

As a family of believers called together in hope through the life of Christ, let us now affirm our faith with the words of the Apostles' Creed.

A: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

OFFERING – Music by Team

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

(COMMUNION)

***BENEDICTION (2 Thess. 2:16-17, Romans 15:13)**

***CLOSING SONG**

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***We put our hope in the Lord.
He is our help and our shield.
- Psalm 33:20***

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PRELUDE – Music by Team

T = TEAM A = ALL *STAND AS ABLE

CALL TO WORSHIP

*OPENING SONG

Praise the Father, Praise the Son

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INTRODUCTIONS

LITANY OF GATHERING (© Jacob's Porch, 2009)

T: Why have you come? What do you wish to see?

A: We wish to see a new way, see hope reborn, to see what we know in our hearts but do not always see with our eyes.

T: Where does this exist? How do you know it is here?

A: We know that wherever two or more are gathered in the name of Jesus, God is there. We know that when we love one another, God becomes visible.

T: How do you know it is true? How can you trust such a thing?

A: It seems too good, too big, too wide, too far out to be true. But the ache in my bones, the itch in my doubt, the craving of my soul I cannot ignore. I cannot prove it; I just know it to be true.

T: What now? What do we do now?

A: We sing.

*SONG OF PRAISE

OLD TESTAMENT READING – Isaiah 40:27-31

CONFESSION

Hosanna

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T: Most merciful God...

A: We confess to You that our hearts are hard and our sin is great.

WOMEN: We have put our hope in earthly things instead of in You.

MEN: We have desired the ways of the world over the ways of Your Kingdom.

T: Forgive us Lord,

A: We put our hope in You as we sing...

Verse 1

*I see the King of Glory
Coming on the clouds
with fire
The whole earth shakes
The whole earth shakes*

Verse 2

*I see His Love and Mercy
Washing over all our sin
The people sing
The people sing*

Chorus

*Hosanna, hosanna
Hosanna in the highest
Hosanna, hosanna
Hosanna in the highest*

T: Most merciful God,

A: We confess that we have put ourselves before You and others.

WOMEN: We have allowed pride to rule our hearts.

MEN: We have lost sight of sharing Your glory.

T: Forgive us Lord,

A: We put our hope in You as we sing...

Verse 3

*I see a generation
Rising up to take
their place
With selfless faith
With selfless faith*

Verse 4

*I see a near revival
Stirring as we pray
and seek
We're on our knees
We're on our knees*

Chorus

*Hosanna, hosanna
Hosanna in the highest
Hosanna, hosanna
Hosanna in the highest*

T: Most merciful God,

A: We confess that we have grown impatient in faith.

WOMEN: We seek truth in places that are not of You.

MEN: We take advantage of Your unconditional grace.

T: Forgive us Lord,

A: Renew our hope as we sing to You...

Chorus

*Hosanna, hosanna
Hosanna in the highest
Hosanna, hosanna
Hosanna in the highest*

Bridge

*Heal my heart and make
it clean
Open up my eyes to the
things unseen
Show me how to love like
You have loved me*

*Break my heart for what
breaks Yours
Everything I am for Your
Kingdom's cause
As I walk from earth into
eternity*

(Repeat Chorus)

NEW TESTAMENT READING – Romans 5:1-5

GOSPEL READING – Luke 24:13-27

CHILDREN'S SERMON

MESSAGE

*MESSAGE RESPONSE SONG

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

T: "Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In His great mercy He has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead!" (1 Peter 1:3).