

**OPENING VERSE:** Luke 2:40 Sandy

The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him.

**OPENING PRAYER:** ALL

Light of life, you came in flesh,  
born into human pain and joy,  
and gave us power to be your children.  
Grant us faith, O Christ, to see your presence among us,  
so that all of creation may sing new songs of gladness  
and walk in the way of peace. Amen.

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**OPENING HYMNS:**

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**CALL TO WORSHIP:** Galatians 4:4-7 Beth

Pastor: When the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to redeem those under the law.

**People: So that we might receive adoption as sons.**

Pastor: And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts.

**People: Crying, "Abba! Father!"**

Pastor: So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God

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**OPENING QUESTIONS:** Ben

- 1) What are you thankful for in the past week?
- 2) What has challenged or stressed you or others around you in the past week?
- 3) Is there anything this group can do to help with those challenges or stresses, or is there any other need we can meet together?

**PRAYER** Beth

**REVIEW QUESTIONS:** Jack

- 1) What was last week's story?
- 2) What did this teach us about people?
- 3) How did you apply this message to your life this past week?
- 4) Who did you tell?

**CHILDREN'S SERMON** Mike

**SCRIPTURE:** Luke 2:22-40

Reader #1: Sandy Reader #2: Jack

**SERMON** Ashley

**THE LORD'S PRAYER** Sam

## 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;  
the third day he rose from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth at the right hand of God the  
Father Almighty;  
from thence he shall come to judge  
the quick and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

**FINAL HYMN:** Go, Tell It on the Mountain

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sandy

## BENEDICTION

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## FOOD & FELLOWSHIP

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