

A surreal landscape featuring a path of small, light-colored pebbles that leads from the bottom center towards a bright, glowing light source. The light source is positioned between two large, dark, turbulent waves that appear to be crashing towards each other. The sky above is dark and filled with swirling, ethereal clouds and a soft, hazy glow. The overall atmosphere is one of hope and renewal.

New Year's Day

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Pre-service Devotion: *Proverbs 16:9*
A man's heart plans his way, But the LORD directs his steps.

..... SERVICE OF THE WORD

Opening Prayer

Invocation

P: We begin our worship in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

ALL: Amen!

Opening Hymn #123:1-4

"Our God, Our Help in Ages Past"

Responsive Reading

1 Peter 1:3-9

P: Blessed *be* the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,

C: who according to His abundant mercy has begotten us again to a living hope

P: through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,

C: to an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled and that does not fade away,

P: reserved in heaven for you, who are kept by the power of God through faith for salvation

C: ready to be revealed in the last time.

P: In this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while, if need be,

C: you have been grieved by various trials, that the genuineness of your faith,

P: *being* much more precious than gold that perishes, though it is tested by fire, may be found to praise, honor, and glory

C: at the revelation of Jesus Christ, whom having not seen you love.

P: Though now you do not see *Him*, yet believing,

C: you rejoice with joy inexpressible and full of glory,

P: receiving the end of your faith--

C: the salvation of *your* souls.

Hymns

Congregational Favorites

Responsive Reading

1 Peter 1:10-16

P: Of this salvation the prophets have inquired and searched carefully,

C: who prophesied of the grace *that would come* to you,

P: searching what, or what manner of time, the Spirit of Christ who was in them was indicating

C: when He testified beforehand the sufferings of Christ and the glories that would follow.

P: To them it was revealed that, not to themselves, but to us they were ministering

C: the things which now have been reported to you through those who have preached the gospel to you

P: by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven--

C: things which angels desire to look into.

P: Therefore gird up the loins of your mind, be sober,

C: and rest *your* hope fully upon the grace that is to be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ;

P: as obedient children, not conforming yourselves to the former lusts,

C: *as* in your ignorance;

P: but as He who called you *is* holy,

C: you also be holy in all *your* conduct,

P: because it is written,

C: "Be holy, for I am holy."

Responsive Reading

1 Peter 1:17-21

- P: And if you call on the Father, who without partiality judges according to each one's work,
 C: conduct yourselves throughout the time of your stay *here* in fear;
 P: knowing that you were not redeemed with corruptible things, *like* silver or gold,
 C: from your aimless conduct *received* by tradition from your fathers,
 P: but with the precious blood of Christ,
 C: as of a lamb without blemish and without spot.
 P: He indeed was foreordained before the foundation of the world,
 C: but was manifest in these last times for you
 P: who through Him believe in God, who raised Him from the dead and gave Him glory,
 C: so that your faith and hope are in God.

Responsive Reading

1 Peter 1:22-25

- P: Since you have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit
 C: in sincere love of the brethren, love one another fervently with a pure heart,
 P: having been born again, not of corruptible seed but incorruptible,
 C: through the word of God which lives and abides forever,
 P: because "All flesh *is* as grass, And all the glory of man as the flower of the grass.
 C: The grass withers, And its flower falls away,
 P: But the word of the LORD endures forever."
 C: Now this is the word which by the gospel was preached to you.

Responsive Reading

1 Peter 2:1-5

P: Therefore, laying aside all malice, all deceit, hypocrisy, envy, and all evil speaking,

C: as newborn babes, desire the pure milk of the word,

P: that you may grow thereby,

C: if indeed you have tasted that the Lord *is* gracious.

P: Coming to Him *as to* a living stone, rejected indeed by men,

C: but chosen by God *and* precious,

P: you also, as living stones, are being built up a spiritual house, a holy priesthood,

C: to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

Responsive Reading

1 Peter 2:6-10

P: Therefore it is also contained in the Scripture, "Behold, I lay in Zion A chief cornerstone, elect, precious,

C: And he who believes on Him will by no means be put to shame."

P: Therefore, to you who believe, *He* is precious; but to those who are disobedient,

C: The stone which the builders rejected Has become the chief cornerstone,"

P: and "A stone of stumbling And a rock of offense."

C: They stumble, being disobedient to the word, to which they also were appointed.

