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9:15 a.m. Worship Service w/Holy Communion

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Our Mission

CELEBRATING

GOD

CONNECTING

PEOPLE



Remember the sabbath day. Call the sabbath a delight.
This is the Lord's day, and the Lord will do for us what the
Lord does: feed us, forgive us, help and heal us. Rejoice at
all the wonderful things God is doing.

GATHERING

Bell

Announcements

Prelude: *Healer of Our Ever Ill*

-Marty Haugen, setting by Anne Krentz Organ

All who are able are invited to stand

Confession and Forgiveness

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

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.

Silence is kept for reflection.

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.

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.

Gathering Song: *Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty p. 17*

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.

Kyrie Congregation: refrain Leader: verses

Refrain

Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, on our world and on our way.

Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, ev-'ry day.

1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the
2 That we may live out your im-passioned re-sponse to the
3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . for
4 For your Spir-it to guide; that you cen-ter our lives in the

u-ni-ty of all; for
hun-gry and the poor; that
friends and fam-i-ly; for
wa-ter and the word; that you

this ho-ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,
we may live out truth and jus-tice and grace,
life and for love, for our work and our play,
nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod-y and blood,

Refrain

let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

This is the Feast



This is the feast of vic-t'ry for our God, for the



Lamb who was slain has be-gun his reign. Al-le-lu-ia.



1 Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be



peo-ple of God. Pow-er, rich-es, wis-dom, and strength, and



hon-or, bless-ing, and glo-ry are his. This is the feast of



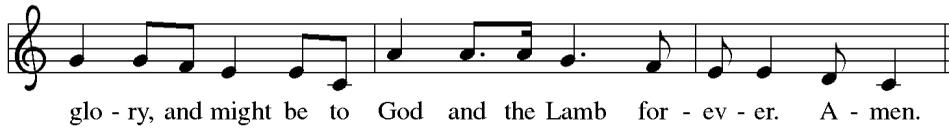
vic-t'ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has be-gun his reign. Al-



le-lu-ia. 2 Sing with all the peo-ple of God, and



join in the hymn of all cre-a-tion: Bless-ing, hon-or,



Prayer of the Day

O God, mighty and immortal, you know that as fragile creatures surrounded by great dangers, we cannot by ourselves stand upright. Give us strength of mind and body, so that even when we suffer because of human sin, we may rise victorious through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

WORD

*God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.
All may be seated*

First Reading: Isaiah 58:9b-14

God promises those who have returned from exile that where justice and mercy prevail, the ruins will be rebuilt and light will rise in the darkness. It is a day for new beginnings.

^{9b}If you remove the yoke from among you,
the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil,

¹⁰if you offer your food to the hungry
and satisfy the needs of the afflicted,
then your light shall rise in the darkness
and your gloom be like the noonday.

¹¹The LORD will guide you continually,
and satisfy your needs in parched places,
and make your bones strong;

and you shall be like a watered garden,
like a spring of water,
whose waters never fail.

¹²Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt;
you shall raise up the foundations of many generations;
you shall be called the repairer of the breach,
the restorer of streets to live in.

¹³If you refrain from trampling the sabbath,
from pursuing your own interests on my holy day;
if you call the sabbath a delight
and the holy day of the LORD honorable;
if you honor it, not going your own ways,
serving your own interests, or pursuing your own affairs;

¹⁴then you shall take delight in the LORD,
and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth;
I will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob,
for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm: Psalm 103:1-8 (read responsively – congregation reads bold)

The LORD crowns you with mercy and steadfast love. (Ps. 103:4)

¹Bless the LORD, ¹ O my soul,
and all that is within me, bless God's ¹ holy name.

²**Bless the LORD, ¹ O my soul,
and forget not ¹ all God's benefits—**

³who forgives ¹ all your sins
and heals all ¹ your diseases;

⁴**who redeems your life ¹ from the grave
and crowns you with steadfast ¹ love and mercy;**

⁵who satisfies your desires ¹ with good things
so that your youth is renewed ¹ like an eagle's.

⁶**O LORD, you provide ¹ vindication
and justice for all who ¹ are oppressed.**

⁷You made known your ¹ ways to Moses
and your works to the chil- ¹ dren of Israel.

