

A black and white photograph of a desert dune under a cloudy sky. The dune is the central focus, with its smooth, undulating surface. The sky is filled with soft, wispy clouds, creating a serene and somewhat somber atmosphere. The lighting is diffused, highlighting the texture of the sand and the contours of the dune.

Jesus, *full* of the *Holy Spirit*,
was *led* by the Spirit
in the *wilderness*...

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. Please ask an usher if you would prefer a **Large Print Worship Folder**.

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.

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-) Keep your mask on at all times, except when receiving communion.*
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First Sunday in

Lent

Sunday, March 6, 2022 • 8:15 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.

Prelude

Announcements

Stand.

Call to Worship

The season of Lent sets us on a journey.

The journey begins in the wilderness.

We follow the way of Jesus,
who faced trials, trouble, temptation, and testing.

Like Jesus, we are not alone.

The Holy Spirit is with us. God's Word is on our lips.

Our call is to trust in God alone,
to do God's will in all things.

**For God leads us not only into the wilderness,
but also through the wilderness.**

Call to Confession

God is faithful, leading us into freedom,
but we are conditioned to the slavery of sin.
Comfortable with the way things are,
we lose sight of the way God intends them to be.
We bring our confession before the One
who is more powerful than Pharaoh in Egypt,
mightier than the devil in the wilderness.

Kneel or stand.

Prayer of Confession

**O God, our refuge and fortress,
forgive us when we fail to trust in you.
We fall into temptation;
we are swayed by false words;
we speak false words of our own.
We choose our ease and comfort
over your demanding claims upon us and upon the world.
In turning from you,
we settle for less than the abundant generosity you intend.
Forgive us, we pray.
Do not let us be put to shame, O God.
Hear us as we call to you and show us your salvation.
In Christ's name we pray. Amen.**

Declaration of Forgiveness


Scripture declares,
The Lord is generous to all who call on God's name.
Friends, believe the good news:
God does not turn away from us,
but desires to bring us into the glorious freedom
offered in Jesus Christ.
Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.
Thanks be to God!

Stand.

Kyrie • "Lord, Have Mercy"


Evangelical Lutheran Worship 157

Leader



In peace, in peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Assembly




Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have



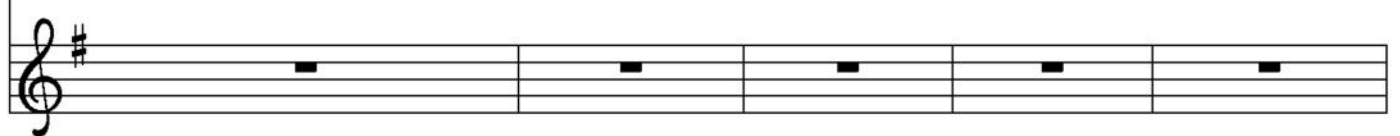
For the reign of God, and for



mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.



peace through-out the world, for the u-ni-ty of all, let us pray to the



Lord.

For your



Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

peo - ple here who have come to give you praise, for the strength to live your

word, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have

Help, save, and de - fend us, O God.

mer - cy. A - men.

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.

Opening Hymn • “Bless Now, O God, the Journey”

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 326



1 Bless now, O God, the jour - ney that all your peo - ple make,
2 Bless so - journ-ers and pil - grims who share this wind-ing way;
3 Di - vine e - ter - nal lov - er, you meet us on the road.



the path through noise and si - lence, the way of give and take.
your hope burns through the ter - rors, your love sus-tains the day.
We wait for lands of prom - ise where milk and hon - ey flow,



The trail is found in des - ert and winds the moun-tain round,
We yearn for ho - ly free - dom while of - ten we are bound;
but wait-ing not for plac - es, you meet us all a - round.



then leads be - side still wa - ters, the road where faith is found.
to - geth - er we are seek - ing the road where faith is found.
Our cov - e - nant is writ - ten on roads, as faith is found.

Prayer of the Day

O Lord God,
you led your people through the wilderness
and brought them to the promised land.

Guide us now, so that, following your Son,
we may walk safely through the wilderness of this world
toward the life you alone can give,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Sit.

First Reading

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy.

Deuteronomy 26:1-11

When you have come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, "Today I declare to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us." When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the Lord your God, you shall make this response before the Lord your God: "A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us, we cried to the Lord, the God of our ancestors; the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O Lord, have given me." You shall set it down before the Lord your God and bow down before the Lord your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 91 • "Song of Blessing"

Psalm Songs 2

Cantor sings refrain; then all repeat.

