

united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen

**HYMN**

*Christ Be Beside Me*

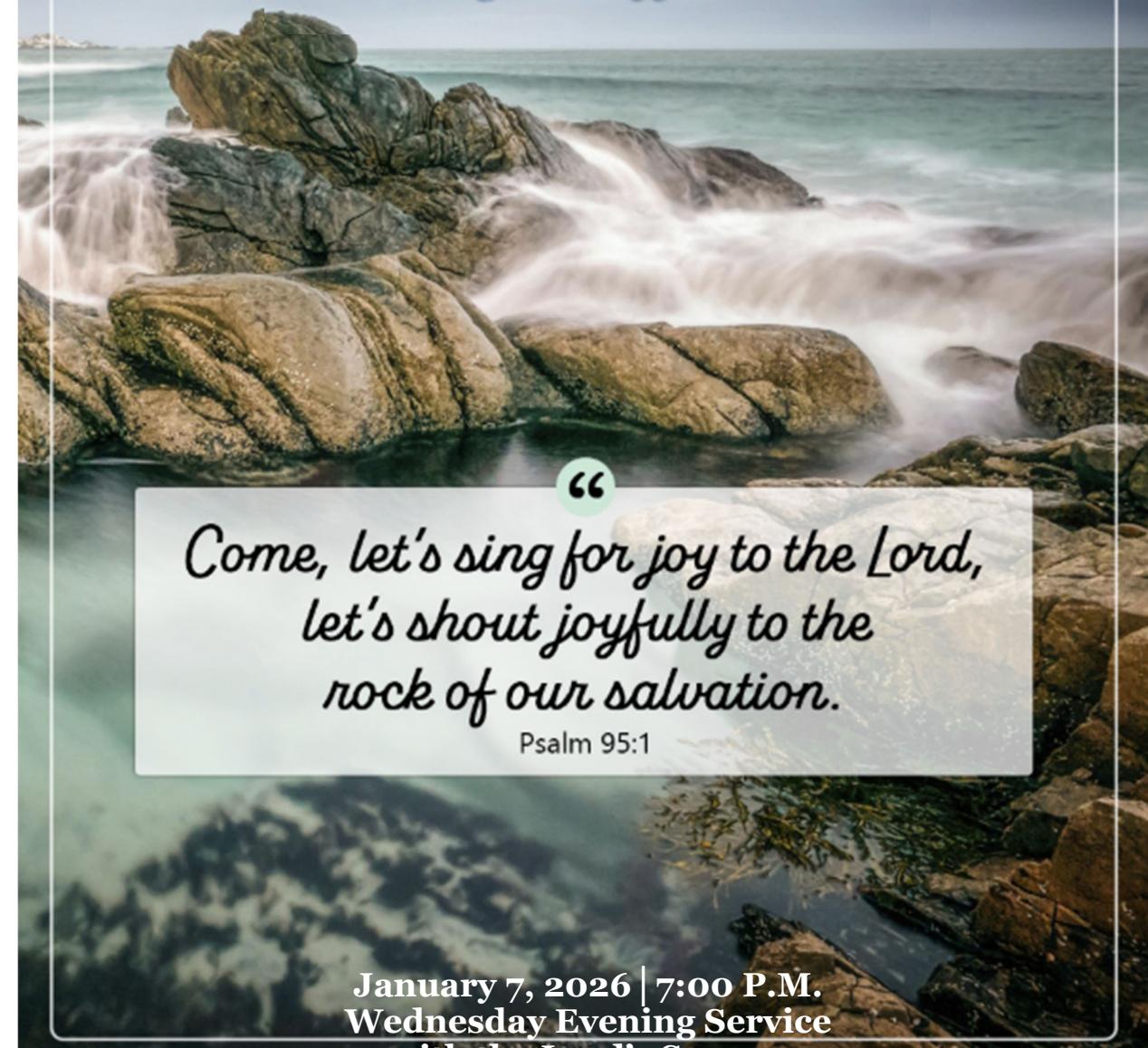
GTG #702

**BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

*Rise Up and Serve the Lord*

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## WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

