



# Brookside

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## **EVENING WORSHIP GATHERING WITH JOY**

**6:00 P.M.**

### **Prelude**

### **Welcome and call to worship**

**\*Opening hymn #246 "Come, Thou Almighty King"**

**\*God's greeting and greeting each other**

**\*The Apostle's Creed**

**\*Song "Wonderful, Merciful Savior" CCLI #225774**

Wonderful, merciful Savior, Precious Redeemer and Friend;  
Who would have thought that a Lamb could rescue the souls of men.  
Oh, You rescue the souls of men.

Counselor, Comforter, Keeper, Spirit we long to embrace;  
You offer hope when our hearts have hopelessly lost the way,  
Oh, we hopelessly lost the way.

(Chorus)

You are the One that we praise, You are the One we adore;  
You give the healing and grace our hearts always hunger for,  
Oh, our hearts always hunger for.

Almighty, Infinite Father, faithfully loving Your own;  
Here in our weakness you find us falling before Your throne,  
Oh, we're falling before Your throne.

(Chorus)

## **OPENING OURSELVES TO GOD**

**Scripture reading: Colossians 3:3-10** The Message

**Prayer of confession** (unison)

God of grace, we want to live a new life, free from the sin that tempts us. Yet we confess that we struggle with bad habits, and fall back easily into old patterns of behavior. Each of us has our favorite sins – gossip, prejudice, greed, self-indulgence – you know our weaknesses. Forgive us when we become indifferent to that sin, convict our hearts, and give us the grace to live righteous lives before you. Amen.

**Words of assurance: 2 Corinthians 5:17-19**

**Hymn #267:1,4 "And Can It Be"**

**Evening prayer**

## HEARING GOD'S WORD

**Scripture:** Romans 6:1-10 (page 1029)

**Message:** *Dying and Rising*

### RESPONDING IN FAITH AND SERVICE

#### \*Litany

Leader: In Christ you have died to sin—died to sin—died to sin!

People: **Our sin is dead and gone through the death of Jesus Christ.**

Leader: In Christ you are now alive to righteousness—alive to righteousness—alive to righteousness!

People: **Our Righteousness is alive and growing through the resurrection of Jesus Christ!**

\*Hymn of response #271:1,2,4 **“We Know That Christ Is Raised”** (tune – P.H. #505)

**Our gifts to the Lord:** St. John’s Home—a nonprofit child and adolescent agency that provides a variety of programs for troubled kids.

#### Offertory

\*God's blessing

\*Closing song #388:4 **“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”**

#### Postlude

\* - stand, if you are able

Preaching: Pastor Paul DeVries; Organist: Sue Schepel; Pianist: Mary Douma;  
Reader: Jo Meyer



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