P: But you *are* a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people

C: that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light;

P: who once *were* not a people but *are* now the people of God,

C: who had not obtained mercy but now have obtained mercy.

Responsive Reading

1 Peter 2:21-25

P: For to this you were called, because Christ also suffered for us,

C: leaving us an example, that you should follow His steps:

P: Who committed no sin,

C: Nor was deceit found in His mouth";

P: who, when He was reviled, did not revile in return;

C: when He suffered, He did not threaten, but committed *Himself* to Him who judges righteously;

P: who Himself bore our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, having died to sins,

C: might live for righteousness-- by whose stripes you were healed.

P: For you were like sheep going astray,

C: but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

Sermon: Acts 14:22

Pastor Joe Naumann

"We must through many tribulations enter the kingdom of God."

THROUGH

The Offertory

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from Your presence, and take not Your Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Your salvation; and uphold me with Your free spirit. Amen.

New Year's Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

The Benediction

C: ♪ Amen. Amen. Amen.

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SERVING US TODAY

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THANK YOU for joining us for today's service. We welcome everyone to join us in our ongoing study of God's Word and ask that any visitors would sign our guest book in the narthex. We pray that the message of the Christ-child has given you peace and purpose for the coming year!



Favorite Hymn Ideas

The Lutheran Hymnal

- 1 Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty
- 15 From All that Dwell Below the Skies
- 19 All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above
- 23 Hallelujah! Let Praises Ring
- 39 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty
- 46 On What Has Now Been Sown
- 47 Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name
- 53 Abide, O Dearest Jesus
- 118 Father, Let Me Dedicate
- 144 Jesus, Grant that Balm and Healing
- 153 Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted
- 187 Christ is Arisen
- 199 Jesus Christ is Risen Today, Alleluia!
- 200 I Know that My Redeemer Lives
- 212 A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing
- 245 God Loved the Word so that He Gave
- 266 O God, Our Lord, Thy Holy Word
- 279 Today Thy Mercy Calls Us
- 297 The Gospel Shows the Father's Grace
- 341 Crown Him with Many Crowns
- 342 Chief of Sinners Though I Be
- 370 My Hope is Built On Nothing Less
- 371 Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness
- 376 Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me
- 381 I Know My Faith is Founded
- 387 Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice
- 388 Just as I Am, without One Plea
- 400 Take My Life and Let It Be
- 410 Jesus, Lead Thou On
- 416 Oh, that the Lord Would Guide My Ways
- 422 Savior, I Follow On
- 428 I Am Trusting Thee, Lord Jesus
- 436 The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want
- 463 For All the Saints
- 465 Christ Is Our Cornerstone
- 473 The Church's One Foundation
- 496 Hark! the Voice of Jesus Crying
- 552 Abide with Me, Fast Fall the Eventide
- 558 All Praise to Thee, My God, This Night
- 574 Come, Ye Thankful People, Come
- 577 God Bless Our Native Land
- 648 I Am Jesus' Little Lamb
- 651 Be Still, My Soul
- 652 I Lay My Sins on Jesus

- 656 Behold a Host, Arrayed in White
- 657 Beautiful Savior
- 658 Onward, Christian Soldiers
- 660 I'm But a Stranger Here

Worship Supplement 2000

- 706 Go Tell It On The Mountain
- 709 God Loves Me Dearly
- 710 Once in Royal David's City
- 712 What Child is This
- 715 Where Shepherds Lately Knelt
- 721 Cross of Jesus, Cross of Sorrow
- 722 Deep Were His Wounds
- 723 What Wondrous Love Is This
- 724 Jesus, Remember Me
- 732 Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds
- 738 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!
- 742 Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven
- 744 How Great Thou Art
- 750 See This Wonder in the Making
- 751 God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It
- 755 What Is This Bread
- 757 Christ Triumphant
- 759 These Are the Facts
- 760 Oh, Love, How Deep
- 764 God of Grace and God of Glory
- 767 Church of God, Elect and Glorious
- 769 Lift High the Cross
- 771 Listen, God Is Calling
- 774 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God
- 775 Thy Strong Word
- 777 Amazing Grace
- 780 Dear Lord, to Your True Servants Give
- 784 Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me
- 785 Children of the Heavenly Father
- 790 Your Love, O God, Has Called Us Here
- 792 Let All Things Now Living
- 794 Jerusalem, Jerusalem
- 798 God, We Praise You
- 799 This Is the Feast of Victory
- 800 Go My Children, with My Blessing