### **PRELUDE**

*Be Thou My Vision*

### **GREETING**

### **THANKSGIVING FOR NEW YEAR**

*The Lord be with you.*

**And also with you.**

*Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.*

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

**In the beginning you said, let there be light, and there was light. Where there was no order, you set the paths of the galaxies, the stars, the planets, and the moons. And in setting the dance of the cosmos, you created time.**

**We give you thanks, O God, for the gift of time, for the turning of the seasons, and for another year gone by and for the year before us.**

**Guide us O Lord so that in all things we may seek to do justice, love kindness, and to walk humbly with you. We pray these things through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

### **RESPONSIVE READING**

Psalm 95:1-7b

*O come, let us sing to the LORD; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!*

**Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!**

Spirit, come — come and live in us:  
in this bread,  
in this cup,  
in your people,  
one in the body,  
one in the blood;  
one with Christ,  
one in ministry,  
in this place,  
in every place;  
in this world,  
in the world to come.

*We pray all these things through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for all glory and honor are yours, almighty God, now and forever. Amen.*

*As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:*

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory now and forever. Amen**

The gifts of God for the people of God.  
**Thanks be to God.**

### **COMMUNION HYMN *Before Thy Throne We Kneel***

### **UNISON PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have**

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Thank you, Lord –  
we thank you for Jesus:

Word made flesh,  
light of the world,  
living water,  
shepherd and gate,  
way and truth,  
bread of heaven,  
cup of salvation,  
resurrection and life.

We thank you Lord God that on the night of his arrest, your only Son, Jesus, took the bread, and after giving thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, including the one who was to betray him, saying: Take, eat. This is my body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way he took the cup, saying: This cup is the new covenant sealed in my blood, shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me.

Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the saving death of the risen Lord, until he comes again.

Take this bread and cup, O God—a feast of grace; take our hearts and lives—an offering of praise.

Great is the mystery of faith:  
**Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

*For the LORD is a great God, and a great King above all gods.*

**In his hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are his also.**

*The sea is his, for he made it, and the dry land, which his hands have formed.*

**O come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!**

*For he is our God,*

**And we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.**

**Thanks be to God.**

## **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

*God of abundant life, your grace is our daily bread. Nourish us by your word and fill us with your Spirit so that we may grow in faith and love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

## **SCRIPTURE READING**

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Romans 12:1-8

## **SERMON**

## **HYMN**

*Take My Life*

GTG #697, vs. 1-4

## PRAYER FOR OURSELVES AND OTHERS

*You, O God, are the creator of time and space, the material and the immaterial, the seen and the unseen, and that is good. Through your Spirit, you give us faith in your Son, Jesus Christ, and you give us the words to pray. We thank for the gift of faith and prayer.*

*We pray for energy, intelligence, imagination, and love, so that we, as members of the body of Christ, may pray for and serve your world.*

*In your mercy, O Lord  
Hear our prayer.*

*We pray for empathy and compassion, so that we may give comfort and support to those in need.*

*In your mercy, O Lord  
Hear our prayer.*

*We pray for guidance and hope, so that we may live as those called by you.*

*In your mercy, O Lord  
Hear our prayer.*

*We pray for those who are suffering, may they know healing.*

*In your mercy, O Lord  
Hear our prayer.*

*We pray for those who are grieving, may they know comfort.*

*In your mercy, O Lord  
Hear our prayer.*

*We pray for ourselves, our families, our loved ones, our friends, our neighbors, those we know and those we do not, and we pray for our enemies and those we do not get along with. Take our rocky hearts and transform them into hearts of flesh that seek to do your will in all things.*

*In your mercy, Lord  
Hear our prayer.*

*We pray all these prayers and the prayers deep in our hearts in the name of your Son, our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.*

## THE LORD'S SUPPER

*The Lord be with you.  
And also with you.*

*Lift up your hearts.  
We lift them to the Lord.*

*Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
It is right to give our thanks and praise.*

Holy, holy, holy Lord —  
we praise you for your love:  
bringing order out of chaos, breathing life into dust,  
leading captives into freedom,  
calling wandering children home,  
giving bread to the hungry,  
giving drink to the thirsty,  
raising the dead to life.

Therefore, we join our voices with every believer in every time and every place and with creation itself praising your name: