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Lakeshore Presbyterian Church
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WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 19:1-4, 14)

One: The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands.

ALL: Day after day they pour forth speech; night after night they reveal knowledge.

One: They have no speech, they use no words; no sound is heard from them.

ALL: Yet their voice goes out into all the earth, their words to the ends of the world.

One: May these words of my mouth and this meditation of my heart be pleasing in your sight, LORD, my Rock and my Redeemer.

ALL: Let us worship GOD, the LORD of all creation.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

May the peace of Christ rule in your hearts.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you!

Let us greet one another with the peace of Christ.

Please stand if you are able

HYMN “When Morning Gilds the Skies” #487

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We see evidence of YOUR grandeur when morning gilds the skies. The heavens and all the earth reveal YOUR majesty. We accept that YOU are worthy of our praise. YOU are worthy of our worship. YOU are worthy of our thanksgiving. We worship YOU Sunday mornings. We take time to thank YOU before meals. And then that is just some of the time. Forgive us. Help us find the time to praise YOU, worship YOU and thank YOU! Amen.

PERSONAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

RESPONSE OF PRAISE Gloria Patri

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.

CHOIR ANTHEM *“Have Thine Own Way Lord”*

SCRIPTURE **Philippians 3:4-11**

If someone else thinks they have reasons to put confidence in the flesh, I have more: ⁵ circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; in regard to the law, a Pharisee; ⁶ as for zeal, persecuting the church; as for righteousness based on the law, faultless.

⁷ But whatever were gains to me I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. ⁸ What is more, I consider everything a loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them garbage, that I may gain Christ ⁹ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which is through faith in Christ—the righteousness that comes from God on the basis of faith. ¹⁰ I want to know Christ—yes, to know the power of his resurrection and participation in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, ¹¹ and so, somehow, attaining to the resurrection from the dead.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON **“First Things First”**

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Let us say what we believe:

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried.

He descended into hell; On the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

SHARING OF JOYS, CONCERNS AND PRAYER REQUESTS

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, which 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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

RESPONSE "Hear Our Prayer, O LORD"

Hear our prayer, O Lord
Hear our prayer, O Lord
Incline Thine ear to us
And grant us Thy peace

CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

HYMN "Let Us Break Bread Together" #513

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is truly right and our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise...

...Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with the heavenly choirs and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

You are holy, O God of majesty, and blessed is Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord...

...Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is Risen.

Christ will come again.

The power of the Holy Spirit fills our Holy Communion with God's presence and joins us with saints throughout the ages who have trusted the Holy Spirit for sharing the truth about Jesus Christ....

We gratefully thank the Father, Son and Holy Spirit for calling us, strengthening us, and granting us salvation. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

THE OFFERING

DOXOLOGY #592

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

HYMN “How Great Thou Art” #467

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

FELLOWSHIP

<i>In Our Prayers</i> Loving Father may Your arms reach out to those we will mention by name and those we hold silently in our hearts. Bring healing to those in our congregation who are sick or struggling with health issues. Comfort those who are grieving and surround them with Your peace.			Bible Study Sunday 9am 		Group Prayer Thursdays 10:30am																											
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