

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.

### TIME AFTER PENTECOST / SUMMER

# **TWELFTH SUNDAY after Pentecost**

*Sunday, August 31, 2025* • 9:30 a.m.

**PRELUDE** 

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

Stand.

#### CALL TO CONFESSION

Let us confess our sins to the Lord who is our helper.

Kneel or remain standing.

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord, all that we have is a gift from you, yet we do not live lives of gratitude.

We ignore strangers and turn away from those in need.

We seek honor for ourselves and allow pride to take root in us.

Forgive our foolish ways, O God, and restore us to you, that we may walk in the way of love.

Amen.

#### **DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

Beloved, your sins are forgiven, for God promises to never leave us.

Therefore, be at peace and stand secure in the Lord.

Amen.

## **GATHERING HYMN •** "LET US GO NOW TO THE BANQUET"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 523



## **GREETING**

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

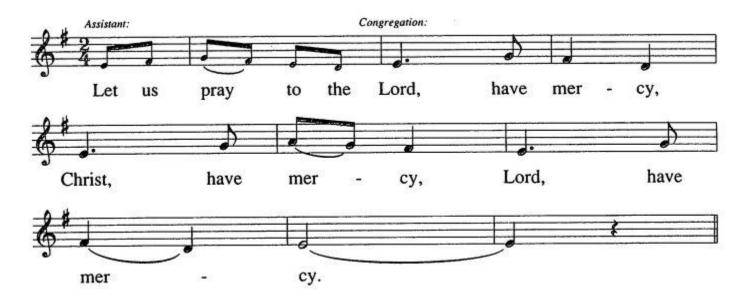
And also with you.

#### **KYRIE**

Now the Feast and Celebration

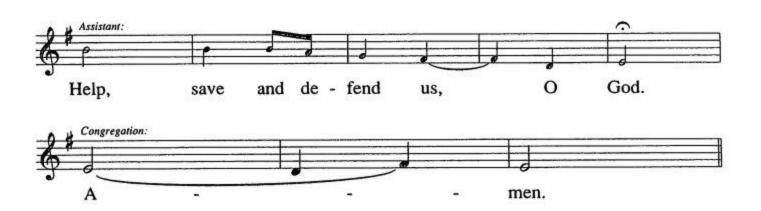
In peace, in peace,

### Refrain



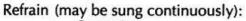
For the reign of God, and for peace throughout the world, for the unity of all... *Refrain*.

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



### **HYMN OF PRAISE • "GLORY TO GOD"**

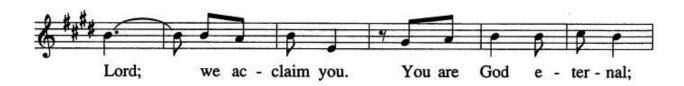
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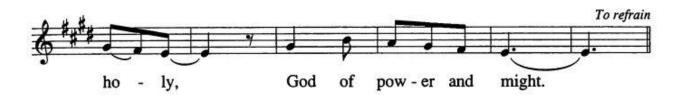






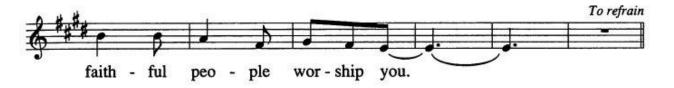


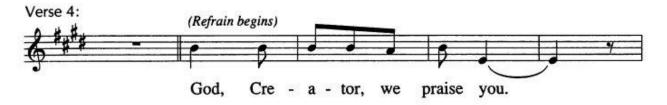


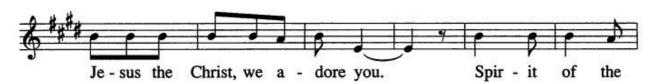














## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Faithful God, in Jesus you show us a way of humility and hospitality.

Give us the grace to love those things that please you and the courage to live them to your glory.

Amen.

Sit.

#### **READING**

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

<sup>1</sup> Let mutual affection continue. <sup>2</sup> Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. <sup>3</sup> Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them, those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. <sup>4</sup> Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled, for God will judge the sexually immoral and adulterers. <sup>5</sup> Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have, for he himself has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." <sup>6</sup> So we can say with confidence,

"The Lord is my helper;
I will not be afraid.
What can anyone do to me?"

