



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

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.

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.

SUMMER NARRATIVE LECTIONARY

Time after Pentecost:

OLD TESTAMENT WISDOM & POETRY

Sunday, July 30, 2023 • 9:30 a.m.

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Stand.

CALL TO CONFESSION

*All may make the sign of the cross,
+ the sign that is marked at baptism.*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,
who greets us in this and every season,
whose word never fails,
whose promise is sure.

Amen.

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

Kneel or stand.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned.
We have hurt our community.
We have squandered your blessings.
We have hoarded your bounty.
In the name of Jesus,
forgive us and grant us your mercy.

Silence is kept for reflection.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

God is a cup of cold water when we thirst.

God offers boundless grace when we fail.

Claim the gift of God's mercy:

you are freed and forgiven

in the name of + Jesus Christ.

Amen.


Stand.

KYRIE • "KYRIE"

With One Voice 601 • Ghana



1,3 Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.
2 Chris - te e - le - i - son. Chris - te e - le - i - son.



Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.
Chris - te e - le - i - son. Chris - te e - le - i - son.

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 • "ANOINTING, FALL ON ME"

All Creation Sings 1013

A - noint - ing fall on me.

The first system of the hymn consists of two staves. The upper staff is in treble clef and the lower staff is in bass clef. Both staves are in the key of D major (two sharps) and 4/4 time. The melody in the upper staff begins with a quarter note 'A', followed by a dotted quarter note 'noint', and a half note 'ing'. The bass line provides harmonic support with chords and moving lines.

A - noint - ing fall on me.

The second system of the hymn is identical to the first, featuring the same melody and bass line for the phrase "A - noint - ing fall on me."

Let the pow-er of the Ho - ly Ghost fall on me.

The third system of the hymn consists of two staves. The upper staff is in treble clef and the lower staff is in bass clef. Both staves are in the key of D major (two sharps) and 4/4 time. The melody in the upper staff begins with a quarter note 'L', followed by an eighth note 'e', a dotted quarter note 't', a quarter note 't', a quarter note 'e', a quarter note 'H', a quarter note 'o', a quarter note 'l', a quarter note 'y', a quarter note 'G', a quarter note 'h', a quarter note 'o', a quarter note 's', a quarter note 't', a quarter note 'f', a quarter note 'a', a quarter note 'l', a quarter note 'o', a quarter note 'n', and a quarter note 'm'. The bass line provides harmonic support with chords and moving lines.

A - noint - ing fall on me.

The fourth system of the hymn consists of two staves. The upper staff is in treble clef and the lower staff is in bass clef. Both staves are in the key of D major (two sharps) and 4/4 time. The melody in the upper staff begins with a quarter note 'A', followed by a dotted quarter note 'noint', and a half note 'ing'. The bass line provides harmonic support with chords and moving lines.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

God of heaven and earth,
before the foundation of the universe
and the beginning of time
you are the triune God:
Author of creation,
eternal Word of salvation,
life-giving Spirit of wisdom.

Guide us to all truth by your Spirit,
that we may proclaim all that Christ has revealed
and rejoice in the glory he shares with us.

Glory and praise to you,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
now and forever.

Amen.

Sit.

INSTALLATION OF CHURCH COUNCIL

*Fred Albert, Jason Cornell, Kevin Dahl, Mary Beth Dahl,
Jenny Grayum, Karen Hansen, Skip Harrison, Megan Hutton,
Dan Lysne, John Meagher, Becky Schaefer, Ken Swanson, Bob Yost.*

READING

A reading from the book of Proverbs.

Proverbs 8:1-11, 22-36

- ¹Does not wisdom call,
and does not understanding raise her voice?
²On the heights, beside the way,
at the crossroads she takes her stand;
³beside the gates in front of the town,
at the entrance of the portals she cries out:
⁴"To you, O people, I call,
and my cry is to all that live.
⁵O simple ones, learn prudence;
acquire intelligence, you who lack it.
⁶Hear, for I will speak noble things,
and from my lips will come what is right;
⁷for my mouth will utter truth;
wickedness is an abomination to my lips.
⁸All the words of my mouth are righteous;
there is nothing twisted or crooked in them.
⁹They are all straight to one who understands
and right to those who find knowledge.
¹⁰Take my instruction instead of silver,
and knowledge rather than choice gold;
¹¹for wisdom is better than jewels,
and all that you may desire cannot compare with her.