⁸**LORD, you are full of compas- ¹ sion and mercy,
slow to anger and abounding in ¹ steadfast love.**

Second Reading: Hebrews 12:18-29

Using images of Moses, the writer presents a striking vision of the new covenant of God made possible in Christ. There is no longer fear; only awe in the new promise in Christ into which we are invited.

¹⁸You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, ¹⁹and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. ²⁰(For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death." ²¹Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear.") ²²But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, ²³and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, ²⁴and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

²⁵See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! ²⁶At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, "Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven." ²⁷This phrase, "Yet once more," indicates the removal of what is shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. ²⁸Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; ²⁹for indeed our God is a consuming fire. *The word of the Lord.*

Thanks be to God.

All who are able are invited to stand

The Gospel Verse



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 13th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

The Holy Gospel: Luke 13:10-17

Jesus heals a woman on the sabbath, offering her a new beginning for her life. When challenged by a narrow reading of the sabbath command, Jesus responds by expanding “sabbath work” to include setting people free from bondage.

¹⁰Now [Jesus] was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. ¹¹And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. ¹²When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, “Woman, you are set free from your ailment.” ¹³When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. ¹⁴But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, “There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day.” ¹⁵But the Lord answered him and said, “You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? ¹⁶And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?” ¹⁷When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing. *The Gospel of the Lord.*

Praise to you, O Christ.

All may be seated

Sermon

Time of Silent Reflection *(remain seated)*

All who are able are invited to stand

Hymn of the Day: *How Firm a Foundation p. 18*

Blessing of the Backpacks

A reading from Mark 10:13-16

¹³ People were bringing children to him in order that he might touch them, and the disciples spoke sternly to them. ¹⁴ But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, “Let the children come to me; do not stop them, for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. ¹⁵ Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it.” ¹⁶ And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

Let us pray:

Lord Jesus, we give you thanks for our schools, teachers, and students. We thank you for this new school year and all of the excitement and learning it will bring. Bless these backpacks and the children who carry them. We ask that these students be guided by Your love in the classroom, at daycare and at home. May they feel Your loving care in everything that they do, now and always. Amen!

Hymn: "Jesus Love Me"

Jesus loves me! this I know, for the Bible tells me so;
Little ones to him belong, they are weak, but he is strong.
Yes, Jesus loves me, yes, Jesus loves me,
Yes, Jesus loves me, the Bible tells me so.

Apostles' Creed

In the words of the Apostles' Creed, 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 Intercession

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

A brief silence.

You crown your church with steadfast love and mercy. Guide us continually in our baptismal covenant to strive for justice and peace in all the earth. Use our diverse gifts in service to the whole people of God. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

You satisfy the needs of all creatures. Protect the habitats of fish and birds. Repair ecosystems damaged by misuse, neglect, or natural disaster, that all creation may thrive. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

You make your ways known to all people. Inspire the rulers and leaders of nations with your compassion and mercy. Raise up activists and community organizers to restore places affected by violence, poverty, and inequality. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

You call us to delight in the sabbath. Renew our bodies, minds, and spirits in this worshiping assembly. Give rest to all who lead our congregation in worship, study, and service. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Generations bless your holy name. We give you thanks for the communion of saints who have gathered in prayer and praise in this place. Support us in your love until we rest forever in you. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

You provide justice for all who are oppressed and relief to all who are afflicted. Heal those who are bent over by addiction, depression, and anxiety. Set free all who cry out under the weight of mental, emotional, or physical distress, *especially Reed, Clint, Ron, Lois, Clark, Jane, Helen, Susan, Gladys, Lucille, Sonny, Rachelle, Olive, Jean, Dale, Kim, Tammy, Dale, Vanessa, Michael, Neil, Sally, Grace, Larry, Carol, Kathy.* Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

For those celebrating birthdays this week. May they continue to grow in faith as they grow in years, *especially Richard, Sally, Ingrid, Kelly, Earl, Mary Ann.* Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

For those celebrating anniversaries this week. May they be bound together by your love, now and forever *especially Steven & Patricia, Jim & Gretchen.* Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

We pray for our sisters and brothers in Christ in neighboring congregations. May your light shine brightly for all, sharing in your love and your peace that surpasses all understanding. We pray especially for St. John, Fullerton, and their pastor, Lynette Delbridge. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

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

Amen.

The Peace – *Please share the peace in any manner comfortable to you.*

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

THE MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

All may be seated

Offertory: *If You Abide in Me*

-Randall DeBruyn

Offering

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need.

