



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.
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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.

# TIME AFTER PENTECOST / SUMMER

# **SEVENTH SUNDAY** after Pentecost

*Sunday, July 27, 2025* • 9:30 a.m.

**PRELUDE** 

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The congregation is invited to gather around the baptismal font.

#### SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

Baptism of Kaylee Dawn Hobley.

Baptismal sponsors: David, Lynn, Paige, and Nathan Nichols.

God, who is rich in mercy and love, gives us a new birth into a living hope through the sacrament of baptism. By water and the Word God delivers us from sin and death and raises us to new life in Jesus Christ. We are united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, and joined in God's mission for the life of the world.

**PRESENTATION** 

## The Nichols Family

We present Kaylee Dawn Hobley for baptism.

Kaylee, called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to be baptized into Christ?

## Kaylee

I do.

David, Lynn, Paige, and Nathan, do you promise to nurture Kaylee in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help her live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church?

## The Nichols Family

We do.

People of God, do you promise to support Kaylee and pray for her in her new life in Christ?

We do.

#### PROFESSION OF FAITH

I ask you, as a community following Christ, to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce all evil, every force that undermines the love of God?

#### We renounce them.

Do you renounce the abusive powers of this world, the structures of inequality, and the forces that threaten God's beloved creation?

## We renounce them.

Do you renounce your own participation with these powers, your own actions and inactions that draw you from God?

## We renounce them.

With the whole church, we confess our faith.

Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by 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.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

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.

#### THANKSGIVING AT THE FONT

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family, and through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you set us free from the power of sin and death and raise us up to live in you.

We give our thanks for the waters of life that surround us and nourish the earth: for the water of the Puyallup River; for Wapato, Hylebos and Clarks creeks; for Lake Tapps and the Puget Sound. We rejoice in the groundwater throughout the Pacific Northwest that fulfills our thirst. Through the watershed we live in, remind us of your gifts of life.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, the power of your living Word, that those who are washed in the waters of baptism be given new life. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

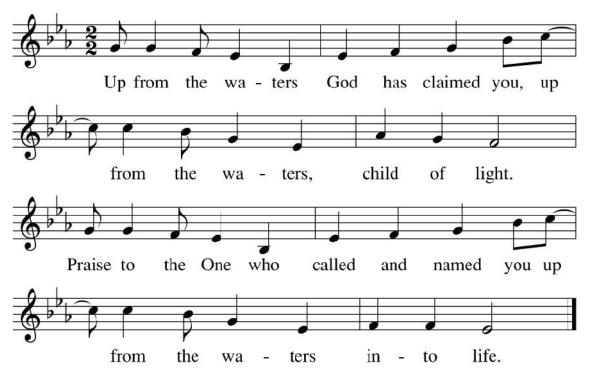
Amen.

#### **BAPTISM**

Kaylee Dawn Hobley, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

# Amen.

## Congregation sings twice:



Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your children new birth, cleanse them from sin, and raise them to eternal life. Sustain Kaylee with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.

#### Amen.

Kaylee Dawn Hobley, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

**WELCOME** 

Let us welcome Kaylee.

We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.

## AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM

Affirmation of Baptism for Kaylee Hobley, Colin Hutton, and Paige Nichols.

Dear friends, we give thanks for the gift of baptism and for Kaylee Hobley, Colin Hutton, and Paige Nichols, one with us in the body of Christ, who are making public affirmation of their baptism.

#### **PRESENTATION**

## **MVLC Church Council Member**

I present Kaylee Hobley, Colin Hutton, and Paige Nichols, who desire to make public affirmation of their baptism.

## Let us pray.

Merciful God, we thank you for these sisters and brothers, whom you have made your own by water and the Word in baptism.

You have called them to yourself, enlightened them with the gifts of your Spirit, and nourished them in the community of faith.

Uphold your servants in the gifts and promises of baptism, and unite the hearts of all whom you have brought to new birth. We ask this in the name of Christ.

#### Amen.

#### **AFFIRMATION**

Kaylee, Colin, and Paige; during Kaylee's baptism you made public profession of your faith. Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in holy baptism:

to live among God's faithful people, to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper, to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed, to serve all people, following the example of Jesus, and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

## Kaylee, Colin, and Paige

I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

People of God, do you promise to support these sisters and brothers and pray for them in their life in Christ?

We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.

Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give us new birth, cleanse us from sin, and raise us to eternal life.

Stir up in Kaylee, Colin, and Paige the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.

#### Amen.

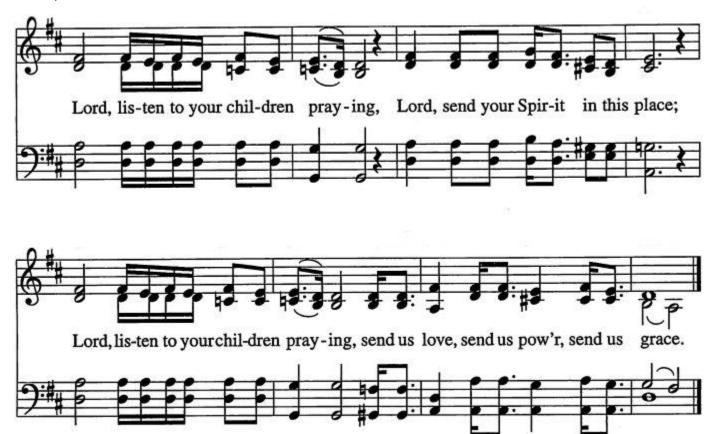
Let us rejoice with these sisters and brothers in Christ.

We rejoice with you in the life of baptism. Together we will give thanks and praise to God and proclaim the good news to all the world.

The congregation returns to their seats.

# **GATHERING HYMN •** "LORD, LISTEN TO YOUR CHILDREN"

Worship & Praise 92



## **GREETING**

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

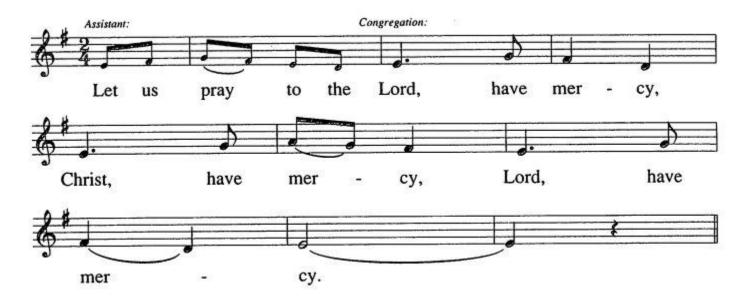
And also with you.

## **KYRIE**

Now the Feast and Celebration

In peace, in peace,

# Refrain



For the reign of God, and for peace throughout the world, for the unity of all... *Refrain*.

For your people here, who have come to give you praise, for the strength to live your Word... *Refrain*.



# **HYMN OF PRAISE** • "NOW THE FEAST"

Now the Feast and Celebration







# PRAYER OF THE DAY

Jesus Christ, teach us to pray, and to trust the hospitality of God for our daily bread, as our ancestors who ate manna in the wilderness.

Let us likewise be hospitable, and as God gives the gift of the Holy Spirit to us, let us give good gifts to those who are in need.

#### Amen.

Sit.

## **READING**

A reading from the book of Genesis.