Cantor sings verses; congregation sings refrain.

May the Lord bless you, may he lay his hand up -
on you, and keep you as the apple of his eye:—
— may his love pro - tect you, may he guard you from all
e - vil, and Je - sus be the Way you trav - el by.——

He will not let the night be master of your fear;
cause you not to stumble on a stone:
but with mighty hand and with outstretched arm
he will claim you for his own. **Refrain.**

To your left and your right the plague of terror prowls;
you will feel abandoned in the fight:
but beneath the shadow of his wings
is the armor of his light. **Refrain.**

He has clothed you with love and knows you by name,
sees your joy and hears your silent sigh:
and if ever you are in need of him
he will answer when you cry. **Refrain.**

Second Reading

A reading from the letter to the Romans.

Romans 10:8b-13

“The word is near you,
on your lips and in your heart”

(that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, “No one who believes in him will be put to shame.”

For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Stand.

Gospel Acclamation • “Let Your Steadfast Love”

Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Holy Communion Setting 8



Let your stead-fast love come to us, O Lord.



Let your stead-fast love come to us, O Lord.



Save us as you prom-ised; we will trust your word.



Let your stead-fast love come to us, O Lord.

Gospel

The Holy Gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Luke 4:1-13

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone.'"

Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And the devil said to him, "To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'"

Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'" Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

The Gospel of our Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sit.

Gospel Drama

"Temptation in the Wilderness"

A dramatic presentation of the Gospel allows us to listen to these sacred stories a second time and perceive nuances we may not have heard as the Gospel was read. You are invited to listen and notice what comes to life as the story is enacted.

Sermon

Pastor Eric Bostrom.

Stand.

Hymn of the Day • “From the Water to Wilderness”

1. From the wa - ter to wild - er - ness,
2. Je - sus' tri - al is but our own.
3. Give us cour - age to walk this path.

4
from the wa - ter to wild - er - ness,
Je - sus' tri - al is but our own.
Give us cour - age to walk this path.

8
goes our Sa - vior to be tempt - ed,
Ho - ly Spi - rit, ne - ver leave us.
We are pil - grims on a jour - ney.

12
from the wa - ter to wild - er - ness.
Je - sus' tri - al is but our own.
Give us cour - age to walk this path.

Apostles' Creed

Together, we confess our faith.

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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

Drawn close to the heart of God,
we offer these prayers for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

At the conclusion of each petition:

Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Accept the prayers we bring, O God,
on behalf of a world in need, for the sake of Jesus Christ.

Amen.

Sharing of the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Sit.

Offering

We give to the Lord of our tithes and offerings.

You can mail an offering to:

Mountain View Lutheran Church
3505 - 122nd Ave E
Edgewood WA 98372

You can give electronically:

ONLINE via the MVLC WEBSITE

-) Visit www.mtviewlutheran.org.
-) Hover over the “GIVE” dropbox.
-) Choose “Make a Donation via Bank Account” or “Make a Donation via Credit/Debit Card.”
-) Fill out all information on the page and then click the blue “GIVE” button.
-) If you want it to remember your information, visit “SIGN IN” and create an account.
-) NOTE: Online giving is a one-time gift unless you check “Make this Gift Recurring.”

For those worshipping in person, you are invited to leave your offering in the offering plates located in the side aisles as you come forward for Holy Communion.

Offertory

10:45 a.m.

“Jesus Is a Rock in a Weary Land”

MVLC Sanctuary Choir

Stand.

Offering Prayer

Together, we pray.

**Extravagant God,
you have blessed us with the fullness of creation.
Now we gather at your feast
where you offer us the food that satisfies.
Take and use what we offer here, come among us,
and feed us with the body and blood of Christ,
in whose name we pray. Amen.**

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

We 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.

You call your people to cleanse their hearts
and prepare with joy for the paschal feast,
that, renewed in the gift of baptism,
we may come to the fullness of your grace.

And so, with all 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, Holy Communion Setting 8



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo-ry. Ho-
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -
est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Words of Institution

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 food and drink for the journey.
Take and be filled.

Sit.

