

Sunday, January 14, 2024

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Readers: Larry Brockelbank, Sandra Flint

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WELCOME AND CALL TO THE GATHERED

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF THE LAND

HYMN: VU #315" Holy Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty"

1. Holy, holy, holy! Lord God almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee;
holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty,
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!
2. Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea,
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.
3. Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,
though the eye made blind by sin thy glory may not see,
only thou art holy, there is none beside thee,
perfect in power, in love and purity.
4. Holy, holy, holy! Lord God almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea;
holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty,
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

OPENING PRAYER: read by Larry Brockelbank

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE:

One: As we light this Christ candle may it remind us that Christ is in us and in our world.

SUNG RESPONSE: VU#82 "A Light is Gleaming" Refrain

Refrain: A light is gleaming, spreading its arms throughout the night,
living in the light. Come share its gladness, God's radiant love is
burning bright, living in the light.

THEME CONVERSATION:

SUNG LORD'S PRAYER VU #959

HYMN: VU #313 "God Whose Almighty Word"

1. God, whose almighty word chaos and darkness heard,
and took their flight,
hear us, we humbly pray, and where the gospel day
sheds not its glorious ray, let there be light.

2. Jesus, who came to bring on your redeeming wing, healing and sight,
health to the troubled mind, sight to the Spirit-blind,
O now to humankind let there be light.
3. Spirit of truth and love, life-giving, holy dove, speed forth your flight;
move on the water's face, bearing the lamp of grace,
and in earth's darkest place let there be light.
4. Blessed and holy three, glorious trinity, wisdom, love, might,
boundless as ocean's tide rolling in fullest pride,
through the world far and wide, let there be light.

(Children leave for Discovery Kids)

SCRIPTURE AND SONG OF FAITH READINGS: read by Sandra Flint

SERMON: John 1:1-5; A Song of Faith: Holy Mystery, Holy Trinity

GIVING OF OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: "The Hope We Have in Jesus"

SUNG RESPONSE: MV#182 followed by OFFERTORY PRAYER

Grateful for the life you give us, thankful for your Holy Son,
Joyful in your Spirit flowing over all, O God of love.
Grateful for the Bread of Heaven, thankful for your Holy Word,
joyful in your mercy flowing, we will praise you.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE read by Larry Brockelbank

HYMN: VU #268 "Bring Many Names"

1. Bring many names, beautiful and good, celebrate, in parable and story,
holiness in glory, living, loving God. Hail and hosanna! Bring many names!
2. Strong mother God, working night and day, planning all the wonders of creation,
setting each equation, genius at play: Hail and hosanna, strong mother God!
3. Warm father God, hugging every child, feeling all the strains of human living,
caring and forgiving till we're reconciled: Hail and hosanna, warm father God!
4. Old, aching God, grey with endless care, calmly piercing evil's new disguises,
glad of good surprises, wiser than despair: Hail and hosanna, old, aching God!
5. Young growing God, eager, on the move, saying no to falsehood and unkindness,
crying out for justice, giving all you have: Hail and hosanna, young growing God!
6. Great, living God, never fully known, joyful darkness far beyond our seeing,
closer yet than breathing, everlasting home: Hail and hosanna, great, living God!

COMMISSIONING AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

