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A Worship Series On Living in the Light

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About the Series

As you enjoy the summer sun, walk in the light of Jesus. Follow the path of the sun, from its creation to that great day when God alone will be our light. For now, we walk in the light of Jesus each day.

Week 1: The First Day: The Gift of Creation

God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. Genesis 1:5

*God created the world for our work and enjoyment,
to be used in service to others and for his glory.*

Week 2: The Rising Light: The Promise of Salvation

For you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness
shall rise with healing in its wings. Malachi 4:2

*Sin leads us to walk in darkness. God promised to send the light
of a Savior into a world made dark by sin.*

Week 3: At Early Dawn: Renewed and Restored in Christ

On the first day of the week, at early dawn, they went to the tomb. Luke 24:1

*We are raised to new life with Christ. We now walk in his light each day
and share the good news of salvation.*

Week 4: No Need of Sun: Eternal Light

The city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it,
for the glory of God gives it light. Revelation 21:23

*When Christ returns, we will live forever in God's presence,
and night will be no more. Until then we live as children of light.*

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Week 1: The First Day: The Gift of Creation

Newsletter Notice

Each day we enjoy the sun, its light and warmth. Join us for worship as we rejoice in the gifts of God's creation, especially the gift of light. As we follow the path of the sun in the sky, we follow in the footsteps of Jesus, the Son of God, our light and life.

Bulletin Notice

Today we will remember and rejoice in God's created gift of light. He gave us the light of the sun, moon and stars to mark the days and seasons. Each day gives us new opportunities to love and serve others in the name of Jesus.

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Week 2: The Rising Light:
The Promise of Salvation

Newsletter Notice

The world is lost in the darkness of sin, but in our worship series, we learn about the promised Savior, the one the prophet called the Sun of Righteousness. The Lord Jesus brought to this dark world the healing light and love of forgiveness. Come and worship the Son!

Bulletin Notice

Today as we worship we will consider one of the many names and titles for Jesus—the Sun of Righteousness. Jesus rose like the sun in our lives, bringing to the world the healing light of his forgiveness and life.

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Week 3: At Early Dawn:
Renewed and Restored in Christ

Newsletter Notice

In our worship series, as we follow the Son, we now follow our Lord to the cross. On that dark day, Good Friday, Jesus died for our sins. On the third day, at the dawn of the first Easter, Jesus rose in triumph over death. His victory is our victory!

Bulletin Notice

Today we will remember the dark day on which our Savior died, and the bright light of the first Easter dawn, when the rising light revealed Jesus' empty tomb. Jesus Christ has risen from the dead. He promises that because he lives, we too will live in the light of his presence forever.

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Week 4: No Need of Sun: Eternal Light

Newsletter Notice

Through this earthly life, we follow the Son of God, Jesus our Savior. We long for the day when he will return, the eternal day when night will be no more and we will live forever in the light of God's glory. We pray with all the saints, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

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Today we will look forward to a day when Jesus returns. Then night will be no more and we will have no need for lamps or earthly lights or even the light of the sun. We will live forever in the presence of God, who will wipe away every tear from our eyes, and who will be our light forever.
Come, Lord Jesus!

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Week 1: The First Day: The Gift of Creation

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Week 1: The First Day: The Gift of Creation

Order of Service

God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. Genesis 1:5

Opening Hymn..... Awake, My Soul, and with the Sun (*Morning Hymn LM*)

Awake, my soul, and with the sun
Thy daily stage of duty run;
Shake off dull sloth and joyful rise
To pay thy morning sacrifice.

All praise to thee, who safe hast kept
And hast refreshed me while I slept;
Grant, Lord, when I from death shall wake,
I may of endless light partake.

Direct, control, suggest this day
All I design or do or say
That all my pow'rs with all their might
In thy sole glory may unite.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host:
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

Invocation and Responsive Reading (Psalm 136:1, 4-9, 26)

P In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,

C For his steadfast love endures forever ...

P To him who alone does great wonders, for his steadfast love endures forever;

C To him who by understanding made the heavens, for his steadfast love endures forever;

P To him who spread out the earth above the waters, for his steadfast love endures forever;

C To him who made the great lights, for his steadfast love endures forever;

P The sun to rule over the day, for his steadfast love endures forever;

C The moon and stars to rule over the night, for his steadfast love endures forever ...

P Give thanks to the God of heaven,

C For his steadfast love endures forever.

