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**Gathering Song** Lord, with Glowing Heart I'd Praise Thee Hymnal, p. 80

**Corporate Greeting**

**Call to Worship** Psalm 67 Hymnal, p. 808

**Songs of Praise**

○ For A Thousand Tongues to Sing Hymnal, p 164

Let Us Adore

The heavens declare  
The glory of God  
And all of the world  
Will join the praise  
His wonders proclaim  
chorus: *Let us adore Him  
Let us adore Him  
Jesus Christ is the Lord  
Come and behold Him  
Bow down before Him  
Jesus Christ is the Lord*

Eternity's King  
Is coming again  
Though all of the earth  
Will fade away  
His truth will remain (chorus)

The oceans and skies  
Lift up their voice  
And all He has made  
Will rise to bless  
The King of all kings (chorus)

Hallelujah  
Hallelujah  
You are worthy of all praise

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Across the Lands

You're the word of God the Father  
From before the world began.  
Every star and every planet  
Has been fashioned by Your hand.  
All creation holds together  
By the power of Your voice.  
Let the skies declare Your glory  
Let the land and seas rejoice!

With a shout You rose victorious,  
Wrestling victory from the grave,  
And ascended into heaven  
Leading captives in Your way.  
Now You stand before the Father  
Interceding for Your own.  
From each tribe and tongue and nation;  
You are leading sinners home! (chorus)

*Chorus: You're the Author of Creation  
You're the God of every man  
And Your cry of love  
rings out across the lands.*

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Yet You left the gaze of angels;  
Came to seek and save the lost,  
And exchanged the joy of heaven  
For the anguish of a cross.  
With a prayer You fed the hungry,  
With a word You calmed the sea.  
Yet how silently You suffered  
That the guilty may go free! (chorus)

**Corporate Confession of Faith** Heidelberg Catechism Questions 32, 34

32. Q. Why are you called a Christian?

A. **Because I am a member of Christ by faith and thus share in His anointing, so that I may as prophet confess His Name, as priest present myself a living sacrifice of thankfulness to Him, and as king fight with a free and good conscience against sin and the devil in this life, and hereafter reign with Him eternally over all creatures.**

34. Q. Why do you call Him our Lord?

A. **Because He has ransomed us, body and soul, from all our sins, not with silver or gold but with His precious blood, and has freed us from all the power of the devil to make us His own possession.**

**Corporate Confession of Sin**

**God of birth, God of joy, God of life,  
we come to you as a people hungry for good news.  
We have been so dead to miracles  
that we have doubted Your kingdom's coming among us.  
We have preoccupied ourselves with pleasures  
and have overlooked the joy you offer us.  
We have been so concerned with making a living  
that we have missed the live you set among us.  
Forgive us, gracious God.  
Open our eyes and our hearts to receive your gift;  
open our lips and hands to share it with others  
In the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

**Assurance of Pardon** - Matthew 11:4-6

Jesus replied, "Go back and report to John what you hear and see: The blind receive sight, the lame walk, those who have leprosy are cured, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the good news is preached to the poor. Blessed is the man who does not fall away on account of me."

**Song of Thanksgiving** What the Lord Has Done in Me

Let the weak say I am strong,  
let the poor say I am rich,  
let the blind say I can see,  
it's what the Lord has done in me; (2x)

Hosanna, hosanna to the Lamb that was slain;  
Hosanna, hosanna, Jesus died and rose again;  
Hosanna, hosanna to the Lamb that was slain;  
Hosanna, hosanna, Jesus died and rose again. (2x)

Hosanna, hosanna to the Lamb that was slain;  
Hosanna, hosanna, Jesus died and rose again;  
Hosanna, hosanna to the Lamb that was slain;  
Hosanna, hosanna, Jesus died and rose again.

Let the weak way I am strong,  
let the poor say I am rich,  
let the blind say I can see,  
it's what the Lord has done in me.

Into the river I will wade,  
there my sins are washed away;  
from the heavens, mercy streams  
of the Savior's love for me;  
I will rise from waters deep into the saving arms of God;  
I will sing salvation songs;  
Jesus Christ has set me free.

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**Youth Ministry Update**

**Offering** Mighty to Save

Everyone needs compassion  
Love that's never failing  
Let mercy fall on me  
Everyone needs forgiveness  
The kindness of a Savior  
The hope of nations

So take me as You find me  
All my fears and failures  
Fill my life again  
I give my life to follow  
Everything I believe in  
Now I surrender

Savior, He can move the mountains  
My God is mighty to save  
He is mighty to save  
Forever, Author of salvation  
He rose and conquered the grave  
Jesus conquered the grave

Shine your light  
And let the whole world see  
We're singing for the glory  
Of the risen King Jesus

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(Children ages 4-8 are dismissed for Children's Church)

**Scripture Reading** John 4:27-38

**Sermon** "Awakening and Testimony" -Mike Sharrett

**Song of Response** ○ Church Arise

○ 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 battlecry is love,  
Reaching out to those in darkness.

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 Conqueror has risen!  
And as the stone is rolled away  
And Christ emerges from the grave,  
This victory march continues 'till the day  
Ev'ry eye and heart shall see Him.

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 ev'ry side,  
We know the outcome is secure,  
And Christ will have the prize for which He died-  
An inheritance of nations.

So Spirit come, put strength in ev'ry stride,  
Give grace for ev'ry 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.

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**Dismissal**

**Minister:** Let us go forth to serve the world as those who love our Lord and

Savior, Jesus Christ.

**People: THANKS BE TO GOD!**

**Benediction**

**Postlude**

**John 4:27-38**

<sup>27</sup>At this point His disciples came, and they were amazed that He had been speaking with a woman, yet no one said, "What do You seek?" or, "Why do You speak with her?" <sup>28</sup>So the woman left her waterpot, and went into the city and said to the men, <sup>29</sup>"Come, see a man who told me all the things that I have done; this is not the Christ, is it?"<sup>30</sup>They went out of the city, and were coming to Him. <sup>31</sup>Meanwhile the disciples were urging Him, saying, "Rabbi, eat." <sup>32</sup>But He said to them, "I have food to eat that you do not know about." <sup>33</sup>So the disciples were saying to one another, "No one brought Him anything to eat, did he?" <sup>34</sup>Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of Him who sent Me and to accomplish His work. <sup>35</sup>"Do you not say, 'There are yet four months, and then comes the harvest'? Behold, I say to you, lift up your eyes and look on the fields, that they are white for harvest. <sup>36</sup>"Already he who reaps is receiving wages and is gathering fruit for life eternal; so that he who sows and he who reaps may rejoice together. <sup>37</sup>"For in this case the saying is true, 'One sows and another reaps.' <sup>38</sup>"I sent you to reap that for which you have not labored; others have labored and you have entered into their labor."