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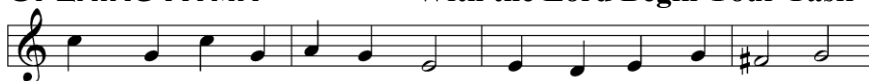
PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

We stand.

OPENING HYMN

“With the Lord Begin Your Task”



1 With the Lord be - gin your task; Je - sus will di - rect it.
2 Let each day be - gin with prayer, Praise, and ad - o - ra - tion.
3 With your Sav - ior at your side, Foes need not a - harm you;
4 If your task be thus be - gun With the Sav - ior's bless - ing,
5 Thus, Lord Je - sus, ev - 'ry task Be to You com - mend - ed;



For His aid and coun - sel ask; Je - sus will per - fect it.
On the Lord cast ev - 'ry care; He is your sal - va - tion.
In His prom - is - es con - fide, And no ill can harm you.
Safe - ly then your course will run, Toward the prom - ise press - ing.
May Your will be done, I ask, Un - til life is end - ed.



Ev - 'ry morn with Je - sus rise, And when day is end - ed,
Morn - ing, eve - ning, and at night Je - sus will be near you,
All your trust and hope re - pose In the might - y Mas - ter,
Good will fol - low ev - 'ry - where While you here must wan - der;
Je - sus, in Your name be - gun Be the day's en - deav - or;



In His name then close your eyes; Be to Him com - mend - ed.
Save you from the tempt - er's might, With His pres - ence cheer you.
Who in wis - dom tru - ly knows How to stem dis - as - ter.
You at last the joy will share In the man - sions yon - der.
Grant that it may well be done To Your praise for - ev - er.

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INVOCATION

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

We sit.

BAPTISM OF TREVOR LAWSON BEAL

Holy Baptism is God's loving work for us. Through water and His Word, our God, makes an everlasting promise to us. Here He places His name on us. Here He calls Himself, "Father," because in Baptism He claims us as His children. Here we are connected to Jesus, "the Son" who has rescued us from sin and death. The Bible teaches that in Baptism we are united with Jesus in a most special way. We are joined with Him in His death and raised anew by the power of His resurrection. Thus, God's work in Baptism forgives our sins and gives us the promise of eternal life. In Baptism, we receive "the Holy Spirit" to believe and trust this promise until we reach His welcoming arms in heaven. Thus God's work begun in Baptism is ongoing through the Holy Spirit as He daily forgives our sins, daily gives us renewal and strength to live as holy people and daily He fills us with hope to see by faith our home with God in everlasting life. Hear now some of these promises of God expressed in His Word:

"You are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus, for all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ."
Galatians 3: 26-27

"But when the kindness and love of God our Savior appeared, He saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of His mercy. He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by His grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life."
Titus 3: 4-8

Remembering God's saving of Noah through water, St. Peter points us to the saving power of Baptism:

"This water (of the flood) symbolizes Baptism that now saves you also - not the removal of dirt from the body but the pledge of a good conscience toward God."
1 Peter 3: 21

P These are the promises of the Lord.

C We believe them and are glad to hear them again.

Instruction to parents and sponsors

P Do you renounce the devil and all his works and all his ways?

C I do renounce them.

P Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty?

C Yes, I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

P Do you believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son?

C Yes, I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit; born of the Virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate; was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

P Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

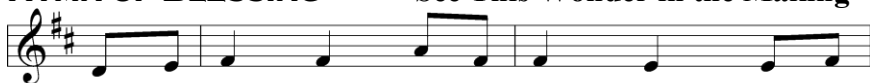
C Yes, I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

P Through Baptism God has added Trevor Lawson Beal to His own people to declare the wonderful deeds of our Savior, who has called us out of darkness into His marvelous light.

C We welcome you into the Lord's family. We receive you as a fellow member of the body of Christ, children of the same heavenly Father, to work with us in His Kingdom.

HYMN OF BLESSING

“See This Wonder in the Making”



1 See this won - der in the mak - ing: God Him -
 2 Mir - a - cle each time it hap - pens As the
 3 Far more ten - der than a moth - er, Far more
 4 Here we bring a child of na - ture; Home we



self this child is tak - ing As a lamb safe in His
 door to heav-en o - pens And the Fa - ther beams, “Be-
 car - ing than a fa - ther, God, in - to Your arms we
 take a new-born crea - ture, Now God’s pre - cious son or



keep - ing, His to be, a - wake or sleep - ing.
 lov - ed, Heir of gifts a king would cov - et!”
 place *him/her/them*, With Your love and peace em - brace *him/her/them*.
 daugh - ter, Born a - gain by Word and wa - ter.

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SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

C Almighty God, Your Son willingly endured the agony and shame of the cross for our redemption. Grant us courage to take up our cross daily and follow Him wherever He leads; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

We sit.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Jeremiah 15:15-21

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING

Romans 12:9-21

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

We stand.

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 16:21-28

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 16th chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

After the Gospel is read:

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

We sit.

HYMN OF THE DAY “Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me”



1 Lord, take my hand and lead me Up - on life's way;
2 Lord, when the tem - pest ra - ges, I need not fear,
3 Lord, when the shad - ows length - en And night has come,

Di - rect, pro - tect, and feed me From day to day.
For You, the Rock of A - ges, Are al - ways near.
I know that You will strength - en My steps toward home.

With - out Your grace and fa - vor I go a - stray;
Close by Your side a - bid - ing, I fear no foe,
Then noth - ing can im - pede me, O bless - ed Friend;

So take my hand, O Sav - ior, And lead the way.
For when Your hand is guid - ing, In peace I go.
So take my hand and lead me Un - to the end.

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SERMON

“You Rock”

Pastor Michael Geml

We stand.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN

“Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus”



1 Let us ev - er walk with Je - sus, Fol - low His ex -
2 Let us suf - fer here with Je - sus And with pa - tience
3 Let us glad - ly die with Je - sus. Since by death He
4 Let us al - so live with Je - sus. He has ris - en



am - ple pure, Through a world that would de - ceive us And to
bear our cross. Joy will fol - low all our sad - ness; Where He
con - quered death, He will free us from de - struc - tion, Give to
from the dead That to life we may a - wak - en. Je - sus,



sin our spir - its lure. On - ward in His foot - steps tread - ing,
is, there is no loss. Though to - day we sow no laugh - ter,
us im - mor - tal breath. Let us mor - ti - fy all pas - sion
You are now our head. We are Your own liv - ing mem - bers;



Pil - grims here, our home a - bove, Full of faith and
We shall reap ce - les - tial joy; All dis - com - forts
That would lead us in - to sin; And the grave that
Where You live, there we shall be In Your pres - ence



hope and love, Let us do the Fa - ther's bid - ding. Faith - ful
that an - noy Shall give way to mirth here - af - ter. Je - sus,
shuts us in Shall but prove the gate to heav - en. Je - sus,
con - stant - ly, Liv - ing there with You for - ev - er. Je - sus,



Lord, with me a - bide; I shall fol - low where You guide.
here I share Your woe; Help me there Your joy to know.
here with You I die, There to live with You on high.
let me faith - ful be, Life e - ter - nal grant to me.

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POSTLUDE