Confession and Absolution

P Let us confess our sins to God and ask His forgiveness.

C Almighty God and Creator, we have turned from your light to walk in the darkness of sin. Instead of following Jesus, we follow our own desires and the temptations of the world around us. Have mercy on us and forgive us. Lead us to walk in Jesus' light and to reflect his light in our lives.

P God has had mercy on us. He sent his Son to be our Savior. Our sins are washed away in his blood. I announce to you that your sins are forgiven in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

C Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever!

Prayer of the Day

Hymn of Praise Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise (*St. Denio 11 11 11 11*)

Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
Almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting and silent as light,
Nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;
Thy justice like mountains high soaring above
Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

Children’s Message

Hymn of Praise Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise (*St. Denio 11 11 11 11*)

To all live thou givest—to both great and small—
In all life thou livest, the true Life of all;
We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree
And wither and perish—but naught changes thee.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,
Thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;
All laud we would render: O help us to see
'Tis only the splendor of light that hides thee.

Old Testament Reading Genesis 1:1-5

Epistle Reading 1 John 1:5-9

Gospel Reading Matthew 5:14-16

Sermon Hymn Your Hand, O Lord, in Days of Old (*Kingsfold CMD*)

Your hand, O Lord, in days of old was strong to heal and save;
It triumphed over ills and death, o’er darkness and the grave
To you they came, the blind, the mute, the palsied and the lame,
The lepers in their misery, the sick with fevered frame.

Your touch then, Lord, brought life and health, gave speech and strength and sight;
And youth renewed and frenzy calmed revealed you, Lord of light.
And now, O Lord, be near to bless, almighty as before,
In crowded street, by beds of pain, as by Genes'ret's shore.

Sermon

Hymn of ResponseYour Hand, O Lord, in Days of Old (*Kingsfold CMD*)

O be our great deliv'rer still, the Lord of life and death;
Restore and quicken, soothe and bless, with your life-giving breath.
To hands that work and eyes that see give wisdom's healing pow'r
That whole and sick and weak and strong may praise you evermore.

The Apostles' Creed

Offering

Prayer

P Jesus, Light of the world, we give you praise and thanks for your redeeming death and for the gift of eternal life that is ours through your triumph over death. Help us to draw ever closer to you through your Word so that we might shine all the brighter as lights in this world. By the power of your Spirit, work through our acts of love and words of witness, so that others will come to know and worship you as Lord and live in your light.

C Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Benediction (1 John 1:5-7; Numbers 6:24-26)

P God is light, and in him is no darkness at all ...

C If we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin.

P The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

C Amen.

Closing Hymn Son of God, Eternal Savior (*In Babilone 87 87 D*)

Son of God, eternal Savior, source of life and truth and grace,
Word made flesh, whose birth among us hallows all our human race,
You our Head, who, throned in glory, for your own will ever plead:
Fill us with your love and pity, heal our wrongs and help our need.

As you, Lord, have lived for others, so may we for others live.
Freely have your gifts been granted; freely may your servants give.
Yours the gold and yours the silver, yours the wealth of land and sea;
We but stewards of your bounty, held in solemn trust will be.

Son of God, eternal Savior, source of life and truth and grace,
Word made flesh, whose birth among us hallows all our human race,
By your praying, by your willing that your people should be one,
Grant, O grant our hope's fruition: Here on earth your will be done.

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Complete Script for Worship Leaders

- If desired, an **Environmental Projection** is shown on a screen or on the walls of your worship space to set the tone for the service before the service begins or throughout the service at various points:

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- The **Theme Verse** is spoken by the pastor or other worship leader at the start of the service or is read silently by the congregation before the service begins:

God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. Genesis 1:5

- The **Opening Hymn** is sung by the congregation to the tune Morning Hymn LM:

Awake, my soul, and with the sun
 Thy daily stage of duty run;
 Shake off dull sloth and joyful rise
 To pay thy morning sacrifice.

All praise to thee, who safe hast kept
 And hast refreshed me while I slept;
 Grant, Lord, when I from death shall wake,
 I may of endless light partake.

Direct, control, suggest this day
 All I design or do or say
 That all my pow'rs with all their might
 In thy sole glory may unite.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
 Praise him, all creatures here below;
 Praise him above, ye heav'nly host:
 Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

- An **Invocation and Responsive Reading** (Psalm 136:1, 4-9, 26) are spoken responsively by the pastor and the congregation:

P In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,

C For his steadfast love endures forever ...

