

*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.

PRIORITIES

21ST SUNDAY after PENTECOST

Sunday, October 18, 2026 • 8:15 a.m. and 10:45 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.*

God does not regard us with partiality,
but with the grace of Christ Jesus
deals with each of us according to our need.

With gratitude for this amazing grace, let us confess our sin.

You are invited to kneel or continue to stand.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**If we owed you a debt, O God,
it would be impossible to pay.**

**You have given us all things in Christ
and yet we withhold from you
the honor and glory that are yours.**

**Instead, we pay tribute to empire,
plot to entrap the innocent,
mock your truth with empty praise,
and put your patience to the test.**

**Forgive us, O God, and by your grace
restore in us the image of your face;
through Christ Jesus our Lord.**

Amen.

Silence for reflection.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Any debt we tally on our account
has been covered by the blood of Christ.

His forgiveness is our freedom,
and we stand redeemed and ready
to respond to God's abounding generosity.

Thanks be to God!

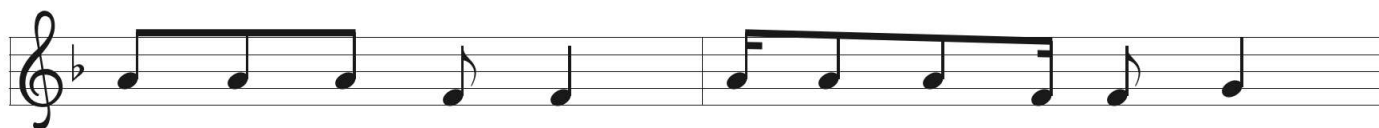
Stand.

GATHERING HYMN • "COME, ALL YOU PEOPLE"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 819



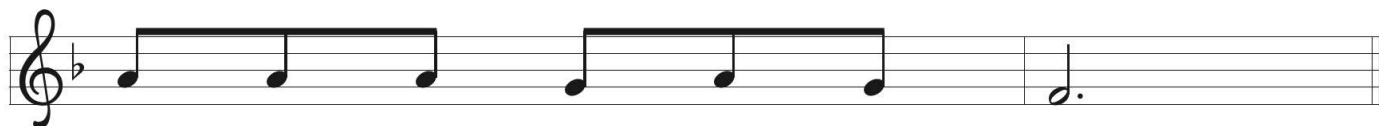
U - ya - i - mo - se, ti - na - ma - te Mwa - ri;
1 Come, all you peo - ple, come and praise the Most High;
2 Come, all you peo - ple, come and praise the Sav - ior;
3 Come, all you peo - ple, come and praise the Spir - it;



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u - ya - i - mo - se Zvi - no.
come now and wor - ship the Lord.
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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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Holy God,
you have made us in your image,
and we belong to you alone.

Therefore we offer
ourselves to you,
in service, love, and praise.

Use us for the glory of your realm
and the good of your people;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Sit.

PSALM • "GIVE THE LORD GLORY AND HONOR"

Lyric Psalter, Year A • Psalm 96

*Cantor sings refrain; **then all repeat.***

*Cantor: verses; **congregation: refrain.***

The musical notation is written on three staves in 3/4 time, with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are written below the notes.

Give the Lord glo - ry, glo - ry and

hon - or. Give the

Lord glo - ry, glo - ry and hon - or.

O sing a new song to the Lord; sing to the Lord, all the earth.

Tell among the nations his glory,
and his wonders among all the peoples. **Refrain.**

For the Lord is great and highly to be praised, to be feared above all gods.

For the gods of the nations are naught.
It was the Lord who made the heavens. **Refrain.**

Give the Lord, you families of peoples, give the Lord glory and power;
give the Lord the glory of his name.
Bring an offering and enter his courts. **Refrain.**

Worship the Lord in holy splendor. O tremble before him, all the earth.

Say to the nations, "The Lord is king."
He will judge the peoples in fairness. **Refrain.**

READING

A reading from the first letter to the Thessalonians.

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

¹ Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,
To the church of the Thessalonians
in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:
Grace to you and peace.

² We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly ³ remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁴ For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, ⁵ because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. ⁶ And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy from the Holy Spirit, ⁷ so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. ⁸ For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. ⁹ For they report about us what kind of welcome we had among you and how you turned to God from idols to serve a living and true God ¹⁰ and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead—Jesus, who rescues us from the coming wrath.

