

*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.

SEASON OF GENEROSITY

FUTURE

Sunday, November 17, 2024 • 8:15 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Stand.

Take us back — to the wa - ter, — wash a - way — our sins. —

Wel - come us, — O — Fa - ther, — back to your home — a - gain. —

Bless your sons — and — daugh - ters, — and let the feast — be - gin, —

let it be - gin...

The pastor declares the absolution over instrumental music.

**You take us back to the water. You wash away our sins.
 You welcome us, O Father, back to your home again.
 You bless your sons and daughters.
 Now let the feast begin, let it begin.**

**Lord, your mercy covers me.
 Lord, your mercy has set me free.
 You've forgiven me today, and my sins are washed away,
 by the cross and empty grave for my soul.**

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 • "WHAT GIFT CAN WE BRING"

Sing! A New Creation 232



1 What gift can we bring, what pres - ent, what to - ken?
 2 Give thanks for the past, for those who had vi - sion,
 3 Give thanks for to - mor - row, full of sur - pris - es,
 4 This gift we now bring, this pres - ent, this to - ken,



What words can con - vey it, the joy of this day?
 who plant - ed and wa - tered so dreams could come true.
 for know - ing what - ev - er to - mor - row may bring,
 these words can't con - vey it, the joy of this day!



When grate - ful we come, re - mem - bering, re - joic - ing,
 Give thanks for the now, for stud - y, for wor - ship,
 the Word is our prom - ise al - ways, for - ev - er;
 When grate - ful we come, re - mem - bering, re - joic - ing,



what song can we of - fer in hon - or and praise?
 for mis - sion that bids us turn prayer in - to deed.
 we rest in God's keep - ing and live in God's love.
 this song we now of - fer in hon - or and praise!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Eternal God, you have placed us in a world of space and time,
and through the events of our lives you bless us with your love.

Grant that in the future we may know the power of your presence,
see your love at work, and generously share the hopeful future
you have secured through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Sit.

8:15 a.m. • *Choir anthem*
“Where Your Treasure Is” by Marty Haugen

ACCLAMATION OF SCRIPTURE

“Listen to the Word” • *All Creation Sings* 974



Lis-ten to the word that God has spo-ken; lis-ten to the One who is



close at hand; lis-ten to the voice that be-gan cre-a-tion;



lis-ten e-ven if you don't un-der-stand.

READING

A reading from the Gospel of Matthew.

Matthew 6:16-24; 7:24-27

¹⁶“And whenever you fast, do not look dismal, like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces so as to show others that they are fasting. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. ¹⁷But when you fast, put oil on your head and wash your face, ¹⁸so that your fasting may be seen not by others but by your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

¹⁹“Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal; ²⁰but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. ²¹For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

²²“The eye is the lamp of the body. So, if your eye is healthy, your whole body will be full of light; ²³but if your eye is unhealthy, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light in you is darkness, how great is the darkness! ²⁴“No one can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.

²⁴“Everyone then who hears these words of mine and acts on them will be like a wise man who built his house on rock. ²⁵The rain fell, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on rock. ²⁶And everyone who hears these words of mine and does not act on them will be like a foolish man who built his house on sand. ²⁷The rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell—and great was its fall!”

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S SERMON + SERMON

Pastor Eric Bostrom.

HYMN OF THE DAY • "WITHIN THE REIGN OF GOD"

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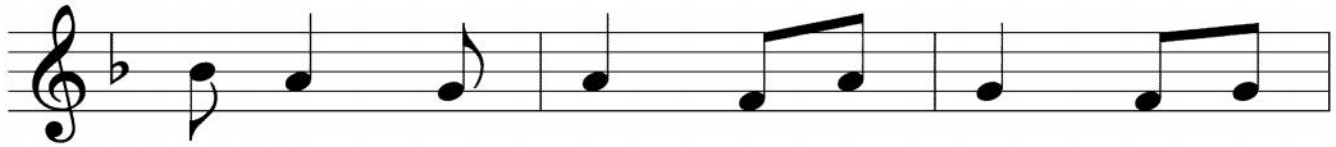
Cantor: verses; congregation: verse response and refrain.

Verse Response



... with - in the reign of God.

Refrain



Bless-ed are they who will feast in the



reign of God. Bless-ed are they who will



share the bread of life. Bless - ed are



they who are least in the reign of God;



they shall re - joice at the feast of life.

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

Rooted in God's abundant love for the world,
let us pray for our neighbors, the church, and all of creation.

At the conclusion of each petition:

Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

We offer our prayers to you, gracious God,
trusting in your boundless love
for all that you have made,
through Jesus Christ our Savior.

Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Sit.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

As God calls us to cultivate the Church,
God asks us to share our time, talent, and treasures.

