



"The Light of the World"  
DR. TIM BRUSTER  
John 8:12

Sanctuary Service  
11:00 am  
March 8, 2020

## Welcome

DR. TIM BRUSTER, SENIOR PASTOR

## Prelude: Celtic Grace

Susan E. Geschke, arranger  
Fifth Street Bells, Alison Haygood, director  
Procession Leaders: Jackson McCollum, Maezey Graham, Winston Murrey,  
Ethan Terry

## Choral Call to Worship

### \*Call to Worship

DR. MIKE MARSHALL, ASSOCIATE PASTOR

One: We come seeking Jesus, the Light of the world!

**All: Shine in our hearts Lord Jesus!**

One: The LORD is my light and my salvation.

**All: Shine in our hearts Lord Jesus!**

One: The LORD is the stronghold of my life.

**All: Shine in our hearts Lord Jesus!**

One: Jesus said "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life."

**All: Shine in our hearts Lord Jesus!**

### \*Hymn 173: Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies

Sung to For the Beauty of the Earth

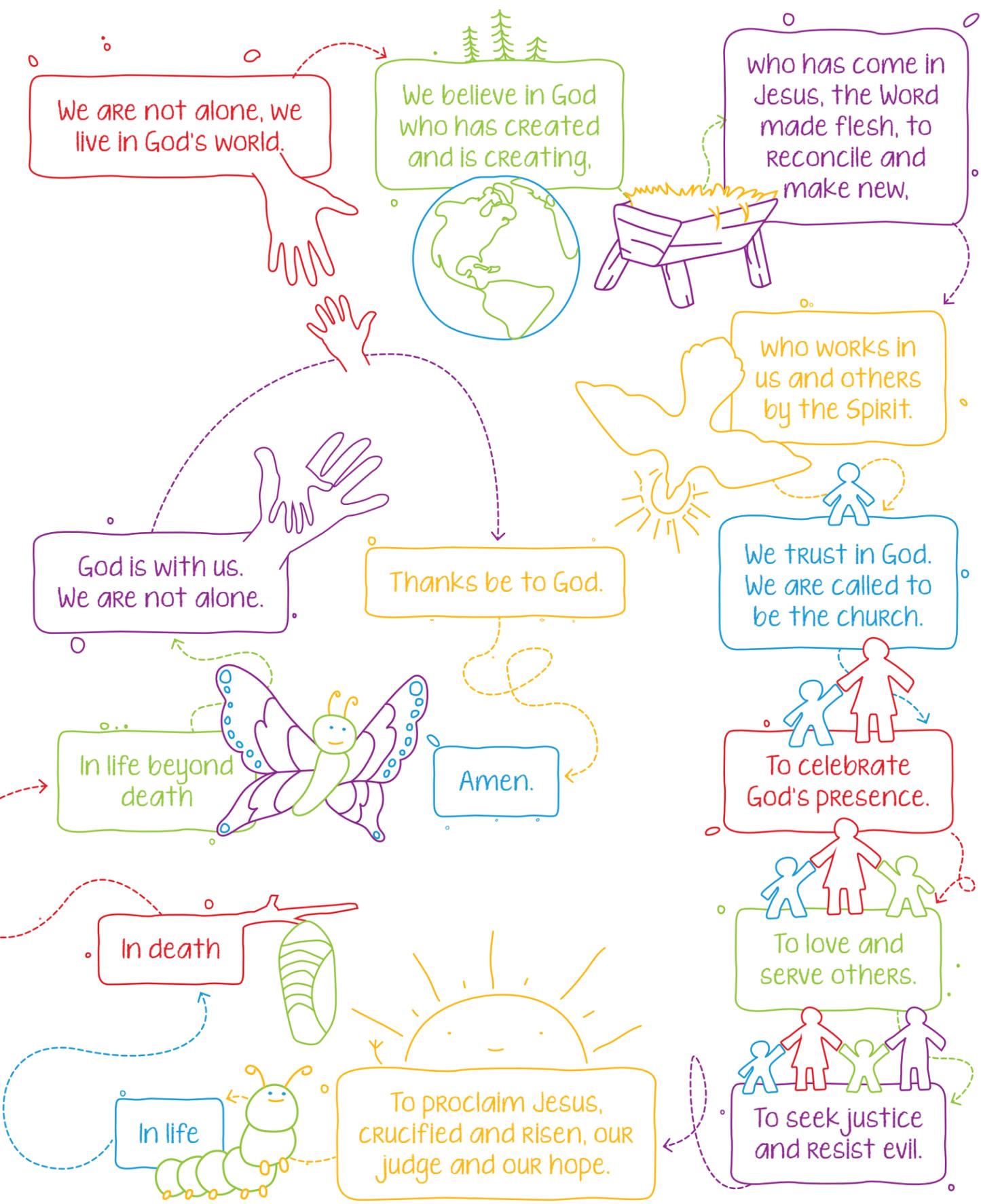
**Christ, whose glory fills the skies, Christ, the true, the only light,  
Sun of Righteousness, arise, triumph o'er the shades of night;  
Dayspring from on high, be near; Daystar, in my heart appear.**