P To him who alone does great wonders, for his steadfast love endures forever;

C To him who by understanding made the heavens, for his steadfast love endures forever;

P To him who spread out the earth above the waters, for his steadfast love endures forever;

C To him who made the great lights, for his steadfast love endures forever;

P The sun to rule over the day, for his steadfast love endures forever;

C The moon and stars to rule over the night, for his steadfast love endures forever ...

P Give thanks to the God of heaven,

C For his steadfast love endures forever.

- The **Confession and Absolution** is spoken responsively by the pastor and the congregation:

P Let us confess our sins to God and ask his forgiveness.

C Almighty God and Creator, we have turned from your light to walk in the darkness of sin. Instead of following Jesus, we follow our own desires and the temptations of the world around us. Have mercy on us and forgive us. Lead us to walk in Jesus' light and to reflect his light in our lives.

P God has had mercy on us. He sent his Son to be our Savior. Our sins are washed away in his blood. I announce to you that your sins are forgiven in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

C Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever!

- The **Prayer of the Day** is spoken by the pastor:

P God and Creator, you called light into existence and separated the light from the darkness. You created the sun to rule the day and the moon and stars to brighten the night. The people you created rebelled against you and brought the darkness of sin into the world. Out of love for the world you made, you sent your Son to be our Savior, to be the Light of the world. Help us by your Spirit to reflect his light in our lives, as we live in love and service to others. Hear our prayer and accept our praise in Jesus' name. Amen.

- The **Hymn of Praise** is sung by the congregation to the tune St. Denio 11 11 11:

Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
Almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unchanging and silent as light,
Nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;
Thy justice like mountains high soaring above
Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

- The **Children’s Message** is delivered by the pastor or other worship leader:

*Needed: a picture, or small models, of the sun and the earth,
two signs with the words SUN and SON*

☐ We enjoy our summer days in the sun! With warm weather and nice days, we like to be outside and enjoy picnics and sports and riding bikes. Our bright sun is a star. It looks different than the tiny twinkling lights of the other stars because our Earth is so much closer to the sun. When God made the Earth and the sun, he put them exactly the right distance apart so it is not too hot or too cold for us here on the Earth (*show pictures or models*). The sun is just close enough to give us light and heat and to help the plants to grow. The Earth follows its orbit, the path God gave it, around the sun.

We have a path to follow too, not around the sun, S-U-N, but around the Son, S-O-N, the Son of God, Jesus our Savior! (*Show the signs with the two words.*) Sometimes we describe sin as darkness, a darkness in which we are lost and cannot find our way to God. Jesus came to die on the cross to take our sins away. Jesus is the Light of the world, and through his death and resurrection he brings us back to God. Today we will live and work in the light of the sun that shines on the earth. Today we will follow Jesus, we walk in his light. We reflect his light and shine on others when we are kind to them and help them and teach them about Jesus. Today, follow Jesus and shine with his light. Follow the Son! Let’s pray:

Jesus, Light of the world, thank you for taking our sins away through your death on the cross. Help us to walk in your light and show love and kindness to others. Amen.

- The **Hymn of Praise** is sung by the congregation to the tune St. Denio 11 11 11:

To all life thou givest—to both great and small—
In all life thou livest, the true Life of all;
We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree
And wither and perish—but naught changes thee.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,
Thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;
All laud we would render: O help us to see
'Tis only the splendor of light that hides thee.

- The **Old Testament Reading**, Genesis 1:1-5, is spoken by the pastor or other worship leader:

Ⓟ In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters. And God said, “Let there be light,” and there was light. And God saw that the light was good. And God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

- The **Epistle Reading**, 1 John 1:5-9, is spoken by the pastor or other worship leader:

Ⓟ This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

- The **Gospel Reading**, Matthew 5:14-16, is spoken by the pastor or other worship leader:

Ⓟ You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.

- A **Sermon Hymn** is sung by the congregation to the tune Kingsfold CMD

Your hand, O Lord, in days of old was strong to heal and save;
 It triumphed over ills and death, o'er darkness and the grave
 To you they came, the blind, the mute, the palsied and the lame,
 The lepers in their misery, the sick with fevered frame.