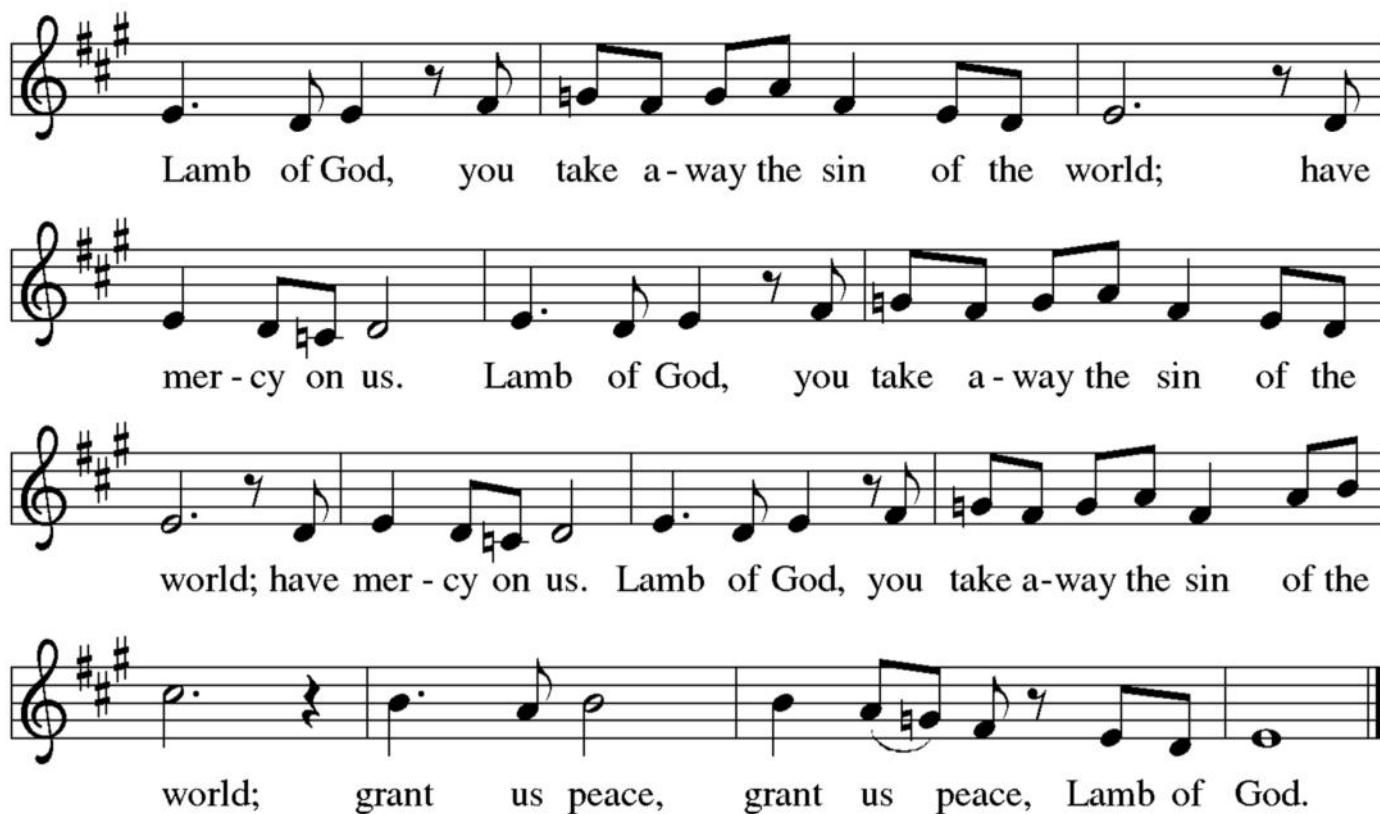
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If gluten-free wafers are required for health reasons, then please ask the pastor serving communion for a wafer.

Lamb of God • “Lamb of God”

Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Holy Communion Setting 8



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 • "Lead Me, Guide Me"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 768



Lead me, guide me, a - long the way;



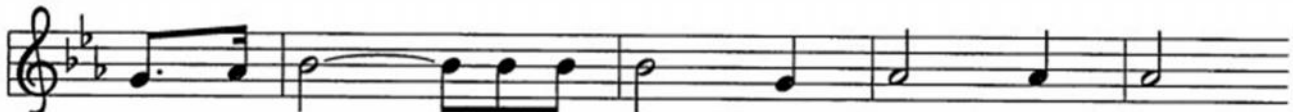
for if you lead me, I can - not stray.