**Dark and cheerless is the morn unaccompanied by thee;  
joyless is the day's return, till thy mercy's beams I see;  
till they inward light impart, cheer my eyes and warm my heart.**

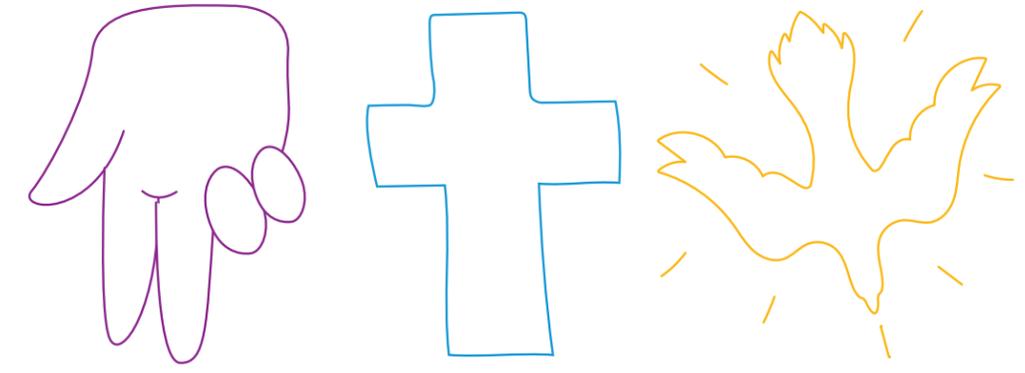
**Visit then this soul of mine; pierce the gloom of sin and grief;  
fill me, Radiance divine, scatter all my unbelief;  
more and more thyself display, shining to the perfect day.**



# \*Affirmation of Faith



\*Gloria Patri  
 Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;



Gloria Patri means "Glory to the Father." This short hymn of praise has been sung by Christians for many centuries.

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

Please be seated. Ushers will assist in seating at this time.

Scripture: John 8:12  
 God speaks to us through the reading of scripture.  
 Thanks be to God.

Faith Like a Child  
 Dr. Mike, Interim Children's Director  
 Catherine and Louise Katri, helpers

Announcements

\*Passing the Peace

Hymn: Shine, Jesus Shine  
 Congregation will sing the refrain. Dr. Sara Pepper will sing the verses.  
**Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory, blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire; flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy, send forth your word, Lord, and let there be light.**



Scripture: Each week we read from the Bible – the book of God's love. Its words can inspire you, comfort you, teach you, and challenge you to be your best self – a true servant of God.

You can listen as the scripture is read, or... Find a Bible nearby, look up the scripture, and follow along.

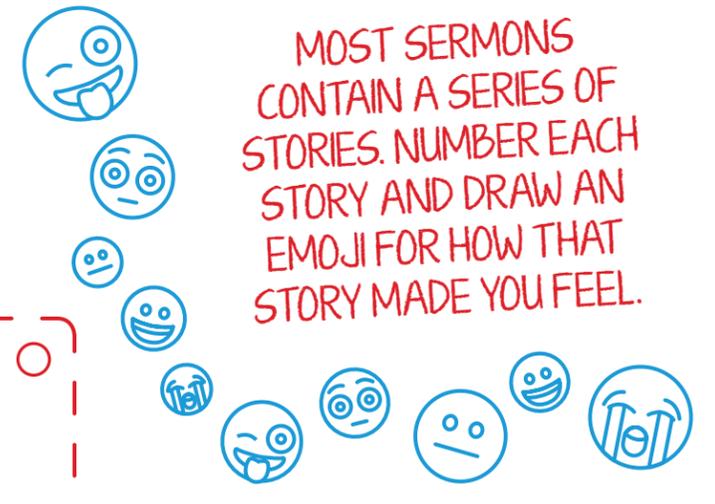


Sermon Snips:  
You don't have to "just sit there." Choose one of the sermon snips and let it guide you as you take your relationship with God to the next level.



# The Light of the World

MOST SERMONS CONTAIN A SERIES OF STORIES. NUMBER EACH STORY AND DRAW AN EMOJI FOR HOW THAT STORY MADE YOU FEEL.



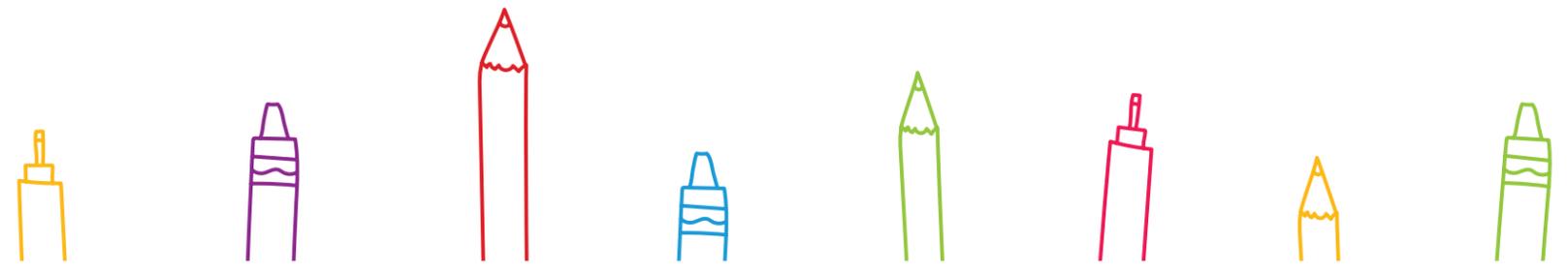
If the sermon is about a Bible hero, think of the person in your life who is most like that hero. Write about that person, or make an illustration.



