



PRELUDE *Awake, Awake, and Greet the New Morn*
Composer: Marty Haugen
- David Little, piano

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP—based on Philippians 2:1-11

Let the same mind be in us that was in Christ Jesus,
who, though he was in the form of God, did not
regard equality with God as something to be exploited.

**Instead, he emptied himself,
taking the form of a servant,
being born in human likeness.**

He humbled himself and became obedient
to the point of death—even death on a cross.

**Therefore, let us worship with humility
and praise the name that is above every name.**

HYMN #263 *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name*

PRAYER OF PRAISE—based on Psalm 113

Creator of the universe, triune God,
we give thanks to you with our whole hearts,
for your glory is above the heavens;

**from the rising of the sun to it setting,
we will praise the name of the Lord!**

You raise the poor from the dust and
lift the needy from the ash heap,
transforming them with glory and honor;

**from the rising of the sun to it setting,
we will praise the name of the Lord!**

You bring fruitfulness from barrenness
and give homes to the solitary;

**from the rising of the sun to it setting,
we will praise the name of the Lord!**

Who is like our God, the One
who looks upon us with care
and compassion?

**from the rising of the sun to it setting,
we will praise the name of the Lord!**

RESPONSE #265 *Jesus Shall Reign*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND REFLECTION

Eternal Light,

shine into our hearts;

eternal Goodness,

deliver us from evil;

eternal Power,

be our strength;

eternal Wisdom,

scatter the darkness of our ignorance;

eternal Love,

**have mercy upon us,
that with all our heart and mind
and strength we may love you
and be brought by your mercy
into a spacious place of healing and hope,
justice and peace.**

(silent prayer and reflection)

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Jesus said,

*"You shall know the truth,
and the truth shall set you free."*

Dear friends, hear the truth:
in Jesus Christ we are loved unconditionally.
Leave the past behind; it is forgiven.
Embrace the new future Christ offers.
Live freely and lightly and lovingly,
in Jesus' name.

Thanks be to God!

PASSING THE PEACE

HYMN #316 *Where Charity and Love Prevail*

SCRIPTURE READINGS 2Corinthians 4:5-7
Philippians 2:1-15

MESSAGE Shining Like Stars

HYMN #749 *Come, Live in the Light*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our debts,
as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For yours is the kingdom,
and the power,
and the glory
now and forever. Amen.

HYMN #767 *Together We Serve*

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Love Divine, All Love Excelling*
Text: Charles Wesley
Music: Rowland Hugh Prichard
- Ian Alvarez, chimes solo