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Please turn off all cell phones.

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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.

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

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Please do not attend worship if you had close personal contact with anyone who has been diagnosed or is awaiting test results for COVID-19 in the past 14 days.

# Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, August 7, 2022 • 8:15 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Stand.

### CALL TO CONFESSION

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, whose steadfast love endures forever.

#### Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Kneel or stand. Silence is kept for reflection.

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we confess that we have not followed your path but have chosen our own way. Instead of putting others before ourselves, we long to take the best seats at the table. When met by those in need, we have too often passed by on the other side. Set us again on the path of life. Save us from ourselves and free us to love our neighbors. Amen.

### DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Hear the good news! God does not deal with us according to our sins but delights in granting pardon and mercy.

In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. You are free to love as God loves.

#### Amen.

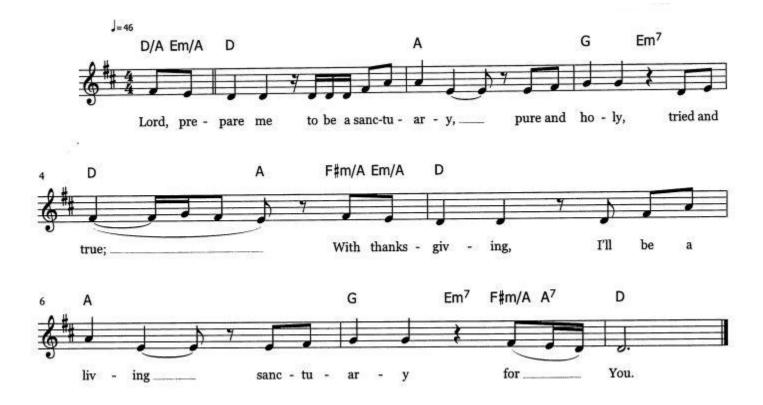
#### GREETING

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.

### **HYMN OF PRAISE** • "SANCTUARY"

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#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Almighty God, you sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your church.

Open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may be ready to receive you wherever you appear, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

#### Amen.

### FIRST READING

A reading from the book of Genesis.

#### Genesis 15:1-6

<sup>1</sup>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." <sup>2</sup>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?" <sup>3</sup>And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." <sup>4</sup>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." <sup>5</sup>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." <sup>6</sup>And he believed the Lord; and the Lord reckoned it to him as righteousness.

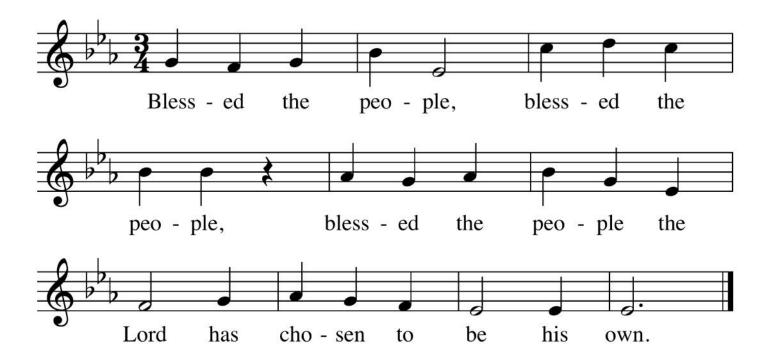
The Word of the Lord.

#### Thanks be to God.

## **PSALM 33** • "BLESSED THE PEOPLE THE LORD HAS CHOSEN"

The Lyric Psalter

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



Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just; for praise is fitting for the upright. Blessed the nation whose God is the Lord, the people he has chosen as his heritage.

#### Refrain.

Yes, the Lord's eyes are on those who fear him, who hope in his merciful love, to rescue their souls from death,

to keep them alive in famine. *Refrain.* 

Our soul is waiting for the Lord. He is our help and our shield. May your merciful love be upon us, as we hope in you, O Lord. **Refrain.** 

### SECOND READING

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

#### Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

<sup>1</sup>Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. <sup>2</sup>Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. <sup>3</sup>By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.

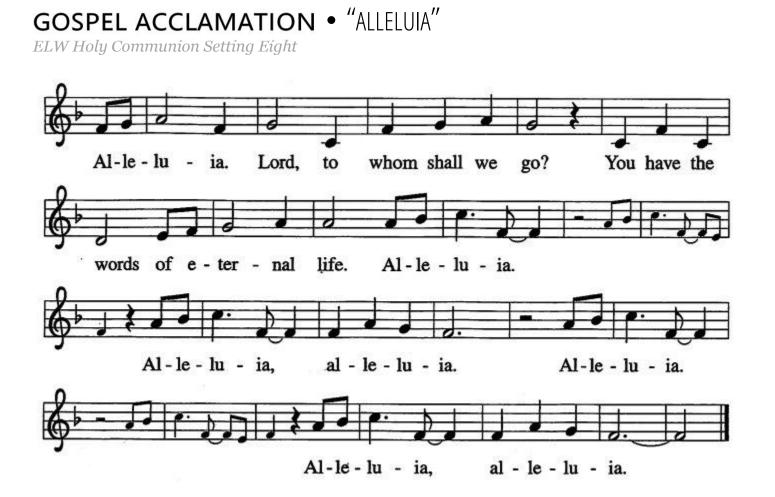
<sup>8</sup>By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. <sup>9</sup>By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. <sup>10</sup>For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. <sup>11</sup>By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old—and Sarah herself was barren—because he considered him faithful who had promised. <sup>12</sup>Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, "as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore."