Your touch then, Lord, brought life and health, gave speech and strength and sight;
 And youth renewed and frenzy calmed revealed you, Lord of light.
 And now, O Lord, be near to bless, almighty as before,
 In crowded street, by beds of pain, as by Genes'ret's shore.

- The **Sermon: The Sun and the Son** is delivered by the pastor:

☐ We like to follow the sun, that is, the sun, S-U-N, up in the sky. Vacations, breaks from school, sports, picnics and barbecues can all be enjoyed on a cloudy, overcast day, but a sunny day makes those things so much more enjoyable. God placed the sun in the sky to give light and warmth to the earth. When the time was right, God would send his own Son, S-O-N, to be a different kind of light for the world. From the beginning of Scripture to its end, we see the struggle as darkness attempts to overwhelm the light. Spoiler alert—the darkness will fail!

At creation's beginning, God said, "Let there be light" and light appeared. God's word does what he desires; the word of God always accomplishes the purpose for which it is spoken and sent. So on that first day of creation, before there was a sun to mark the time, God called light into existence, separating it from darkness, creating the first day and night. Then, on the fourth day of creation, God spoke and brought the sun, moon and stars into being. He said that the sun, moon, planets and stars—the "lights in the expanse of the heavens"—were "for signs and for seasons, and for days and years . . . and to give light upon the earth" (Genesis 1:14-15).

Over time, the people God created would create their own lights—fire, candles, kerosene lamps, electric lights of all kinds. They would even harness the power of the sun to create solar lights to banish the darkness, if only for a little while. But from the beginning, people also created their own kind of darkness. Rebelling against God, disobeying his Word, we wrapped ourselves in the darkness of sin, darkness so deep and familiar that we didn't even know we were lost in that darkness. There was no way out of the darkness we created for ourselves—the only end to the darkness of sin is death and the eternal darkness and death of separation from God forever.

Even though it had wrapped itself in darkness, God still loved the world and the people he created. He sent another Light, Jesus his Son, S-O-N, into the world. Jesus is God in the flesh, God who walked the dusty roads of first century Palestine under the hot sun. In that bright sunlight, Jesus taught and healed the sick, bringing his light and hope to the people he touched. Jesus, who called himself the Light of the world, came to banish the darkness of sin and death. To do that, he would hang helpless and weak, nailed to a cross in the hot sun and the deep darkness of that day we call Good Friday. Jesus took the world's sin—your sin and mine—onto himself, into his own body and let the darkness of sin and death swallow him up as he died on the cross.

But death could not hold the innocent Son of God. In the early morning sunlight of the first Easter, Jesus' grave was found open and empty. He overcame the darkness of sin, death and Satan, rising in triumph, never to die again. To all who believe in him, he gives forgiveness and the victory over death that he has won. To all who believe, he gives the gift of eternal life in the light of his presence.

Each day, and especially in the summer months, we follow the sun in the sky, S-U-N. But throughout our lives, day and night, in clouds and sunlight, indoors and out, by faith we follow Jesus, the Son of God, S-O-N. We walk in his light and his blood makes us clean from every sin. As we walk in his light, our paths are like that of the moon in its orbit around the earth. Just as the moon reflects the light of the sun to give its light through the dark hours of night, we reflect the light of Jesus and shine with his light in a world still lost in the darkness of sin. Jesus says to each of us, “You are the light of the world.”

How do we live as the world’s light? We do what the sun in the sky does; we shine! We shine through our good works—through acts of love and kindness and service. We shine through words of comfort and hope and encouragement as we speak to others. We shine in words of witness as we tell others about Jesus and his blood-bought forgiveness. We shine as we point to Jesus, the Son of God, the source of eternal life and light.

As you have opportunity, enjoy the sun, the sun up in the sky. But in the summer, and in every season, day and night, follow the Son, Jesus the Son of God and our Savior. Walk in his light. Reflect his light and shine so that others “may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.” We only reflect the light of God’s grace and love; we really want our God and Savior to shine! Amen.

- A **Hymn of Response** is sung by the congregation to the tune Kingsfold CMD:

O be our great deliv’rer still, the Lord of life and death;
Restore and quicken, soothe and bless, with your life-giving breath.
To hands that work and eyes that see give wisdom’s healing pow’r
That whole and sick and weak and strong may praise you evermore.

- The **Apostles’ Creed** is spoken in unison.

- The **Offering** is collected at this time.