After the offering is gathered, all who are able are invited to stand.

1 Take my life, that I may be con - se - crat - ed, Lord, to thee;
2 Take my hands and let them move at the im - pulse of thy love;
3 Take my voice and let me sing al - ways, on - ly, for my King;
4 Take my sil - ver and my gold, not a mite would I with - hold;

take my mo - ments and my days; let them flow in cease - less praise.
take my feet and let them be swift and beau - ti - ful for thee.
take my lips and let them be filled with mes - sag - es from thee.
take my in - tel - lect, and use ev - 'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose.

5 Take my will and make it thine;
it shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart, it is thine own;
it shall be thy royal throne.

6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour
at thy feet its treasure store;
take myself, and I will be
ever, only, all for thee.

Offering Prayer

Let us 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

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.

Preface

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:

Holy Holy



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo-ry. Ho -
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -
est. 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.

Thanksgiving at the Table

Holy God,
you alone are holy,
you alone are God.

The universe declares your praise:
beyond the stars;
beneath the sea;
within each cell;
with every breath.

We praise you, O God.

Generations bless your faithfulness:
through the water;
by night and day;
across the wilderness;
out of exile;
into the future.

We bless you, O God.

We give you thanks for your dear Son:
at the heart of human life;
near to those who suffer;
beside the sinner;
among the poor;
with us now.

We thank you, O God.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread,
and gave thanks; broke it,
and gave it to his disciples,
saying: Take and eat;
this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper,
he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink,
saying: This cup
is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people
for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering his love for us
on the way,
at the table,
and to the end,
we proclaim the mystery of faith:
Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

We pray for the gift of your Spirit:
in our gathering;
within this meal;
among your people;
throughout the world.

Blessing, praise, and thanks
to you, holy God,
through Christ Jesus,
by your Spirit,
in your church,
without end.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray as our Lord taught us:

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

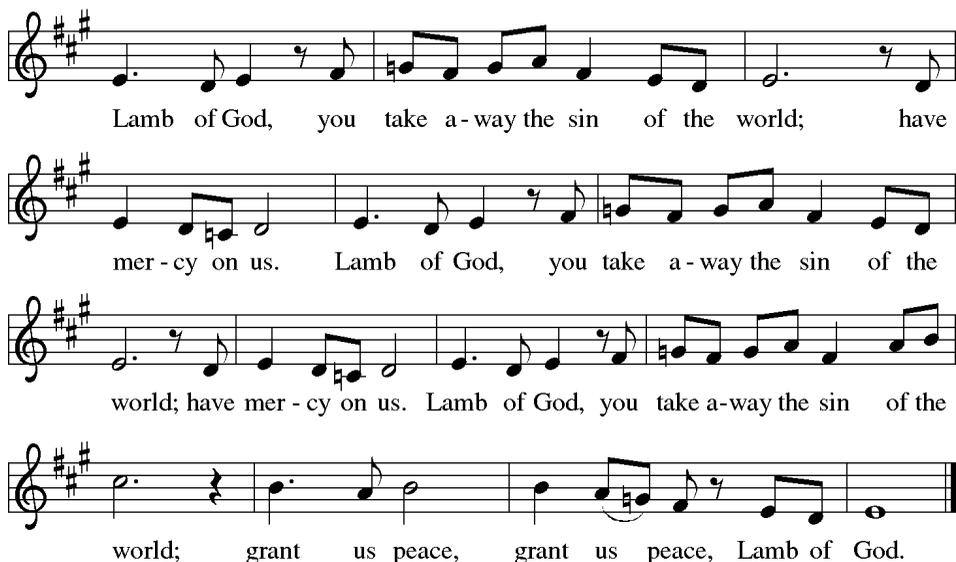
In Christ's presence there is fullness of joy. Come to the banquet.

All may be seated

Communion

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say "The body of Christ, given for you." "The blood of Christ, shed for you." And each person may respond, "Amen."

