

# WORSHIP SERVICE

## Mission Red Bank

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### INVOCATION & PROCESSION

**All: Our Father who 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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the Kingdom and the Power and the Glory forever and ever. Amen.**

Celebrant: Lord, in Your mercy

**All: Hear our prayer.**

*Please stand for the Procession of the Cross.*

### **Come Worship the Lord**

*Come, worship the Lord, for we are His people. The flock that He shepherds. Alleluia.*

### OLD TESTAMENT READING

**Psalm 67** - May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us,  
*Selah*

**2** that your way may be known on earth, your saving power among all nations.

**3** Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!

**4** Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth. *Selah*

**5** Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!

**6** The earth has yielded its increase; God, our God, shall bless us.

**7** God shall bless us; let all the ends of the earth fear him!

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

Celebrant: Brothers and sisters, today's a gift of new creation, full of promise born from resurrection.

**All: Praise to You our God, our King.**

Celebrant: Father, we offer now our lips in praise, our hands in service, our hearts in love.

**All: Praise to You our God, our King.**

## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

### **Step by Step and Psalm 1**

Reader: Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked, nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers;

**All: but his delight is in the law of the Lord, and on his law he meditates day and night.**

*Song: O God, You are my God  
And I will ever praise You  
O God, You are my God  
And I will ever praise You  
And I will seek You in the morning  
And I will learn to walk in Your ways  
And step by step You'll lead me  
And I will follow You all of my days*

Reader: He is like a tree planted by streams of water that yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not wither. In all that he does, he prospers.

**All: The wicked are not so, but are like chaff that the wind drives away.**

Reader: Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;

**All : for the Lord knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.**

*(Song)*

Reader: Lord, in Your mercy

**All: Hear our prayer.**

## SONGS OF WORSHIP AND CELEBRATION

### **O Love That Will Not Let Me Go**

*O Love that will not let me go,  
I rest my weary soul in thee.  
I give thee back the life I owe,  
that in thine ocean depths its flow  
may richer, fuller be.*

*O Light that follows all my way,  
I yield my flick'ring torch to thee.  
My heart restores its borrowed ray,  
that in thy sunshine's blaze its day  
may brighter, fairer be.*

*O Joy that seekest me through pain,  
I cannot close my heart to thee.  
I trace the rainbow through the rain,  
and feel the promise is not vain,  
that morn shall tearless be.*

*O Cross that liftest up my head,  
I dare not ask to fly from thee.  
I lay in dust, life's glory dead,  
and from the ground there blossoms red,  
life that shall endless be.*

### **No, Not One**

*There's not a friend like the lowly Jesus  
No not one no not one  
None else could heal all our soul's diseases  
No not one no not one*

*Jesus knows all about our struggles  
He will guide till the day is done  
There's not a friend like the lowly Jesus  
No not one no not one*

*No friend like Him is so high and holy  
No not one no not one  
And yet no friend is so meek and lowly  
No not one no not one*

*There's not an hour that He is not near us  
No not one no not one  
No night so dark but His love can cheer us  
No not one no not one*

## **PRAYER/ PASSING THE PEACE**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **OFFERING**

Leader: Father God, we can only offer You what You have graciously given us.

**All: Because all of who we are and all of what we have, all things belong to You.**

Leader: Please lead us to seek Your kingdom and Your righteousness,

**All: With generous hands, hearts, and minds.**

Leader: And as we do, we give You thanks

**All: For making us Your children, stewards of Your kingdom.**

Leader: Let's worship our Lord in this time of giving.

## **When I Think About the Lord**

*When I think about the Lord  
How He saved me how He raised me  
How He filled me with the Holy Ghost  
How He healed me to the uttermost  
When I think about the Lord  
How He picked me up and turned me around  
How He placed my feet on solid ground  
It makes me wanna shout*

*Hallelujah thank You Jesus  
Lord You're worthy of all the glory  
And all the honor and all the praise  
It makes me wanna shout  
Hallelujah thank You Jesus  
Lord You're worthy of all the glory  
And all the honor and all the praise*

## **Prayer of Reception**

## NEW TESTAMENT READING

**Acts 26:9-23** 9 “I myself was convinced that I ought to do many things in opposing the name of Jesus of Nazareth. 10 And I did so in Jerusalem. I not only locked up many of the saints in prison after receiving authority from the chief priests, but when they were put to death I cast my vote against them. 11 And I punished them often in all the synagogues and tried to make them blaspheme, and in raging fury against them I persecuted them even to foreign cities.

12 “In this connection I journeyed to Damascus with the authority and commission of the chief priests. 13 At midday, O king, I saw on the way a light from heaven, brighter than the sun, that shone around me and those who journeyed with me. 14 And when we had all fallen to the ground, I heard a voice saying to me in the Hebrew language, ‘Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me? It is hard for you to kick against the goads.’ 15 And I said, ‘Who are you, Lord?’ And the Lord said, ‘I am Jesus whom you are persecuting. 16 But rise and stand upon your feet, for I have appeared to you for this purpose, to appoint you as a servant and witness to the things in which you have seen me and to those in which I will appear to you, 17 delivering you from your people and from the Gentiles—to whom I am sending you 18 to open their eyes, so that they may turn from darkness to light and from the power of Satan to God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins and a place among those who are sanctified by faith in me.’

