

## Welcome and Announcements

### The Prelude

#### The Prayer of Invocation and The Lord's Prayer

(SEATED)

**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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil; For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

#### The Call to Worship: based on Micah 5:1-5

(STANDING)

Leader: Now muster your troops, O daughter of troops; siege is laid against us; with a rod they strike the judge of Israel on the cheek.

**All:** But you, O Bethlehem Ephrathah, who are too little to be among the clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to be ruler in Israel, whose origin is from old, from ancient days.

Leader: Therefore he shall give them up until the time when she who is in labor has given birth; then the rest of his brothers shall return to the people of Israel.

**All:** And he shall stand and shepherd his flock in the strength of the Lord, in the majesty of the name of the Lord his God. And they shall dwell secure, for now he shall be great to the ends of the earth. And he shall be their peace.

#### Hymn #208 – O Come, All Ye Faithful

(STANDING)

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant, O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem! Come and behold Him, born the King of angels. O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord!

God of God, Light of Light, Lo, He abhors not the Virgin's womb; Very God, begotten, not created. O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord!

Sing choirs of angels, sing in exultation, sing, all ye citizens of heaven above! Glory to God, in the highest! O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord!

Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this happy morning: Jesus, to thee be all glory giv'n; Word of the Father, late in flesh appearing; O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord!

#### The Prayer of Adoration

## **Confessing Our Faith: Romans 8:1, 28, 38-39**

**Leader:** What is true for those who are in Christ Jesus?

**All:** We believe there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus; for we know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to God's purpose. We are convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

**Gloria Patri: (Hymnal #735)**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen. Amen.**

## **The Confession of Sin**

(SEATED)

**All:**

Dear Father, we are thankful that your mercy is higher than the heavens, wider than our wanderings, deeper than all our sin. Forgive our frivolous attitude toward life, our callousness toward suffering, our envy of those who have more than we have, our obsession with creating a life of constant pleasure, our indifference to the treasures of heaven, our neglect of your wise and gracious law. Help us change our way of life so that we may desire what is good, love what you love, and do what you command. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **The Silent Confession of Private Sin**

## **The Assurance of Pardon: From Micah 7:18-19**

Who is a God like you, who pardons sin and forgives the transgression of the remnant of his inheritance? You do not stay angry forever but delight to show mercy. You will again have compassion on us; you will tread our sins underfoot and hurl all our iniquities into the depth of the sea. Amen.

**Leader:** This is the good news!

**All:** Thanks be to God!

## **Hymn #498 – Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!**

(STANDING)

Jesus! what a Friend for sinners! Jesus! lover of my soul; friends may fail me, foes assail me, he, my Savior, makes me whole. Hallelujah! what a Savior! Hallelujah! what a Friend! Saving, helping, keeping, loving, he is with me to the end.

Jesus! what a strength in weakness! Let me hide myself in him; tempted, tried, and sometimes failing, he, my strength, my vict'ry wins. Hallelujah! what a Savior! Hallelujah! what a Friend! Saving, helping, keeping, loving, he is with me to the end.

Jesus! What a help in sorrow! While the billows o'er me roll, even when my heart is breaking, he, my comfort, helps my soul. Hallelujah! what a Savior! Hallelujah! what a Friend! Saving, helping, keeping, loving, he is with me to the end.

Jesus! What a guide and keeper! While the tempest still is high, storms about me, night o'er-takes me, he, my pilot, hears my cry. Hallelujah! what a Savior! Hallelujah! what a Friend! Saving, helping, keeping, loving, he is with me to the end.

Jesus! I do now receive him, more than all in him I find; he hath granted me forgiveness, I am his, and he is mine. Hallelujah! What a Savior! Hallelujah! What a Friend! Saving, helping, keeping, loving, he is with me to the end.

### **The Prayer of Praise**

#### **The New Testament reading: Ephesians 6:10-20**

(SEATED)

<sup>10</sup> Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. <sup>11</sup> Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. <sup>12</sup> For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. <sup>13</sup> Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. <sup>14</sup> Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, <sup>15</sup> and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace. <sup>16</sup> In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; <sup>17</sup> and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God, <sup>18</sup> praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end, keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints, <sup>19</sup> and also for me, that words may be given to me in opening my mouth boldly to proclaim the mystery of the gospel, <sup>20</sup> for which I am an ambassador in chains, that I may declare it boldly, as I ought to speak.

**Leader:** This is the Word of the Lord.

**All:** Thanks be to God.

#### **The Presentation of His Tithes and Our Offerings**

#### **The Doxology** (hymnal #731)

(STANDING)

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise him, all creatures here below;  
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**The Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**The Intercessory Prayer**

(SEATED)

**The Sermon: Pastor Gama Pozos**

***“The Realities of Spiritual Warfare, Part 2 ”***  
**Daniel 10:1-21**

**Main idea:** God’s people can be assured of the reality of spiritual warfare around them and God’s guaranteed victory over all his enemies.

**I. Understanding the Context of the Vision**

**II. The Glorious Vision**

**III. The Purpose of the Vision**

- A. To clarify the nature of the conflict
- B. To assure Daniel of God’s ultimate victory

**Hymn #92 – A Mighty Fortress Is Our God**

A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing; our helper He amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing. For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe; his craft and power are great, and, armed

with cruel hate, on earth is not his equal.

Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing; were not the right man on our side, the man of God's own choosing. Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is He, Lord Sabaoth His name, from age to age the same, and He must win the battle.

And though this world, with devils filled, should threaten to undo us, we will not fear, for God hath willed His truth to triumph through us. The prince of darkness grim, we tremble not for him; his rage we can endure, for lo! his doom is sure; one little word shall fell him.

That Word above all earthly powers, no thanks to them, abideth; the Spirit and the gifts are ours through Him who with us sideth. Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also; the body they may kill: God's truth abideth still; His kingdom is forever.

### **The Benediction**

### **The Three-Fold Amen (hymnal #740)**

**Amen, Amen, Amen.**