Lamb of God



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

The Distribution (Intinction Distribution)

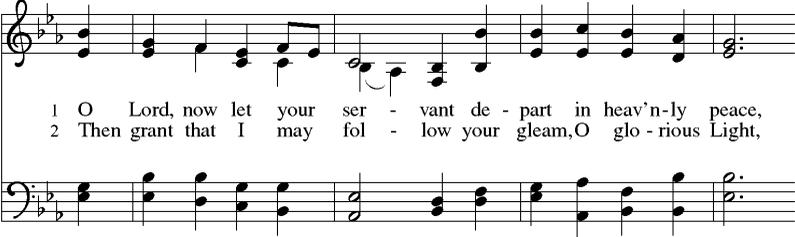
Communion Hymn: *We Come to You for Healing, Lord p. 19* & *We Come to the Hungry Feast p. 20*

After all have returned to their places

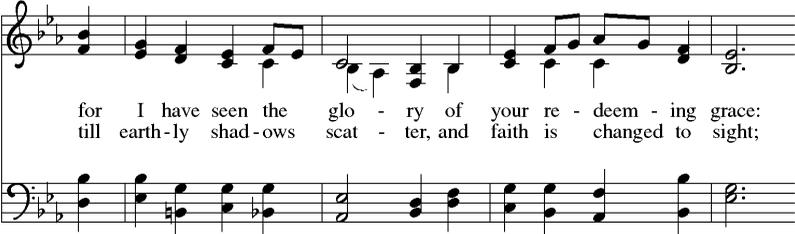
All who are able are invited to stand

May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the gifts of his body and blood strengthen, keep and unite us, now and forever. **Amen.**

Song after Communion



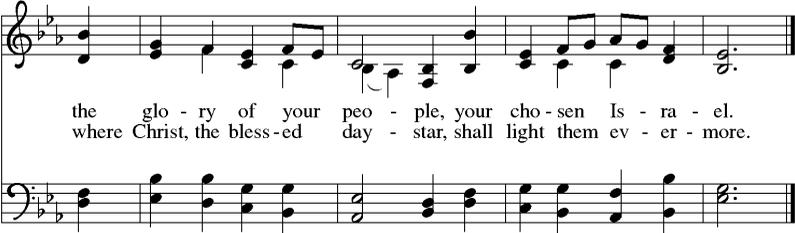
1 O Lord, now let your ser - vant de - part in heav'n-ly peace,
2 Then grant that I may fol - low your gleam, O glo - rious Light,



for I have seen the glo - ry of your re - deem - ing grace:
till earth-ly shad - ows scat - ter, and faith is changed to sight;



a light to lead the na - tions un - to your ho - ly hill,
till rap - tured saints shall gath - er up - on that shin - ing shore,



the glo - ry of your peo - ple, your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
where Christ, the bless - ed day - star, shall light them ev - er - more.

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.

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

Blessing

The God of peace, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you, comfort you, and show you the path of life this day and always.

Amen.

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Dismissal

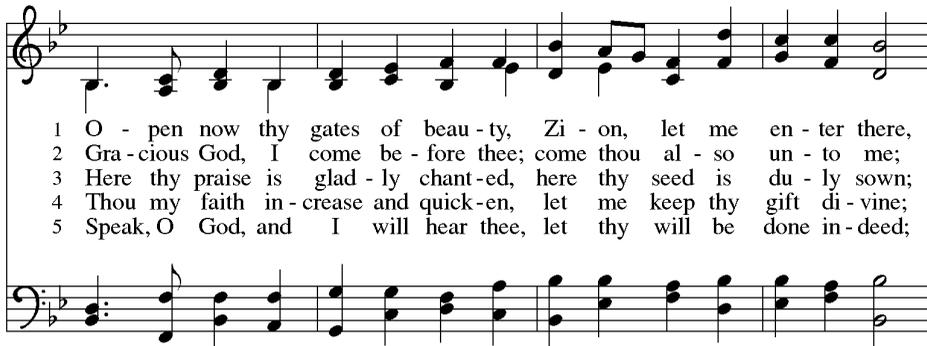
Go in peace. Love your neighbor.

Thanks be to God.

