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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TEMPLE TALK—Dr. Debbie Cottrell, Texas Lutheran University President

OPENING CELEBRATION

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

GATHERING SONG: “10,000 Reasons”

Bless the Lord oh my soul, oh my soul
Worship His Holy name
Sing like never before, oh my soul
I'll worship Your Holy name

—

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning
It's time to sing Your song again
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me
Let me be singing when the evening comes

—

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger
Your name is great and Your heart is kind
For all Your goodness I will keep on singing
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find

—

And on that day when my strength is failing
The end draws near and my time has come
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending
Ten thousand years and then forevermore

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty and most merciful God, your bountiful goodness fills all creation. Keep us safe from all that may hurt us, that, whole and well in body and spirit, we may with grateful hearts accomplish all that you would have us do, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING—Matthew 5:38-48

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

RESPONSE SONG: “This is Amazing Grace”

Who breaks the power of sin and darkness?
Whose love is mighty and so much stronger?
The King of glory, the King above all kings
Who shakes the whole earth with holy thunder?
And leaves us breathless in awe and wonder?
The King of glory, the King above all kings

—

This is amazing grace, this is unfailing love
That You would take my place
That You would bear my cross
You laid down Your life that I would be set free
Oh, Jesus, I sing for
All that You've done for me

—

Who brings our chaos back into order?
Who makes the orphans a son and daughter?
The King of glory, the King of glory
Who rules the nations with truth and justice
Shines like the sun in all of its brilliance
The King of glory, the King above all kings

—

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain
Worthy is the King who conquered the grave
(Repeat)

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Let us affirm our faith through the words of the Apostles' Creed.

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, 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 the dead. On the third day he rose from the dead, ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty. From there he shall come 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.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Each petition will end with "Hear us, O God." and the congregational response is "Your mercy is great."

The prayers conclude: "With grateful hearts we commend our spoken and silent prayers to you, O God; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen."

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

OFFERING SONG: "Create in Me a Clean Heart"

Create in me a clean heart, oh God
And renew a right spirit within me
Create in me a clean heart, oh God
And renew a right spirit within me
—

Cast me not away from Thy presence, oh Lord
And take not Thy holy spirit from me
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation
And renew a right spirit within me

OFFERING PRAYER

COMMUNION

COMMUNION SONG: "One Thing Remains"

Higher than the mountains that I face
Stronger than the power of the grave
Constant in the trial and the change
This one thing remains
—

Your love never fails
It never gives up
It never runs out on me
Your love never fails
It never gives up
It never runs out on me
Your love never fails
It never gives up
It never runs out on me
Your love, it's Your love...

And on and on and on and on it goes
It overwhelms and satisfies my soul
And I never, ever have to be afraid
This one thing remains
This one thing remains
—

In death, in life
I'm confident and covered by
The power of Your great love
My debt is paid
There's nothing that can separate
My heart from Your great love

PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING

God of the abundant table, you have refreshed our hearts in this meal with bread for the journey.

Give us your grace on the road that we might serve our neighbors with joy; for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

BLESSING

SENDING SONG: "The Blessing"

The Lord bless you and keep you
Make His face shine upon you
And be gracious to you
The Lord turn His face toward you
And give you peace

—

Amen, amen, amen
Amen, amen, amen

—

May His favor be upon you
And a thousand generations
And your family and your children
And their children, and their children

—

May His presence go before you
And behind you, and beside you
All around you, and within you
He is with you, He is with you

—

In the morning, in the evening
In your coming, and your going
In your weeping, and rejoicing
He is for you, He is for you

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God! (And we will!)

The campus ministry students of Texas Lutheran University are thrilled to be able to worship with you at First Lutheran Church of San Marcos today! Thank you for having us, and for your continued support of the young adults of the church!