

WORSHIP HANDOUT  
January 23<sup>rd</sup>



OPENING OF WORSHIP

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Envelopes can be picked up, please call or email the office beforehand.

PRELUDE

\*OPENING SONG                      UMH 558 (vs. 1) We are the Church

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

The Spirit of the Lord is upon us!

**God has anointed us to bring good news to the poor,**

To proclaim freedom for the prisoners  
and recovery of sight for the blind,

**to set the oppressed free.**

Let us worship the God of justice and peace!

~ posted on *Waiting for Water: Liturgy for The Easter Journey*

2013 <http://storage.cloversites.com/waitingforwater/documents/Liturgical%20resources%202013%2010%2018%2012.pdf>

\*HYMN                                      UMH 660 God Is Here

TIME OF PRAYER

UNISON PRAYER

**O come, faithful God,  
who empowers the weak,  
who encourages the fearful,  
who enlightens the blind,  
who intones the deaf,**

**who energizes the lame,  
who emancipates the speechless,  
who enriches the poor,  
who invigorates the dead;**

**O come, faithful God,  
come and enable us, right now,  
to worship you and work for your Kingdom,  
filled with your strength,  
your hope,  
your vision,  
your melody,  
your motivation,  
your Word,  
your inheritance,  
your Life!**

**All this we pray,  
through him who came to be our Savior,  
who lives to be our Lord,  
who will return and fully make all things new;**

**In Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.**

— written by Peter L. Haynes, and posted on the [Long Green Valley Church](#) website.

**PASTORAL AND SILENT PRAYER (MUSIC)**

**LORD'S PRAYER**

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 now and  
forever. Amen.

## OFFERTORY

### \*DOXOLOGY

UMH 95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Parent, Son, and Holy Ghost.  
Amen.

### UNISON PRAYER

Almighty God,  
giver of every good and perfect gift,  
teach us to give to you all that we have and all that we are,  
that we may praise you not with our words only,  
but with our whole lives.

## HYMN

UMH 87 (vs. 1-3) What Gift Can We Bring

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PA

## HYMN

UMH 620 One Bread, One Body

## LESSON I

I Corinthians 12:12-31a

**12** Christ is just like the human body—a body is a unit and has many parts; and all the parts of the body are one body, even though there are many. **13** We were all baptized by one Spirit into one body, whether Jew or Greek, or slave or free, and we all were given one Spirit to drink. **14** Certainly the body isn't one part but many. **15** If the foot says, "I'm not part of the body because I'm not a hand," does that mean it's not part of the body? **16** If the ear says, "I'm not part of the body because I'm not an eye," does that mean it's not part of the body? **17** If the whole body were an eye, what would happen to the hearing? And if the whole body were an ear, what would happen to the sense of smell? **18** But as it is, God has placed each one of the parts in the body just like he wanted. **19** If all were one and the same body part, what would happen to the body? **20** But as it is, there are many parts but

one body. **21** So the eye can't say to the hand, "I don't need you," or in turn, the head can't say to the feet, "I don't need you." **22** Instead, the parts of the body that people think are the weakest are the most necessary. **23** The parts of the body that we think are less honorable are the ones we honor the most. The private parts of our body that aren't presentable are the ones that are given the most dignity. **24** The parts of our body that are presentable don't need this. But God has put the body together, giving greater honor to the part with less honor **25** so that there won't be division in the body and so the parts might have mutual concern for each other. **26** If one part suffers, all the parts suffer with it; if one part gets the glory, all the parts celebrate with it. **27** You are the body of Christ and parts of each other. **28** In the church, God has appointed first apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then miracles, then gifts of healing, the ability to help others, leadership skills, different kinds of tongues. **29** All aren't apostles, are they? All aren't prophets, are they? All aren't teachers, are they? All don't perform miracles, do they? **30** All don't have gifts of healing, do they? All don't speak in different tongues, do they? All don't interpret, do they? **31** Use your ambition to try to get the greater gifts. And I'm going to show you an even better way.

**May God add a blessing to this reading.**

\*LESSON 2

Luke 4:14-21

CEB

**<sup>14</sup> Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit to Galilee, and news about him spread throughout the whole countryside. <sup>15</sup> He taught in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.**

**<sup>16</sup> Jesus went to Nazareth, where he had been raised. On the Sabbath he went to the synagogue as he normally did and stood up to read. <sup>17</sup> The synagogue assistant gave him the**

scroll from the prophet Isaiah. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

<sup>18</sup> *The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,  
because the Lord has anointed me.*

*He has sent me to preach good news to the poor,  
to proclaim release to the prisoners  
and recovery of sight to the blind,  
to liberate the oppressed,*

<sup>19</sup> *and to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor.*

<sup>20</sup> He rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the synagogue assistant, and sat down. Every eye in the synagogue was fixed on him. <sup>21</sup> He began to explain to them, "Today, this scripture has been fulfilled just as you heard it."

L: This is the Word of God for all people.

**P: Thanks be to God.**

MESSAGE

"Wait...you mean?"

HYMN

TFWS 224I The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE