

*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.*
- *Child care is available for children ages 5 years and under in the Child Care Area, across from the Life Together Hall.*

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.

PARABLES

7TH SUNDAY after PENTECOST

Sunday, July 12, 2026 • 9:30 a.m.

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Stand.

CALL TO CONFESSION

*All are invited to make the sign of the cross, +
the sign that is marked at baptism,
as the presiding minister begins.*

In Christ there is no condemnation,
for perfect love casts out sin.

Let us confess our sins to God.

You are invited to kneel or continue to stand.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Faithful God,

**your word falls on hardened ground
when our worldly anxiety and attachment to wealth
crowd out your place in our lives.**

**Forgive our frail and human ways
and cultivate in us a spirit of trust and faithfulness,
for you are our hope for deliverance.**

Amen.

Silence for reflection.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Beloved children of God,
when deeds of iniquity overwhelm us,
God forgives our transgressions.

Be at peace, for God restores and strengthens you
and waters your soul in its parched and hardened places.

Happy are those who come into God's courts,
for you shall be satisfied with the goodness of God
and rejoice in the holiness of God's temple.

Amen.

Stand.

GATHERING HYMN • "LORD, LET MY HEART BE GOOD SOIL"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 512



Lord, let my heart be good soil, o-pen to the seed of your word.



Lord, let my heart be good soil, where love can grow and peace is un-der-stood.



When my heart is hard, break the stone a - way. When my heart is cold,



warm it with the day. When my heart is lost, lead me on your way.



Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart be good soil.

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.

KYRIE

ELW, Holy Communion, Setting Eight

Refrain

Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, on our world and on our way.

Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, ev-'ry day.

For peace in the world, for the health of the church,
for the unity of all;
for this holy house, for all who worship and praise,
let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord. **Refrain.**

That we may live out your impassioned response
to the hungry and the poor;
that we may live out truth and justice and grace,
let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord. **Refrain.**

For peace in our hearts, for peace in our homes,
for friends and family;
for life and for love, for our work and our play,
let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord. **Refrain.**

For your Spirit to guide; that you center our lives
in the water and the Word;
that you nourish our souls with your body and blood,
let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord. **Refrain.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

You opened your mouth and uttered a word
and creation sprang forth in abundance.

Let us open our mouths in praise,
that we may bear fruit in every season
and be satisfied by your goodness,
for you, O God, are the source of all growth;
your grace abounds forever.

Amen.

Sit.

READING

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

Isaiah 55:10-13

- ¹⁰ For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven
and do not return there until they have watered the earth,
making it bring forth and sprout,
giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater,
¹¹ so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth;
it shall not return to me empty,
but it shall accomplish that which I purpose
and succeed in the thing for which I sent it.
- ¹² For you shall go out in joy
and be led back in peace;
the mountains and the hills before you
shall burst into song,
and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.
- ¹³ Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress;
instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle,
and it shall be to the Lord for a memorial,
for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Stand.

ACCLAMATION OF SCRIPTURE

ELW, Holy Communion, Setting Eight

Al-le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al-le - lu - ia. *(whistle)*
Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.
(whistle) Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL

The holy gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

¹That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. ²Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. ³And he told them many things in parables, saying: "Listen! A sower went out to sow. ⁴And as he sowed, some seeds fell on a path, and the birds came and ate them up.

⁵ Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. ⁶ But when the sun rose, they were scorched, and since they had no root, they withered away. ⁷ Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. ⁸ Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. ⁹ If you have ears, hear!”

¹⁸ “Hear, then, the parable of the sower. ¹⁹ When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. ²⁰ As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy, ²¹ yet such a person has no root but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. ²² As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of this age and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. ²³ But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty.”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sit.

CHILDREN’S SERMON + SERMON

Stand.

