# A NEW THING SPRINGS FORTH.



# DO YOU NOT PERCEIVE IT?

### 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.

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In the order of service, the words that are spoken by a leader are in regular type.

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Even though face masks are not required, we do recommend wearing them.

Please do not attend worship if you are currently sick with any of the following symptoms: fever, cough, sore throat, shortness of breath, nausea, or diarrhea.

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Sunday, April 3, 2022 • 8:15 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.

Prelude

**Announcements** 

### Call to Worship

As people formed by God, we give praise to God:

Dry ground in the sea, rivers in the desert, Christ among us— God is doing a new thing!

As people restored by God, we give praise to God:

Dry ground in the sea, rivers in the desert, Christ among us— God is doing a new thing!

As people pressing on in faith, we give praise to God:

Dry ground in the sea, rivers in the desert, Christ among us—God is doing a new thing!

#### Call to Confession

If we ask God to restore us to the way we have been, then we have not asked for as much as God intends to give.

God is not content simply to return or restore us to former things.

Instead, God seeks to give the gift of resurrection—a new and abundant life.

With confidence in God's generosity, we confess our sins and seek the new life offered in Jesus Christ.

Kneel or stand.

### Prayer of Confession

Purifying God,

we grow comfortable with the way things are in our lives, in the church, and in the world.

We do not always welcome the new life you offer in Christ, for you overturn our notions of power and protocol.

Sure of our own righteousness, we are critical of others.

Wanting to control our assets, we hoard the gifts you give us.

Forgive us, we pray, for seeking our gain at the expense of others.

Help us bend our lives toward your own life of self-giving and sacrifice.

Fill us, our homes and churches, the whole world with the abundant love of Christ until all are made new.

In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

### Declaration of Forgiveness

The apostle Paul reminds us that we do not make ourselves righteous.

Our righteousness comes through faith in Christ, who has made us his own.

Hear the good news!

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

The old life has passed away—and new life has begun.

Forgetting what lies behind, and straining forward to what lies ahead, we press on toward the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

## **Kyrie** • "Lord, Have Mercy"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 157





# 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** • "As the Winter Days Grow Longer"

All Creation Sings 924



- 1 As the win ter days grow long-er, draw-ing short the hours of night; 2 As the vines burst in to blos-som, fra-grant in the morn-ing air,
- 3 As we jour ney through this sea son, pil grims through a thirst y land,



our ea - ger ex - pec - ta - tion waits for Eas - ter's dawn-ing light lift - ing spir - its with their sweet-ness, lur - ing hearts to thank-ful prayer quench us with your liv - ing pres - ence; guide us with your lov - ing hand.



yearn-ing peo-ple, here we gath-er, turn-ing watch-ful eyes Lent - en peo-ple, here we gath-er, seek - ing lives re-freshed from sin. Wan-d'ring peo-ple, here we gath-er, called to rest a - long our way.



God who bless-es earth with spring-time, shine with-in our world a - new! God who bless-es earth with spring-time, bloom with-in our hearts a - gain! God who bless-es earth with spring-time, grant us sab-bath joy this day!

## Prayer of the Day

Creator God, you prepare a new way in the wilderness, and your grace waters our desert.

Open our hearts to be transformed by the new thing you are doing, that our lives may proclaim the extravagance of your love given to all through 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 prophet Isaiah.

Isaiah 43:16-21

Thus says the Lord, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters, who brings out chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick: Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old. I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. The wild animals will honor me, the jackals and the ostriches; for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise.

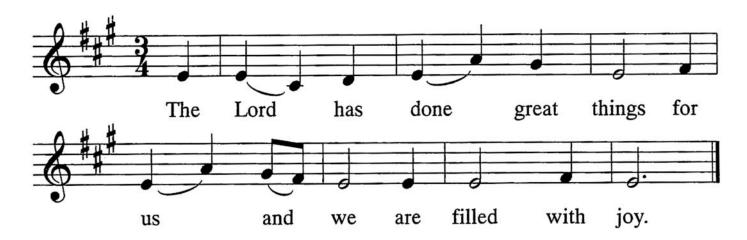
The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

# Psalm 126 • "The Lord Has Done Great Things"

Psalms for the Church Year, Volume Five

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



When the Lord delivered Zion, we were like people dreaming. Then our mouth was filled with laughter, and our lips were filled with song. Refrain.

