

**HYMN** . . . . . "Open Now Thy Gates" 901

- 1) Open now thy gates of beauty;  
Zion, let me enter there,  
Where my soul in joyful duty  
Waits for Him who answers prayer.  
Oh, how blessèd is this place,  
Filled with solace, light, and grace!
- 3) Here Thy praise is gladly chanted;  
Here Thy seed is duly sown.  
Let my soul, where it is planted,  
Bring forth precious sheaves alone,  
So that all I hear may be  
Fruitful unto life in me.
- 5) Speak, O God, and I will hear Thee;  
Let Thy will be done indeed.  
May I undisturbed draw near Thee  
While Thou dost Thy people feed.  
Here of life the fountain flows;  
Here is balm for all our woes.

**RESPONSES**

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

**C: Amen.**

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C: who made heaven and earth.**

P: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

**C: And You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

P: O almighty God, merciful Father,

**C: I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

P: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

**ANTIPHON AND INTROIT** . . . . Chanted by Pastor

**GLORIA PATRI** (Sung)

**C: 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.**

**ANTIPHON** . . . . . Chanted by Pastor

**KYRIE** (Sung)

**C: Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.**

**GLORIA IN EXCELSIS** (Sung)

P: Glory be to God on high:

**C: and on earth peace, good-will toward men.**

We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for thy great glory.

O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father; that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord. Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

**SALUTATION AND COLLECT** (Sung)

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And with the spirit.**

P: Let us pray. . . one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

**READINGS FROM HOLY SCRIPTURE**

1st ~ Zechariah 9:9-12 2nd ~ Romans 7:14-25

P: (After each lesson) This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

P: Let us rise for the Gospel reading.

**C: (Sing) Allelu - ia. Allelu - ia. Allelu - ia.**

P: The Holy Gospel is Matthew 9:35-10:8

**C: (Sing) Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.**

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C: (Sing) Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

**THE CREED**

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 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.

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.

**HYMN . . . . . "I Heard the Voice of Jesus" 699**

- 1) I heard the voice of Jesus say,  
     "Come unto Me and rest;  
     Lay down, thou weary one, lay down  
     Thy head upon My breast."  
     I came to Jesus as I was,  
     So weary, worn, and sad;  
     I found in Him a resting place,  
     And He has made me glad.
- 2) I heard the voice of Jesus say,  
     "Behold, I freely give  
     The living water; thirsty one,  
     Stoop down and drink and live."  
     I came to Jesus, and I drank  
     Of that life-giving stream;  
     My thirst was quenched, my soul revived,  
     And now I live in Him.
- 3) I heard the voice of Jesus say,  
     "I am this dark world's light.  
     Look unto Me; thy morn shall rise  
     And all thy day be bright."  
     I looked to Jesus, and I found  
     In Him my star, my sun;  
     And in that light of life I'll walk  
     Till trav'ling days are done.

**SERMON**

**OFFERTORY (Sung)**

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit with in me.

Cast me not away from Thy presence and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.

Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

P: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs. (*following each petition*) Lord, in your mercy,

**C: Hear our prayer.**

P: Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

**SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT**

P: (*chanted*) The Lord be with you.

**C: And with thy spirit.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them up unto the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: It is meet and right so to do.**

P: It is truly meet, right, and salutary . . . .

**C: (sing) Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth; heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory.**

**Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

P: Our Father who art in heaven . . .

**C: (Sing) For Thine is the kingdom . . . and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

P: (*Consecration*) The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C: Amen.**

**AGNUS DEI (Sung)**

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takes away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. (3x)  
grant us Thy peace. A - - - men.

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**C: Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word,**

for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people, a light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of Thy people Israel.

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.

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & BLESSING**

P: (*Chanted*) O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.

**C: and His mercy endureth forever.**

P: Let us pray . . . . . one God, now and forever.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

P: The Lord be with you. **C: And with the spirit.**

P: Bless we the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

P: The Lord bless you . . . . and give you peace.

**C: Amen, amen. a - men.**

**HYMN . . . . . "God Bless Our Native Land" 965**

- 1) God bless our native land;  
     Firm may she ever stand  
     Through storm and night.  
     When the wild tempests rave,  
     Ruler of wind and wave,  
     Do Thou our country save  
     By Thy great might.
- 2) So shall our prayers arise  
     To God above the skies; On Him we wait.  
     Thou who art ever nigh,  
     Guarding with watchful eye,  
     To Thee aloud we cry:  
     God save the state!

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