

BENEDICTION

Scattering Proclamation (Reverend Nicole Collins)

Leader: Gracious God guide our hearts, guard our steps as we go forth with the Good News!

In the name of the Father, † Son & Holy Spirit

ALL AMEN (Please make the sign of the Cross)

POSTLUDE

† Thank you for worshiping with us! †

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Reverend Nicole Collins †

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Up & Coming Announcements

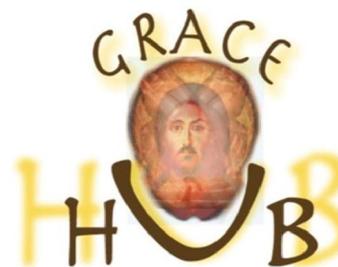
Our Lessons this evening were from: Psalm 98; Isaiah 52:7-10; Hebrews 1:1-12; John 1:1-18 alt. Titus 3:4-7

- ◆ Our 8am service will officially be our LBW Traditional service
- ◆ 'Understanding Spiritual Warfare.' This book is available through Amazon for under \$7. ISBN 978-0-8010-3936-2 Baker Press 2012. At the moment this study will only be offered at the end of the month. This study will be held one hour before the 5pm Blended service
- ◆ All hymns will either be from the LBW or the With One Voice (If you have copies of the WOV, please consider donating them to our ministry.)

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(& the Grace Hub!)



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† Sunday Evening Worship †

December 25th, 2016

CHRISTMAS DAY

PRELUDE MUSIC

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN

WE REFLECT & REJOICE

(inspired from Titus 3:4-7, Psalm 98 from Psalms Now! & Hebrews 1 from Epistles Now!; Reverend Collins; & Setting 2 from the LCMS hymnal)

(Please stand if able)

Leader: ⁴But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, ⁵he saved us, not because of any works of righteousness that we had done, but according to his mercy, through the water of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit.

Silence is kept for reflection.

ALL: ⁶This Spirit he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, ⁷so that, having been justified by his grace, we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

Leader: Now it is our turn to worship the Lord and to announce God's presence. He alone is the true God. He offers to all, His salvation and fills the hearts of His children with Joy. Let us proclaim the glory of the Lord.

ALL: *God is here; God is Now! We could not reach up to God, so magnificent and unattainable His Holiness and righteousness; so He reached down to us. It is only through Christ Jesus and what He has done on our behalf that we can find our way back to God and become His truly beloved children and servants. Praise God for Jesus Christ, God's Revealer and our Redeemer!*

Please observe a moment of silence for reflection

Leader: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a 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.

ALL: AMEN (Please make the sign of the Cross) †

Scripture Lessons for the Evening (please be seated)

A Reading from the Prophet Isaiah

⁷How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of the messenger who announces peace, who brings good news, who announces salvation, who says to Zion, "Your God reigns." ⁸Listen! Your sentinels lift up their voices, together they sing for joy; for in plain sight they see the return of the Lord to Zion. ⁹Break forth together into singing, you ruins of Jerusalem; for the Lord has comforted his people, he has redeemed Jerusalem. ¹⁰The Lord has bared his holy arm before the eyes of all the nations; and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.

Leader: The Word of the Lord

ALL: Thanks Be to God

A Reading from the Letter of Hebrews

¹Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, ²but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. ³He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, ⁴having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs. ⁵For to which of the angels did God ever say, "You are my Son; today I have begotten you"? Or again, "I will be his Father, and he will be my Son"? ⁶And again, when he brings the firstborn into the world, he says, "Let all God's angels worship him." ⁷Of the angels he says, "He makes his angels winds, and his servants flames of fire." ⁸But of the Son he says, "Your throne, O God, is forever and ever, and the righteous scepter is the scepter of your kingdom. ⁹You have loved righteousness and hated wickedness; therefore God, your God, has anointed you with the oil of gladness beyond your companions." ¹⁰And, "In the beginning, Lord, you founded the earth, and the heavens are the work of your hands; ¹¹they will perish, but you remain; they will all wear out like clothing; ¹²like a cloak you will roll them up, and like clothing they will be changed. But you are the same, and your years will never end."

Leader: The Word of the Lord

ALL: Thanks Be to God

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. John

Please Stand

Leader: A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. John

ALL: Glory to You, O Lord

¹In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ²He was in the beginning with God. ³All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being ⁴in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. ⁵The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it. ⁶There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. ⁷He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. ⁸He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. ⁹The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. ¹⁰He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. ¹¹He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. ¹²But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, ¹³who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God. ¹⁴And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth. ¹⁵(John testified to him and cried out, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me ranks ahead of me because he was before me.'") ¹⁶From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. ¹⁷The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. ¹⁸No one has ever seen God. It is God the only Son, who is close to the Father's heart, who has made him known.

Leader: The Word of the Lord

ALL: Praise to You, O Christ

Sermon by: Reverend Nicole Collins

PEACE ☩ HYMN OF THE DAY ☩ PRAYER CIRCLE

HOLY COMMUNION

Please take this opportunity to reflect in your heart how this Means of Grace—Christ actual presence feeds and restores your soul. As St. Paul would say: Listen with your heart wide open. Then, TASTE, SEE & DELIGHT that the Lord is Good!

LORD'S PRAYER: Please recite what version is comfortable for you.
(Please be seated)

A New Creed II *Inspired by the Nicene Creed; by Reverend Nicole Collins*

ALL: We believe in the Triune God; Creator & Sovereign of all the Earth
And all things visible & invisible—what we may not understand
Father, Son & Holy Spirit
Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, the only Son of the Father, incarnate from a virgin Mary, the Mother of Our Lord—through her He was made man
Fully Human and Fully Divine
Our Lord Jesus bore the cross, as ordered by Pontius Pilate
He truly suffered, died and was buried
Upon the 3rd day's rise according to the Living Word, defeating sin, death & the power of the devil—
Our Lord Jesus resurrected, ascended to heaven & is seated at the right hand of the Father.
The Lord Jesus will return in glory and judgment over both the living & the deceased
We must know deeply in our hearts that His sovereign Kingdom will never end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, its gift of life and transformation
Which proceeds from the Father & the Son
All three, we worship and glorify
The Prophets have foretold and taught us of the Triune sovereignty
We believe in the Sanctified, universal & disciple-centered Church
We acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins & the motivation for our lives to live in Grace
We must look for the resurrection of the dead
And build, model, shape our lives for the world to come.
Amen

Prayer for Spiritual Formation *(Reverend Nicole Collins)*

Leader: Gracious and Loving Lord Jesus,
We are truly thankful for the reality of You
God is truly With Us
May we be disciples, seeking to build our Faith
May we be grand leapers, in this very gift of Faith
A faith that You have established through Your Grace
May we come to appreciate the mystery of the God Bearer
Be in awe of how Your Holy Spirit has come to work in our very lives
May we always be grateful—

— *(Please observe a moment of Silence)*

ALL: AMEN