



FIFTH SUNDAY after EPIPHANY

Sunday, February 8, 2026 • 8:15 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.

*As a community following Christ,
we LOVE with an open heart,
GROW with a curious mind,
and SHARE with a generous spirit.*

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

- *Please turn off all cell phones.*
- *If you are visiting with us today, we extend to you a particular welcome and invite your questions and comments.*
- *Our entire worship service is printed in this worship folder for your convenience.*
- *Hearing assistance devices are available in the Narthex.*
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In the order of service, the words
that are spoken by a leader are in regular type.
Words spoken by the assembly are in boldface type.

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Stand.

CONFESSTION AND FORGIVENESS • "I CONFESS TO YOU, O LORD"

True Vine Music / Michael A. Schmid

I con - fess to you, — O— Lord, that I have sinned. — I con - fess to you, — O— Lord, that I have sinned. — I con -

fess to you, — O— Lord, all my sin with - in. — I have fess to you, — O— Lord, all my sin with - in. — I have

failed to live for you — in the things I say and placed my - self a - bove, — and have hurt the ones I

do, — and have fall - en short — of liv - - ing in — your love. — love, — and I know that on - - ly you — can set — me free. —

1. I con - - Lord, have mer - cy — on — me. — 2. Lord have

mer - cy — set me free. — O for - give me, Lord, I pray, and —

take my sin a - way, by the cross and emp - ty grave for my soul. —

Take us back to the wa - ter, wash a - way our sins.

Wel-come us, O Fa - ther, back to your home a - gain.

Bless your sons and daugh - ters, and let the feast be-gin,

let it be - gin...

The pastor declares the absolution over instrumental music.

You take us back to the water. You wash away our sins.

You welcome us, O Father, back to your home again.

You bless your sons and daughters.

Now let the feast begin, let it begin.

Lord, your mercy covers me.

Lord, your mercy has set me free.

**You've forgiven me today, and my sins are washed away,
by the cross and empty grave for my soul.**

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

HYMN OF PRAISE • "GATHER US IN"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 532

1 Here in this place the new light is stream-ing, now is the dark-ness
 2 We are the young, our lives are a mys-t'ry, we are the old who
 3 Here we will take the wine and the wa-ter, here we will take the
 4 Not in the dark of build-ings con-fin-ing, not in some heav-en,

van-ished a-way; see in this space our fears and our dream-ings
 yearn for your face; we have been sung through-out all of his-t'ry,
 bread of new birth, here you shall call your sons and your daugh-ters,
 light years a-way— here in this place the new light is shin-ing,

brought here to you in the light of this day.
 called to be light to the whole hu-man race.
 call us a-new to be salt for the earth.
 now is the king-dom, and now is the day.

Gath-er us in, the lost and for-sak-en, gath-er us in, the
 Gath-er us in, the rich and the haugh-ty, gath-er us in, the
 Give us to drink the wine of com-pas-sion, give us to eat the
 Gath-er us in and hold us for-ev-er, gath-er us in and

blind and the lame; call to us now, and we shall a-wak-en,
 proud and the strong; give us a heart, so meek and so low-ly,
 bread that is you; nour-ish us well, and teach us to fash-ion
 make us your own; gath-er us in, all peo-ple to-geth-er,

we shall a-rise at the sound of our name.
 give us the cour-age to en-ter the song.
 lives that are ho-ly and hearts that are true.
 fire . . . of love in our flesh and our bone.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Holy God,
you gave the law to show your people
the way of righteousness.

Help us receive your commandments as grace
and live as your faithful children
that your goodness may shine through us,
to the glory of your name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Sit.

TEMPLE TALK

Tod Robinson, Scouting America.

READING

A reading from the first letter to the Corinthians.

1 Corinthians 2:1-16

¹ When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the testimony of God to you with superior speech or wisdom. ² For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. ³ And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. ⁴ My speech and my proclamation were made not with persuasive words of wisdom but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, ⁵ so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God.

⁶ Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are being destroyed. ⁷ But we speak God's wisdom, a hidden mystery, which God decreed before the ages for our glory ⁸ and which none of the rulers of this age understood, for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. ⁹ But, as it is written,

“What no eye has seen, nor ear heard,
nor the human heart conceived,
what God has prepared for those who love him”—

¹⁰ God has revealed to us through the Spirit, for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. ¹¹ For what human knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God's except the Spirit of God. ¹² Now we have received not the spirit of the world but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God. ¹³ And we speak of these things in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual things to those who are spiritual.

¹⁴ Those who are unspiritual do not receive the gifts of God's Spirit, for they are foolishness to them, and they are unable to understand them because they are spiritually discerned. ¹⁵ Those who are spiritual discern all things, and they are themselves subject to no one else's scrutiny.