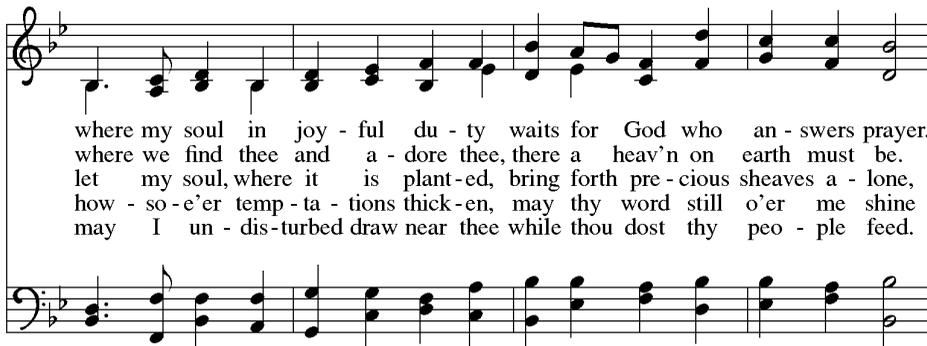
Postlude: *All Praise and Glad Thanksgiving*

-Robert E. Kreutz

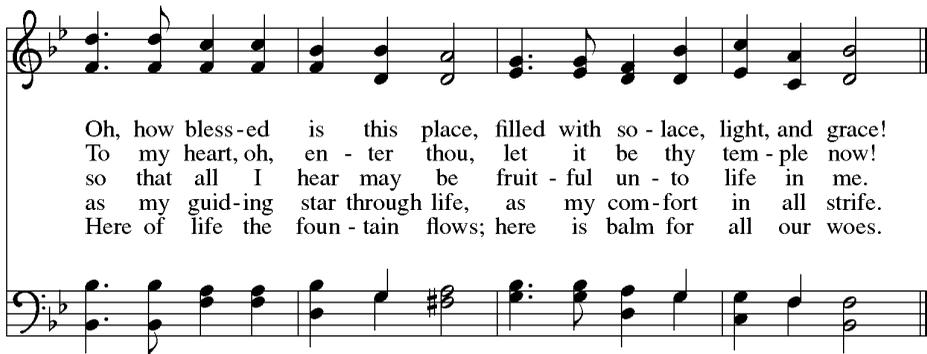
Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty



1 O - pen now thy gates of beau - ty, Zi - on, let me en - ter there,
2 Gra - cious God, I come be - fore thee; come thou al - so un - to me;
3 Here thy praise is glad - ly chant - ed, here thy seed is du - ly sown;
4 Thou my faith in - crease and quick - en, let me keep thy gift di - vine;
5 Speak, O God, and I will hear thee, let thy will be done in - deed;



where my soul in joy - ful du - ty waits for God who an - swers prayer.
where we find thee and a - dore thee, there a heav'n on earth must be.
let my soul, where it is plant - ed, bring forth pre - cious sheaves a - lone,
how - so - e'er temp - ta - tions thick - en, may thy word still o'er me shine
may I un - dis - turbed draw near thee while thou dost thy peo - ple feed.



Oh, how bless - ed is this place, filled with so - lace, light, and grace!
To my heart, oh, en - ter thou, let it be thy tem - ple now!
so that all I hear may be fruit - ful un - to life in me.
as my guid - ing star through life, as my com - fort in all strife.
Here of life the foun - tain flows; here is balm for all our woes.

Text: Benjamin Schmolck, 1672–1737; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt.
Music: UNSER HERRSCHER, Joachim Neander, 1650–1680

How Firm a Foundation

1 How firm a foundation, O saints of the Lord,
2 "Fear not, I am with you, oh, be not dismayed,
3 "When through fiery trials your pathway shall lie,
4 "Through-out all their life-time my people shall prove

is laid for your faith in Christ Je - sus, the Word!
for I am your God and will still give you aid;
my grace, all - suf - fi - cient, shall be your sup - ply.
my sov - reign, e - ter - nal, un - change - a - ble love;

What more can he say than to you he has said
I'll strength - en you, help you, and cause you to stand,
The flames shall not hurt you; I on - ly de - sign
and then, when gray hairs shall their tem - ples a - dorn,

who un - to the Sav - ior for ref - uge have fled?
up - held by my righ - teous, om - nip - o - tent hand."
your dress to con - sume and your gold to re - fine."
like lambs they shall still in my bo - som be borne."

Text: J. Rippon, *A Selection of Hymns*, 1787, alt.
Music: FOUNDATION, Early American

We Come to You for Healing, Lord

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'We Come to You for Healing, Lord'. It consists of three systems of music, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are printed below the vocal line of each system.

