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Confession and Forgiveness

We gather in the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God, you free us to love others, but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way. You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace, but we turn away from the abundant life you offer.

You surround us with patience, kindness, and generosity, but we grow weary in doing what is right.

In your mercy, forgive us. Do not give up on us.

Heal us, break our bonds, and show us the path of life. Amen.

You belong to Christ Jesus and you are God's children through faith. In the cross of ✝ Christ, and through the power of the Holy Spirit,

your sins are forgiven. Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation.
Amen.

Opening Hymn
(refrain)

Healer of Our Every Ill WOV 738

Healer of our every ill, light of each tomorrow,
give us peace beyond our fear, and hope beyond our sorrow.
You who know our fears and sadness, grace us with your peace and
gladness;
Spirit of all comfort, fill our hearts. (refrain)
In the pain and joy beholding how your grace is still unfolding,
give us all your vision, God of love. (refrain)
Give us strength to love each other, every sister, every brother;
Spirit of all kindness, be our guide. (refrain)
You who know each thought and feeling, teach us all your way of
healing;
Spirit of compassion, fill each heart. (refrain)

Greeting

Prayer of the Day

O Lord God, your mercy delights us, and the world longs for your
loving care. Hear the cries of everyone in need, and turn our hearts
to love our neighbors with the love of your Son, Jesus Christ, our
Savior and Lord. Amen.

Centering Song

[The Word Is So Near - Michael Card - w lyrics](#)

Welcome the Word

Listen, Listen God is calling, through the Word inviting, offering
forgiveness, comfort and joy (2x)

Scripture Reading

Acts 16: 11-15

We therefore set sail from Troas and took a straight course to
Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to

Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. On the Sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer, and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home." And she prevailed upon us. Word of God. Word of Life. **Thanks be to God!**

Message

**Hymn of the Day Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing LBW
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Come thou fount of every blessing tune my heart to sing thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.
While the hope of endless glory fills my heart with joy and love,
teach me ever to adore thee; may I still thy goodness prove.
Here I raise my Ebenezer, hither by thy help I'm come;
and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God;
He to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.
Oh, to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be;
Let that grace now like a fetter bind my wandering heart to thee.
Prone to wander; Lord, I feel it; prone to leave the God I love.
Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it; seal it for thy courts above.

Apostles' Creed

Prayers of Intercession

God of Grace, Hear our prayer

Peace

Offertory Response

Now the feast and celebration. All of creation sings for joy. To the God of life and love and freedom, praise and glory forevermore.

Creator God, in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good and the harvest is plentiful. Receive the gifts of our labor and teach us **Offering Prayer**

once again to work for the good of all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Communion Distribution

Post Communion Blessing

Post Communion Prayer

Mothering God, you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace. Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus' name. Amen.

Announcements

Blessing

The love of God abound in you;
the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts;
and the life of the Spirit
✠ bless you and give you peace. Amen.

Sending Hymn Lord, Dismiss Us With Your Blessing LBW 259
Lord, dismiss us with your blessing. Fill our hearts with joy and peace. Let us each your love possessing triumph in redeeming grace.
Oh refresh us, oh refresh us, traveling through this wilderness.

Thanks we give and adoration for your Gospel joyful sound. May the fruits of your salvation in our hearts and lives abound. Ever faithful, ever faithful, to your truth may we be found.

Savior when your love shall call us from our struggling pilgrim way.

Let no fear of death appall us glad your summons to obey. May we ever, may we ever, reign with you in endless day.

Dismissal

Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.

Thanks be to God!