¹⁶ "For who has known the mind of the Lord so as to instruct him?"

But we have the mind of Christ.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Stand.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION • "ALLELUIA"

Now the Feast and Celebration

Congregation:

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we
go? You have the words of e - ter - nal
life. Al - le - lu - ia!

GOSPEL

The holy gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Matthew 5:13-20

[Jesus said:] ¹³ “You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything but is thrown out and trampled under foot.

¹⁴ “You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid.

¹⁵ People do not light a lamp and put it under the bushel basket; rather, they put it on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. ¹⁶ In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

¹⁷ “Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. ¹⁸ For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. ¹⁹ Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. ²⁰ For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sit.

CHILDREN'S SERMON + SERMON

Stand.

HYMN OF THE DAY • "BRING FORTH THE KINGDOM"

Worship & Praise 22

Leader

D G/D D D/F# All G D/F# A D

1 You are salt for the earth, O peo-ple: salt for the king-dom of God!

4 We are a blest and a pil-grim peo-ple: bound for the king-dom of God!

Leader

G D/F# G A D All G D/F# A D

Share the fla-vor of life, O peo-ple: life in the king-dom of God!

Love our jourNEY and love our home-land: love is the king-dom of God!

Refrain

G D/F# Em A D G D/F#

Bring forth the king-dom of mer-cy, bring forth the

Em A D G D/F# G A D

king-dom of peace; bring forth the king-dom of jus-tice,

G D/F# Em/G A D G D/F# A D

bring forth the cit-y of God!

CREED

Together, let us confess our faith.

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the power 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 rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living 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.**

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

As God's beloved children united in Christ,
let us pray for the church,
the whole human community,
and the well-being of the earth, our home.

At the conclusion of each petition:

Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Confident that the Holy Spirit
receives our prayers and answers us,
we commend all for whom we pray
to God's loving-kindness
made known to us in Christ Jesus our Savior.

Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Sit.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

Like a spring whose waters never fail,
God calls us to share what we have received.
Let us offer ourselves and our gifts to God.

*You can participate in the Offering electronically
by scanning the QR code and filling out the online form.*