1 We come to you for heal - ing, Lord, of
2 As once you walked through an - cient streets and
3 You touch us through phy - si - cians' skills, through
4 When nights are long with wake - ful - ness, through
5 We come to you, O lov - ing Lord, in

bod - y, mind, and soul, and pray that by your
reached toward those in pain, come, ris - en Christ, a -
nurs - es' gifts of care, and through the love of
days when strength runs low, grant us your gift of
our dis - tress and pain, in trust that through our

Spir - it's touch we may a - gain be whole.
mong us still with pow'r to heal a - gain.
faith - ful friends who lift our lives in prayer.
pa - tience, Lord, your calm - ing peace to know.
nights and days your grace will heal, sus - tain.

Text: Herman G. Stuempfle Jr., b. 1923

Music: MARTYRDOM, Hugh Wilson, 1764-1824

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We Come to the Hungry Feast



- 1 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry for a word of peace.
- 2 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry for a world re - leased
- 3 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry that the hun - ger cease,



To hun - gry hearts un - sat - is - fied the love of God is
from hun - gry folk of ev - 'ry kind, the poor in bod - y,
and know - ing, though we eat our fill, the hun - ger will stay



not de - nied. We come, we come to the hun - gry feast.
poor in mind. We come, we come to the hun - gry feast.
with us; still we come, we come to the hun - gry feast.

Text: Ray Makeever, b. 1943

Music: HUNGRY FEAST, Ray Makeever

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Savior, Again to Your Dear Name

1 Sav - ior, a - gain to your dear name we raise
 2 Grant us your peace up - on our home - ward way;
 3 Grant us your peace, Lord, through the com - ing night;
 4 Grant us your peace through - out our earth - ly life,

with one ac - cord our part - ing hymn of praise;
 with you be - gan, with you shall end the day;
 for us trans - form its dark - ness in - to light.
 our balm in sor - row, and our stay in strife;

once more we bless you ere our wor - ship cease,
 guard all the lips from sin, the hearts from shame,
 Keep us from harm and dan - ger till the dawn;
 then, when your voice shall bid our con - flict cease,

then, low - ly bend - ing, wait your word of peace.
 that in this house have called up - on your name.
 your eve - ning pres - ence to your own.
 call us, O Lord, to your e - ter - nal peace.

Text: John Ellerton, 1826–1893, alt.
 Music: ELLERS, Edward J. Hopkins, 1818–1901; arr. Arthur S. Sullivan, 1842–1900

THIS WEEK (Aug. 21 – 27)

TODAY (21) Blessing of Backpacks

-6:30pm, AA Meeting, Social Hall

MON (22)

-7:00pm, Boy Scouts

-8:00pm, Allentown Band, Family Ctr.

TUES (23)

-7:30pm-Volleyball, Family Ctr.

WED (24)

-5:30pm, Executive Com. mtg.

-7:00pm, Confirmation Student/Parent mtg.

THU (25)

-7:00pm, Overeaters Anon, M1

FRI (26)

-7:00pm, Volleyball, Family Ctr.

-7:30pm, AA meeting, Social Hall

-9:30pm, Volleyball, Family Ctr.

A message from Monica: I will be out of the office Aug. 22 – 26, returning Aug. 29th. Any church business that can wait until my return would be much appreciated. Volunteers will be taking phone calls/messages for several hours each day if you have an urgent matter or need to get in touch with the pastor.

Say a Prayer ✨ Send a Card ✨ Pay a Visit

Fellowship Mnr: Florence Roth, Lillian Semmel

Lehigh Commons: Janet Stettler

Lehigh Center: Barbara Diehl

The Palmerton: Ferne Rock

Parkland Manor: Paulette Bassler, Shirley Wertman

Heather Glen: Herb & Anna Bieber

Sacred Heart Sr. Living: Dale Gogel

Home: Margaret Smith, Olive Wood, Loretta Hein

Please keep these people in your prayers:

Reed Klotz, Clint Trumbauer, Ron Andersch, Lois Heisler, Clark Snyder, Jane Laudenslager, Helen Shollenberger, Susan Mancino, Gladys Harkins, Lucille Laudenslager, Sonny Laudenslager, Rachelle Shollenberger, Olive Wood, Jean Adam, Dale Gogel, Kim Demarest, Tammy Harding, Dale Hahn, Vanessa Mace, Michael Ross, Neil Snyder, Sally Crowe, Grace Keller, Larry Bear, Carol Jean Lehr, Kathy Leonard

Birthdays this week:

Richard Albright, Sally Gross, Ingrid Martz, Kelly McNemar, Earl Williams Sr., Mary Ann Sandrock

Anniversaries this week:

Steven & Patricia Budlong (29), Jim & Gretchen Wagner (59)

If you've asked to have someone added to the prayer list, don't forget to let us know when they are well enough to take them off!

