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CHRIST, LOVE LIKE CHRIST,
LIVE FOR CHRIST

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CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

**SERMON: "JOHN THE BAPTIST PREPARES THE
WAY FOR JESUS" — LUKE 3:1-20**

COMMUNION

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 of the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day He arose again.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father
Almighty,
and He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy and universal Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.

Amen.

LEAD ME TO THE CROSS

Verse 1
Savior I come, quiet my soul,
Remember redemption's hill,
Where Your blood was spilled,
For my ransom.

Pre-Chorus
Ev'rything I once held dear,
I count it all as loss.

Chorus
Lead me to the cross,
Where Your love poured out.
Bring me to my knees,
Lord, I lay me down.
Rid me of myself,
I belong to You.
Oh, lead me, lead me to the cross.

Verse 2
You were as I, tempted and tried, human.
The word became flesh,
Bore my sin and death.
Now, You're risen.

Pre-Chorus

Chorus
Bridge
To Your heart.
To Your heart.
Lead me to Your heart.
Lead me to Your heart.

Chorus x2

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BLESS THE LORD, O MY SOUL (PSALM 103)

Verse 1
My God is slow to anger when I go astray.
Bless the Lord, O my soul.
For all of my betrayals, He will not repay.
Bless the Lord, O my soul.
Through mercy and compassion
His great love is proved,
He covers my transgressions like the snow.
As far as east from west are all my sins removed.
Bless the Lord, O my soul.

Verse 2
He saved me from the pit when I had lost all hope.
Bless the Lord, O my soul.
From endless springs of kindness
All His blessings flow.
Bless the Lord, O my soul.
Our days will fade like flowers
And are quickly spent
And like the wind, our years will come and go.
Everlasting favor is His covenant.
Bless the Lord, O my soul.

Verse 3
Merciful and gracious is my God to me.
Bless the Lord, O my soul.
And I will tell His goodness through eternity.
Bless the Lord, O my soul.
Bless the Lord you angels, all you heav'nly hosts
And every living creature here below.
Praise the Father, praise the Son and Holy Ghost.
Bless the Lord, O my soul.

Ending
Bless the Lord you angels, all you heav'nly hosts
And every living creature here below.
Praise the Father, praise the Son and Holy Ghost.
Bless the Lord, O my soul.
Bless the Lord, O my soul.

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