## Genesis 18:20-32

- <sup>20</sup> Then the Lord said, "How great is the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah and how very grave their sin! <sup>21</sup> I must go down and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me, and if not, I will know."
- <sup>22</sup> So the men turned from there and went toward Sodom, while Abraham remained standing before the Lord. <sup>23</sup> Then Abraham came near and said, "Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? <sup>24</sup> Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city; will you then sweep away the place and not forgive it for the fifty righteous who are in it? <sup>25</sup> Far be it from you to do such a thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?" <sup>26</sup> And the Lord said, "If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will forgive the whole place for their sake."
- <sup>27</sup> Abraham answered, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to my lord, I who am but dust and ashes. <sup>28</sup> Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?" And he said, "I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there." <sup>29</sup> Again he spoke to him, "Suppose forty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of forty I will not do it." <sup>30</sup> Then he said, "Oh, do not let my lord be angry if I speak. Suppose thirty are found there." He answered, "I will not do it, if I find thirty there." <sup>31</sup> He said, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to my lord. Suppose twenty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it." <sup>32</sup> Then he said, "Oh, do not let my lord be angry if I speak just once more. Suppose ten are found there." He answered, "For the sake of ten I will not destroy it."

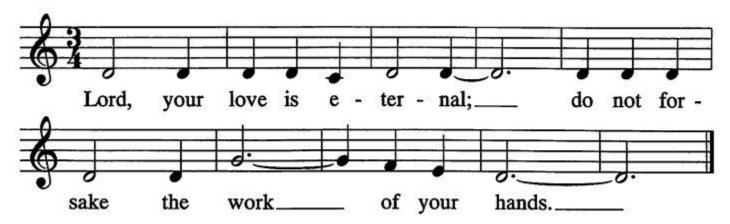
The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

## **PSALM** • "LORD, YOUR LOVE IS ETERNAL"

Psalm for the Church Year, Volume 5 • Psalm 138

Cantor sings refrain; then all repeat.
Cantor: verses; congregation: refrain.



I give thanks to you, O Lord, with all my heart, with all my soul. I will sing your praise with the angels. I will worship in your temple. **Refrain.** 

I give thanks to your holy name, for all your kindness and your truth. When I called you answered me, and you built up strength within me. *Refrain.* 

The Lord God is exalted yet he sees you, he sees me. And his kindness endures forever, O forsake not the work of your hands. *Refrain.* 

Stand.

## **READING**

The holy gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

## Luke 11:1-13

<sup>1</sup>[Jesus] was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples." <sup>2</sup> So he said to them, "When you pray, say:

Father, may your name be revered as holy.

May your kingdom come.

- <sup>3</sup> Give us each day our daily bread.
- <sup>4</sup> And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us. And do not bring us to the time of trial."
- <sup>5</sup> And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread, <sup>6</sup> for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.' <sup>7</sup> And he answers from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.' <sup>8</sup> I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything out of friendship, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.
- <sup>9</sup> "So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. <sup>10</sup> For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. <sup>11</sup> Is there anyone among you who, if your child asked for a fish, would give a snake instead of a fish? <sup>12</sup> Or if the child asked for an egg, would give a scorpion? <sup>13</sup> If you, then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

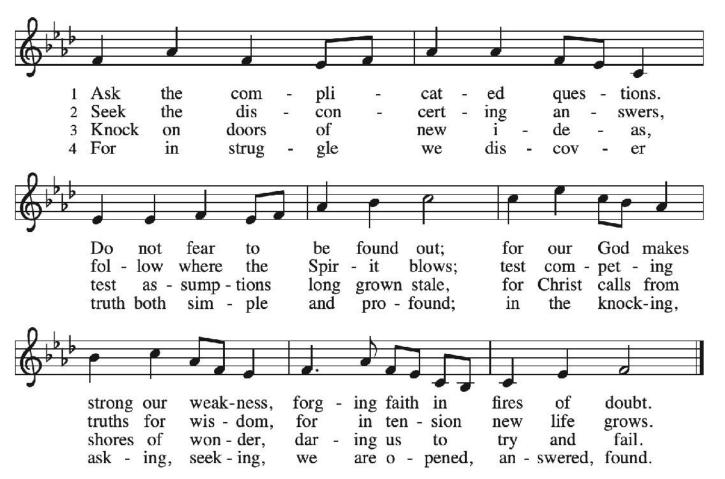
## CHILDREN'S SERMON + SERMON

Pastor Eric Bostrom.

Stand.