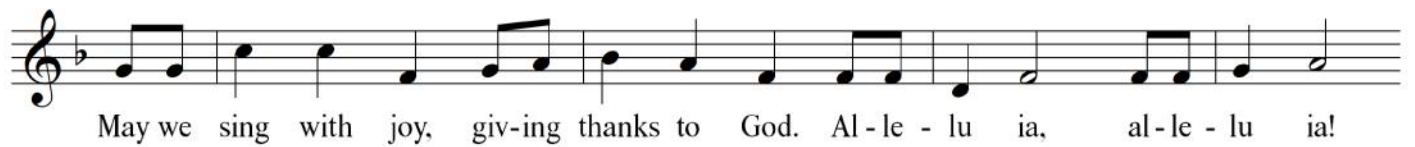
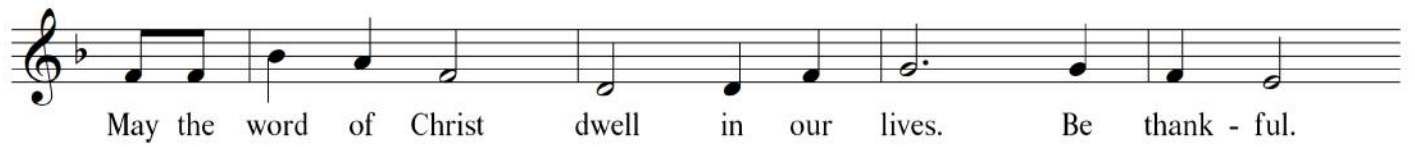
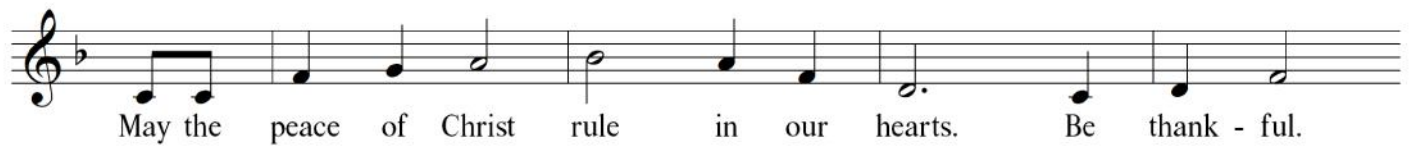
²²The LORD created me at the beginning of his work,
the first of his acts of long ago.
²³Ages ago I was set up,
at the first, before the beginning of the earth.
²⁴When there were no depths I was brought forth,
when there were no springs abounding with water.
²⁵Before the mountains had been shaped,
before the hills, I was brought forth —
²⁶when he had not yet made earth and fields,
or the world's first bits of soil.
²⁷When he established the heavens, I was there,
when he drew a circle on the face of the deep,
²⁸when he made firm the skies above,
when he established the fountains of the deep,
²⁹when he assigned to the sea its limit,
so that the waters might not transgress his command,
when he marked out the foundations of the earth,
³⁰then I was beside him, like a master worker;
and I was daily his delight,
rejoicing before him always,
³¹rejoicing in his inhabited world
and delighting in the human race.
³²"And now, my children, listen to me:
happy are those who keep my ways.
³³Hear instruction and be wise,
and do not neglect it.
³⁴Happy is the one who listens to me,
watching daily at my gates,
waiting beside my doors.
³⁵For whoever finds me finds life
and obtains favor from the LORD;
³⁶but those who miss me injure themselves;
all who hate me love death."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ACCLAMATION OF SCRIPTURE • "BE THANKFUL"

Anne Krentz Organ



READING

A reading from the Gospel of John

John 8:56-58

⁵⁶Your ancestor Abraham rejoiced that he would see my day; he saw it and was glad." ⁵⁷Then the Jews said to him, "You are not yet fifty years old, and have you seen Abraham?" ⁵⁸Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, before Abraham was, I am."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Pastor Briana Merkle.