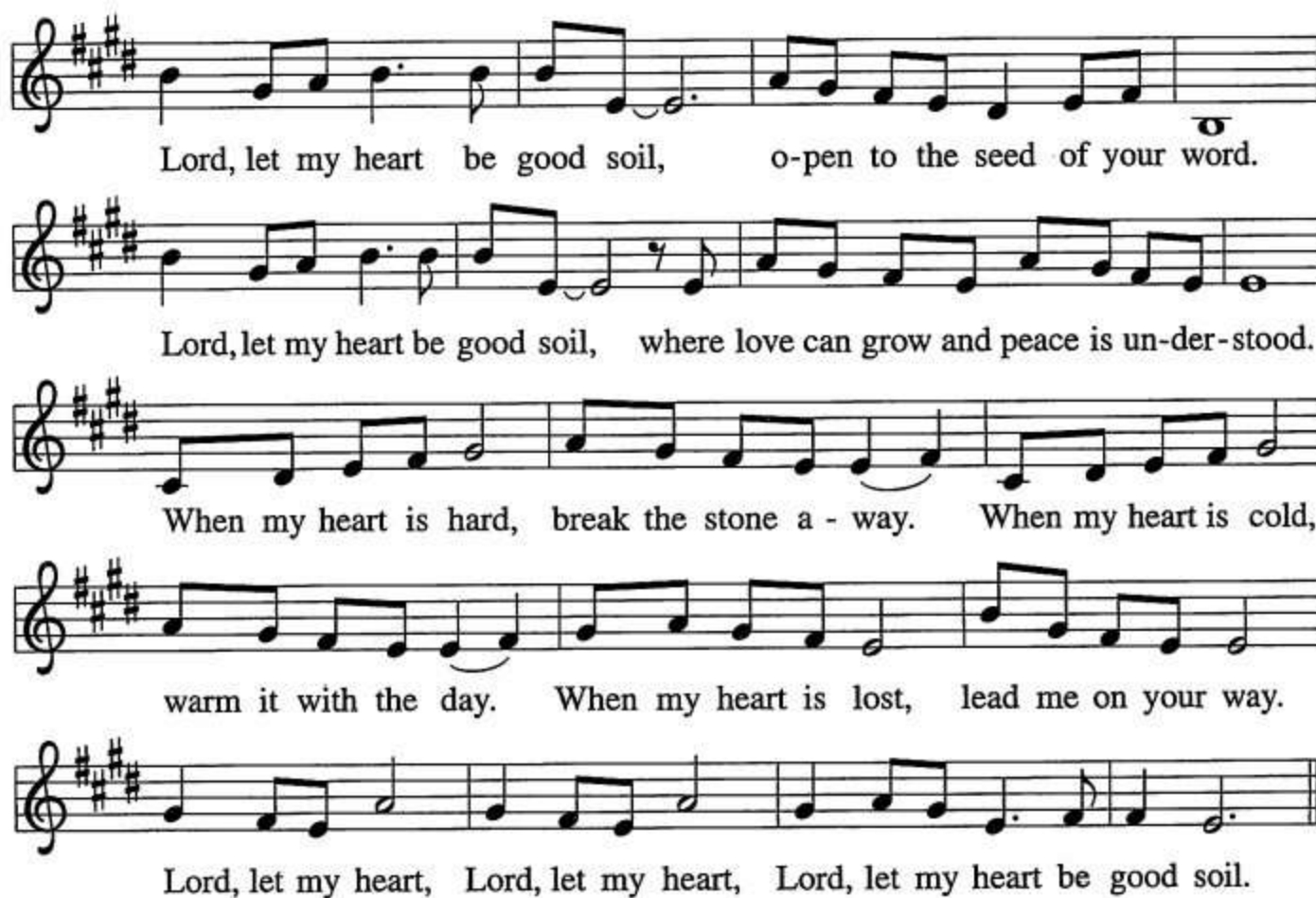
The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Stand.

ACCLAMATION OF SCRIPTURE • "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.

GOSPEL

The holy gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Matthew 22:15-22

¹⁵ The Pharisees went and plotted to entrap [Jesus] in what he said.

