December 6th, 2020

We Remember // Call to Worship

My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for he took notice of his humble servant

He who is mighty has done great things for me, and holy is his name.

And his mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation.

We Repent // Confession

Holy Lord, in this time of Advent, we confess we often are distracted by the season's busyness, by the stress of commitment, and even by putting our own traditions ahead of the true meaning of Christmas.

We confess we also often prefer being sentimental to being sacrificial.

Forgive us for all the times we have missed seeing You in our midst, for all the times we have doubted Your presence, and for all the times we have failed to hold the holidays as holy days. **Pour peace into our lives and let us be bearers of Your peace to others.**

Remind us that this is a season of waiting and preparation for the greatest Gift of all. In the holy Name of our Savior, Jesus, we pray. Amen

The gospel is this: We are more sinful and flawed in ourselves than we ever dared believe, yet at the very same time we are more loved and accepted in Jesus Christ than we ever dared hope." (Timothy Keller)

We believe that we are deeply loved and accepted in Jesus Christ.

"For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life." (John 3:16)

We believe and although we fall short, we hold tight to His Word. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

We Receive // Message This week's passage: Matthew 1:18-25 (NLT)

We Respond // Music & Communion

- ♦ Giving of offering
- ♦ Singing in thanksgiving

♦ Prayer

♦ Communion

We Remain // Closing Blessing

1 Timothy 6:15b-16

He who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords, who alone has immortality, who dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see.

To him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

Great Are You Lord

by Leslie Jordan and David Leonard

VERSE

You give life, You are love You bring light to the darkness You give hope, You restore Every heart that is broken Great are You, Lord

CHORUS

It's Your breath in our lungs
So we pour out our praise, we pour out our praise
It's Your breath in our lungs
So we pour out our praise to You only

VERSE

CHORUS (x2)

BRIDGE (x3)

All the earth will shout Your praise Our hearts will cry, these bones will sing Great are You, Lord

CHORUS (x2)

Jesus Paid It All

by John Thomas Grape, Elvina M. Hall, and Alex Nifong

VERSE 1

I hear the Savior say
Thy strength indeed is small
Child of weakness watch and pray
Find in Me thine all in all

CHORUS

Jesus paid it all

All to Him I owe

Sin had left a crimson stain
He washed it white as snow

VERSE 2

Lord now indeed I find Thy power and Thine alone Can change the leper's spots And melt the heart of stone

CHORUS

VERSE 3

And when before the throne I stand in Him complete Jesus died my soul to save My lips shall still repeat

CHORUS

BRIDGE (x3)

O praise the One who paid my debt And raised this life up from the dead

CHORUS