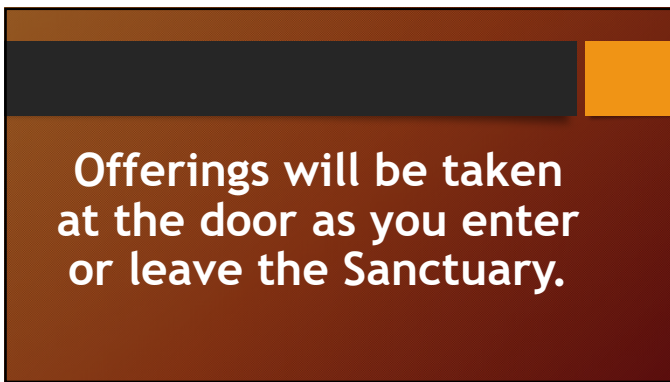




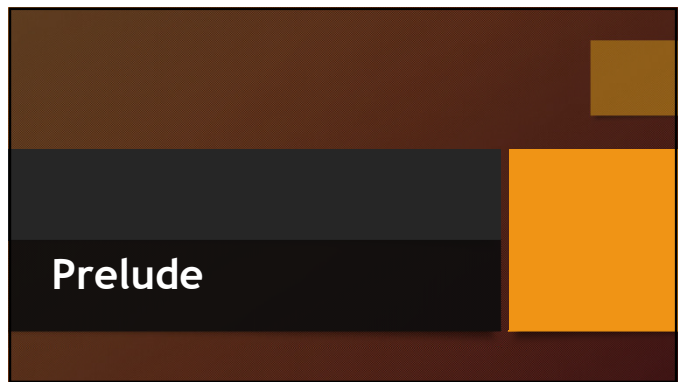
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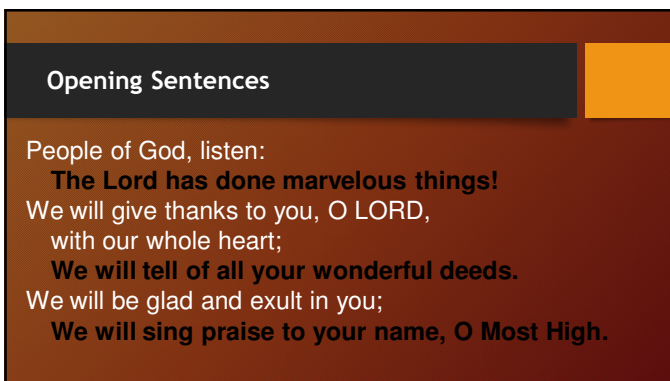
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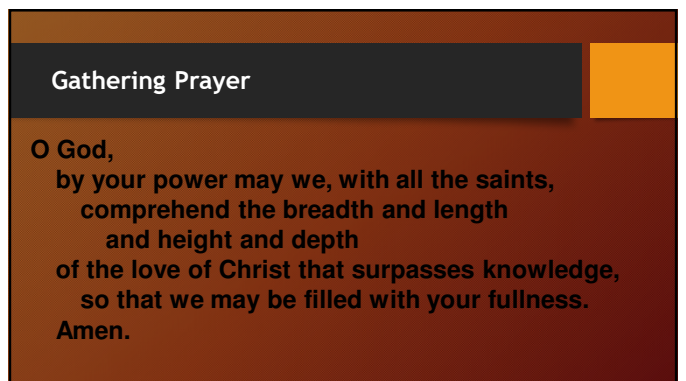
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Call to Confession

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Beloved, we are called to live in right relationship with God by loving one another. Please join me in a time of confession for humanity followed by a time of silent, personal confession.

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Prayer of Confession

**Holy and gracious God,
 you are our strength and our delight;
 you give us all we need to live.
 Yet we are distracted by all that glitters,
 continually grasping for more.
 Rather than trust in your provision,
 we chase after our own happiness.**

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Prayer of Confession

**Forgive us, Lord,
 and turn us back to you.
 Overwhelm us with your goodness
 and cover us with grace,
 for we know that you are the source of life,
 the fount of all that is good.**

Silent, personal confession

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Assurance of Pardon

...In the name of Jesus Christ, we pray. **Amen.**

Hear the good news: Nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus. Friends, believe the good news of the gospel...

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

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Grateful Response

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
 and to the Holy Ghost;
 as it was in the beginning,
 is now, and ever shall be,
 world without end. Amen, amen.**

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Passing the Peace

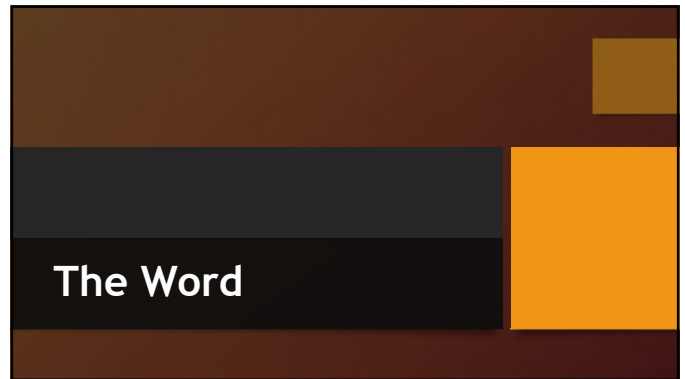
The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ
 be with you all.
And also with you.