**Attendance Sunday, 8/14/22
9:15 - 64**

Sponsors
No sponsors today

Found in the Literature Racks This Week

Last week's bulletin

This month's newsletter

2021 Annual Reports

Endowment Request Forms

GWOH T-shirt order forms/envelopes

Last Month's Treasurer's Report

Worship Assistants

| DATE | 8/21 | 8/28 | 9/4 | 9/11 |
|--------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------|--|
| Altar Guild | 9:15-L Stettler | 9:15-S Schleicher | 9:15-J Grim, I Johnson | 8:00-C Dorney 10:30-J Grim, I Johnson |
| Lector | 9:15-K Gross | 9:15-C Flemish | 9:15- | 8:00- 10:30- |
| Acolyte | 9:15- | 9:15- | 9:15- | 8:00- 10:30- |
| Ushers | 9:15-B & L Hendricks | 9:15-B & L Hendricks | 9:15- | 8:00- 10:30- |
| Bell Toller | 9:15-S Hamil | 9:15-D Stark | 9:15-B Lutterschmidt | 8:00- 10:30- |
| SAT | 9:15-J Siegfried, B Lutterschmidt | 9:15-D Wagaman, K Boardman | 9:15- | 8:00- 10:30- |
| Video | | | | |

If you would like to assist at worship in any of these capacities, please contact the person listed:

Altar Guild/Lynn Daniels lj2137@aol.com // Lectors/Julie Boscia Julie.boscia@gmail.com // Acolytes/Stephanie Derstine jordandff@gmail.com // Ushers /John Weremedic miner70@ptd.net Bell/Sandie Hamil hamilsre@gmail.com // Outreach/Kay Mancke mancke@rcn.com // Video/Julie Williams jbwill02@gmail.com

God's Work. Our Hands.

Sunday, October 2nd, 2022. Watch for information about available activities!

Sip, Dip & Mingle (fundraiser)

Join **Family Promise of Lehigh Valley** for a fabulous evening featuring wine & craft beer tastings, delicious dips and more. August 25th, 5:00-8:00 pm, at Stone Farm Cellars & Vineyard, 5831 Vera Cruz Road, Upper Saucon Township. Tickets are \$25 in advance or \$35 at the door. Sponsorship Opportunities Available. For more information call 610-351-1368, email Devdirector@fplehighvalley.org or visit our website fplehighvalley.org

Family Center Reservations

If you plan to use the Family Center during the September 2022 – August 2023 season (either for a personal event OR a church event) please call the church office ASAP to get your date on the calendar before we begin scheduling the sports groups.

Holiday Hope Chest Project

We need your donations of shoeboxes for the Holiday Hope Chest shoebox program. This will once again be part of our GWOH Day, wrapping boxes on 10/2 after church that Sunday. It will be a busy weekend! Drop your boxes off in the designated (green) box in the Sunday School foyer or at the church office. *Don't forget to save your shoeboxes from school shoes!!*

Bible Study

Join Pr. Dody for a new Bible Study based on the Gospel of Matthew on the second and fourth Tuesday of the month, starting September 13th, at 6:30 p.m. Registratin is appreciated (but not necessary) by contating the church office.

2022 SPONSORSHIPS

Altar Flowers: October 2, 16, 23; November 27; December 4, 11, 18, 25

HOW TO RESERVE YOUR SPONSORSHIPS: Contact Donna Hahn at 610-395-0613 or dhahn16@gmail.com with your choice of dates(s) and sponsorships(s). **Please indicate when reserving your date whether you wish to pick up the flowers after the last service or want them taken to shut-ins.** If no preference is given, flowers will be taken to shut-ins.

Altar flowers may be sponsored for \$40/2 vase, or *\$20/1 vase*; Bulletins for \$20.

Checks may be made payable to JELC and either mailed or dropped in the offering plate.