Did you just hear something you disagree with? Argue about it.

Listen. What is something you hear that gives you a sense of wonder? Of peace? Of hope?

Did the sermon remind you of a story from your life? Write about that story... or illustrate it.



Pastoral Prayer

The 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.

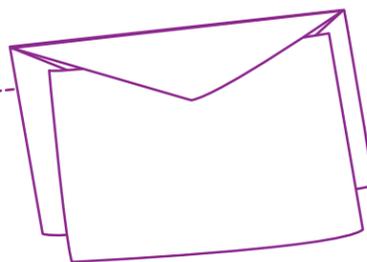
Give us this day our daily bread.

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, forever. Amen.

Many years after Jesus went to heaven, the early church added this part of the prayer. Hold the prayer cross close to your heart as you say this part.



A Time of Giving

Offertory: Give Me Jesus

Lloyd Larson, arranger

Find the offering envelope in your worship kit. Write your first and last name on the envelope, then put in the money you plan to give to the church. Place the envelope in the offering plate. Every dollar makes a difference!

\*Doxology 95

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

\*Invitation to Christian Discipleship

\*Hymn 188: Christ is the World's Light

Christ is the world's Light He and none other Born in our darkness He became our Brother If we have seen Him we have seen the Father Glory to God on high

Christ is the world's Peace He and none other No man can serve Him and despise his brother Who else unites us one in God the Father Glory to God on high

Christ is the world's Life He and none other Sold once for silver murdered here our Brother He who redeems us reigns with God the Father Glory to God on high

Give God the glory God and none other Give God the glory Spirit Son and Father Give God the glory God in man my Brother Glory to God on high

\*Words of Assurance (Matthew 5:16)

"...let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven."

\*Benediction

One: Our gathering will soon be ended. Where will we go, and what will we do? All: We will go out to be God's people in the world. One: May grace, peace, hope, love, and joy forever accompany you. Amen.

\*Congregational Benediction: Shine, Jesus Shine

Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory, blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire; flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy, send forth your word, Lord, and let there be light.

\*Postlude: Christus, der uns selig macht

Christ, Who Makes Us Blessed

Johann Sebastian Bach, composer

How are you going to be one of God's people in the world this week?



# WORSHIP KIT

↪ INSIDE YOU WILL FIND ↪

## TREASURES OF NATURE BOX

One of the best ways we can experience God's power and love is by cherishing God's handiwork in the wonders of nature. Carefully open the box and discover what treasures wait inside.

## BLANK CARD

You can use the pencil and crayons to make a *Thank You* note for someone in the Sanctuary who helped make worship feel special to you. It could be a parent, a minister, a choir member, an usher, or someone in the next pew who gave you a friendly wave. After the service, ask your parents to take you to hand-deliver the card.

## ANOINTING BALM

Use the anointing balm to bless a friend or family member sitting next to you. Rub a tiny bit of the balm on your thumb and trace the sign of the cross on your neighbor's forehead or back of the hand (whichever they prefer). As you do this, say a simple blessing, such as "God bless you." (It's not just for sneezes.) Or, for a longer blessing, you could say:

*You are a special person.  
God loves you, and so do I.  
Bless you.*

And don't forget to allow your neighbor the privilege of getting to bless you.

## PIPE STEMS

There are so many things you can do with pipe stems. You could:

- Listen to the sermon and sculpt an object you hear mentioned.
- Shape them in the initials of someone you'd like to pray for.
- Look around the Sanctuary and sculpt something you see.
- Sculpt a flower and give it to a family member.
- Make a friendship bracelet and give it to a friend, or to a new member.

## PRAYER CROSS

The cross is such a powerful symbol of God's love and hope. Anytime is a good time to hold on to the cross. See inside the bulletin for how to use the prayer cross during the Lord's Prayer.

## TANGLE

Listen to a piece of music or a Bible story and mold the tangle to show how it makes you feel.

Does it make you feel:

- Open and ready for God's presence?
- Tangled and confused?
- Wrapped snugly and securely?
- Calm like a gentle stream?
- Not sure?

## PENCIL AND CRAYONS

Use these to write notes in your bulletin, draw a prayer, illustrate a story you hear in the sermon, or even ask hard questions.

## CLOTH FIGURE

Here are just a few things you can do with the cloth figure:

- Have it act out the events in the Bible story.
- Help it read the bulletin.
- Gently hold it the way God is holding you right now.

## EYE SPY CARD AND TELESCOPE

Use the Eye Spy card to identify some of the many meaningful objects and symbols in our Sanctuary. Use the telescope to help you explore.

