

### NARRATIVE LECTIONARY 306

## **GOD ANSWERS HANNAH**

Sunday, October 13, 2024 • 8:15 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.

#### 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.

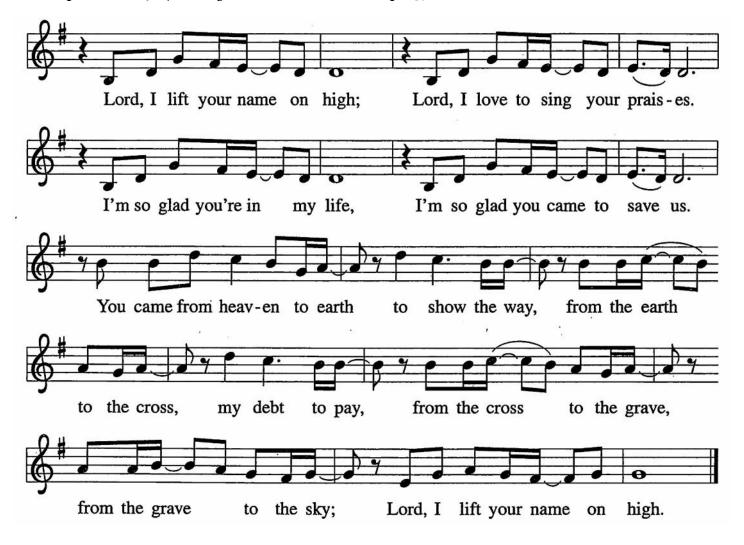
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In the order of service, the words that are spoken by a leader are in regular type.

Words spoken by the assembly are in boldface type.

### **GATHERING HYMN** • "LORD, I LIFT YOUR NAME ON HIGH"

Worship & Praise 90 / Evangelical Lutheran Worship 857



#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Stand.

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

Creator, the strength of all creatures, we honor you. Listen to the thoughts of your people.

We honor your Spirit who renews the world and calls us to care for your creation to the East, to the South, to the West, and to the North.

We live by ways you have entrusted to us within the circle of life.

We turn our bodies to the Four Directions as we pray the following prayers. Begin by turning toward the East and continue to turn, with each prayer, in a clockwise direction.

#### We face East:

In the East, the place of dawning, there is beauty in the morning, there the seeker finds new visions as each sacred day is born. All who honor life around them, all who honor life within, shall shine with light and glory when the morning comes again. And we pray,

#### Come Holy Spirit, come.

#### We turn to the South:

In the South, the place of growing, there is wisdom in the earth, both the painful song of dying and the joyful song of birth. As the Earth gives up her lifeblood so that her children's hearts may beat, so we give back to her our reverence for the holy ground beneath our feet. And we pray,

#### Come Holy Spirit, come.

#### We turn to the West:

In the West, the place of seeing, there is born a vision of the servant of the servants, who proclaimed the Gospel to us. Guide us at the end of each day and fill us with your peace. And we pray,

#### Come Holy Spirit, come.

#### We turn to the North:

In the North, we look to God our Creator, who cleanses our earth with snow, wind, and rain.

To Jesus, who fills us with the wideness of mercy and grace and lovingly embraces all the people.

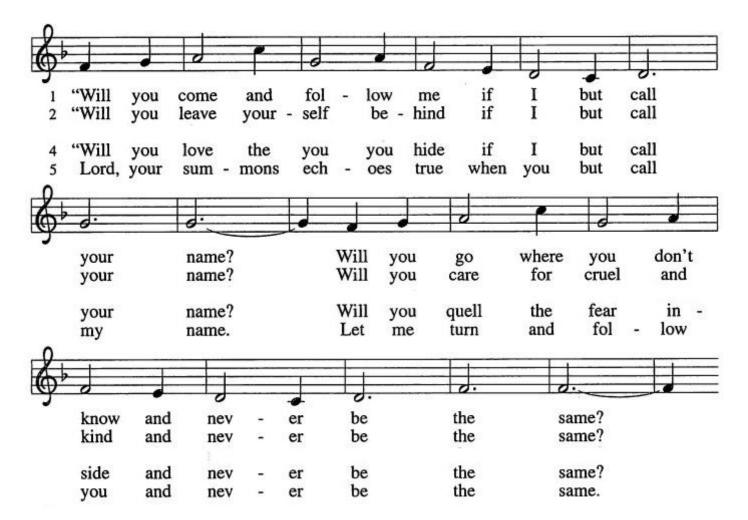
And to the Holy Spirit, who comes to inspire us.