*Please stand in place greet each other,
 "Peace be with you."
 with an air hug or a namaste bow.*

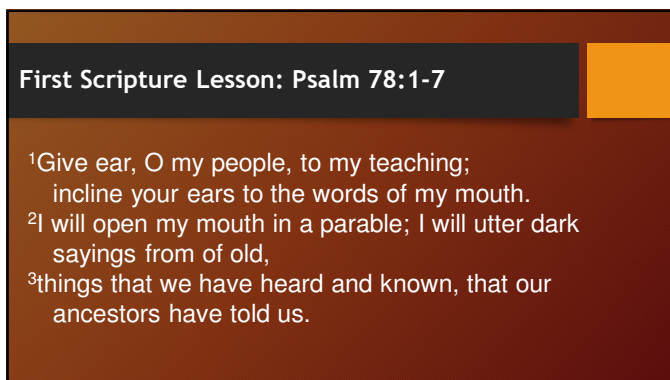
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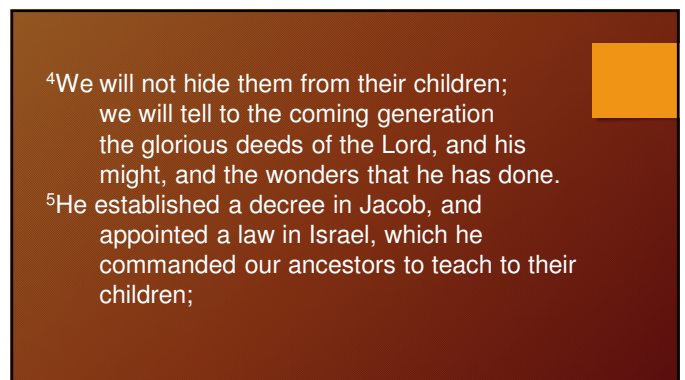
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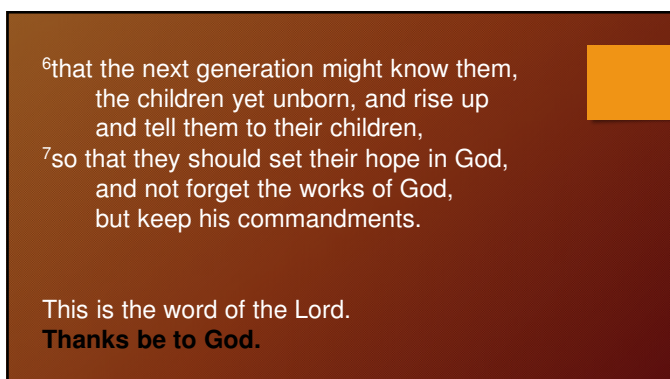
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Scripture Lesson: Matthew 25:1-13

(Jesus said,) “Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. ²Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. ³When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; ⁴but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. ⁵As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. ⁶But at midnight there was

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a shout, ‘Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.’ ⁷Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. ⁸The foolish said to the wise, ‘Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.’ ⁹But the wise replied, ‘No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.’ ¹⁰And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him

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into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. ¹¹Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, ‘Lord, lord, open to us.’ ¹²But he replied, ‘Truly I tell you, I do not know you.’ ¹³Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.

This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

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Sermon *A Theology of Unpredictability*

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Affirmation of Faith *“A Brief Statement of Faith”*

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**We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human,
 fully God.**

**Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:
 preaching good news to the poor
 and release to the captives,
 teaching by word and deed
 and blessing the children, healing the sick
 and binding up the brokenhearted,
 eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners,
 and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.**

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Unjustly condemned for blasphemy
and sedition,
Jesus was crucified,
suffering the depths of human pain
and giving his life for the sins of the world.

God raised this Jesus from the dead,
vindicating his sinless life,
breaking the power of sin and evil,
delivering us from death to life eternal.

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With believers in every time and place,
we rejoice that nothing in life
or in death
can separate us
from the love of God
in Christ Jesus our Lord.
Amen.

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Hymn

"The Summons"

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¹ Will you come and follow me
if I but call your name?
**Will you go where you don't know
and never be the same?**
Will you let my love be shown,
will you let my name be known,
**Will you let my life be grown
in you and you in me?**

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² Will you leave yourself behind
if I but call your name?
**Will you care for cruel and kind
and never be the same?**
Will you risk the hostile stare
should your life attract or scare?
**Will you let me answer prayer
in you and you in me?**

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³ Will you let the blinded see
if I but call your name?
**Will you set the prisoners free
and never be the same?**
Will you kiss the leper clean
and do such as this unseen,
**And admit to what I mean
in you and you in me?**

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4 Will you love the “you” you hide
if I but call your name?
**Will you quell the fear inside
and never be the same?**
Will you use the faith you’ve found
to reshape the world around
**Through my sight and touch and
sound in you and you in me?**

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5 Lord, your summons echoes true
when I but call your name!
**Let me turn and follow you
and never be the same.**
In your company I’ll go
where your love and footsteps show.
**Thus I’ll move and live and grow
in you and you in me.**

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Prayers of the People

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The Lord’s Prayer

...Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as
in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive
us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from
evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are
yours now and forever. Amen.

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Blessing

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Postlude

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Offerings will be taken at
the door as you enter or
leave the Sanctuary.

See you next week!