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## SUNDAY SERVICE DETAILS

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**HYMNS: 297, 23, 392**

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### Hymn #297

Science, the angel with the flaming sword,  
 God's gift, the glory of the risen Lord;  
 Light of the world, in whose light we shall see  
 Father and perfect Son, blest unity;

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Calm of Shekinah where hope anchors fast,  
 Harbor of refuge till the storm be past;  
 Sweet, secret place where God and men do meet,  
 Horeb whereon we walk with unshod feet;

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Place of communion with the Lamb of God,  
 Fold where the sheep must pass beneath His rod;  
 Ark where the dove may close her faltering wings,  
 Love's law divine that makes us priests and kings;

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Loosener of prison bands at midnight hour,  
 Of self-forged chains that fall through Love's all-power;  
 Christ's morning meal by joyous Galilee:  
 Science, thou dost fulfill all prophecy.

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### Scriptural Selection

1. John 1:6-14

- 6 ¶ There was a man sent from God, whose name *was* John.
- 7 The same came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all *men* through him might believe.
- 8 He was not that Light, but *was sent* to bear witness of that Light.
- 9 *That* was the true Light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world.
- 10 He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not.
- 11 He came unto his own, and his own received him not.
- 12 But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, *even* to them that believe on his name:
- 13 Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.
- 14 And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and

truth.

## 2. John 8:12

12 ¶ Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying, I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.

## 3. John 9:5

5 As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.

## 4. II Cor. 4:1, 3-5 if

1 THEREFORE seeing we have this ministry, as we have received mercy, we faint not;  
 3 if our gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost:  
 4 In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them.  
 5 For we preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord; and ourselves your servants for Jesus' sake.

## 5. I John 1:4-7 these

4 these things write we unto you, that your joy may be full.  
 5 This then is the message which we have heard of him, and declare unto you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all.  
 6 If we say that we have fellowship with him, and walk in darkness, we lie, and do not the truth:  
 7 But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.

## 6. I John 2:8-10 a

8 a new commandment I write unto you, which thing is true in him and in you: because the darkness is past, and the true light now shineth.  
 9 He that saith he is in the light, and hateth his brother, is in darkness even until now.  
 10 He that loveth his brother abideth in the light, and there is none occasion of stumbling in him.

## 7. II Pet. 1:19

19 We have also a more sure word of prophecy; whereunto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day dawn, and the day star arise in your hearts:

**Prayer**

Silent prayer, followed by the audible repetition of the Lord's Prayer with its spiritual interpretation by Mary Baker Eddy

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**Our Father which art in heaven,**

*Our Father-Mother God, all-harmonious,*

**Hallowed be Thy name.**

*Adorable One.*

**Thy kingdom come.**

*Thy kingdom is come; Thou art ever-present.*

**Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven.**

*Enable us to know, — as in heaven, so on earth, — God is omnipotent, supreme.*

**Give us this day our daily bread;**

*Give us grace for to-day; feed the famished affections;*

**And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.**

*And Love is reflected in love;*

**And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil;**

*And God leadeth us not into temptation, but delivereth us from sin, disease, and death.*

**For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.**

*For God is infinite, all-power, all Life, Truth, Love, over all, and All.*

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**Hymn #23**

**Lyrics by Mary Baker Eddy**

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Blest Christmas morn, though murky clouds

Pursue thy way,

Thy light was born where storm enshrouds

Nor dawn nor day!

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Dear Christ, forever here and near,

No cradle song,

No natal hour and mother's tear,

To thee belong.

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Thou God-idea, Life-encrowned,

The Bethlehem babe—

Beloved, replete, by flesh embound—

Was but thy shade!

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Thou gentle beam of living Love,

And deathless Life!

Truth infinite,—so far above

All mortal strife,

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Or cruel creed, or earth-born taint:

Fill us today

With all thou art—be thou our saint,

Our stay, always.

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**Notices**

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**Solo***The Work of Christmas*

Gwen Eagleton

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**Explanatory Note**

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**GOLDEN TEXT: Isaiah**

Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee.

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**RESPONSIVE READING: Isaiah**

I the Lord have called thee in righteousness, and will hold thine hand, and will keep thee, and give thee for a covenant of the people, for a light of the Gentiles;

**To open the blind eyes, to bring out the prisoners from the prison, and them that sit in darkness out of the prison house.**

And I will bring the blind by a way that they knew not; I will lead them in paths that they have not known: I will make darkness light before them, and crooked things straight. These things will I do unto them, and not forsake them.

**And there shall come forth a rod out of the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of his roots:**

And the spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord;

**And shall make him of quick understanding in the fear of the Lord: and he shall not judge after the sight of his eyes, neither reprove after the hearing of his ears:**

But with righteousness shall he judge the poor, and reprove with equity for the meek of the earth:

**The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid; and the calf and the young lion and the fatling together; and a little child shall lead them**

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**Bible Lesson-sermon**

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**Hymn #392**

With love and peace and joy supreme  
 We hail the new appearing;  
 From out the darkness and the dream,  
 The haven of rest is nearing.

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With gifts of healing in his wings  
 To light the Christ now guides us,  
 The heart that knows him burns and sings,  
 For endless joy betides us.

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His touch the door of Life unseals  
 And bids us freely enter,  
 His word the heaven of heavens reveals  
 With Love its bound and center.

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For God is all, and Christ the way;  
 Our meek and bold defender  
 Has cleft the night and lo, the day  
 Bursts forth in mighty splendor.

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**Scientific Statement of Being**

SH 468:9 There

- 9 There is no life, truth, intelligence, nor substance in matter. All is infinite Mind and its infinite manifestation, for God is All-in-all. Spirit is immortal
- 12 Truth; matter is mortal error. Spirit is the real and eternal; matter is the unreal and temporal. Spirit is God, and man is His image and likeness. Therefore
- 15 man is not material; he is spiritual.

**Correlative Scripture**

I John 3:1-3

- 1 BEHOLD, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God: therefore the world knoweth us not, because it knew him not.
- 2 Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is.
- 3 And every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself, even as he is pure.

**Benediction**

Eph 1:17 1st the, 18 (to ;)

17 the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you  
the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him:

18 The eyes of your understanding being enlightened;

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