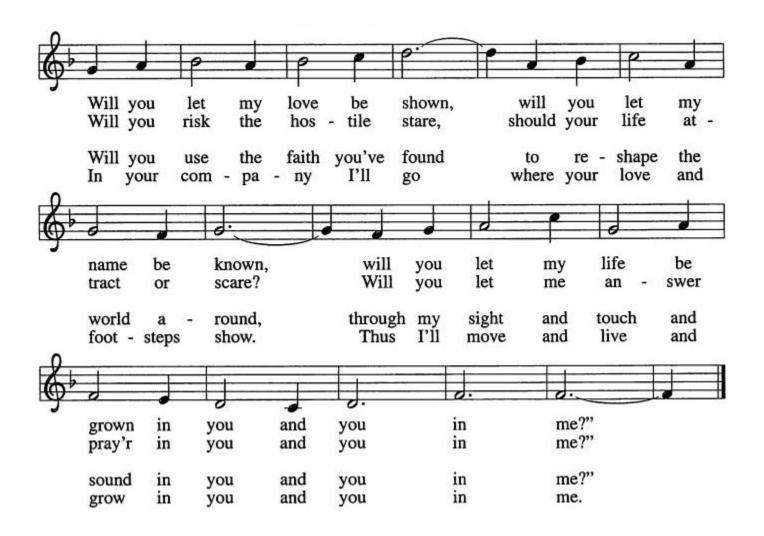
And we pray,

#### Come Holy Spirit, come.

#### **HYMN OF PRAISE** • "THE SUMMONS"

Worship & Praise 137 / Evangelical Lutheran Worship 798





#### **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

Let us pray.

God who answers prayer,

We are blessed and humbled that you hear us when we call to you in our time of deepest longing.

Receive our gratitude for your listening ear.

Amen.

Sit.

#### **ACCLAMATION OF SCRIPTURE**

Holy Communion, Tree of Life Setting



#### READING

A reading from the first book of Samuel.

1 Samuel 1:9-11, 19-20; 2:1-10

<sup>9</sup>After they had eaten and drunk at Shiloh, Hannah rose and presented herself before the LORD. Now Eli the priest was sitting on the seat beside the doorpost of the temple of the LORD. <sup>10</sup>She was deeply distressed and prayed to the LORD, and wept bitterly. <sup>11</sup>She made this vow: "O LORD of hosts, if only you will look on the misery of your servant, and remember me, and not forget your servant, but will give to your servant a male child, then I will set him before you as a nazirite until the day of his death. He shall drink neither wine nor intoxicants, and no razor shall touch his head."

<sup>19</sup>They rose early in the morning and worshiped before the LORD; then they went back to their house at Ramah. Elkanah knew his wife Hannah, and the LORD remembered her. <sup>20</sup>In due time Hannah conceived and bore a son. She named him Samuel, for she said, "I have asked him of the LORD."

<sup>1</sup>Hannah prayed and said, "My heart exults in the Lord; my strength is exalted in my God. My mouth derides my enemies, because I rejoice in my victory.

<sup>2</sup>"There is no Holy One like the Lord, no one besides you; there is no Rock like our God. <sup>3</sup>Talk no more so very proudly, let not arrogance come from your mouth; for the Lord is a God of knowledge, and by him actions are weighed. <sup>4</sup>The bows of the mighty are broken, but the feeble gird on strength. <sup>5</sup>Those who were full have hired themselves out for bread, but those who were hungry are fat with spoil. The barren has borne seven, but she who has many children is forlorn. <sup>6</sup>The Lord kills and brings to life; he brings down to Sheol and raises up. <sup>7</sup>The Lord makes poor and makes rich; he brings low, he also exalts. <sup>8</sup>He raises up the poor from the dust; he lifts the needy from the ash heap, to make them sit with princes and inherit a seat of honor. For the pillars of the earth are the Lord's, and on them he has set the world.

