



**HOW OFTEN
HAVE I
DESIRED TO
GATHER YOUR
CHILDREN
TOGETHER
AS A HEN
GATHERS HER
BROOD UNDER
HER WINGS,
AND YOU WERE
NOT WILLING!**

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**.

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Words spoken by the assembly are in boldface type.

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Second Sunday in



Sunday, March 13, 2022 • 8:15 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.

A note on the branches in the Sanctuary:

In this season of Lent, the stark imagery of the dried, dead branches is symbolic of a life cut off from its maker. It also symbolizes the longing and waiting of these six weeks for Christ's resurrection on Easter, when new life emerges from that which was once dead.

Prelude

Announcements

Stand.

Call to Worship

The psalmist sings,
One thing I asked of the Lord,
 that I will seek after:
to live in the house of the Lord
 all the days of my life,
to behold the beauty of the Lord,
 and to inquire in God's temple.
Sisters and brothers, God is good,
and in love and mercy greets us here.

Call to Confession

The Lord is our light and our salvation;
whom shall we fear?
With humble hearts,
let us confess our sins before God and one another.

Kneel or stand.

Prayer of Confession

**Merciful God,
you have made us citizens of heaven,
but we confess that we have set our minds on
earthly things.
We have let our desire for security restrain our
commitment to serve the poor.
We have let our fear of danger curb our obligation
to love our enemies.
We have let our love of things dull our generosity
to the needy.
We have let our craving for public status prevent our
honesty about hidden sins.
Yet, you know the desire of our heart
and nothing is hidden from you.
By the power of the Holy Spirit,
conform our sin-weakened bodies to the glory of Christ,
that we may be the body of Christ for the world. Amen.**

Declaration of Forgiveness

God, our light and our salvation,
does not forsake us or leave us with our sin.
In Christ we are forgiven
and offered the gift of healing repentance.
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 • “Eternal Lord of Love, Behold Your Church”

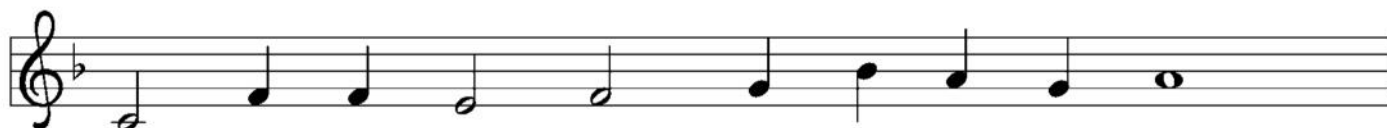
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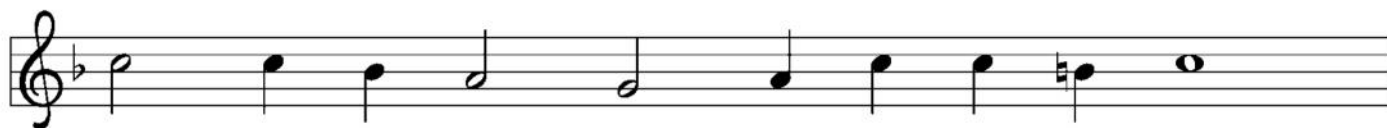
1 E - ter - nal Lord of love, be - hold your church
2 So dai - ly dy - ing to the way of self,
3 If dead in you, so in you we a - rise,



walk - ing once more the pil - grim way of Lent,
so dai - ly liv - ing in your way of love,
you the first - born of all the faith - ful dead;



led by your cloud by day, by night your fire,
we walk the road, Lord Je - sus, that you trod,
and as through ston - y ground the green shoots break,



moved by your love and toward your pres - ence bent:
know - ing our - selves bap - tized in - to your death:
glo - rious in spring - time dress of leaf and flow'r,



far off yet here— the goal of all de - sire.
so we are dead and live with you in God.
so in - to life and glo - ry shall we wake.

Prayer of the Day

God of the covenant,
in the mystery of the cross
you promise everlasting life to the world.

Gather all peoples into your arms,
and shelter us with your mercy,
that we may rejoice in the life we share in your Son,
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 Genesis.

Genesis 15:1-12; 17-18

After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, “Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.” But Abram said, “O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?” And Abram said, “You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir.” But the word of the LORD came to him, “This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir.” He brought him outside and said, “Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them.” Then he said to him, “So shall your descendants be.” And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness.