# **HYMN OF THE DAY • "ASK THE COMPLICATED QUESTIONS"**

All Creation Sings 1005



## PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

In solidarity with all creation, we join our voice to the voice of the whole church and pray for the needs of the world.

At the conclusion of each petition:

God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Trusting in your lovingkindness, we place our prayer and hope in you, in the name of Jesus Christ.

Amen.

## SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Sit.

## INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

Jesus teaches us that if we ask, it will be given to us.

Let us participate in God's purpose, then, by giving generously for all who are in need.

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



## **OFFERING**

Stand.

## **OFFERTORY RESPONSE** • "AS THE GRAINS OF WHEAT"

Now the Feast and Celebration





# **OFFERING PRAYER**

Creator God,

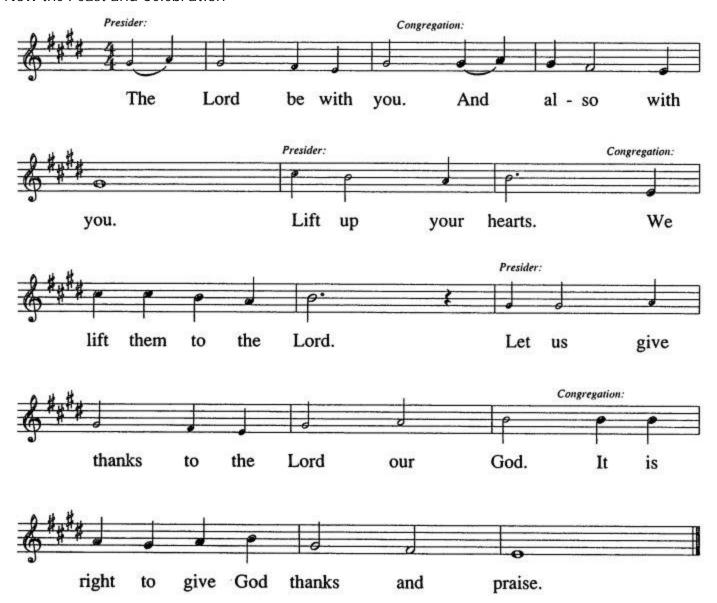
in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good and the harvest is plentiful.

Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth and our labor, that we may work for the good of all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

#### Amen.

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

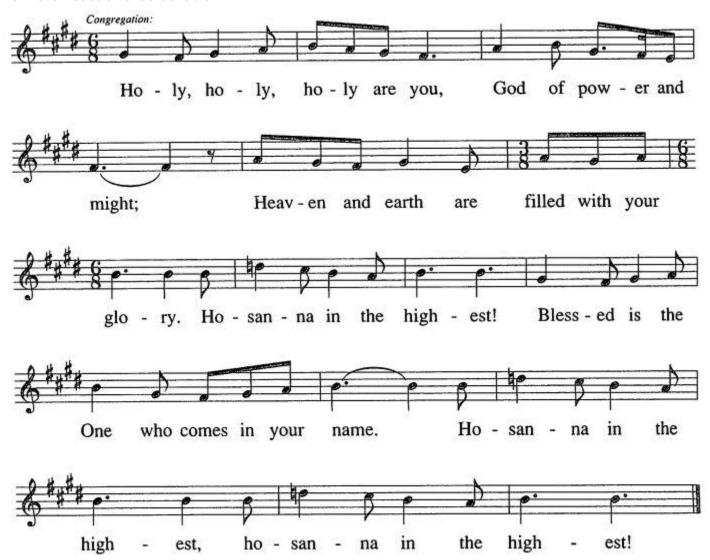
Now the Feast and Celebration



It is our duty and delight that we should everywhere and always offer thanks and praise to you, O God, through Jesus Christ who calls us to follow his way of humble service and love, and so with the church on earth, all creation and the host of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## **HOLY**

Now the Feast and Celebration



## 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**

The kingdom of God is set before you. Eat and rejoice.

Sit.

## **DISTRIBUTION**

At Mountain View Lutheran Church we practice open communion, which means that everyone is welcome at the Lord's table, because here we do not check credentials or polish our beliefs into shiny badges.