<sup>13</sup>All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, <sup>14</sup>for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. <sup>15</sup>If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. <sup>16</sup>But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

The Word of the Lord.

#### Thanks be to God.

Stand.



### GOSPEL

The Holy Gospel according to Luke.

#### Glory to you, O Lord.

Luke 12:32-40

[Jesus said:] <sup>32</sup>"Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. <sup>33</sup>Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. <sup>34</sup>For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

<sup>35</sup>"Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; <sup>36</sup>be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. <sup>37</sup>Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. <sup>38</sup>If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

<sup>39</sup>"But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. <sup>40</sup>You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

The Gospel of our Lord.

#### Praise to you, O Christ.

Sit.

### CHILDREN'S SERMON AND SERMON

Pastor Briana Merkle.

Stand.

#### **HYMN OF THE DAY** • "I DANCED IN THE MORNING"

CCLI #78529



### APOSTLES' CREED

Together, let us 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 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

Trusting in God's extraordinary love, let us come near to the Holy One in prayer.

A brief silence.

At the conclusion of each petition:

Merciful God,

#### receive our prayer.

Receive the prayers of your children, merciful God, and hold us forever in your steadfast love; through Jesus Christ our holy Wisdom.

#### Amen.

#### SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.** 

Sit.

### OFFERING

Because God first loved us, we are made to love one another.

For the sake of the life of the world, offer yourselves, your time, and your possessions as signs of love.

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

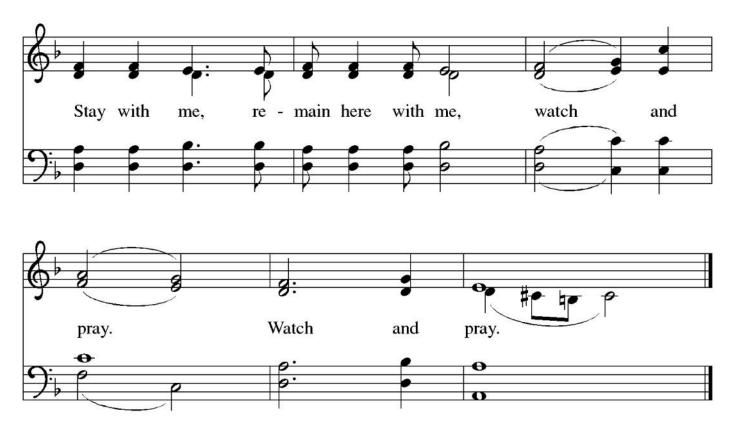
You can give electronically:

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."

### **OFFERTORY** • "STAY WITH ME"

Songs and Prayers from Taizé



Stand.

#### OFFERING PRAYER

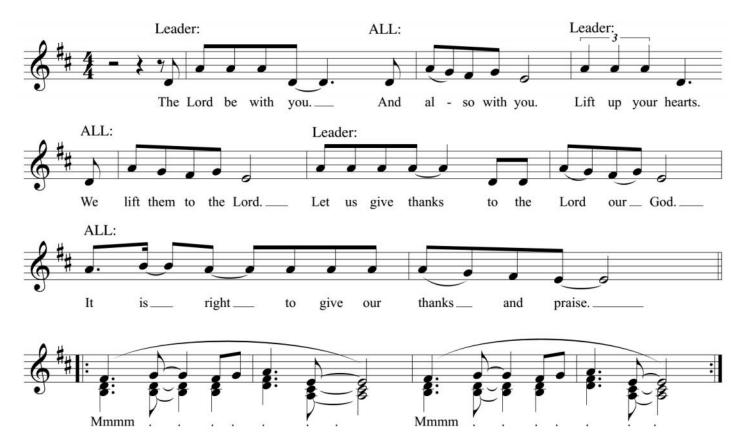
Together, we pray.

God of abundance: you have set before us a plentiful harvest.

As we feast on your goodness, strengthen us to labor in your field, and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all, in the name of Jesus. Amen.