SERMON

Seminarian Hannah Johnsrud.

Stand.

HYMN OF THE DAY • "SHE SITS LIKE A BIRD"

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1. She sits like a bird,
2. She wings o - ver earth,
3. She danc - es in fire,
4. For she is the Spir - it,



brood - ing on the wa - ters. Hov - ring on the cha - os of the
rest - ing where she wish - es, Light - ing close at hand or soar - ing
start - ling her spec - ta - tors, Wak - ing tongues of ec - sta - sy where
one with God in es - sence, Gift - ed by the Sav - ior in e -



world's first day; She sighs and she sings,
through the skies; She nests in the womb,
dumb - ness reigned; She weans and in - spires
ter - nal love; She is the key



moth - er - ing cre - a - tion, Wait - ing to give birth to all the
wel - com - ing each won - der, Nour - ish - ing po - ten - tial hid - den
all whose hearts are o - pen, Nor can she be captured, si - lenced
o - pen - ing the scrip - tures, En - e - my of ap - a - thy and



Word will say.
to our eyes.
or re - strained.
heav'n - ly dove.

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

Confident that God receives our joys and concerns,
let us offer our prayers for the church,
those in need, and all of creation.

At the conclusion of each petition:

Hear us, O God,
your mercy is great.

Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray,
in the name of the one who reconciled all creation to himself,
Jesus Christ our Savior.

Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Sit.

OFFERING

“A gift opens the way and ushers the giver into the presence of the great.”
—PROVERBS 18:16

God knows the power of a gift. That’s why he didn’t institute a “church tax.” He wanted every gift to be given from one’s own will so that when the blessings come, we understand how God worked through our gift to prosper our wellbeing.

You have a moment of opportunity to be ushered into the presence of God by giving to him, as he so graciously has given to us. Will you enter into the presence of God with me by worshipping him through a gift?

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



OFFERTORY

*“The Old Account Was Settled Long Ago”
MVLC Barbershop Quartet*

Stand.

OFFERTORY RESPONSE • "THANKS TO GOD, AUTHOR OF LIVING"

Samoa

Thanks to God, au - thor - of - liv - ing, who has nur - tured us with

grace, free - ly lov - ing and for - giv - ing, leav - ing none with - out em -

brace. We bring prais - es and thanks - giv - ing. Al - le -

We bring prais - es and thanks - giv - ing, Al - le,

lu - ia joy - fully sing. We bring prais - es and thanks -

Al - le - lu - ia joy - fully joy - fully sing. We bring, we bring prais - es and thanks -

giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia joy - fully sing.

giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia joy - fully sing.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

God of field and forest, sea and sky, you are the giver of all good things.

Sustain us with these gifts of your creation, and multiply your graciousness in us, that the world may be fed with your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

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

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"

All Creation Sings • Holy Communion, Setting 11 • Puerto Rico



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly God of pow - er and might,



heav - en and earth . . . are full of your glo - ry.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is the one who comes in the name of our God.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER • "CAMBODIAN LORD'S PRAYER"

Global Choral Songs • Cambodia



Our Fa - ther, who art in heav - en, hal - lowed be thy name,



thy king - dom come, thy will be done, here on earth as it is in heav'n.



Give us this day our dai - ly bread; and for - give our tres - pass - es,



Lord, for - give as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us;



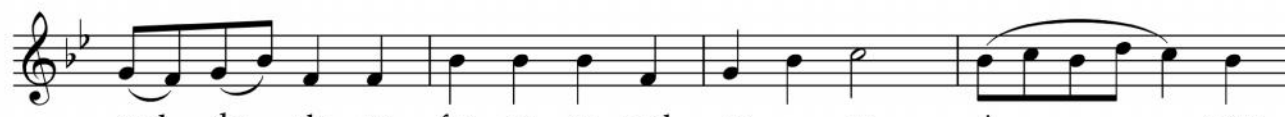
for - give us, Lord, for - give us, Lord. And lead us not in - to temp - ta - tion,



lead us not; but de - liv - er us from e - vil, Lord, we pray your



mer - cy. For yours is the king - dom, and the pow - er



and the glo - ry, for - ev - er and ev - er. A - men,



a - men, a - men, a - men, a - men.

