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☞ **Prelude**

☞ **Invocation:** In the name of the Father, Son and the Holy Spirit, we worship together on this Sunday Morning.

✠ **在主愛裡 In God's Love**

♪ I worship You cause You first love me
only worship You
I often worship Lord, my God only worship You
♪ [God's love God's love Be with Him in His love]x2

✠ **在這裡 You Are Here**

♪ Children of God, now is the time.
Gather around, 'round His throne.
Spreading Good News over all the earth.
We are seeking after You alone.
You are here, You are here.
Jesus is with us here and now.
I believe, I receive.
Fountains of joy are flowing out.
Lord, reveal Your glory and Your miracles.
Let it be like heaven on earth. (x2)

♪ Where the Spirit of the Lord is,
there we will find freedom.
Let the Holy Spirit freely flow.
Faith that moves the mountains,
growing and increasing.

We can't wait to see Your mighty works.
♪ You are here, You are here.
Jesus is with us here and now.
I believe, I receive.
Fountains of joy are flowing out.
*Lord, reveal Your glory and Your miracles.
Let it be like heaven on earth. (x2)

✠ **耶穌超乎萬名之名**

Jesus, Name Above All Names

♪ Jesus, Name above all names
Beautiful Savior, glorious Lord!
Emmanuel, God is with us Blessed Redeemer,
Living Word

☞ **Responsive Reading: Psalm 118**

1. Praise the Lord because he is good! His faithful love will last forever!
5. I was in trouble, so I called to the Lord for help. The Lord answered and made me free.
6. The Lord is with me, so I will not be afraid. No one on earth can do anything to harm me.
8. It is better to trust in the Lord than to trust in people.
9. It is better to trust in the Lord than to trust in great leaders.
14. The Lord is my strength and my reason for singing. He saved me!
15. You can hear the victory celebration in the homes of those who live right. The Lord has shown his great power again!
16. The Lord's arm is raised in victory. The Lord has shown his great power again.
28. Lord, you are my God, and I thank you. My God, I praise you!
29. Praise the Lord because he is good. His faithful love will last forever.

☞ **Praise**

✠ **榮耀天軍 Angels from the Realms of Glory**

♪ Angels from the realms of glory,
Wing your flight o'er all the earth;
Ye who sang creation's story
Now proclaim Messiah's birth. (refrain)
♪ Shepherds, in the field abiding,
Watching o'er your flocks by night,
God with us is now residing;
Yonder shines the infant light. (refrain)
♪ Saints, before the altar bending,
Watching long in hope and fear;
Suddenly the Lord, descending,
In His temple shall appear. (refrain)

Refrain:

♪ Come and worship, come and worship,
Worship Christ, the newborn King.

☞ **Special Music**

✠ **道成肉身 And the Word Became Flesh**

♪ In the beginning was the Word,
and the Word was with God,

And the Word was God.
 In Him was life, and that life was the light of men.
 (In Him was life) (and that life was the light of men)
 He came to that which was His own (But His own did not receive Him)
 Yet to all who received Him, To all who would believe,
 He gave the right to become, He gave the right to become, children of God.

♪ [And the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us.
 The Word became flesh, and dwelt among us.
 And we have seen the glory of the Father,
 Revealed in Christ, the Son: The One and only.
 Jesus!] x 2

♪ Yes, we have seen the glory of the Father,
 Revealed in Christ, the Son: The One and only.
 The One and only.*4
 Jesus! Jesus! Jesus! Jesus!

🔗Scripture Reading:

Mat 1:

²¹She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins." ...

²³"The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel"--which means, "God with us."

Luk 2:14

"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to men on whom his favor rests."

Eph 2:

¹⁴For he himself is our peace, who has made the two one and has destroyed the barrier, the dividing wall of hostility,

¹⁵by abolishing in his flesh the law with its commandments and regulations. His purpose was to create in himself one new man out of the two, thus making peace,

¹⁶and in this one body to reconcile both of them to God through the cross, by which he put to death their hostility.

¹⁷He came and preached peace to you who were far away and peace to those who were near.

2Co 5:

¹⁷Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!

¹⁸All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation:

¹⁹that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting men's sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation.

🔗Sermon: A Gift for You — Reconciliation

---Minister Tung

I. A long-lost lost gift **【Mat 1: 21, 23: Luk 2:14】**

1. **Jesus is salvation:** Jesus' name is Messiah: HE will deliver us from all sins, completely free us from being a captive, a slave, and accusation, carnage of sin, so that we may restart anew.
2. **Jesus is with us:** Jesus' name is Immanuel, this is the greatest solicitude and affection a father can give to his children — I want to be with you at all times and in all environments, nothing can separate us!
3. **Jesus is peace:** Peace is the most needed gift of our generation, we live in a time filled with false images of peace, Jesus bestows us with true peace that enables us to lead a stable, smooth, comfortable, and peaceful life.
4. **Jesus is reconciliation: **【Eph 2:14-16】****
 HE is the origin of peace and brings forth rapport, amity and harmony.
 Jesus is the Prince of Peace, and we are His peace makers!