¹⁶ So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, “Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one, for you do not regard people with partiality. ¹⁷ Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar or not?” ¹⁸ But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, “Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? ¹⁹ Show me the coin used for the tax.” And they brought him a denarius. ²⁰ Then he said to them, “Whose head is this and whose title?” ²¹ They answered, “Caesar’s.” Then he said to them, “Give therefore to Caesar the things that are Caesar’s and to God the things that are God’s.” ²² When they heard this, they were amazed, and they left him and went away.

The gospel of our Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sit.

CHILDREN’S SERMON + SERMON

SERMON NOTES

Stand.

HYMN OF THE DAY • "TAKE MY LIFE, THAT I MAY BE"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 583



Take my life, that I may be con - se - crat - ed, Lord, to thee;



take my mo - ments and my days; let them flow in cease - less praise.



1	Take my hands	and let	them move	at the im -
2	Take my sil - ver	and my	gold,	not a mite
3	Take my voice	and let	me sing	al - ways, on -
4	Take my will	and make	it thine;	it shall be



pulse of	thy love;	take my feet	and let
would I	with - hold;	take my in - tel - lect	
ly for	my King;	take my lips	and let
no lon - ger	mine;	take my heart,	it is



them be	swift and beau - ti - ful	for thee.
and use	ev - 'ry pow'r	as thou shalt choose.
them be	filled with mes - sag - es	from thee.
thine own;	it shall be thy roy - al	throne.

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

Seeking the Spirit of God
who makes all things new,
we pray for the church and the world.

At the conclusion of each petition:

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Trusting in your boundless grace, O God,
we lift up these spoken prayers and those in our hearts;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Sit.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

The Lord made the heavens, and all the earth belongs to God.

As Jesus taught us, let us give to God
the things that are God's own.

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



OFFERING

MVLC's Children, Youth, and Family (CYF) Ministries have renewed energy and excitement! Did you know our spending guideline allocates \$18,000 to resource our programming supplies, curriculum, and retreats? Pastor Andrew's salary and the National Youth Gathering fundraising for 2027 is in addition to this number. Your generous giving ensures that our children, youth, and families follow Christ, to LOVE with an open heart, GROW with a curious mind, and SHARE with a generous spirit.

8:15 a.m.

MVLC Choir

"Jubilate Deo" • Dale Wood

Stand.

OFFERING SONG • "LET THE VINEYARDS BE FRUITFUL"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 182

Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of
bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be
fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u -
nite them with the prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your
pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

The musical score is written on five staves in treble clef. The key signature has one flat (B-flat). The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The first staff ends with a double bar line. The second staff continues the melody. The third staff continues the melody. The fourth staff continues the melody. The fifth staff ends with a double bar line.

OFFERING PRAYER

God of creation,
you send rain and the earth springs forth abundantly.

All blessings are from you;
make us generous with what we have.

Use our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts
in service to you and in love to our neighbors,
today and always.

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:

SANCTUS • "HOLY, HOLY, HOLY"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 191

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and

might; heav - en and earth are filled with your

glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Bless - ed is the one who comes in your name. Ho -

san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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

Christ invites you to this table.

All who are thirsty, all who are hungry, come!

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

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 195

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.

COMMUNION HYMN • "AS THE GRAINS OF WHEAT"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 465

Refrain



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



Refrain

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

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.

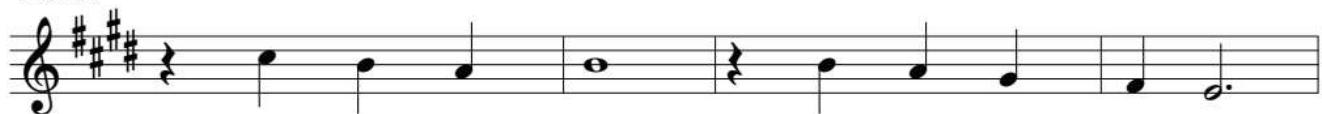


When you eat this bread, when you drink this cup,



you live in me and I in you.