19 “Therefore, O King Agrippa, I was not disobedient to the heavenly vision, 20 but declared first to those in Damascus, then in Jerusalem and throughout all the region of Judea, and also to the Gentiles, that they should repent and turn to God, performing deeds in keeping with their repentance. 21 For this reason the Jews seized me in the temple and tried to kill me. 22 To this day I have had the help that comes from God, and so I stand here testifying both to small and great, saying nothing but what the prophets and Moses said would come to pass: 23 that the Christ must suffer and that, by being the first to rise from the dead, he would proclaim light both to our people and to the Gentiles.”

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God**

## GOSPEL READING

**Matthew 10:16-25** 16 “Behold, I am sending you out as sheep in the midst of wolves, so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves. 17 Beware of men, for they will deliver you over to courts and flog you in their synagogues, 18 and you will be dragged before governors and kings for my sake, to bear witness before them and the Gentiles. 19 When they deliver you over, do not be anxious how you are to speak or what you are to say, for what you are to say will be given to you in that hour. 20 For it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you. 21 Brother will deliver brother over to death, and the father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death, 22 and you will be hated by all for my name's sake. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. 23 When they persecute you in one town, flee to the next, for truly, I say to you, you will not have gone through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes.

24 “A disciple is not above his teacher, nor a servant[a] above his master. 25 It is enough for the disciple to be like his teacher, and the servant like his master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign[b] those of his household.

Reader: This is the gospel of our Lord.

All: Praise to You, Lord Christ.

## HOMILY

## CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

### Have Mercy

*Have mercy on me. Have mercy on me, Oh Lord, have mercy.*

*Oh Lord, have mercy.*

*Oh, help my unbelief. Oh, help my unbelief. Oh Lord, have mercy.*

*Oh Lord, have mercy.*

Celebrant: Almighty God, You bring to light things hidden in darkness, and You know the shadows of our hearts. Help us now, as we seek to be honest with You about our struggle with sin. Please hear our confession...

**All: Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent, for the sake of Your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in Your will, and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your Name. Amen...**

## **Absolution**

### **Psalm 116**

*I love You Lord, For You have delivered me  
I love You Lord, For You have delivered  
My soul from death, My feet from stumbling  
I will walk in the land of the living  
My soul from death, My feet from stumbling  
I will walk in the land of the living*

*I will bless You Lord, For You heard my cry  
I reached out my hand, And You saved my life  
I will bless You Lord, For You heard my plea  
And the God of Heaven, Turned His ear to me  
I will bless You Lord, For unending love  
For Your grace and mercy, Raining down from above  
And I will bless You Lord, To the very end  
I will call on You, As long as I may live*

## **COMMUNION**

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

**All: We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

**All: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

Celebrant: Surely it is right at all times and in all places to give You thanks and praise Father God. In obedience to Your will, Your Son, our Savior, offered Himself as a perfect sacrifice, dying on the cross for our redemption. On the third day, You raised Jesus from the dead, and through Him You have freed us from the slavery of sin and death, reconciling us to You, our God and Father. And so with all Your people, with angels and archangels, with all the company of heaven, together we proclaim Your great and glorious name, forever praising You saying:

**All: 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.**

Celebrant: On the night He was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread; and after giving thanks, He broke it, and giving it to His disciples, He said, "This is My Body, given for you. Take it and eat it. And whenever you do this, Do it for the remembrance of Me." Then He took a cup of wine; and after giving thanks, He gave it to them, and said, "This is My Blood of the New Covenant, shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Drink it, all of you. And whenever you do this, do it for the remembrance of Me."

Celebrant: And so, for the past 2,000 years, God's people have gathered like this to remember our Lord's death, to celebrate His resurrection, and to look forward to the day when He will return again and make all things new! Please pray with me...

Celebrant: Father, we pray that in Your goodness and mercy Your Holy Spirit will descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them, setting them apart... showing them to be Your holy food for Your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the very Body and Blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. And we ask that You will cause all who share in this bread and this cup... cause us to become one body, one spirit, a living sacrifice to the praise of Your holy name, Almighty God.

## **BREAKING THE BREAD**

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us;

**All: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

Celebrant: These are the Gifts of God given for the People of God. Come and receive them, and together, let's feast on Him in our hearts by faith, and with thanksgiving.

### **Come to Me**

*You are weighed down you are worried  
Child I see you child I know you  
Bring your burdens bring your labor  
Come to me*

*Come to me come to me  
Come to me if you are weary  
I will give you I will give you my rest*

*I am gentle I am humble  
Let me teach you let me show you  
Trade your burden mine is easy  
Come to me*

### **Near the Cross**

*Jesus keep me near the cross, There a precious fountain  
Free to all a healing stream, Flows from Calv'ry's mountain*

*In the cross in the cross  
Be my glory ever  
Till my raptured soul shall find  
Rest beyond the river*

*Near the cross a trembling soul, Love and mercy found me  
There the Bright and Morning Star, Sheds its beams around me*

*Near the cross O Lamb of God, Bring its scenes before me  
Help me walk from day to day, With its shadows o'er me*

## RECESSION

Celebrant: All our problems

**All: We send to the cross of Christ**

Celebrant: All our difficulties

**All: We send to the cross of Christ**

Celebrant: All the devil's works

**All: We send to the cross of Christ**

Celebrant: All our hopes

**All: We set on the risen Christ**

## Gloria

*Glory be to the Father, Glory be to the Son, Glory be to the Holy Ghost.*

*As it was in the beginning, 'tis now and ever shall be.*

*World without end, World without end. Amen.*

## BENEDICTION