

WE GATHER IN THE NAME OF THE RISEN CHRIST

PRELUDE *Come, Thou Almighty King* arr. Helvey

+CALL TO WORSHIP

The earth has its kings, but God is ruler of all.

Praise God above all, the giver of life!

The mountains may tremble, the oceans may roar,

but God's presence is more powerful than the earth itself.

Come into God's presence, for God is among us now.

O God, show us your glory; we seek your ways.

We come to the Rock, the God of life,

for God is present now.

[by Mary J. Scifres, ministrymatters.com]

+OPENING HYMN *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* # 400

KIDS TIME

ANTHEM *Like a River In My Soul* Sanctuary Choir

I've got peace like a river, like a river in my soul. I've got peace like a river,
soothing river, calmly flow. When the world closes in, feel the stillness within.
I've got peace like a river, like a river in my soul. I've got love like an ocean,
like an ocean in my soul. I've got love like an ocean, endless ocean, deep and
full. When you're lost and alone, let the waves bring you home. I've got love
like an ocean, like an ocean in my soul. I've got joy like a fountain, like a
fountain in my soul. I've got joy like a fountain, like a fountain in my soul.
When your hope nearly dies, just remember, once again You shall rise! I've got
joy like a fountain, love like an ocean, peace like a river, In my soul... In my
soul.

WE PROCLAIM THE WORD AND RESPOND IN FAITH

FIRST LESSON Exodus 33: 12-23

PSALTER Psalm 99

The Lord is king; let the peoples tremble!

He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake!

The Lord is great in Zion;

he is exalted over all the peoples.

Let them praise your great and awesome name.

Holy is he!

Mighty King, lover of justice, you have established equity;

you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.

Extol the Lord our God; worship at his footstool.

Holy is he!

Moses and Aaron were among his priests,

Samuel also was among those who called on his name.

They cried to the Lord, and he answered them.

He spoke to them in the pillar of cloud;

they kept his decrees and the statutes that he gave them.

O Lord our God, you answered them;

you were a forgiving God to them

but an avenger of their wrongdoings.

Extol the Lord our God, and worship at his holy mountain,

for the Lord our God is holy.

SECOND LESSON I Thessalonians 1: 1-10

+ GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 22: 15-22

+ACCLAMATION *Gloria Patri* # 70

SERMON

+HYMN *In Christ There Is No East or West* # 548

+CREED *A Modern Affirmation* #88

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER # 895

SHARING OF OUR GIFTS AND LIVES

Announcements & Stewardship Moment

Offertory *Abide With Me* arr. Helvey

+Doxology #94

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE GOD & NEIGHBOR

+CLOSING HYMN *Go Now In Peace*

Go now in peace. Never be afraid. God will go with you each hour of every day. Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true. Know He will guide you in all you do. Go now in love, and show you believe. Reach out to others so all the world can see. God will be there watching from above. Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.

+BENEDICTION

+POSTLUDE *Sing Praise* arr. Helvey

Service of the Word

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