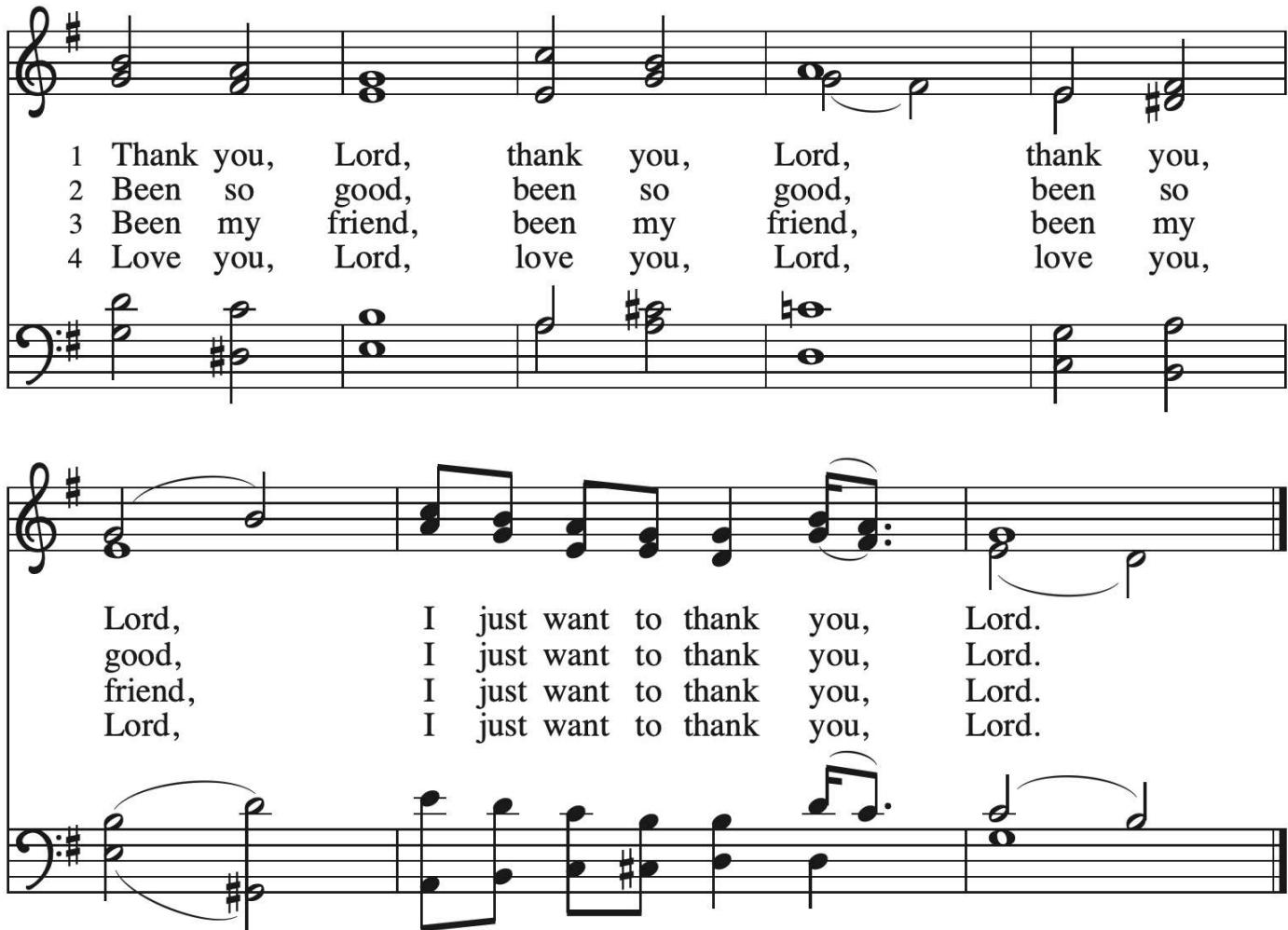


OFFERING

*8:15 a.m.
MVLC Choir
“Child of God”*

OFFERTORY RESPONSE • "THANK YOU, LORD"

All Creation Sings 1092



The musical notation consists of two staves. The top staff is in treble clef, G major (two sharps), and common time. It features a four-measure phrase: a half note, a half note, a half note, and a half note. The lyrics for this section are: 1 Thank you, Lord, thank you, Lord, thank you, Lord, thank you, Lord. The bottom staff is in bass clef, G major (one sharp), and common time. It features a four-measure phrase: a half note, a half note, a half note, and a half note. The lyrics for this section are: Been so good, been so good, been so good, been so good. The two staves are then joined together for the next section of the song.

1 Thank you, Lord, thank you, Lord, thank you, Lord, thank you, Lord,
2 Been so good, been so good, been so good, been so good,
3 Been my friend, been my friend, been my friend, been my friend,
4 Love you, Lord, love you, Lord, love you, Lord, love you,

Lord, good, friend, Lord, I just want to thank you, Lord.
I just want to thank you, Lord.
I just want to thank you, Lord.
I just want to thank you, Lord.

OFFERING PRAYER

God of majesty,
no eye has seen, no ear has heard
what you have prepared for those who love you,
yet in this meal you reveal the wideness of your mercy.

Use what we have gathered
to feed us with the reign of God come near,
Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom
and teach us to pray:

**Our Father in heaven,
 hallowed be your name,
 your kingdom come,
 your will be done,
 on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

**Forgive us our sins
 as we forgive those
 who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial
 and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,
 and the glory are yours,
 now and forever. Amen.**

COMMUNION

Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!
Come to the table; taste and see.

Sit.

DISTRIBUTION

We are here because Jesus has called us—
strangers and friends, locals and visitors,
believers and doubters, the certain and the curious.

It is always a mixed company that Jesus gathers
and invites to his table where, in bread and wine,
he meets us and through him, we are joined to each other.

So come,
not because you understand,
but because you are understood.

Come,
not because of how you feel,
but because God has food for you.

Come,
not because you deserve a place,
but because Jesus invites you,
just as you are.

If you need an alcohol-free element or a gluten-free element, then please let your server know.

If you are unable to come forward for communion, then please let an usher know and you will be served where you are seated.

LAMB OF GOD • "OIJUMALAN KARITSA"

Global Songs 2

The musical score consists of six staves of music. The lyrics are written below each staff, corresponding to the notes. The music is in G clef, 3/4 time. The lyrics are as follows:

Staff 1: Oi, O Ju - ma - lan Lamb of God, - rit - sa, io - ka -

Staff 2: pois o - tat maa - il - man syn - nin, have ar - mah - da way the sin of the world: mer - cy

Staff 3: mei - tä, ar - mah - da mei - tä. on us, mer - cy on us.

Staff 4: Oi, O Ju - ma - lan Lamb of God, - rit - sa, io - ka - pois o - tat

Staff 5: maa il - man syn - nin, an - na meil - le sin of the world, grant us vi - sion,

Staff 6: rau - ha - si ja siu - na - uk - se - si. grant us jus - tice, grant us your own true peace.

COMMUNION HYMN • "IN REMEMBRANCE OF YOU"

Gather, Third Edition 944

Verses



1. Je - sus, hope for all, teach us to be - lieve.
2. Je - sus, Son of God, you are liv - ing Word.
3. Je - sus, Lamb of God, bear - er of our sin,



Reach us, hope for all, in wa - ter, wine, and wheat.
Teach us, Son of God, to share what we have heard.
Free us, Lamb of God; come heal us from with - in.