#### **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

Behold, I Make All Things New



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 God, through our Savior, Jesus Christ,

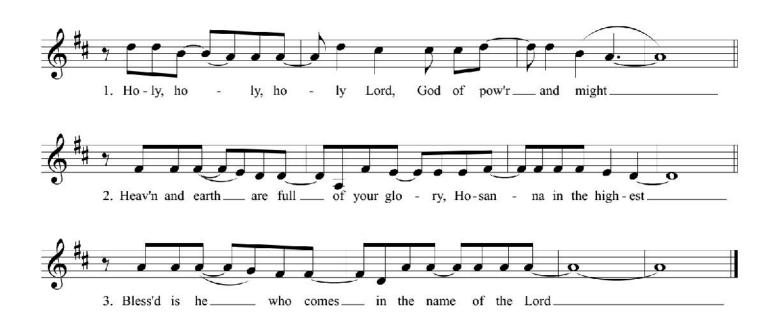
who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

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"

Behold, I Make All Things New

#### Sing each line twice.



#### 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

In Christ's presence there is fullness of joy. Come to the banquet.

Sit.

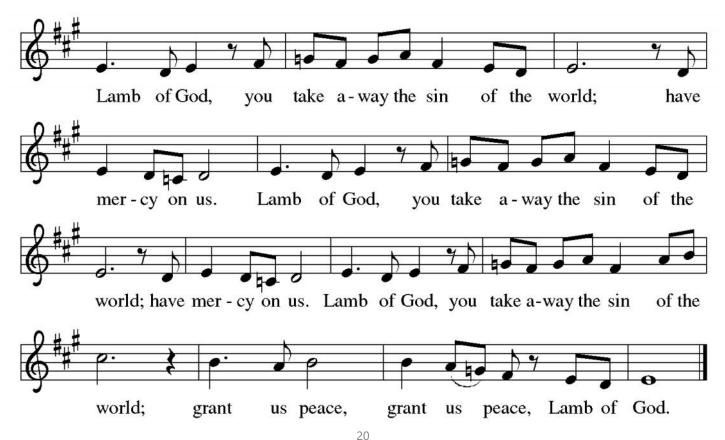
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All baptized Christians are welcome to receive the body and blood of Jesus Christ. If you are unable to come forward for communion, then please let an usher know and you will be served where you are seated.

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"

ELW Holy Communion Setting Eight



### **COMMUNION HYMN** • "KEEP YOUR LAMPS TRIMMED AND BURING"

All Creation Sings 949



### **COMMUNION HYMN** • "SOUL, ADORN YOURSELF WITH GLADNESS"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 489





Bless the one whose grace un - bound - ed is our joy.

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Life-giving God, through this meal you have bandaged our wounds and fed us with your mercy. Now send us forth to live for others, both friend and stranger, that all may come to know your love. This we pray in the name of Jesus.

#### 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.

O God of tender compassion,

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** • "MONTANA BLESSING"

May your visions be as boundless as the breadth of the sky, may your soul have the strength of the mountains, may your life be as peaceful as the gently falling snow and your days be as many as the trees.

### **SENDING HYMN •** "THIS LITTLE LIGHT OF MINE"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 677



#### SENDING

Go in peace. Love your neighbor. **Thanks be to God.** 

#### POSTLUDE

Flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God by Joe and Rosemarie Anderson in honor of their 62nd wedding anniversary.

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Both services

- PREACHER: Pastor Briana Merkle.
- PRESIDER: Pastor Eric Bostrom.
- WORSHIP ASSISTANT: Ken Edmonds.
- DIRECTOR of MUSIC MINISTRIES: Brenna Sage.
- VIDEOGRAPHER: David Burch.
- ALTAR GUILD: Diksha Knierim, Sandy Knierim, Sandi Swanson.

8:15 a.m.

- USHERS: George Rowe, Ken Swanson (head usher), Terry Wolfe.
- ) GREETER: Chris Ray.
- COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Anne Roff, Michelle Schweikl.
- LECTOR: Eileen Newton.
- ) SOUND: Dale Olson.

10:00 a.m.

- USHERS: Mark Cantrell (head usher), John Dahle, Lindy Nelson.
- ACOLYTE: Dutcher Adams.
- COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Ellen Leapaldt, Kandy Rose.
- *LECTOR: Jim Hushagen.*
- J SOUND: Beth Ann Johnson.

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### CONGREGATIONAL PICNIC

#### Sunday, August 14 • 11:30 a.m.

#### FOOD • GAMES • LIVE BAND

Join fellow members of Mountain View Lutheran Church and members of Iglesia Celebración de Vida for a congregational picnic on the lawn behind the Life Together Hall.

Register in the Gathering Space or via the online link sent out in the MVLC E-news by August 7 (*today!*) so our meal team can plan accordingly.

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#### BACK-TO-SCHOOL BACKPACK GIVEAWAY

#### Saturday, August 20 • 10:00 a.m.

The Mountain View Community Center's annual back-to-school event takes place at three pickup locations this year: Milton Picnic, Fife Elementary School, and MVCC.

If you are able and willing to volunteer, then please contact Amanda Goetz at amandag@mtviewcc.org or 253-826-4329, ext. 106.

For detailed information, a list of requested school supplies you can donate, how to provide a monetary donation, and much more, then please visit mtviewcommunitycenter.org/back-to-school-event