HYMN OF THE DAY • "SEED, SCATTERED AND SOWN"

Worship & Praise 121

Refrain

The musical score is written in 4/4 time and consists of seven staves. Each staff contains a line of music with lyrics underneath and guitar chords above. The chords are: C, G, Am, F, G, C, C7; F, G, C, C/B, Am, Dm7, Gsus, G; C, G, Am, F, G, C, C7, F, G; C, C/B, Am, Dm7, C/E, Dm7, G, C, G; Am, G, F, C; Dm, G, C, E; Am, F, G, G7. The lyrics are: "Seed, scat-tered and sown; wheat, gath-ered and grown; bread, bro-ken and shared as one, the Liv-ing Bread of God. Vine, fruit of the land; wine, work of our hands; one cup that is shared by all; the Liv-ing Cup, the Liv-ing Bread of God. 1 Is not the bread we break a 2 The seed which falls on rock will 3 As wheat up - on the hills was shar - ing in our Lord? Is not the with - er and will die. The seed with - gath - ered and was grown, so may the cup we bless the blood of Christ out - poured? in good ground the will flow - er and have life. church of God be gath - ered in - to one."

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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

Trusting in God's steadfast love
for all God has made,
let us pray for the church,
the world, and all of creation.

At the conclusion of each petition:

God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Grateful for your abundant provision
and trusting in your goodness,
we cast our cares upon you,
through the abundant grace of Christ Jesus.

Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Sit.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

Let us offer the fruit of our labor to God
and make good on our vows to the Most High.

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



OFFERING

*“Theres a Spirit of Love in This Place” • Mark A. Miller
Bradyn Floth, vox; Queency Regier, piano.*

Stand.

OFFERING PRAYER

Loving God,
we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts.

Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love,
so that all creation can taste your abundance.

We ask this in the name of Jesus,
through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever.

Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

ELW, Holy Communion, Setting Eight

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.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,
through our Savior Jesus Christ;

who on this day overcame death and the grave,
and by his glorious resurrection
opened to us the way of everlasting life.

And so, with the choirs of angels,
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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

Heaven has come near.

Come, share in the feast!

Sit.

DISTRIBUTION

At Mountain View Lutheran Church
we practice an open communion table.

The bread and wine of this table
do not belong to any church or any pastor;
they belong to Jesus Christ.

Jesus openly shares his life with you now
because he loves you and welcomes you.

And we pray that this open table
will open our hands, hearts, and home tables
to more and more,
so that the world might experience
the openness of God's love and welcome.

*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

ELW, Holy Communion, Setting Eight

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

COMMUNION HYMN • "TAKE AND EAT THIS BREAD"

Gather, Third Edition 928

Refrain



Take and eat this bread. Take and drink this cup.



This is my bod - y and my blood.

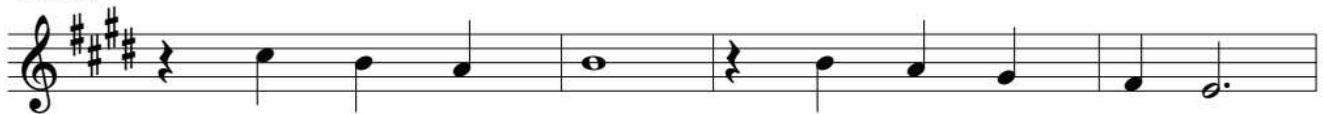


When you eat this bread, when you drink this cup,



you live in me and I in you.

Verses



1. This is the bread come down from heav-en;
2. Gath - ered as one a - round one ta - ble,
3. With - in our hands we hold the mys-t'ry,
4. Come all who thirst for life e - ter - nal,



D.C.

this is the cup of our sal - va - tion.
sent forth to wit - ness to sal - va - tion.
dy - ing and ris - ing to sal - va - tion.
come to the ta - ble of sal - va - tion.

COMMUNION HYMN • "AS THE GRAINS OF WHEAT"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 465



As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were



gath-ered in - to one to be - come our bread; so may all your peo-ple from



all the ends of earth be gath-ered in - to one in you.



1 As this cup of bless-ing is shared with-in our midst,

2 Let this be a fore-taste of all that is to come when



may we share the pres - ence of your love.
all cre - a - tion shares this feast with you.

