

VESPERS WITH HOLY COMMUNION

JOIN US
FOR
Winter

EVENING
WORSHIP

EVERY 2ND & 4TH
SUNDAY EVENINGS
@6PM

THE

Table

Invocation

We gather in the name of God, the Creator of Light; † Jesus, the Light of the World; and the Holy Spirit, the Light who illumines our path. **Amen**

Confession & Forgiveness

In this season of light, let us go before God and confess how our words and actions contribute to the shadows instead of adding to the light.

God of Love and Light,

We confess that we are not always the light-bearers you desire us to be. We shine a spotlight on the sins of others while trying to keep our own sins hidden in shadows. We burn bridges by being impatient, opinionated and judgmental. We inflame others by lashing out in anger. We go through our days enveloped in the gloom of fear and doubt. We let our witness become a smoldering ember until it dies out completely. Forgive us Jesus, the Everlasting Light. Come to us, abide with us, our Lord, Emmanuel. Teach us to walk as children of light, surrounded by your love, forgiveness and healing. We ask this in the name of Christ. Amen.

God dwells with us in the Word made flesh, the Babe of Bethlehem, and shows infinite love and forgiveness for all. Your sins are forgiven in the holy name of ☐ Christ who was, who is, and who is to come. **Amen.**

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit is with you all. **And also with you.**

KYRIE (see screen)

HYMN OF PRAISE (see screen)

PRAYER OF THE DAY (see screen)

FIRST READING – Word of God Word of life

Gospel Acclamation— (See Screen)

The good news according to...

Glory to you, O Lord,

The good news of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY (See Screen)

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Congregation respond to each petition:

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always

And also with you

OFFERING RECEIVED

MUSICAL OFFERING

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray,

God of Light, our world is a very dark place. Therefore, we offer the gifts our ourselves, our time and our resources, trusting you will use them to set the world aglow with your loving presence. May our offerings continue to shine brightly before others so they may see our good works and give glory to you. We ask this in the name of Christ. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

Lift up your hearts.

Let us give thanks to the Lord.

And also with you.

We lift them to the Lord.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

At the beginning of creation...we now join the saints and angels in a hymn of praise to God, the Everlasting Light

Holy, Holy, Holy (See Screen)

WORDS OF INSTITUTION– On the night in which he was betrayed...

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION—The gifts of God for the people of God

LAMB OF GOD (See Screen)

DISTRIBUTION

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

Jesus, our bright Morning Star, we give you thanks that you have fed us well through the bread and wine of your Supper. May it enable us to shine brightly in all the dark places of our world with your love, justice and peace. We ask this in your holy name.

Amen

BENEDICTION

God who spoke light and creation into being,
who dwells with us in Jesus,
and who holds us in the grace of the Holy Spirit,
+ bless you now and forever.

Amen.

SENDING SONG- (See Screen)

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Christ is coming soon!

Thanks be to God.