II. Blessings regained **【Eph 2:14-16】**

1. **Break down barriers:** Our sins against God our Father constituted the gap between us with God, a wall of hostility, Christ Jesus came to give us the ministry of reconciliation:
 - (1) **Eradicate the power of sin:** sin makes men turn hostile toward God, blind and deaf, lack of conscientiousness, vicious and filthy, corrupted day by day, rush to destruction.
 - (2) **Abolish Satan's falsehood:** nobody likes a man like you, let alone care about you or save you, don't fantasize about the allegation that God loves the world.
 - (3) **Crack the worldly standard:** I'm a failure considering my personality, characters, performance, achievements, talents, gift, good deeds and kind works, what qualification I have to claim for salvation?
 - (4) **Break self-limitation:** senses of self-inferiority — feels ashamed to face God; self-denial — I'm an all-time loser; self-abandonment — I'm destined to be unable to change my miserable direction and fate.
2. **Proclaim overcoming all sins: **【Eph****

2:14-16, 2Co 5:17-19

(1) **In Christ — I'm reconciled with God:** Jesus' sacrifice has abolished all hostilities, filled up all gaps, and redeemed all sinful debts. Jesus' crucifixion has made all who truly have faith in the Gospel and repented his sins fully reconciled with God the Father, and all heavenly grace and joy are theirs.

(2) **In Christ — I'm reconciled with men:** upon our reconciliation with God the Father, we are given the full power of love. In Christ I can get along with people through language, action and prayers with joy.

(3) **In Christ — I'm reconciled with myself:** **【2Co 5:17】** No one can question, deny, or accuse me, not even I myself. In Christ I am a new creation, filled with Jesus' vitality, spirit, power, wisdom, sanctity, and beauty, Jesus lives in me!

(4) **In Christ — I will assume my mission of spreading the Gospel:** **【2Co 5:18-19】**

Now that we have been redeemed, we are given the ministry of spreading out the message of reconciliation, grace, hope, and gift. Apostle Paul twice said that the Lord had committed to us the message of reconciliation. Christmas is the best opportunity we carry out our mission of passing on the message of reconciliation!

☞ Responsive Hymn

† 祂為了我們 **We Are the Reason**

♪ As little children,
We would dream of Christmas morn,
Of all the gifts and toys we knew we'd find.
But we never realized.
A Baby born one blessed night
gave us the greatest gift of our lives.

Refrain:

♪ We were the reason that He gave His life.
We were the reason that He suffered and died.
To a world that was lost, He gave all He could give
To show us the reason to live!
♪ As the years went by, we learned more about gifts,
The giving of ourselves and what that means.
On a dark and cloudy days, a man hung crying in
the rain
Because of love, because of love.
♪ (We are the reason that He gave His life.
We are the reason that He suffered and died.
To a world that was lost,

He gave all He could give to show us the reason to live.) (Refrain)

♪ I've fin'ly found a reason for living,
It's in giving ev'ry part of my heart to Him.
In all that I do, ev'ry word that I say,
I'll be giving my all just for Him!

(Refrain x 2)

♪ (He is my reason to live, reason to live!) x2

☞ Announcement

1. The Beautiful Life Lecture Series this week is themed "A Brand-new You- Testimony of Sister Chung". Please invite our relatives and friends to watch it. Please scan the QR Code or refer to the link below.
<https://thfc.pse.is/miracles>
2. The flyers of this coming Christmas 'events have been printed. There are going to be 19 music feasts of events. Brothers and sisters are all invited to pray earnestly, invite the needed, and win precious souls for our Lord at the end of the year.
3. The Sunday school for children will hold the special session themed "Happy Christmas Party" on 12/11, 18 and 25 (Sun.) at 8:30 am and 10:30 am. The events are all free of charge, please promote the invitation passionately.
4. The flower decoration for the worship services in 2023 is now gathering the offerings from brothers and sisters! If you're moved to offer for the flower decoration on Sunday, please register at the door after worship service. (300 NTD/ per blank, please register on the usher table with your full name.)
5. The Bible Reading Plan this week is **Esther 8-10**. Hope we all root our faith in God's words. We could all go listening to Pastor Hsu's daily preaching in the radio program "Clear Heart" on Good News Broadcasting Association (FM 90.9).

☞ Offertory

☞ Baptism

☞ The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed by Your name, Your kingdom come, Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one. For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

☞ Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

☞ Benediction

May the grace from Lord Jesus, the love from our heavenly Father and the guiding of Holy Spirit be with all of our brothers & sisters from now on and forevermore.

Today, our worship service together is coming to an end. Emmanuel! May our good Lord bless you!