<sup>9</sup>"He will guard the feet of his faithful ones, but the wicked shall be cut off in darkness; for not by might does one prevail. <sup>10</sup>The Lord! His adversaries shall be shattered; the Most High will thunder in heaven. The Lord will judge the ends of the earth; he will give strength to his king, and exalt the power of his anointed."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### CHILDREN'S SERMON + SERMON

Pastor Eric Bostrom.

## **HYMN OF THE DAY** • "MY HEART SINGS OUT IN JOYFUL PRAISE" New Wine in Old Wineskins



#### **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 into hell. 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

Challenged by God's Word in Christ, let us pray for the church, the world, and the whole creation.

At the conclusion of each petition:

God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in the saving grace your freely give, both now and forever.

Amen.

#### SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Sit.

#### INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

All we have and all we are has come from God, so let us worship God with our offerings.

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



**OFFERTORY** 

Stand.

### **OFFERING HYMN** • "COME, LET US BRING"

Holy Communion, Tree of Life Setting

#### Sung in canon. Group 1 = band side. Group 2 = pulpit side.



- 1. Come, let us bring the warm and fra-grant bread.
- 2. Come, let us bring the sweet a bun-dant wine.



Come, let us bring the warm and fra-grant bread. Come, let us bring the sweet a - bun-dant wine.



Bro-ken here so all God's peo-ple might be fed. In this cup we taste the joy of grace di-vine.



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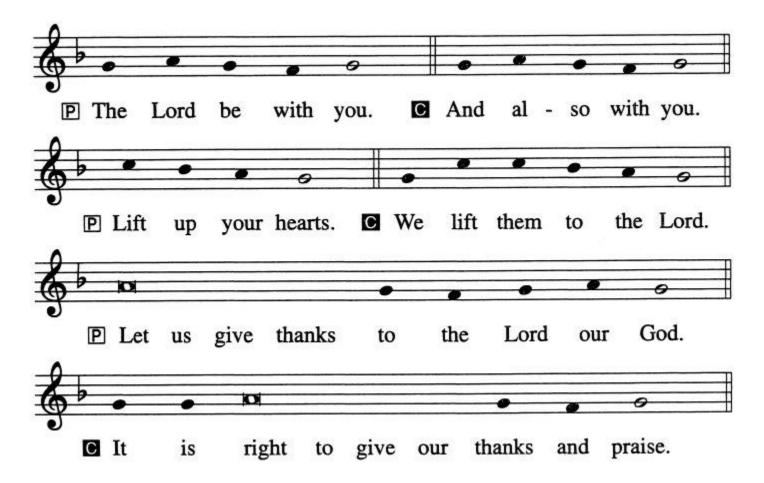
#### OFFERING PRAYER

Blessed are you, O God, source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Holy Communion, Tree of Life Setting



It is indeed right and good that we should everywhere and always offer thanks and praise to you, Holy God, mighty and immortal, through Christ, our Lord, who on this day broke the bonds of death, opening to us the way of everlasting life and giving us a foretaste of the feast to come.

And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn.

#### **SANCTUS** • "HOLY"

Holy Communion, Tree of Life Setting



#### 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

Jesus welcomes you to this table. Come, here is your God.

Sit.

#### DISTRIBUTION

At Mountain View Lutheran Church we practice an open communion table, which means that everyone is welcome to receive the body and blood of Jesus Christ. (You don't have to be a member of MVLC.)

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.

#### WELCOME TO CHRIST'S TABLE

This is the table, not of the Church, but of Jesus Christ. It is made ready for those who are loved by God, whether you feel loved or not.

It is for those who desire to grow in love with God.

So come, you who have much faith and you who have little.

You who have been here often and you who have not been for a long time or ever before.