- The **Prayer** is spoken by the pastor:

☐ Jesus, Light of the world, we give you praise and thanks for your redeeming death and for the gift of eternal life that is ours through your triumph over death. Help us to draw ever closer to you through your Word so that we might shine all the brighter as lights in this world. By the power of your Spirit, work through our acts of love and words of witness, so that others will come to know and worship you as Lord and live in your light.

☐ **Amen.**

- The **Lord’s Prayer** is spoken in unison.

- The **Benediction** (1 John 1:5-7; Numbers 6:24-26) is spoken responsively by the pastor and the congregation:

☞ God is light, and in him is no darkness at all ...

☛ **If we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin.**

☞ The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

☛ **Amen.**

- The **Closing Hymn** is sung by the congregation to the tune In Babilone 87 87 D:

Son of God, eternal Savior, source of life and truth and grace,
Word made flesh, whose birth among us hallows all our human race,
You our Head, who, throned in glory, for your own will ever plead:
Fill us with your love and pity, heal our wrongs and help our need.

As you, Lord, have lived for others, so may we for others live.
Freely have your gifts been granted; freely may your servants give.
Yours the gold and yours the silver, yours the wealth of land and sea;
We but stewards of your bounty held in solemn trust will be.

Son of God, eternal Savior, source of life and truth and grace,
Word made flesh, whose birth among us hallows all our human race,
By your praying, by your willing that your people should be one,
Grant, O grant our hope's fruition: Here on earth your will be done.

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The image displays a musical score for the hymn 'Morning Hymn LM'. The score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of three systems, each with a treble and bass staff. The first system begins with a treble staff containing a melody of eighth and quarter notes, and a bass staff with a simple harmonic accompaniment. The second system continues the melody with some sixteenth-note passages and maintains the accompaniment. The third system concludes the piece with a final cadence in the treble staff and a sustained bass line.

- The **Opening Hymn** is sung by the congregation to the tune Morning Hymn
LM:

Awake, my soul, and with the sun
Thy daily stage of duty run;
Shake off dull sloth and joyful rise
To pay thy morning sacrifice.

All praise to thee, who safe hast kept
And hast refreshed me while I slept;
Grant, Lord, when I from death shall wake,
I may of endless light partake.

Direct, control, suggest this day
All I design or do or say
That all my pow'rs with all their might
In thy sole glory may unite.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host:
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

Tune..... St. Denio 11 11 11 11

Measures 1-4 of the piece. The music is in G major (one sharp) and 3/4 time. Measure 1 starts with a whole rest in both staves. The melody in the treble clef begins in measure 2 with a quarter note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, B4, and C5. The bass clef accompaniment starts in measure 2 with a quarter note G2, followed by quarter notes A2, B2, and C3. Measures 3 and 4 continue the melodic and harmonic patterns.

Measures 5-8 of the piece. The melody in the treble clef continues with quarter notes D5, E5, F5, and G5 in measure 5. The bass clef accompaniment continues with quarter notes D3, E3, F3, and G3 in measure 5. Measures 6-8 show further development of the melodic and harmonic lines.

Measures 9-13 of the piece. The melody in the treble clef continues with quarter notes A5, B5, and C6 in measure 9. The bass clef accompaniment continues with quarter notes A3, B3, and C4 in measure 9. Measures 10-13 show further development of the melodic and harmonic lines.

Measures 14-17 of the piece. The melody in the treble clef continues with quarter notes D6, E6, and F6 in measure 14. The bass clef accompaniment continues with quarter notes D4, E4, and F4 in measure 14. Measures 15-17 show further development of the melodic and harmonic lines, ending with a fermata in measure 17.

- The **Hymn of Praise** is sung by the congregation to the tune St. Denio 11 11 11 11:

Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
 In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
 Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
 Almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting and silent as light,
 Nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;
 Thy justice like mountains high soaring above
 Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

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To all live thou givest—to both great and small—
 In all life thou livest, the true Life of all;
 We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree
 And wither and perish—but naught changes thee.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,
 Thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;
 All laud we would render: O help us to see
 'Tis only the splendor of light that hides thee.

The first system of music consists of two staves. The upper staff is in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature. It contains four measures of music, starting with a quarter note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, B4, and C5, then a half note D5, and ending with a quarter note E5. The lower staff is in bass clef with the same key signature and time signature. It contains four measures of music, starting with a quarter note G2, followed by quarter notes A2, B2, and C3, then a half note D3, and ending with a quarter note E3.