Verses



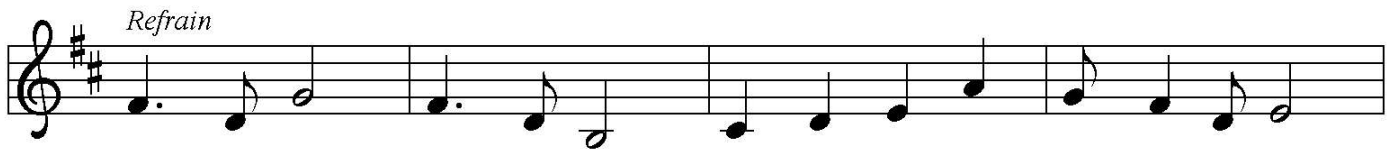
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|----------------|-----|--------|-------|----------------|------------|
| 1. This | is | the | bread | come down from | heav-en; |
| 2. Gath - ured | as | one | | a - round one | ta - ble, |
| 3. With - in | our | hands | | we hold the | mys-t'ry,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



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 • "EAT THIS BREAD, DRINK THIS CUP"

With One Voice 706



Eat this bread, drink this cup. Taste and see the good-ness of God.



Bread of life, cup of love, we re-joice in your pres-ence.



- 1 I will bless the Lord at all times, praise with heart and voice;
- 2 Look up - on the Lord, be ra - dant, nev - er turn a - way.
- 3 An - gels fold their wings a - round us, guard through good and ill.
- 4 Saints of God, bow down and wor - ship, bless the ho - ly name.



in my God I glo - ry for - ev - er: lis - ten and re - joice!
God will save in ev - 'ry af - flic - tion, hear us when we pray.
Those who seek the Lord will lack noth - ing; taste, and have your fill.
Rise to tell God's great-ness for - ev - er, won - drous deeds pro - claim!

Stand.

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

Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**Sustaining God, with this bread and cup,
you nourish us with mercy and abundant life.**

By your Spirit, send us from this table to serve a needy world.

**Make us living signs of your liberation, healing, and love,
following the way of Jesus, in whose name we pray. 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,

**you took the form of a servant, offering yourself as food,
comfort, and strength to a sick and hurting world.**

**Anoint with a servant heart those who take your word and
sacrament to our siblings in their homes and in hospitals.**

**Grant grace, mercy, healing, and hope to those who feast on
your body and blood and receive your words of new life.**

**May we all recognize that we have a place and a home in the
body of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.**

BLESSING

God has a mission for us and God has used this worship
to equip us for our mission.

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

SENDING HYMN • "STEP BY STEP"

Worship & Praise 132

O God, you are my God, and I will ev - er praise

you. O God, you are my God, and

I will ev - er praise you. I will seek you in the morn -

- ing, and I will learn to walk in your ways, and

step by step you'll lead me, and I will fol - low you all of my

days. O days, and I will fol - low you all of my

days, and I will fol - low you all of my days, and

step by step you'll lead me, and I will fol - low you all of my days.

SENDING

Go out in joy. Be led forth in peace.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

The invitation features a dark blue and purple background with a large full moon in the top left, two black bats in flight, and a rainbow arching over a witch on a broom. In the center is a large black cauldron with green liquid and floating candy. To the right is a black haunted house with lit windows. Two glowing jack-o'-lanterns are at the bottom. The text is in various fonts and colors, including orange, white, and black.

 MOUNTAIN VIEW
COMMUNITY CENTER

YOU ARE INVITED TO

Trunk or Treat
with us!



SCAN TO SIGN
UP AS A HOST

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24th
★ **3pm-5pm** ★

Host a Trunk!

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ALTAR GUILD: Cindy Jones, Diksha Knierim, Sandy Knierim, Angela Machumu.

8:15 a.m.

USHERS: Fred Albert, Gary Larson, Mike Lindstrom, Sandi Swanson (head usher).

GREETERS: Connie McCrossin, Anne Roff.

ACOLYTE: Penelope Neptun.

LECTOR: Lori Neptun.

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Genie Lennon, Connie McCrossin.

SOUND: Nate Schaefer.

10:45 a.m.

USHERS: Cathie Freiling, Erik Knierim (head usher), Diane Nelson.

GREETERS: Mary Beth Dahl, Dotty Shireman.

LECTOR: Jim Hushagen.

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Terry Jensen, Cathy Kostelecky.

SOUND: Beth Ann Johnson.

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