<sup>7</sup>Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. <sup>8</sup> Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. <sup>15</sup> Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. <sup>16</sup> Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

### **PSALM** • "GOOD PEOPLE ARE A LIGHT"

Psalm Songs, Volume 3 • Psalm 112

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



They are a light in the darkness for the upright: they are generous, merciful, and just.

Good people take pity and lend, they are honest in all their dealings. **Refrain.** 

## Kefraın.

The righteous will never, never waver:
but they will be remembered forever.
They have no fear of evil news;
with a firm heart they trust in the Lord. **Refrain.** 

With a steadfast heart they will not fear; open-handed, they have given to the poor; their justice endures forever.

Their heads will be raised in glory.

#### Refrain.

Stand.

#### **READING**

Please stand for the reading of the Gospel.

The holy gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Luke 14:1, 7-14

<sup>1</sup>On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the Sabbath, they were watching him closely.

<sup>7</sup> When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. <sup>8</sup> "When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host, <sup>9</sup> and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, 'Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. <sup>10</sup> But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. <sup>11</sup> For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

<sup>12</sup> He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers and sisters or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. <sup>13</sup> But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. <sup>14</sup> And you will be blessed because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sit.

# CHILDREN'S SERMON + SERMON

Pastor Eric Bostrom.

Stand

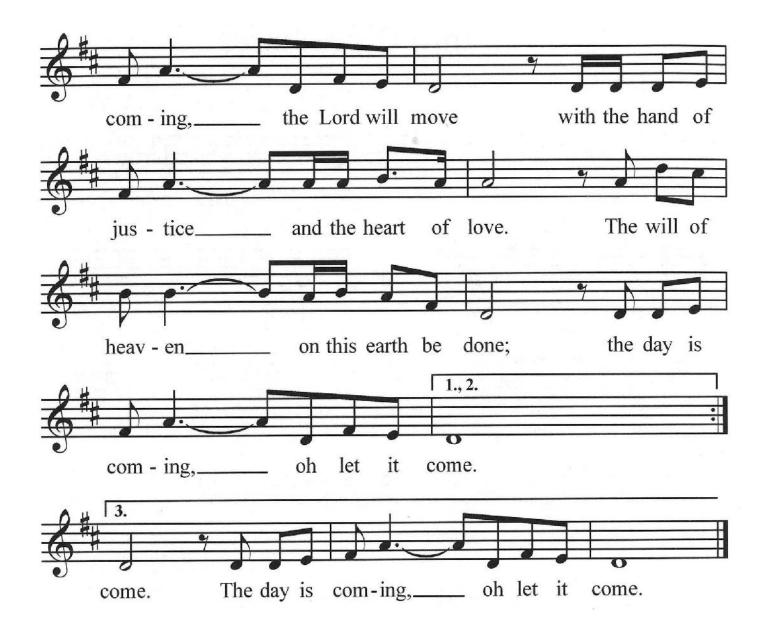




### **HYMN OF THE DAY •** "THE DAY IS COMING"

Roll Down, Justice!





#### **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

Let us pray for the church, the creation, and the whole people of God, for God is near.

At the conclusion of each petition:

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Confident in God's presence and promise, we entrust our prayers to the one who always receives them; through Jesus Christ, our wisdom and companion.

Amen.

### SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Sit.

### INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

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

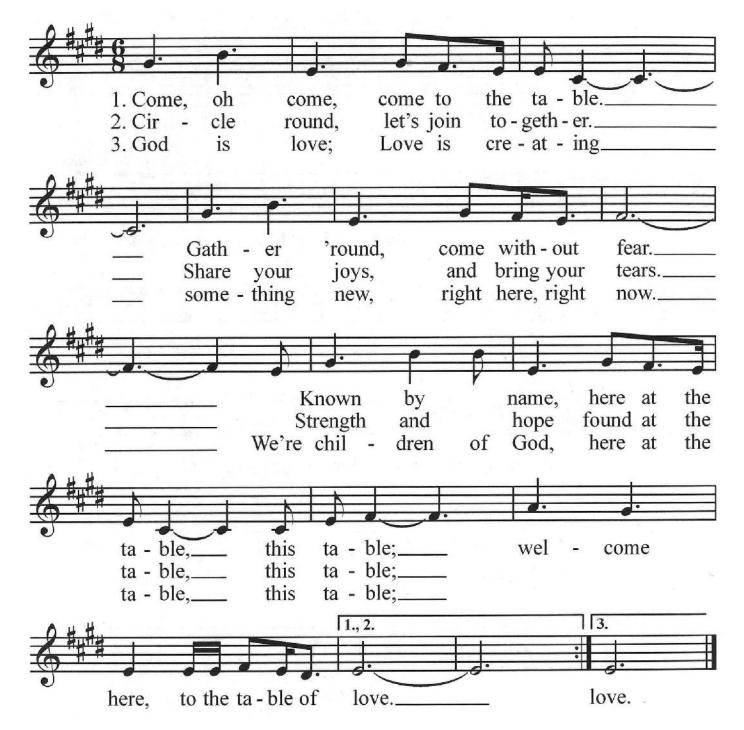


### **OFFERING**

### OFFERING SONG • "THE OPEN TABLE"

Roll Down, Justice!

### Cantor sings; the congregation joins when invited.



Stand.

### **OFFERING PRAYER**

Creator God,

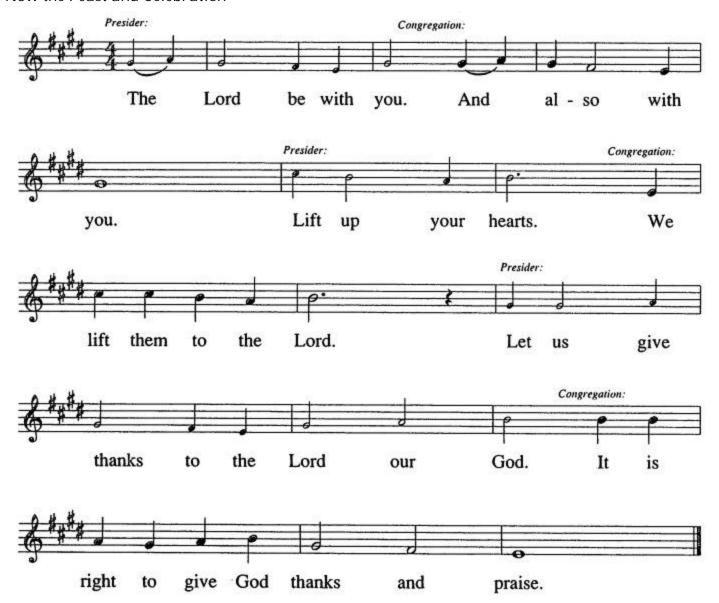
in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good and the harvest is plentiful.

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

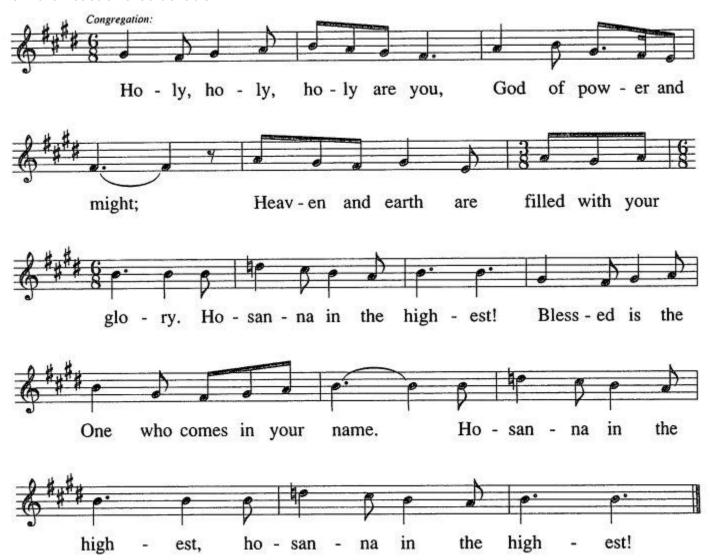
Now the Feast and Celebration



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



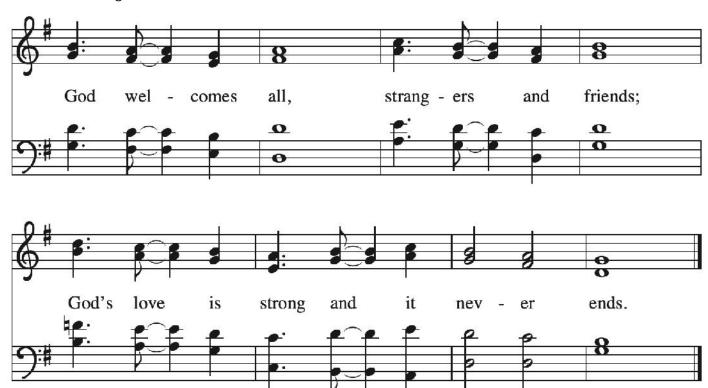
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# **COMMUNION HYMN •** "GOD WELCOMES ALL"