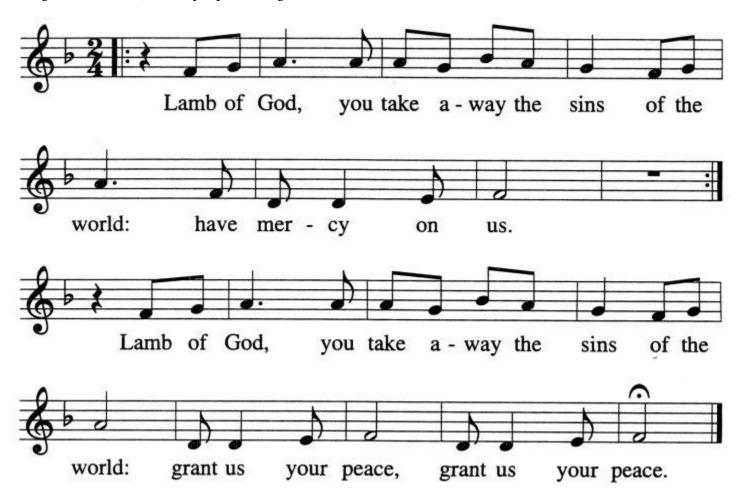
Come, you who have tried to follow and you who live with a sense of failure in your following.

Come, not because the Church invites you; it is Christ who invites you to be known and fed and loved here.

Please come. Receive the gifts of God for all the people of God.

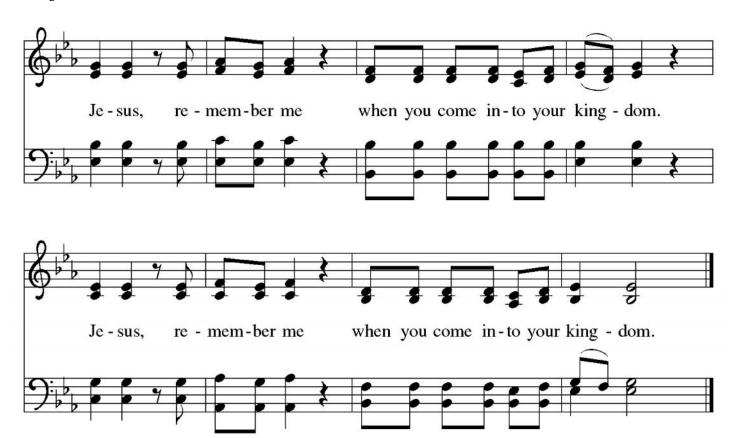
### **LAMB OF GOD •** "LAMB OF GOD"

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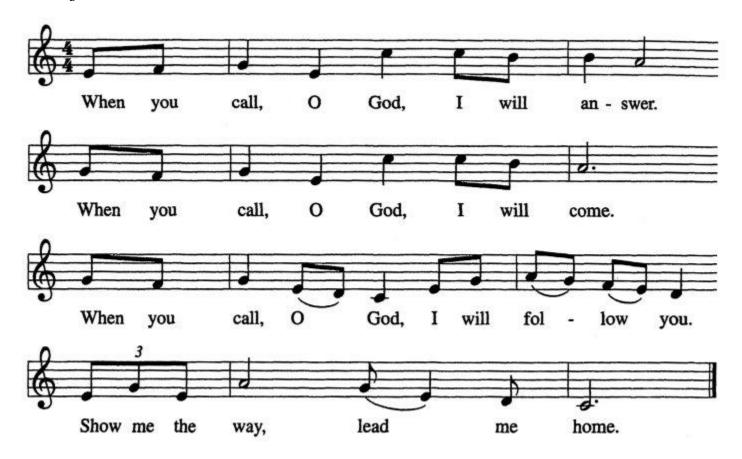
### **COMMUNION HYMN** • "JESUS, REMEMBER ME"

Evangelical Lutheran Church 616



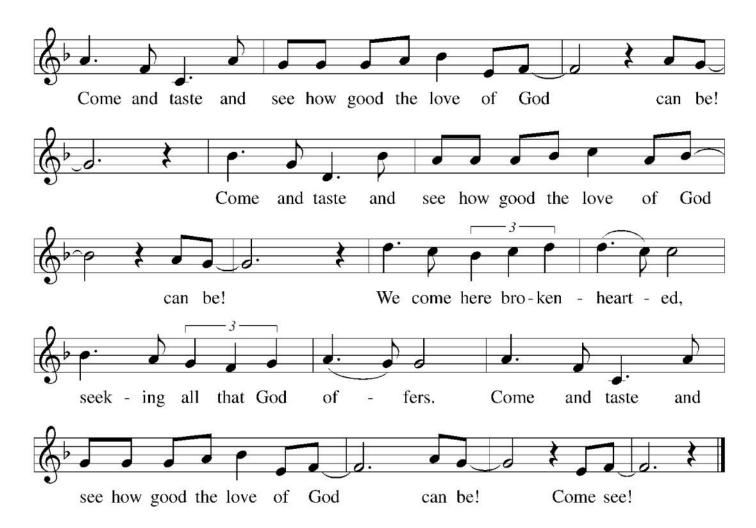
### **COMMUNION HYMN** • "WHEN YOU CALL"

Dancing at the Harvest 100



### **COMMUNION HYMN** • "COME AND TASTE"

Worship & Praise 30



#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Holy God,

you have welcomed us to this meal and fed us with dignity at your table.