Refrain



Gath-ered at ta-ble, gath-ered in love, food for the jour-ne-y



sent from a-bove. Strength - en and feed us in all that we do,



gath - ered at ta - ble in re - mem - brance of you.

COMMUNION HYMN • "BROKEN FOR ME"

Worship & Praise 23

COMMUNION HYMN • "NOW THE BODY BROKEN"

Dancing at the Harvest 31



o - pen to the liv - ing Bread: Bread of life, Bread of hope, Bread of peace.



light- ed hear our God's com - mand: "Share the life, share the hope; share the



Stand.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Radiant God, we have seen your glory in the face of Jesus Christ.

In the sacrament of his body and blood you have drawn us to your heart.

Send us from this table with delight, that our lives may reflect the beauty of your love, and bear witness to all we have seen and heard, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

DEACON SENDING

Deacons are called to “make Christ and his redemptive love known by word and example.” (1 Timothy)

Such love is expressed in the extension of Holy Communion to those who are homebound or hospitalized.

Gracious God,

**as Jesus called disciples to follow him,
bless those who go forth to share your word and sacrament
with those who are sick or homebound.**

**May these gifts be signs of our love and prayers,
that through the sharing of the body and blood of Christ,
all may know your grace and healing
revealed in Jesus Christ our Lord.**

Amen.

BLESSING

May Christ, the true light, shine upon you,
that you may walk in righteousness all your days.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN • "GO, MAKE DISCIPLES"

Worship & Praise 47



“Go, make dis - ci - ples, bap - tiz - ing them, teach-ing them.

Go, make dis - ci - ples, for I am with you till the end of time.

Go, be the salt of the earth. Go, be the light for the world.

Go, be a cit - y on a hill, so all can see that you're

serv - ing me. Go, make dis - ci - ples.”

SENDING

Go in peace. Do justice. Love mercy. Walk humbly.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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ASH WEDNESDAY

Wednesday, February 18, 2026

11:00 a.m. = Ash Wednesday morning worship
12 noon = lunch in the Life Together Hall

6:00 p.m. = dinner in the Life Together Hall

6:30 p.m. = Ash Wednesday evening worship

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PREACHER: Pastor Eric Bostrom.

PRESIDER: Pastor Eric Bostrom, Pastor Andrew Conley-Holcom.

ASSISTING MINISTER: Peter Briggs.

DIRECTOR of MUSIC: Amy Boers.

VIDEOGRAPHER: David Burch.

ALTAR GUILD: Kay Coody, Janice Harrison, Sandy Knierim, Diana Smith.

8:15 a.m.

USHERS: Corie Adams, Gary Larson (head usher), George Rowe, Betsy Tunstall.

GREETERS: David Newton, Eileen Newton.

ACOLYTE: Penelope Neptun.

LECTOR: Chris Schaefer.

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Diane Tyler, Karyn Williamson.

SOUND: Henry Peck.

10:45 a.m.

USHERS: Mark Cantrell (head usher), John Dahle, Tom Fairchild, Michelle Schweikl.

GREETERS: Diane Nelson, Dotty Shireman.

LECTOR: Lucille Porter.

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Diane Nelson, Ryan Riley.

SOUND: Beth Ann Johnson.

Flowers on the altar today are given to the glory of God

by the MVLC Altar Guild.

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DAYS OF THE WEEK AT MVLC

All events are weekly (unless specified). For example, the Grief Group meets on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month (2nd and 4th).

SUNDAY

- Worship at 8:15 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. in the Sanctuary.
- Rock Ministry at 9:30 a.m. in the Education Building.
- Adult Education at 9:30 a.m. in the Life Together Hall.

MONDAY

- PB&J for the Homeless at 5:30 p.m. in the Gym.

TUESDAY

- Church Council at 6:30 p.m. in the Library (3rd).

WEDNESDAY

- Grief Group at 1:00 p.m. in the Library (2nd and 4th).

THURSDAY

- Women's Bible Study at 9:30 a.m. in the Library (1st and 3rd).
- Seeds of Change Community Dinner at 5:30 p.m. in the MVCC.

SATURDAY

- Men's Breakfast and Bible Study at 7:00 a.m. in the Chapel Basement.
- Circle of Prayer at 9:30 a.m. in the Library (2nd).

OFFICE HOURS

The MVLC Church Office is open from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday.



INSTALLATION

of

Pastor Andrew Conley-Holcom

*Mountain View Lutheran Church of Edgewood, Washington
invites you to attend and celebrate the installation of
Pastor Andrew Conley-Holcom.*

*Sunday, February 15, 2026 • 3:00 p.m.
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