## 13 September 2015 worship as communal exchange

Trinity God renews us, and we respond

# called to come in

God comes near and calls His people out of the world, and takes hold of us and brings us into the community of Himself.

This is My Father's World

we hear - from Romans 12:1-2

we respond – Hallelujah Praise Jehovah

## confessing our sin

God the Spirit reminds us that God the Father has saved us through the righteous life and sacrificial death of Christ the Son – and in faith we rest on his gracious interest to renew us yet again.

we hear – from Titus 3:3-13

we confess - from Titus 3:3-13

we rest - Thy Mercy My God

declaration – Titus 2:11-14

## greeting & announcements

3yrs-5th grade go out to a kids experience of Word, worship and small groups.

# consecrated by the Word

God declares the finished gospel of his Son, and continues his powerful, internal work of change/consecration by his Spirit.

### we hear - How to Be an Ambassador

Esther 1:1-5, 10-12; 2:1-17 • Matt Colflesh

Black (NIV) Bible page 354 • Blue (ESV) Bible page: 410

we respond – My Jesus I Love Thee

Arise Shine for Your Light Has Come\*, Offering

## compelled to go out

God blesses us and charges us go out and extend his kingdom into the broken world around us, making disciples of all nations

benediction - 2 Corinthians 13:14

### Esther 1:1-5, 10-12; 2:1-17 How to Be an Ambassador Matt Colflesh

# outline

God calls the Christian into intensely secular settings in order to be an ambassador for God's Kingdom with the gospel.

### The Setup

Point: Esther and Mordecai obtain positions of

\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_ in the Empire.

### The Crisis

Point: The Jewish people as a geopolitical group are in danger

of being \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ by royal decree.

### The Showdown

Point: God's \_\_\_\_\_\_ represented by Esther

versus the world \_\_\_\_\_\_ represented by

King Ahasuerus.

1. Look for God's \_\_\_\_\_

2. Don't waste your \_\_\_\_\_

3. Be prepared to \_\_\_\_\_