

# LITURGY & SONGS – January 17, 2021

# Call to Worship:

### Leader:

God of all knowledge, you are the light of the world piercing through all that is concealed. Nothing is hidden from your gaze and no one is too far from your light's reach. Whoever follows you will not walk in darkness but will have the light of life.

# All:

The LORD is our light and our salvation; whom shall we fear? The LORD is the stronghold of our lives; of whom shall we be afraid? We worship you O God, the LORD of all our days.

<Based on John 8:12 and Psalm 27:1>

## Confession of Sin:

#### All:

In this season where connection feels like a distant memory, we have further isolated ourselves by keeping conversations at a surface-level. My questions are missing intentionality. My responses lack honesty. The division, brokenness, and habitual sinfulness that needs to be addressed is tucked away, glossed over with niceties, and concealed from my community. Forgive me, God of light, though you call me to own and work through my sin with others, I choose to hide. Each day produces another excuse to continue living this way.

<Based on 1 John 1:5-10>

# Assurance of Pardon:

#### Leader:

Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us -- for it is written, "Cursed is everyone who is hanged on a tree". His sacrifice has purchased our acceptance. His resurrection has secured our adoption. And now we live with one another filled with the promised Spirit through faith. Praise be to God! For the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

<Based on Galatians 3:13-14 and John 1:5>

## Benediction:

You were called to freedom, brothers and sisters. Do not use your freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another. May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

<Based on Galatians 5:13 and Romans 15:5-6>

# **SONGS**

Rising Sun Grace Alone Be Thou My Vision Is He Worthy I Am Set Free