As we present our treasures, let us spend moments reflecting
upon where God may be calling us to share our time and talents.

During the offering, we will not pass the offering plates around.
Instead, we'll bring forward our pledge cards, our tithes, and our gifts,
and discover what God is doing in our midst.

*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 = west side. Group 2 = east 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.



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

OFFERING PRAYER

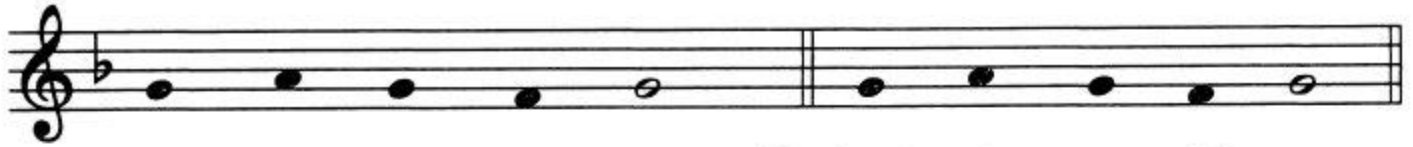
Lord Jesus, our portion and our cup,
you offered yourself in love for the world,
and in this meal you nourish us with your life.

Fill us with your abundance, that we may feed the hungry
and welcome the stranger, trusting in your name.

Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Holy Communion, Tree of Life Setting



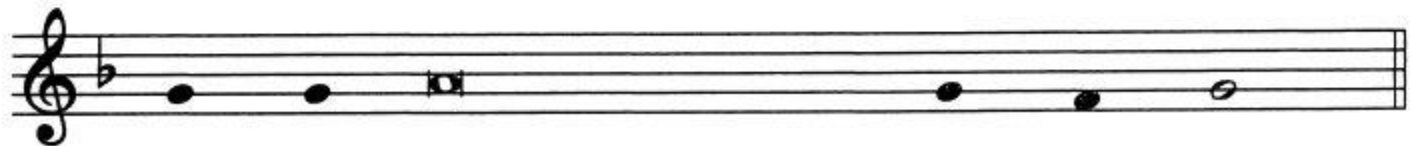
P The Lord be with you. **C** And al - so with you.



P Lift up your hearts. **C** We lift them to the Lord.



P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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



Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord,



God of power 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. Bless - ed is he, 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, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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

Behold, God is making all things new.
Take your place in the new creation.

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

because the gifts of God are free.

LAMB OF GOD • "LAMB OF GOD"

Holy Communion, Tree of Life Setting



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the



world: have mer - cy on us.



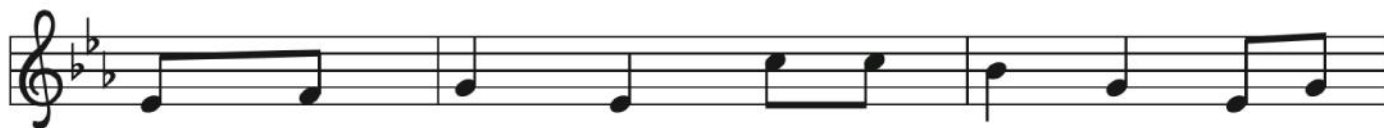
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the



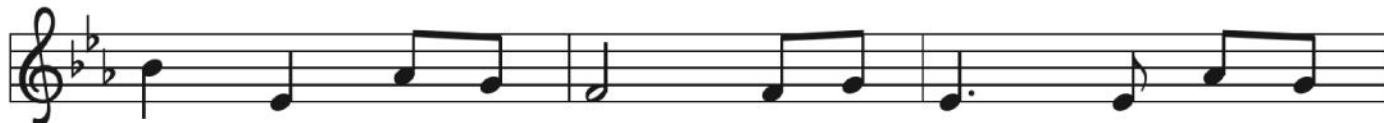
world: grant us your peace, grant us your peace.

COMMUNION HYMN • "LOAVES WERE BROKEN, WORDS WERE SPOKEN"

All Creation Sings 966



1 Loaves were bro - ken, words were spo - ken by the
2 Loaves were bro - ken, words were spo - ken in a
3 Loaves are bro - ken, words are spo - ken, as in
4 By the loaves you break and give us, send us



Gal - i - le - an shore. Je - sus, Bread of life from
qui - et room one night. In the bread and wine you
faith we gath - er here. Je - sus speaks a - cross the
in your name to share bread for which the mil - lions

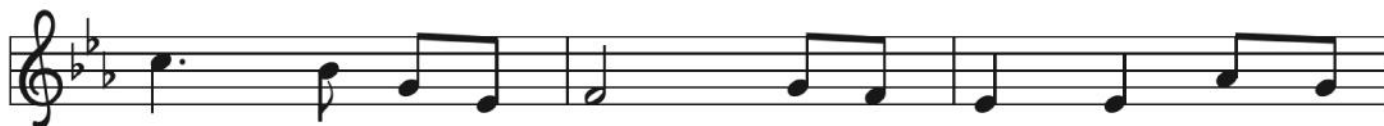


heav - en, was their food for - ev - er - more.
gave them, Christ, you came as Light from Light.
a - ges: "I am with you; do not fear!"
hun - ger, words that tell your love and care.

