



Service for the Lord's Day

December 31, 2017

New Year's Eve

Prelude

Call to Worship

Leader: In a world where there is war,

People: We come together in peace.

Leader: Where there is hate,

People: We come together in peace.

Leader: Where some people die from hunger and some live in excess,

People: We come together in peace.

Leader: God invites us to be present.

People: We come together in peace.

Song

"Sanctuary"

John W. Thompson and Randy L. Scruggs

Lord prepare me to be a sanctuary,

Pure and holy, tried and true:

With thanksgiving,

I'll be a living sanctuary for you.

(Repeat 3 more times)

Call and Prayer of Confession

Leader: Gracious God, giver of new beginnings, we come to you today, confessing our need.

People: As we face this coming year, help us through each day.

Leader: As we leave the past year behind, help us look to you.

People: When we face birth or death; when we confront a time to plant or to uproot, help us put our faith in you.

Leader: When we see a time to tear down or to build up, when we face a time to weep or to laugh, when we meet a time to be silent or a time to speak, help us rely on you.

People: You alone know what the coming year holds. You alone know of our small triumphs and our grand failures.

Leader: Gracious God, assure us once again that there is forgiveness in your love.

People: Heal us with the knowledge that our sins may be left with you, through our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Silence

Assurance of Pardon

Passing of the Peace

A Reading from Scripture

Psalm 42:1-5 (OT pg. 515)

Song

"As the Deer"

Martin Nystrom

As the deer panteth for the water,

So my soul longeth after Thee.

You alone are my heart's desire

And I long to worship Thee.

You alone are my strength and shield.

To you alone may my spirit yield.

**You alone are my heart's desire
And I long to worship Thee.
You're my friend and You are my brother
even though You are a King.
I love You more than any other,
So much more than anything.**

Repeat Chorus

Matthew 25

A Reading from Scripture

Leader: All who hunger and thirst are welcome here.

People: Come find the food and drink that does not perish.

Leader: All who are strangers are welcome here.

People: When it's time to leave, we'll part as friends.

Leader: All who don't know where to turn are welcome here.

People: Come and find the living God, who helps us find our way.

All: Thanks be to God.

Silence

Song

"Shine, Jesus, Shine"

Offering God Our Tithes and Gifts

Offertory

*Doxology - #22 in the hymnal - verse 4

"Angels, From the Realms of Glory"

**All creation, join in praising God the Father,
Spirit, Son, evermore your voices raising
To the eternal Three in One:
Come and worship, come and worship,
Worship Christ, the newborn King!**

*Prayer of Dedication

A Reading from Scripture

Romans 12:1-2 (pg. 161-162)

Silence

Unison Prayer

"The Prayer of St. Francis"

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace.

Where there is hatred, let me sow love;

where there is injury, pardon;

where there is doubt, faith;

where there is despair, hope;

where there is darkness, light;

where there is sadness, joy.

O Divine Master, grant that I may not seek so much

to be consoled as to console,

to be understood as to understand,

to be loved as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive,

it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,

and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer (saying 'debts')

**You are my strength when I am weak,
You are the treasure that I seek, You are my All in All
Seeking You as a precious jewel, Lord, to give up I'd be a fool.
You are my All in All.**

**Jesus, Lamb of God, Worthy is Your name,
Jesus, Lamb of God, Worthy is Your name.
Taking my faults, my cross, my shame, rising again I bless Your name. You are my All in All.
When I fall down, You pick me up; When I am dry, You fill my cup. You are my All in All.**

Charge and Benediction

Postlude

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