Hymn: TLH #296

"Speak, O Lord, Thy Servant Hear"

- + The Offering of Thankful Hearts +
 - + The Lord's Prayer +
 - + The Benediction +
- Hymn: TLH #85:13-15 "From Heaven Above to Earth I Come"



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Song of	Silence of	Song of	Silence	Song of Zechariah	Silence	Song of
Elizabeth	Zechariah	Mary	of Mary	Zechariah	of Satan	Angels

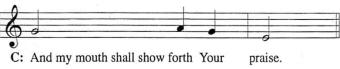
+ Opening Prayer +

Hymn: TLH #323

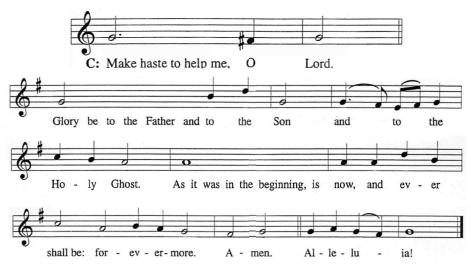
"With Broken Heart and Contrite Sigh"

P In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
 C Amen.

P O Lord, open Thou my lips.



P Make haste, O God, to deliver me.



Confession of Sins

God has no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but desires that sinners repent, turn from their wicked ways, and live.

Ezek. 33:11

- Teach me, and I will be silent; make me understand how I have gone astray."
 Job 6:24
- Image: "None is righteous, no, not one; no one understands; no one seeks for God. All have turned aside; together they have become worthless; no one does good, not even one."

Rom. 3:10-12

- I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight."
 Ps. 51:3-4
- Desus declared: "I am the resurrection and the Life. He who believes in Me, though he die, yet shall he live, and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?"
- "Yes, we believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, who is coming into the world."

Confession of Sins

- The Lord has put away your sin; you shall not die." "In Jesus we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace."
- C Thanks be to God!

2 Sam. 12:13; Eph. 1:7

RESPONSE

Tune of WS #761

C A My soul rejoices, My spirit voices— Sing the greatness of the Lord! For God my Savior Has shown me favor— Sing the greatness of the Lord! With praise and blessing, Join in confessing God, who is solely Mighty and holy— O sing the greatness of God the Lord! His mercy surely Shall rest securely On all who fear Him, Love and revere Him— O sing the greatness of God the Lord!

His arm now baring, His strength declaring— Sing the greatness of the Lord! The proud He scatters, Their rule He shatters— Sing the greatness of the Lord! Oppression halted; The meek exalted. Full are the hungry; Empty, the wealthy— O sing the greatness of God the Lord! Here is the token All that was spoken, To Abr'ham's offspring God is fulfilling— O sing the greatness of God the Lord!

Philippians 4:4-9

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice. ⁵ Let your reasonableness be

known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; ⁶ do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication

with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.⁷ And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. ⁸ Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. ⁹ What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me-- practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.

Confession of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

We boldly confess what God has taught us to believe.

I BELIEVE...

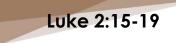
in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into Heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the Holy Christian Church, the Communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Hymn: TLH #94:1-2

"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"



When the angels went away from them into heaven, the shepherds said to one

another, "Let us go over to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has made known to us." ¹⁶ And they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby lying in a manger. ¹⁷ And when they saw it, they made known the saying that had been told them concerning this child. ¹⁸ And all who heard it wondered at what the shepherds told them. ¹⁹ But Mary treasured up all these things, pondering them in her heart.