The heathen marveled at God, and the wonders he worked for them. What marvelous works the Lord has done, and we are glad indeed.

#### Refrain.

They go out full of tears, carrying seed for the sowing. They come back, they come back full of song, carrying their sheaves. Refrain.

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### Second Reading

A reading from the letter to the Philippians.

#### Philippians 3:4b-14

[Paul writes:] If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

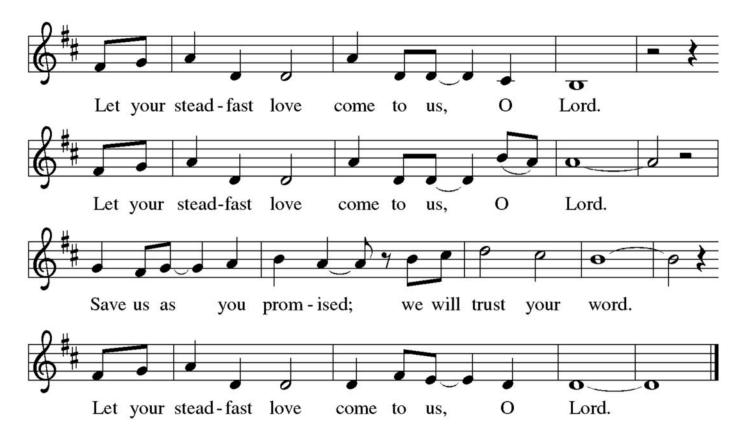
Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

# **Gospel Acclamation** • "Let Your Steadfast Love"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Holy Communion Setting 8



### Gospel

The Holy Gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

John 12:1-8

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

The Gospel of our Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sit.

#### Sermon

Pastor Eric Bostrom.

## **Hymn of the Day •** "Holy Woman, Graceful Giver"

All Creation Sings 1002



## 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

- J 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.
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- NOTE: Online giving is a one-time gift unless you check "Make this Gift Recurring."

## Offertory

8:15 a.m.
"Now Is the Time of Grace"
(on next page)

10:45 a.m. "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" Joan Kohler, flute; Ellen Leapaldt, flute; Brenna Sage, piano

## **Offertory** • "Now Is the Time of Grace"

All Creation Sings 918

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



This is the fast that God would choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to let the captives go free, and to break the yoke of oppression. *Refrain.* 

Sharing your bread with the hungry, and welcoming homeless in, offering hope and offering help, this is what God requires.

#### Refrain.

Then shall your light break forth as dawn, and healing shall come to you quickly; then you shall call and God shall answer, God's love shall go before you. **Refrain.** 

## 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.

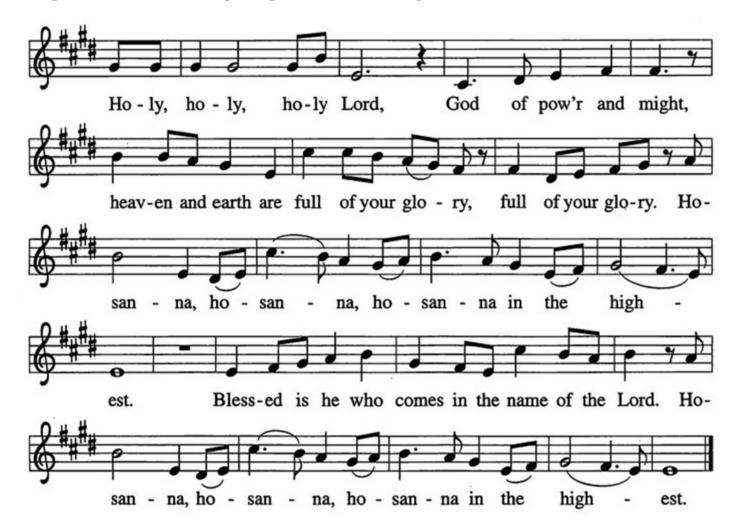
It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ.