All Creation Sings 978

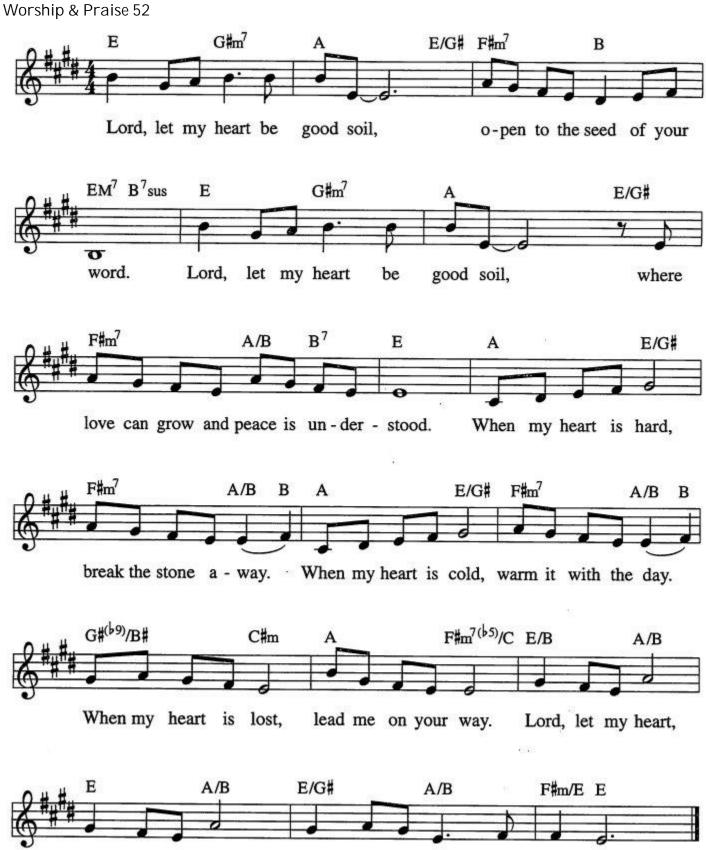


## **COMMUNION HYMN •** "BREAD OF LIFE, OUR HOST AND MEAL"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 464



### **COMMUNION HYMN • "GOOD SOIL"**



Lord, let my heart

be

good soil.

Lord, let my heart,

#### 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." (1 Timothy)

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.

#### **BLESSING**

May the God of mystery take you to unexpected places, may the God of humility teach you to serve without pride, may the God of wisdom inspire your work in the kingdom; and the blessing of God, Creator, Redeemer, and Sanctifier, be with you now and always.

#### Amen.

## **SENDING HYMN •** "A PLACE AT THE TABLE"

Gather, Third Edition 812



### **SENDING**

Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.

Thanks be to God.

### **POSTLUDE**

Flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God by Mary Finney in memory of her parents Sam and Pearl Crawford and in memory of Sharon McConnell.

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#### MOUNTAIN VIEW LUTHERAN CHURCH

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# God's work. Our hands.



# September 7, 2025

### We worship together.

Worship begins at 9:30 a.m. and will be approximately 30 minutes long. We will gather together for singing, scripture reading, and brief instructions for the events of the day.

#### We serve together.

Then, everyone will disperse to the various service projects from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (or until finished).

Sign up in the Gathering Space for one of the service projects.

- Clean up Nelson Nature Park with Pierce Conservation District.
- Serve a community meal at Messiah Lutheran Church, Auburn.
- Clean up at Mt. View Elementary Elementary School.
- Engage with the residents of Mill Ridge Village, Milton.
- Clean and organize the Edgewood Nourish Food Bank.
- Harvest orchard fruit in the MVLC Community Garden.
- Clean up trash along 122nd Avenue East.
- Provide a pre-game brunch for the families of Ashley House.

### We eat together.

At the end of the afternoon, everyone will return to MVLC at 4:00 p.m. for an all-church meal, reflecting on the projects accomplished and meaningful work done.

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