Refrain



By your bod - y bro - ken for us, by your



wine of life out - poured, Je - sus, feed a - gain your



peo - ple. Be our Host, our Life, our Lord.

COMMUNION HYMN • "SEED, SCATTERED AND SOWN"

Worship and Praise 121

Refrain

Seed, scat-tered and sown; wheat, gath-ered and grown;

bread, bro-ken and shared as one, the Liv-ing Bread of God.

Vine, fruit of the land; wine, work of our hands; one cup that is

shared by all; the Liv-ing Cup, the Liv-ing Bread of God.

1 Is not the bread we break a
2 The seed which falls on rock will
3 As wheat up - on the hills was

shar - ing in our Lord? Is not the
with - er and will die. The seed with -
gath - ered and was grown, so may the

cup we bless the blood of Christ out - poured?
in good ground the will flow - er and have life.
church of God be gath - ered in - to one.

Refrain

Stand.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Faithful God,

**you have spread before us a feast of rich food and drink
in the body and blood of your Son.**

**Now send us out to labor with you,
in service to the world you have made,
and among the people you have made your home,
in Jesus Christ, our Savior and 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

The Ancient One, enthroned,
the Crucified One, now risen,
the Indwelling One, poured out,
+ bless you now and forever.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN • "AS A FIRE IS MEANT FOR BURNING"

Gather, Third Edition 744



1. As a fire is meant for burn - ing With a
2. We are learn - ers; we are teach - ers; We are
3. As a green bud in the spring - time Is a



bright and warm - ing flame, So the Church is meant for
pil - grims on the way. We are seek - ers; we are
sign of life re - newed, So may we be signs of



mis - sion, Giv - ing glo - ry to God's name.
giv - ers; We are ves - sels made of clay.
one - ness Mid earth's peo - ples, man - y hues.



As we wit - ness to the gos - pel, We would
By our gen - tle, lov - ing ac - tions, We would
As a rain - bow lights the heav - ens When a



build a bridge of care, Join - ing hands a - cross the
show that Christ is light. In a hum - ble, lis - t'ning
storm is past and gone, May our lives re - flect the



na - tions, Find - ing neigh - bors ev - 'ry - where.
Spir - it, We would live to God's de - light.
ra - diance Of God's new and glor - ious dawn.

SENDING

Go in peace. Encourage one another in Christ.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

*Flowers on the altar
are given to the glory of God
by Mark and Julie Kibler
in honor of their 42nd wedding anniversary.*

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8:15 a.m.

- J USHERS: Fred Albert (head usher), Gary Larson, Eileen Newton, Nate Schaefer.
- J GREETER: Flora Larson.
- J ACOLYTE: Grace Seigny, Olivia Williamson.
- J LECTOR: Chris Schaefer.
- J COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Genie Lennon, Chris Ray.
- J SOUND: Henry Peck.

10:45 a.m.

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- J GREETER: Marlene Wright.
- J LECTOR: John Dahle.
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LIFE TOGETHER AT MVLC

CONSECRATION BREAKFAST

Sunday, November 17, 2024 • 9:30 a.m. in the Life Together Hall

We celebrate our Season of Generosity and our commitments to the congregation.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Sunday, November 24, 2024 • 12 noon in the Life Together Hall

We gather to approve the 2025 Spending Guideline and engage in the business of the congregation.

Sign up: AT THE TABLE

Wednesday, November 27, 2024 • 5:30 p.m. in the Gathering Space

Join us for Thanksgiving Eve “dinner worship.” Please sign up in advance by sending an RSVP email to Troy at office@mtviewlutheran.org.

ADVENT QUIET MORNING

Saturday, December 7, 2024 • 9:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary

A series of readings and reflections, with each set followed by a time for silent prayer, meditation, or creative response.

Sign up: MEN'S RETREAT

Saturday, January 11 and Sunday, January 12, 2025

Men of MVLC, Holy Trinity Lutheran (Mercer Island), and Grace Lutheran (Des Moines) gather together in retreat and fellowship at Black Lake Bible Camp. Register online at bit.ly/3N1UOd7