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PRAISE SONGS

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WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor

WELCOMING OF GUESTS

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PASSING THE PEACE

CALL TO WORSHIP / CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER Liturgist

(Based on Hebrews 12:1-2, NRSV)

Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and the sin that clings so closely and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith. Amen

\*HYMN OF PRAISE The Church's One Foundation (v.1-5)
UMH #545

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: The Nicene Creed Liturgist

I believe in one God, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all ages; Light of Light, true God of true God, begotten, not created, of one essence with the Father through Whom all things were made. Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became man. He was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate, and suffered and was buried; And He rose on the third day, according to the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father; And He will come again with glory to judge the living and dead. His kingdom shall have no end.

And in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the Creator of life, Who proceeds from the Father, Who together with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, Who spoke through the prophets.

In one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church.

I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the age to come. Amen.

\*GLORIA PATRI Screen

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Psalms 25:14-15 (NKJV) Liturgist The secret of the LORD is with those who fear Him, And He will show them His covenant.  $^{15}$  My eyes are ever toward the LORD, For He shall pluck my feet out of the net.

Liturgist: This is the word of God for the people of God.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S SERMON Pastor

CHILDREN'S PRAYER

Dear Jesus, sometimes life is difficult. Help us to keep our eyes on you and to run the race that is before us. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

NEW TESTAMENT READING: Hebrews 12:1-2 (NKJV) Liturgist

Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares *us*, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, <sup>2</sup> looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of *our* faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

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MISSION MOMENT

## PRESENTATION OF PRAYERS AND PRAISE

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If you have a prayer need or praise that you would like to share with the congregation, please fill out a card and pass it toward the center aisle of the congregation as we are singing the Hymn of Preparation. The pastor will collect the cards during the song and pray over the cards at the chancel rail.

\*HYMN OF PREPARATION UMH #395

Take Time to Be Holy (v. 1-4)

SERMON ANTHEM

Of the Father's Love Begotten

Special Music

PASTORAL PRAYER Pastor

**SERMON** 

Pastor

Title: "Christianity's Family Tree: Orthodoxy (Mystery, Liturgy, and Tradition)"

Theme: Denominations within the Christian Faith

**Purpose**: To understand that the various forms of worship within the various denominations of Christianity should not be seen or used as a divisive measure within Christendom.

RECEIVING OF TITHES AND SACRIFICES (Celebrating Our Gifts)

## OFFERTRORY PRAYER

God of all generations, as we worship today, we offer our whole selves to you, all that we have and all that we are. Like your saints who have gone before us, we pray that you will help us be bold in our mission and in our witness. May we who have been given so much give freely, ministering in your compassion to the multitudes near to us and far from us; so that one day we may stand amidst the multitude that gathers at your heavenly throne. We pray this in the name of our Savior and Redeemer, Christ our Lord. Amen.

**COLLECTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS** 

OFFERTORY SONG Special Music

If You Believe

\*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, From Whom All

**Blessings** 

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**HOLY** 

COMMUNION Insert

\*HYMN OF CELEBRATION 4) UMH #121 There's a Wideness in God's Mercy (v.1-

\*COMMISION

BENEDICTION

Pastor

Brothers and sisters, since we are surrounded by such a huge crowd of witnesses, each of whom lived a life of faith in God, let us lay aside every weight that slows us down, especially the sin that so easily hinders our progress. And let us run with endurance the race that God has set before us, keeping our eyes on Jesus Christ, on whom our faith depends from start to finish. And may the peace of God, the love of Jesus Christ, and the presence of the Holy Spirit, be among us and within us as we go...and all of God's children said... Amen.

\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

Love and

Fellowship

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**POSTLUDE** 

The flowers are given to the Glory of God in honor of the birthdays of my mother, Eunice Israel, and my son, Trey Cayson,

by Janet Cayson