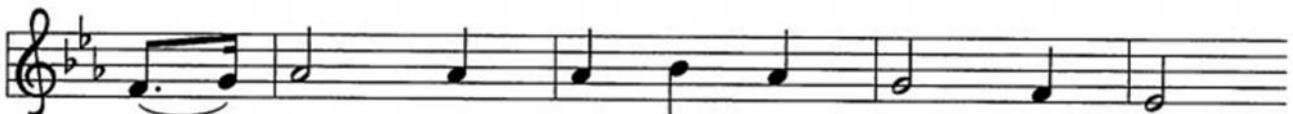
Lord, let me walk each day with thee.



Lead me, O Lord, lead me.



1 I am weak and I need thy strength and pow'r
2 Help me tread in the paths of righ - teous - ness,
3 I am lost if you take your hand from me,



to help me o - ver my weak - est hour.
be my aid when Sa - tan and sin op - press.
I am blind with - out . . . thy light to see.



Help me through the dark - ness thy face to see.
I am put - ting all . . . my trust in thee.
Lord, just al - ways let me thy ser - vant be.



Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

Refrain

Communion Hymn • "When the Poor Ones"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 725



1 When the poor ones, who have noth-ing, still are giv-ing;
2 When com-pas-sion gives the suf-f'ring con-so-la-tion;
3 When our spir-its, like a chal-ice, brim with glad-ness;
4 When the good-ness poured from heav-en fills our dwell-ings;



when the thirst-y pass the cup, wa-ter to share;
when ex-pect-ing brings to birth hope that was lost;
when our voic-es, full and clear, sing out the truth;
when the na-tions work to change war in-to peace;



when the wound-ed of-fer oth-ers strength and heal-ing:
when we choose love, not the ha-tred all a-round us:
when our long-ings, free from en-vy, seek the hum-ble:
when the strang-er is ac-cept-ed as our neigh-bor:

Refrain



We see God, here by our side, walk-ing our way;



we see God, here by our side, walk-ing our way.

Stand.

Prayer after Communion

Blessed Jesus,
in this rich meal of grace,
you have fed us with your body, the bread of life.
Now send us forth to bear your life-giving hope
to a world in need.

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.

Eternal God,

**whose glory is revealed
in the crucified and risen Lord,
bless those who go forth to share your word and sacrament
with our sisters and brothers who are sick or homebound.
Amen.**

Blessing

You are children of God,
anointed with the oil of gladness
and strengthened for the journey.

Almighty God,
motherly, majestic, and mighty,
+ bless you this day and always.

Amen.

Sending Hymn • "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 505



1 A migh - ty for - tress is our God, a bul - wark nev - er
2 If we in our own strength con - fide, our striv - ing turns to
3 Though all the world with dev - ils fill and threat - en to de -
4 God's Word shall stand a - bove the pow'rs, shall end all their thanks-



fail - ing; our help - er frees us from the flood of
los - ing; the righ - teous one fights by our side, the
vour us, we trem - ble not, we trust God's will: they
giv - ing. The Spir - it and the gifts are ours, for



mor - tal ills pre - vail - ing. For still our an - cient foe,
one of God's own choos - ing. You ask who this may be:
can - not o - ver - pow'r us. Though Sa - tan rant and rage,
God with us is liv - ing. Let goods and kin - dred go,



for - sworn to work us woe, with guile and dread - ful might
Christ Je - sus, it is he, the Lord of hosts by name.
in fierc - est war en - gage, this ty - rant's doomed to fail;
this mor - tal life al - so; though all of these be gone,



is armed to wage the fight: on earth there is no e - qual.
No oth - er God we claim! None else can win the bat - tle.
God's judg - ment must pre - vail! One lit - tle word shall tri - umph.
they yet have noth - ing won. The king - dom's ours for - ev - er!

Sending

Go in peace.

Jesus meets you on the way.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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8:15 a.m.

-) USHERS: Fred Albert (head usher), Janice Harrison, Skip Harrison.
-) GREETERS: George Rowe.
-) COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Lori Neptun, Betsy Tunstall.
-) LECTOR: Pat Clement.
-) SOUND: Don Neptun.

10:45 a.m.

-) USHERS: Julie Kibler, Mark Kibler, Erik Knierim (head usher).
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