The second system of music consists of two staves. The upper staff is in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature. It contains four measures of music, starting with a quarter note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, B4, and C5, then a half note D5, and ending with a quarter note E5. The lower staff is in bass clef with the same key signature and time signature. It contains four measures of music, starting with a quarter note G2, followed by quarter notes A2, B2, and C3, then a half note D3, and ending with a quarter note E3.

The third system of music consists of two staves. The upper staff is in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature. It contains four measures of music, starting with a quarter note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, B4, and C5, then a half note D5, and ending with a quarter note E5. The lower staff is in bass clef with the same key signature and time signature. It contains four measures of music, starting with a quarter note G2, followed by quarter notes A2, B2, and C3, then a half note D3, and ending with a quarter note E3.

The fourth system of music consists of two staves. The upper staff is in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature. It contains four measures of music, starting with a quarter note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, B4, and C5, then a half note D5, and ending with a quarter note E5. The lower staff is in bass clef with the same key signature and time signature. It contains four measures of music, starting with a quarter note G2, followed by quarter notes A2, B2, and C3, then a half note D3, and ending with a quarter note E3.

- A **Sermon Hymn** is sung by the congregation to the tune Kingsfold CMD

Your hand, O Lord, in days of old was strong to heal and save;
It triumphed over ills and death, o'er darkness and the grave
To you they came, the blind, the mute, the palsied and the lame,
The lepers in their misery, the sick with fevered frame.

Your touch then, Lord, brought life and health, gave speech and strength and sight;
And youth renewed and frenzy calmed revealed you, Lord of light.
And now, O Lord, be near to bless, almighty as before,
In crowded street, by beds of pain, as by Genes'ret's shore.

- The **Sermon: The Sun and the Son** is delivered by the pastor.
- A **Hymn of Response** is sung by the congregation to the tune Kingsfold CMD:

O be our great deliv'rer still, the Lord of life and death;
Restore and quicken, soothe and bless, with your life-giving breath.
To hands that work and eyes that see give wisdom's healing pow'r
That whole and sick and weak and strong may praise you evermore.

The first system of musical notation for 'In Babilone' consists of two staves. The upper staff is in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature (C). It begins with a measure number '1' and contains a melody of eighth and quarter notes. The lower staff is in bass clef with the same key signature and time signature, starting with a measure number '1' and providing a harmonic accompaniment of chords and single notes.

The second system of musical notation continues the piece. The upper staff, starting at measure 6, features a melodic line with some chromaticism. The lower staff, also starting at measure 6, provides a steady accompaniment. The key signature remains one sharp (F#).

The third system of musical notation continues the piece, starting at measure 11. The upper staff shows a melodic line with eighth-note patterns. The lower staff, starting at measure 11, provides a consistent accompaniment. The key signature remains one sharp (F#).

- The **Closing Hymn** is sung by the congregation to the tune InBabilone 87 87 D:

Son of God, eternal Savior, source of life and truth and grace,
Word made flesh, whose birth among us hallows all our human race,
You our Head, who, throned in glory, for your own will ever plead:
Fill us with your love and pity, heal our wrongs and help our need.

As you, Lord, have lived for others, so may we for others live.
Freely have your gifts been granted; freely may your servants give.
Yours the gold and yours the silver, yours the wealth of land and sea;
We but stewards of your bounty held in solemn trust will be.

Son of God, eternal Savior, source of life and truth and grace,
Word made flesh, whose birth among us hallows all our human race,
By your praying, by your willing that your people should be one,
Grant, O grant our hope's fruition: Here on earth your will be done.

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Week 1: The First Day: The Gift of Creation

Contemporary Music Song Suggestions

- The following song suggestions can be used for a more contemporary worship service in place of the more traditional hymns included in this kit. Rights to use these songs in the service must be purchased by your parish through CCLI or other copyright licensing agencies.

“He Who Began a Good Work in You” by John Mohr

“I Will Delight” by John Andrew Schreiner and Walt Harrah

“Created to Worship” by Vicky Beeching

“The Potter’s Hand” by Darlene Zschech

“Breathe on Me” by Eddie Lawrence and Lenny LeBlanc

“Fashioned and Formed” by Monica Brown

“Good Fruit” by Joe Cox and Steve Hench

“I’ll Serve You” by Jeff Reynolds