sup>by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross. <sup>15</sup>He disarmed the rulers and authorities and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in him.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel Reading:** John 15:1-9

<sup>1</sup>“I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. <sup>2</sup>Every branch in me that does not bear fruit he takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes, that it may bear more fruit. <sup>3</sup>Already you are clean because of the word that I have spoken to you. <sup>4</sup>Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me. <sup>5</sup>I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing. <sup>6</sup>If anyone does not abide in me, he is thrown away like a branch and withers; and the branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. <sup>7</sup>If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. <sup>8</sup>By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples. <sup>9</sup>As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**The Sermon:** Sufficiency IN Christ

The Rev. Todd Simonis

## The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**

**He 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 to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again.**

**He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again 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.**

## Holy Communion

**Officiant:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** **And with your spirit.**

**Officiant:** Lift up your hearts.

**People:** **We lift them up to the Lord.**

**Officiant:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People:** **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

## Words at the Table

Officiant:      Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:  
People:        **Christ has died.**  
                  **Christ is risen.**  
                  **Christ will come again.**

### The Lord's Prayer (saying together)

**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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

### Here is Love Vast as the Ocean

Here is love, vast as the ocean  
Lovingkindness as the flood  
When the Prince of Life, our Ransom  
Shed for us His precious blood

#### Chorus 1

Who His love will not remember?  
Who can cease to sing His praise?  
He can never be forgotten  
Throughout Heav'n's eternal days

On the mount of crucifixion  
Fountains opened deep and wide  
Through the floodgates of God's mercy  
Flowed a vast a gracious tide

## Chorus 2

Grace and love, like mighty rivers  
Poured incessant from above  
Heaven's peace and perfect justice  
Kissed a guilty world in love

Here is love, vast as the ocean

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## **Build My Life**

Worthy of ev'ry song we could ever sing  
Worthy of all the praise we could ever bring  
Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe  
We live for You

Jesus the name above ev'ry other name  
Jesus the only one who could ever save  
Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe  
We live for You we live for You

## Chorus

Holy there is no one like You  
There is none beside You  
Open up my eyes in wonder  
And show me who You are  
And fill me with Your heart  
And lead me in Your love to those around me

I will build my life upon Your love it is a firm foundation  
I will put my trust in You alone and I will not be shaken

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## **Post-Communion Prayer (saying together)**

**Heavenly Father, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal Kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

## **The Blessing**

## His Mercy is More

What love could remember no wrongs we have done  
Omniscient all knowing He counts not their sum  
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore  
Our sins they are many His mercy is more

Chorus

Praise the Lord His mercy is more  
Stronger than darkness new every morn  
Our sins they are many His mercy is more

What patience would wait as we constantly roam  
What Father so tender is calling us home  
He welcomes the weakest the vilest the poor  
Our sins they are many His mercy is more

What riches of kindness He lavished on us  
His blood was the payment His life was the cost  
We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford  
Our sins they are many His mercy is more

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## The Dismissal

**Officiant:** Let us go forth in the Name of Christ.

**People:** **Thanks be to God.**

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