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**WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME**

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MOMENT OF SILENCE

LIGHTING OF THE PEACE CANDLE

\*RESPONSE

“THIS LITTLE LIGHT OF MINE”

*This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine*

*This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine*

*This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine*

*Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.*

CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: The heavens are telling the of the glory of God

PEOPLE: **And the night sky proclaims God's handiwork.**

LEADER: Day to day pours forth speech

PEOPLE: **And night to night declares its knowledge**

LEADER: There is no speech, nor are there words;  
their voice is not heard;

PEOPLE: **Yet their voice goes out through all the earth,  
and their words to the end of the world.**

LEADER: The glory of God echoes through the world

PEOPLE: **Let us praise the Lord!**

\*\*\*HYMN 268

“GOD, WHO STRETCHED THE SPANGLED HEAVENS”

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, our guide, who once used a star to lead people to Christ, we confess that we often walk about with our eyes cast down, rarely looking up to see if there is a light to lead us too. We let ourselves become confused and easily distracted, and lose our way.

We often do not look for the signs you provide. Forgive our lack of vision. Lead us to the Christ so that we may follow his way to you. Amen.

PROMISE OF GOD

LEADER: Friends, believe the Good News.

PEOPLE: **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

\*RESPONSE

“THE FIRST NOEL” (V. 6)

*Then let us all with one accord*

*Sing praises to our heavenly Lord*

*That hath made heaven and earth of naught*

*And with his blood our life hath bought*

*Noel, noel, noel, noel*

*Born is the King of Israel*

**WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD**

FIRST LESSON

MARK 4:35-41

ANTHEM

“AVE MARIA”

WORD TO THE CHILDREN

SERVICE OF ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

SECOND LESSON

PSALM 8

SERMON

“STAR GAZING”

\*\*\*HYMN 68 “WHAT STAR IS THIS THAT BEAMS SO BRIGHT” (ALT. VS 4)

**WE GIVE THANKS TO GOD**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION AND PETITION

THE LORD'S PRAYER (DEBTS/DEBTORS)

*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 debts as we forgive our debtors*

*And lead us not into temptation,  
But deliver us from evil  
For thine is the kingdom and the power  
And the glory forever. Amen.*

THE GIVING OF OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY

\*RESPONSE (TMB)      “WHAT DOES THE LORD REQUIRE OF YOU?”

**What does the Lord require of you?  
What does the Lord require of you?**

Justice, kindness, walk humbly with your God.

*To seek justice, and love kindness,  
and walk humbly with your God.*

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Bright Morning Star, your light has come, and your life, O Jesus, has overwhelmed us with joy. We give in response to your generosity, identifying with your compassion and love for the victims of violence, poverty, and injustice. May these gifts reach those who need the unsearchable riches of Christ. May we be the bringers of Christ light to our world. Amen.

**WE DISPERSE IN GOD'S NAME**

\*HYMN TMB

“I AM THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD”

\*BENEDICTION

\*RESPONSE

\*POSTLUDE

**\*Those Who Are Able Are Invited To Stand**

**\*\*\*Latecomers May Be Seated**



## Star Gazing

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