Refrain

COMMUNION HYMN • "LET US BREAK BREAD TOGETHER"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 471



1 Let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees;
2 Let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees;
3 Let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees;



let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees.
let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees.
let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees.



When I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris - ing



sun, O Lord, have mer - cy on me.

Stand.

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ
strengthen you and keep you
always in his grace.

Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**Compassionate God,
through the gifts of bread and wine
our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love.**

**Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal,
may share your love freely, as you have shared with us.**

**We ask this in the name of Jesus,
through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever.**

Amen.

DEACON SENDING

Deacons are called to “make Christ and his redemptive love known by word and example.” Such love is expressed in the extension of Holy Communion to those who are homebound or hospitalized.

O God of tender compassion,

**as you healed the sick and welcomed the stranger, bless those
who leave this assembly to share the gifts of this table with our
siblings in Christ who are sick or homebound.**

**May they be sustained by the love and prayers of this
community, and by the Bread of Life that satisfies all hunger,
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

BLESSING

May the God who feels compassion for all
lead you to find love in your life and the peace that comes from
living with a gentle and humble heart.

SENDING HYMN • "SENT FORTH BY GOD'S BLESSING"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 547



1 Sent forth by God's bless - ing, our true faith con - fess - ing,
2 With praise and thanks - giv - ing to God ev - er - liv - ing,



the peo - ple of God from this dwell - ing take leave.
the tasks of our ev - 'ry - day life we will face—



The sup - per is end - ed. Oh, now be ex - tend - ed
our faith ev - er shar - ing, in love ev - er car - ing,



the fruits of this ser - vice in all who be - lieve.
em - brac - ing God's chil - dren, the whole hu - man race.



The seed of Christ's teach - ing, re - cep - tive souls
With your feast you feed us, with your light now



reach - ing, shall blos - som in ac - tion for God and for all.
lead us; u - nite us as one in this life that we share.



Your grace shall in - cite us, your love shall u - nite us
Then may all the liv - ing with praise and thanks - giv - ing



to work for your king - dom and an - swer your call.
give hon - or to Christ and his name that we bear.

SENDING

Go, share the good news!

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Monday, July 13 through Friday, July 17, 2026

9:00 a.m. to 12 noon each day

Sign up kids in kindergarten through sixth grade:

www.myvbs.org/mvlcvbs2026

GAME NIGHT + POTLUCK

Wednesday, July 22, 2026 • 5:00 p.m. in the Life Together Hall

It's a game night, for all ages! Bring your own games or play those provided.

It's a potluck! Bring your favorite dish or snack to share.

Make friends. Have fun.

GIRLS & THE WORD

Friday, July 31, 2026 • 6:45 p.m. in the MVLC Library

Middle school and high school girls gather in the Library for cake and faith conversations.

Bring your Bible!

GOLF TOURNAMENT

Sunday, August 9, 2026 • 2:00 p.m. at High Cedars Golf Course

\$50 per player = nine holes of golf + flag prizes + dinner.

Sign up by Sunday 7/19:

mountainviewlutheranchurch.breezechms.com/form/2026mvlcgolftournament



MOUNTAIN VIEW
COMMUNITY CENTER



BACKPACK
Giveaway

Saturday, August 8th, 2026

10 a.m - 1 p.m.

Drop Off Locations

Donations can be dropped off at MVCC or any of our community partner locations.

Mountain View Community Center
3607 122nd Ave E, Suite A
Edgewood, Washington 98372
Mon-Wed 9am-4pm | Thurs 9am-7pm

OR community partner locations:

- The Mill Steakhouse and Spirits
- Acorn Brewing
- Nightside Distillery

www.mtviewcommunitycenter.org/backpack-giveaway

Each year, Mountain View Community Center distributes around 1,000 backpacks to local youth to help prepare them for the upcoming school year. This program is made possible thanks to hundreds of donors and volunteers.

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