

**OPENING HYMN #135**  
**“Come, Thou Almighty King”**

1 Come, Thou almighty King,  
Help us Thy name to sing,  
Help us to praise!  
Father all glorious,  
O'er all victorious,  
Come and reign over us,  
Ancient of Days!

2 Jesus, our Lord, descend;  
From all our foes defend,  
Nor let us fall;  
Let Thine almighty aid  
Our sure defense be made;  
Our souls on Thee be stay'd;  
Lord, hear our call!

3 Come, Thou incarnate Word,  
Gird on Thy mighty sword,  
Our pray'r attend.  
Come and Thy people bless,  
And give Thy word success;  
Spirit of holiness,  
On us descend.

4 Come, holy Comforter,  
Thy sacred witness bear  
In this glad hour;  
Thou who almighty art,  
Now rule in every heart,  
And ne'er from us depart,  
Spirit of power!

5 To the great One in Three  
Eternal praises be,  
Hence evermore;  
His sovereign majesty  
May we in glory see,  
And to eternity  
Love and adore.

**Confession of Sin**

Dear Heavenly Father, we come before You to confess to You that we have grievously sinned and fallen short of Your glory. We have not loved You above all things or our neighbor as ourselves. We confess these and other sins to You in order to receive Your forgiveness and cleansing. Grant to us Your mercy and grace, and help us to live our lives in the way that honors You the most. We pray this in the Name of Jesus, Amen.

**HYMN #615**

1 More about Jesus would I know,  
More of His grace to others show,  
More of His saving fullness see,  
More of His love who died for me.

**Refrain:** More, more about Jesus,  
More, more about Jesus;  
More of His saving fullness see,  
More of His love who died for me.

2 More about Jesus let me learn,  
More of His holy will discern;  
Spirit of God, my teacher be,  
Showing the things of Christ to me. *[REFRAIN]*

3 More about Jesus—in His Word  
Holding communion with my Lord,  
Hearing His voice in ev'ry line,  
Making each faithful saying mine. *[REFRAIN]*

4 More about Jesus on His throne,  
Riches in glory all His own,  
More of His kingdom's sure increase,  
More of His coming—Prince of Peace. *[REFRAIN]*

**Confession of Faith ~ Apostles' Creed**

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 Spirit, 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 is seated on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From where He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit; The holy Christian Church, The Communion of Saints; The Forgiveness of sins; The Resurrection of the body; And the Life everlasting. Amen.

**HYMN #321**  
**“Where Restless Crowds Are Thronging”**

1 Where restless crowds are thronging  
Along the city ways,  
Where pride and greed and turmoil  
Consume the fevered days,  
Where vain ambitions banish  
All thoughts of praise and prayer,  
The people's spirits waver:  
But Thou, O Christ, art there.

2 In scenes of want and sorrow  
And haunts of flagrant wrong,  
In homes where kindness falters,  
And strife and fear are strong,  
In busy street of barter, In lonely thoroughfare,  
The people's spirits languish:  
But Thou, O Christ, art there.

3 O Christ, behold Thy people—  
They press on every hand!  
Bring light to all the cities  
Of our beloved land.  
May all our bitter striving  
Give way to visions fair  
Of righteousness and justice:  
For Thou, O Christ, art there.