Then he said to him, “I am the LORD who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to possess.” But he said, “O Lord GOD, how am I to know that I shall possess it?” He said to him, “Bring me a heifer three years old, a female goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtledove, and a young pigeon.” He brought him all these and cut them in two, laying each half over against the other; but he did not cut the birds in two. And when birds of prey came down on the carcasses, Abram drove them away.

As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram, and a deep and terrifying darkness descended upon him.

When the sun had gone down and it was dark, a smoking fire pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces. On that day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying, “To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates.”

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 27 • “The Lord Is My Light and My Help”

Psalm Songs 2

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

*Cantor sings verses; **congregation sings refrain.***



The Lord is my light and my help.

Whom shall I fear?

The Lord is the stronghold of my life.

Before whom shall I shrink?

Refrain.

There is one thing I ask of the Lord,

for this I long,

to live in the house of the Lord

all the days of my life.

Refrain.

I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness

in the land of the living.

Hope in him and take heart.

Hope in the Lord.

Refrain.

Second Reading

A reading from the letter to the Philippians.

Philippians 3:17—4:1

Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us. For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have often told you of them, and now I tell you even with tears. Their end is destruction; their god is the belly; and their glory is in their shame; their minds are set on earthly things. But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. He will transform the body of our humiliation that it may be conformed to the body of his glory, by the power that also enables him to make all things subject to himself. Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

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 13:31-35

At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to [Jesus,] “Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you.” He said to them, “Go and tell that fox for me, ‘Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed outside of Jerusalem.’ Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, ‘Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.’”

The Gospel of our Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sit.

Sermon

Pastor Briana R. Merkle.

Stand.

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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
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ONLINE via the MVLC WEBSITE

-) Visit www.mtviewlutheran.org.
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For those worshiping 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.

“Come as You Are”

Rock Ministry 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.

Distribution

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive the body and blood of Jesus Christ. If you are unable to come forward for communion, then please let an usher know and you will be served where you are seated.

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 • “We Sing to You, O God”

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 791



1 We sing to you, O God, the Rock who gave us
2 We wan - dered far from home out in a des - ert
3 You bear us through the world, an ea - gle to its
4 O God, e - ter - nal God, we hide with - in your



birth, let our re - joic - ing sing your name in
land, you shield - ed with your love our fear - ful
young; you rise up on your wings and bear us
wings, the ev - er - last - ing arms to whom our



all the earth. To you, O God, let
pil - the grim band. You kept us safe with -
toward the sun. We ride the vaults of
prais - es ring. Your word is true, your



songs be raised, in joy - ful hymns, our feast of praise.
in your arms and shel - tered us a - gainst the storm.
light and air and trust in your un - fail - ing care.
way is just, you are the God in whom we trust.

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.

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 • “All Who Love and Serve Your City”

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 724



1 All who love and serve your cit - y, all who
2 In your day of loss and sor - row, in your
3 In your day of wealth and plen - ty, wast - ed
4 For all days are days of judg - ment, and the
5 Ris - en Lord, shall yet the cit - y be the



bear its dai - ly stress, all who cry for peace and
day of help - less strife, hon - or, peace, and love re -
work and wast - ed play, call to mind the word of
Lord is wait - ing still, draw - ing near a world that
cit - y of de - spair? Come to - day, our judge, our



jus - tice, all who curse and all who bless,
treat - ing, seek the Lord, who is your life.
Je - sus, “You must work while it is day.”
spurns him, of - f’ring peace from Cal - v’ry’s hill.
glo - ry. Be its name “The Lord is there!”

Sending

Go in peace.

Jesus meets you on the way.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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-) ALTAR GUILD: Marie Philipsen, Dotty Shireman, Sandi Swanson, Betsy Tunstall.

8:15 a.m.

-) USHERS: Fred Albert (head usher), Gary Larson, Diane Tyler.
-) GREETER: Sandi Swanson.
-) COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Flora Larson, Genie Lennon.
-) LECTOR: John Petersen.
-) SOUND: Karen Fink.

10:45 a.m.

-) USHERS: John Dahle, Erik Knierim (head usher), Bob Yost.
-) GREETER: Diane Nelson, Lindy Nelson.
-) ACOLYTE: Parker Thornton.
-) COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Ken Edmonds, Bob Linden.
-) LECTOR: Jeanne Anderson.
-) SOUND: Jon Thornton.

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Mountain View Lutheran Church

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