COMMUNION

All people are called to Christ's table.

Come, eat what is good.

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.

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"

Sweden




Lamb of God who takes our_ guilt a - way,



Lamb of God who_ takes our_ guilt a - way,



Lamb of God who_ takes our_ guilt a - way, re -



deem - ing, re - leas - ing, re - liev - ing_ grace._____

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.

COMMUNION HYMN • "I RECEIVED THE LIVING GOD"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 477

Refrain



I re - ceived the liv - ing God, and my heart is full of joy.



I re - ceived the liv - ing God, and my heart is full of joy.



1 Je - sus said: I am the bread, knead - ed long to give you life;
2 Je - sus said: I am the way, and my Fa - ther longs for you;
3 Je - sus said: I am the truth; come and fol - low close to me.
4 Je - sus said: I am the life, far from whom no thing can grow,

Refrain



you who will par - take of me need not ev - er fear to die.
so I come to bring you home to be one with us a - new.
You will know me in your heart, and my word shall make you free.
but re - ceive this liv - ing bread, and my Spir - it you shall know.

COMMUNION HYMN • "I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 485



1 "I am the Bread of life. You who
 2 "The bread that . . . I will give is my
 3 "Un - less you eat of the
 4 "I am the res - ur - rec - tion,
 5 Yes, Lord, I be - lieve that . . .



come to me shall not hun - ger, and who be -
 flesh for the life of the world, and if you
 flesh of the Son of Man and
 I am the life. If you be -
 you are the Christ, the



lieve in me shall not thirst. No one can come to
 eat of this bread, you shall . . live for -
 drink of his blood, and drink of his
 lieve in me, e - ven . . though you
 Son of God, who have



me un - less the Fa - ther beck - ons."
 ev - er, you shall live for - ev - er."
 blood, you shall not have life with - in you."
 die, you shall live for - ev - er."
 come in - to the world. . . .

Refrain
All



“And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up,
and I will raise you up on the last day.”

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It features a treble and bass clef with a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#). The tempo is marked 'All'. The melody is simple and repetitive, with the lyrics 'And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up, and I will raise you up on the last day.' The piano accompaniment consists of chords and simple rhythmic patterns.

Stand.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We thank you, generous God,
**for the refreshment we have received
at your banquet table.**

**Send us now as a community following Christ,
to LOVE with an open heart,
GROW with a curious mind,
and SHARE with a generous spirit.**

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

Now may the God of peace, who brought back from the dead
our Lord Jesus, + the great shepherd of the sheep,
by the blood of the eternal covenant,
make you complete in everything good so that you may do his will,
working among us that which is pleasing in his sight,
through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory forever and ever.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN • "YOU ARE HOLY"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 525

Sing twice.



You are ho - ly, you are whole. You are al - ways ev - er more



than we ev - er un - der - stand. You are al - ways at hand.



Bless - ed are you com - ing near. Bless - ed are you com - ing here



to your church in wine and bread, raised from soil, raised from dead.



You are ho - ly, you are whole - ness,



you are pres - ent. Let the cos - mos praise you, Lord!



Sing ho - san - na in the high - est!



Sing ho - san - na! Sing ho - san - na to our God!

SENDING

Go in peace. Serve in love.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

“You Are Holy”

*Flowers on the altar today
are given to the glory of God
by the MVLC Altar Guild.*

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August *at* MVLC

Sundays in August • 9:30 a.m.

Summer "Unified" Worship Services = 8/6 + 8/13 + 8/20 + 8/27.

Wednesday, August 2 • 6:00 p.m.

Potluck and Open Mic/Variety Show in the Life Together Hall.

Wednesday, August 9 • 5:00 p.m.

Game Night in the Life Together Hall.

Sunday, August 13

MVLC Golf Tournament.

Friday, August 18 through Sunday, August 20

Cornerstone Camping Trip.

Saturday, August 19

Mountain View Community Center Backpack Giveaway.

Saturday, August 19

Milton Days.

Sunday, August 20 • 1:00 p.m.

Bike Ride at Point Defiance Park.

Wednesday, August 23 • 5:00 p.m.

Game Night in the Life Together Hall.



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