We come as we are: tired, tentative, hopeful, or curious because Christ is a generous host and warmly invites everyone.

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

Now the Feast and Celebration

us peace,

grant



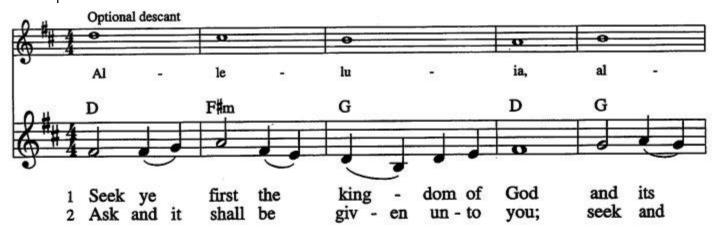
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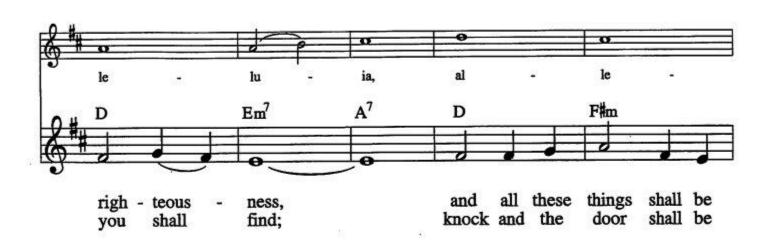
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peace.

## **COMMUNION HYMN • "SEEK YE FIRST"**

Worship & Praise 122







## **COMMUNION HYMN •** "COME AND FILL OUR HEARTS"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 528



# **COMMUNION HYMN** • "OPEN MY HEART"

All Creation Sings 1079



Stand.

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Loving God,

you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace. Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus's name. 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.

Gracious God,

as you healed the sick and welcomed the stranger, bless those who leave this assembly to share the gifts of this table with our sisters and brothers 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.

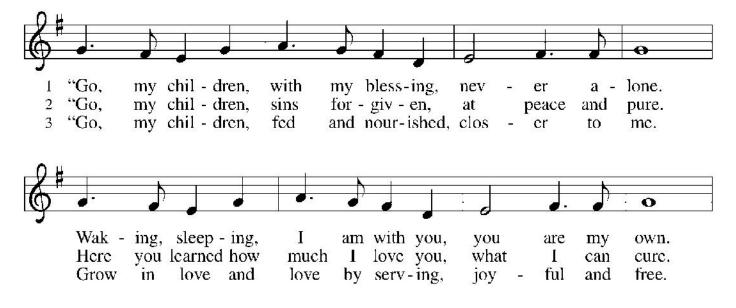
## CHURCH CAMP BLESSING

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May God bless your time at camp—
  with the crackle of bright campfires,
     the scent of pine in the air,
       and heaven's starry banner stretched wide above you.
May you see God's presence
  in the faces of friends—both new and familiar,
     in the wonder of creation.
       in the songs lifted high,
          and in the laughter shared around the table.
May you explore with awe
  and may you grow with wonder,
     treasuring each moment of this sacred adventure.
May you return with clothes dusted by the earth,
  a little braver.
     a little more alive.
       carrying stories, memories, and songs etched into your soul.
And may you always remember this truth:
  God goes with you.
     Every mile of the journey.
       To camp and back again.
You are God's beloved—
  held, known, and made new.
     So go gently.
       Go boldly.
          God exactly as you are.
            And know you are loved—every step of the way.
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#### Amen.

# **SENDING HYMN •** "GO, MY CHILDREN, WITH MY BLESSING"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 543





In my love's bap-tis - mal riv - er I have made you mine for - ev - er. Here you heard my dear Son's sto - ry, here you touched him, saw his glo - ry. Here my Spir - it's pow - er filled you, here my ten - der com-fort stilled you.



## **SENDING**

Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.

## Thanks be to God.

## **POSTLUDE**

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