Send us now to welcome others and to be at peace with one another, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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.

Gracious God,

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 all mighty, God most merciful, + bless you, keep you, and give you peace.

Amen.

#### **SENDING HYMN** • "LORD, WHOSE LOVE IN HUMBLE SERVICE"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 712



- 1 Lord, whose love in hum-ble ser vice bore the weight of hu-man need,
- 2 Still your chil-dren wan-der home-less; still the hun-gry cry for bread;
- 3 As we wor-ship, grant us vi sion, till your love's re veal-ing light
- 4 Called by wor ship to your ser vice, forth in your dear name we go,



who up - on the cross, for - sak - en, worked your mer-cy's per - fect deed: still the cap - tives long for free - dom; still in grief we mourn our dead. in its height and depth and great-ness dawns up - on our quick-ened sight, to the child, the youth, the a - ged, love in liv - ing deeds to show;



we, your ser-vants, bring the wor-ship not of voice a - lone, but heart; As you, Lord, in deep com-pas-sion healed the sick and freed the soul, mak-ing known the needs and bur-dens your com-pas-sion bids us bear, hope and health, good-will and com-fort, coun-sel, aid, and peace we give,



con - se - crat - ing to your pur - pose ev - 'ry gift which you im - part. by your Spir - it send your pow - er to our world to make it whole. stir - ring us to ar - dent ser - vice, your a - bun - dant life to share. that your ser - vants, Lord, in free - dom may your mer - cy know and live.

#### **SENDING**

Go in peace. Follow Jesus.

Thanks be to God.

#### **POSTLUDE**

Flowers on the altar today are given to the glory of God by Ken and Terry Johnson and Lindy and Diane Nelson in memory of their parents Alvar and Louise Johnson and Art and Ingrid Indrebo who were married in a double wedding in the Chapel 84 years ago.

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

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#### Worship leaders include:

#### Both services

- PREACHER and PRESIDER: Pastor Eric Bostrom.
- ASSISTING MINISTER: Gerry Philipsen.
- DIRECTOR of MUSIC: Amy Boers.
- VIDEOGRAPHER: David Burch.
- ALTAR GUILD: Diksha Knierim, Sandy Knierim, Angela Machumu.

#### 8:15 a.m.

- USHERS: Joe Anderson, Ken Swanson (head usher), Betsy Tunstall, Terry Wolfe.
- GREETER: Karyn Williamson.
- ACOLYTES: Juliet Ceder, Emilia Olson.
- LECTOR: Eileen Newton.
- COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Barb Egan, Karyn Williamson.
- SOUND: Henry Peck.

- USHERS: Mark Cantrell (head usher), John Dahle, Erik Knierim, Bob Yost,
- GREETER: Ellen Leapaldt.
- LECTOR: Lynn Nichols.
- COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Ellen Leapaldt, Paige Nichols.
- SOUND: Scott VanderLey.

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Each quarter, after we send out benevolences to our ministry partners, we hear back from each of them. Here are some of the recent expressions of gratitude we've received.

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The staff, board and families at Exodus Housing deeply appreciate your ongoing support for our rapid rehousing program and customized case management services. We are currently serving 97 families, and your donation will go to support all those families and our agency operations. Thank you for your thoughtful donation.

#### -Exodus Housing

Learn more about their mission and ministry: exodushousing.org

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Your commitment to affordable homeownership is inspirational, and it's gifts like yours that make our work possible. With your donation, we provide families in need with safe, affordable homes, creating stability for future generations. You gift offers a hand-up into homeownership for those struggling in the rental market, extends counsel to those desperate to *keep* the home they already own, *and* makes modifications and repairs for aging seniors who to safely *stay* in their homes.

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