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



#### 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.

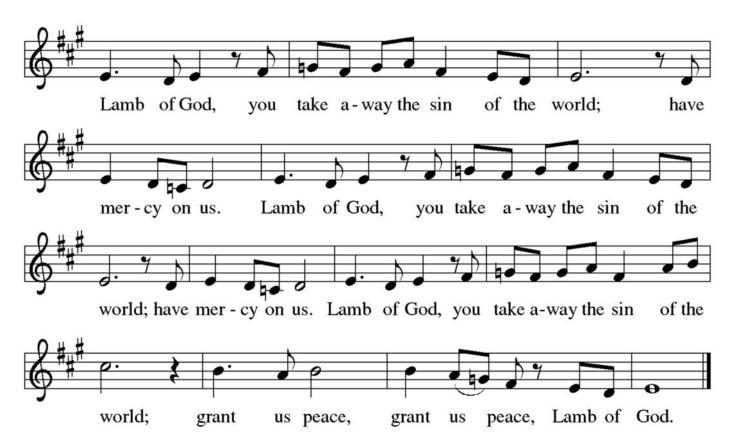
#### Distribution

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



## **Communion Hymn** • "Jesus, the Very Thought of You"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 754



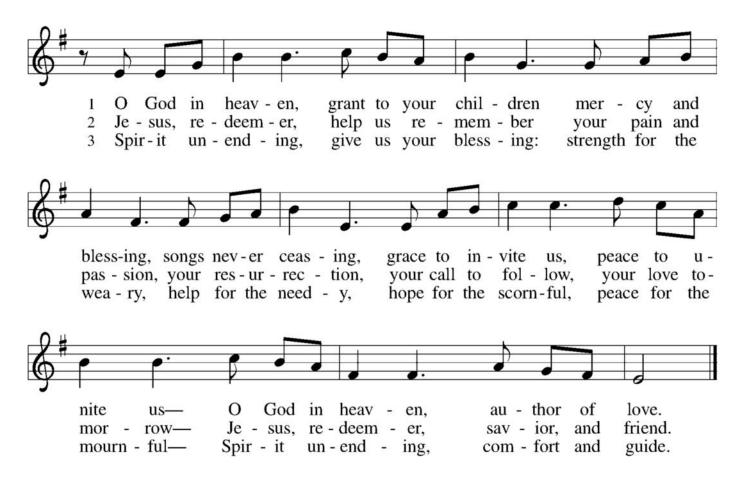
- 1 Je sus, the ver y thought of you fills us with sweet de light;
- 2 No voice can sing, no heart can frame, nor can the mind re call
- 3 O Hope of ev 'ry con trite soul, O Joy of all the meek, 4 O Je sus, be our joy to day; help us to prize your love;



your face to view and rest with - in your light. but sweet-er far sweet-er sound than your blest name, O Sav - ior of us all! How good to those who seek! to those who fall! how kind you are to hear you say: "Come, share my home grant us at last a - bove."

## **Communion Hymn** • "O God in Heaven"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 748



## 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** • "Take My Life, That I May Be"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 583



# Sending

Go in peace. Jesus meets you on the way.

Thanks be to God.

### **Postlude**

#### **Adult Education**

This morning • 9:30 a.m. • Life Together Hall

Third class of a five-week series.

PLU Professor Brenda Ihssen teaches on the Eastern Orthodox Church and the Sundays in Lent.

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#### Both services

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PRESIDER: Pastor Briana Merkle.

WORSHIP ASSISTANT: Todd Kelley.

DIRECTOR of MUSIC MINISTRIES: Brenna Sage.

VIDEOGRAPHER: David Burch.

ALTAR GUILD: Flora Larson, Janet Larson, Diane Nelson, Helen Oren.

#### 8:15 a.m.

USHERS: Fred Albert (head usher), Walt Freed, Julie Williams.

GREETER: Mary Quinn.

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Terry Freed, Michelle Schweikl.

LECTOR: Eileen Newton.

SOUND: Jon Thornton.

#### 10:45 a.m.

USHERS: Diksha Knierim, Erik Knierim (head usher), Keith Wright.

GREETERS: Diane Nelson, Lindy Nelson.

ACOLYTES: Camdon Cornell, Tristan Cornell.

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Jeanne Anderson, Mary Beth Dahl.

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