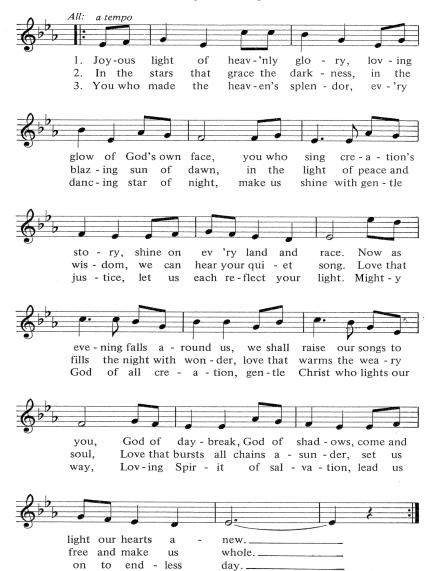


EVENING HYMN

"Joyous Light"



COLLECT

Deacon: Blessed are You, Creator of the universe, from old you have led your people by night and day. May the light of your Christ make our darkness bright, for your Word and your presence are the light of our pathways, and you are the light and life of all creation.

People: Amen

Deacon: The LORD is my shepherd;

People: I shall not want.

Deacon: He makes me lie down in green pastures.

People: He leads me beside still waters.

Deacon: He restores my soul.

People: He leads me in paths of righteousness

for his name's sake.

Deacon: Even though I walk through the valley of the

shadow of death, I will fear no evil,

for you are with me;

People: your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

Deacon: You prepare a table before me in the presence of

my enemies;

People: you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

Deacon: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me

all the days of my life,

People: and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD

forever.

(Please be seated)

CLOSING HYMN

"Abide with Me"



- 5 I fear no foe with Thee at hand to bless; Ills have no weight and tears no bitterness. Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory? I triumph still if Thou abide with me!
- 6 Hold Thou Thy cross before my closing eyes; Shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies. Heav'n's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee; in life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

THE BENEDICAMUS

Deacon: Bless we the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.**

Deacon: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love

of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be

with you all.

People: Amen

BENEDICTION

Deacon: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ

and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be

with you all.

People: Amen



OLD TESTAMENT..... Genesis 7:11-23

¹¹ In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, in the second month, on the seventeenth day of the month, on that day all the fountains of the great deep burst forth, and the windows of the heavens were opened. 12 And rain fell upon the earth forty days and forty nights. 13 On the very same day Noah and his sons, Shem and Ham and Japheth, and Noah's wife and the three wives of his sons with them entered the ark, ¹⁴ they and every beast, according to its kind, and all the livestock according to their kinds, and every creeping thing that creeps on the earth, according to its kind, and every bird, according to its kind, every winged creature. 15 They went into the ark with Noah, two and two of all flesh in which there was the breath of life. 16 And those that entered, male and female of all flesh, went in as God had commanded him. And the LORD shut him in. ¹⁷ The flood continued forty days on the earth. The waters increased and bore up the ark, and it rose high above the earth. 18 The waters prevailed and increased greatly on the earth, and the ark floated on the face of the waters. 19 And the waters prevailed so mightily on the earth that all the high mountains under the whole heaven were covered. ²⁰ The waters prevailed above the mountains, covering them fifteen cubits deep. 21 And all flesh died that moved on the earth, birds, livestock, beasts, all swarming creatures that swarm on the earth, and all mankind. ²² Everything on the dry land in whose nostrils was the breath of life died. ²³ He blotted out every living thing that was on the face of the ground, man and animals and creeping things and birds of the heavens. They were blotted out from the earth. Only Noah was left, and those who were with him in the ark.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

¹⁷ For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that should be God's will, than for doing evil. 18 For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit, ¹⁹ in which he went and proclaimed to the spirits in prison, ²⁰ because they formerly did not obey, when God's patience waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was being prepared, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were brought safely through water. ²¹ Baptism, which corresponds to this, now saves you, not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, ²² who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers having been subjected to him.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

CHOIR "Awaken Me to Pray"

Guitarist: Kevin Krumdieck

GOSPEL READING...... John 3:1-8

Now there was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. ² This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God, for no one can do these signs that you do unless God is with him." 3 Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God." 4 Nicodemus said to him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?" (Continued)



Deacon: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and

teach us to pray:

AII: 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.

Deacon: Almighty God, You have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our supplications to You, and have promised that wherever two or three are gathered together in Your name, You will grant their requests: Fulfill now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of Your servants, as may be most expedient for them; grant us in this world knowledge of Your truth, and in the world to come life everlasting.

People: Amen.

COLLECT

Deacon: Let us pray.

People: I thank you, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen

⁵ Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. ⁶ That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.⁷ Do not marvel that I said to you, 'You must be born again.' ⁸ The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear its sound, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit."

Deacon: This is the Gospel of the Lord. **People: Praise to You, O Christ.**

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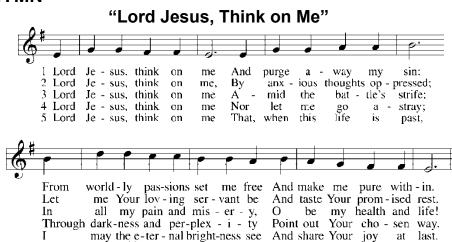
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Part 3
The Palace of the High Priest

(After the Reading)

Deacon: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

HYMN



MESSAGE

Promised Treasures: "WATER"

John 3:1-8

Deacon Bob Hutchison



OFFERING

(Please sign and fill out the fellowship book and pass it down your pew. When finished, pass it back down your pew to the center aisle seat and the ushers will pick it up after the service.)

(Stand)

LITANY

Deacon: O Lord, enter not into judgment with Your

servant:

People: For in Your sight no one living shall be

justified.

Deacon: Lord God, heavenly Father, You know that

we are not able to withstand the many and great dangers which attack our human weakness: Grant us strength in body and soul, that by Your help we may overcome whatever troubles us because of our sins; for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

Deacon: Call upon me, says the Lord, in the day of

trouble:

People: I will deliver you, and you will glorify me.

Deacon: Almighty and everlasting God, through Your

Holy Spirit You sanctify and rule the whole Church: Hear our prayer and graciously grant that Your church may serve You in true

faith, by the grace of Your Holy Spirit, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord.

People: Amen.

Deacon: Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory

of Your name:

People: Deliver us, and provide atonement for

our sins, for Your name's sake.

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