SPONSORSHIP POLICY: Flowers and other sponsorships may be reserved no earlier than one year from the chosen date. If you wish to reserve the same weekend for the following year, you may do so the day after the current year's sponsorship. No dates will be held; the first request for a date (within the one year limit) will be taken regardless of the previous year's sponsor.

| TREASURER'S REPORT FOR JULY 2022 | | | | |
|---|----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| | Month | YTD | Budget Amounts | |
| Income: | | | Month | YTD |
| Operating Income | \$ 23,326.00 | \$ 222,691.00 | \$ 30,530.00 | \$ 213,710.00 |
| Benevolence | \$ 714.00 | \$ 6,081.00 | \$ 1,333.00 | \$ 9,333.00 |
| Property | \$ 1,316.00 | \$ 9,579.00 | \$ 2,500.00 | \$ 17,500.00 |
| Total Income | \$ 25,356.00 | \$ 238,351.00 | \$ 34,363.00 | \$ 240,543.00 |
| Expenses: | | | | |
| Administration | \$ 1,158.00 | \$ 14,068.00 | \$ 1,742.00 | \$ 12,192.00 |
| Benevolence | \$ 1,737.00 | \$ 11,175.00 | \$ 1,813.00 | \$ 12,688.00 |
| Payroll | \$ 21,403.00 | \$ 151,900.00 | \$ 21,874.00 | \$ 156,370.00 |
| Ministries | \$ 740.00 | \$ 6,463.00 | \$ 858.00 | \$ 6,008.00 |
| Property-Utilities, grounds, etc | \$ 7,745.00 | \$ 70,741.00 | \$ 7,625.00 | \$ 53,375.00 |
| Total Expenses | \$ 32,783.00 | \$ 254,347.00 | \$ 33,912.00 | \$ 240,633.00 |
| Surplus/(Deficit) | \$ (7,427.00) | \$ (15,996.00) | \$ 451.00 | \$ (90.00) |

If you would like a contributions statement (any time of year) please contact the church office.

Interested in joining Jordan's faith family?

Pastor Dody will hold an informational meeting on **Sunday, Sept 18th, at 9:15 a.m.** for anyone who is interested in becoming a disciple at Jordan. Please contact the office or Pastor Dody if you desire to be a part of the informational session. Once the group is determined, there will be dates set for three 1-hour sessions.

School bells ring and children sing

It's time to gather up this year's cherub choir. Children who love to sing and are ages 3 years old through 2nd grade are invited to participate in the choir. We will meet on Wednesday evenings from 6pm to 6:20pm beginning September 14, 2022. Meetings are held in Sunday School room M5. Questions can be directed to Marlene Peters at (610) 573-6586 or petersfarm19529@yahoo.com.

Canon Choir

will resume rehearsals on Wednesday evening, September 14th. We meet in the Choir Room from 6:30 to 7:00 and welcome all young singers ages 8 through 17. Can't read music? That's ok - we'll have fun learning great songs together! Can't sing? Yes, you can! Can't make it to every practice because of sports or dance or too much homework? No problem - attend whenever you can! Have questions? Call or email Miss Jan at 484-225-5693 or janrkis@ptd.net See you on the 14th!

Parent/Youth Confirmation Meeting

August 24th, at 7:00 pm, in the Conference Room (next to church office)

All confirmation students and their parents are asked to attend. We will review the expectations of confirmation students/parents and teachers, sign the covenant and discuss how we will go forward this year. There will be a time for questions/concerns from both parents and students.

Rally Day is coming!!!

Inviting you to "Come Follow JESUS", September 11th, 9:15 am – 10:15 am on Rally Day!!

We will meet in Room M4 and walk together through the Bible learning more about Jesus. There will be Bible stories, engaging songs, and fun activities for children age 3 – 11, however, all are welcome to attend, following Jesus through the Bible. Additional information about our Fall Sunday School classes will be shared and noted on our website at www.jordanlutheran.org/sunday-school.html. Please contact Stephanie Derstine at jordandff@ptd.net with questions

Keep your eyes open for information about upcoming Youth and Family Activities. They are currently in the planning stage and will be announced soon, so stay tuned! If you have an idea for an activity, please feel free to contact Stephanie Derstine at jordandff@ptd.net.

Sunday School Teachers / Volunteers Needed - Please consider serving!!!!

We are looking for adult members and confirmed youth to guide our Sunday School children on an exciting journey through rotation teaching stations this Fall. Each week adult leaders and classroom volunteers will lead a rotation station to two different age groups (20 minutes per group). Please contact Steph Derstine at jordandff@ptd.net to sign-up for areas YOU are comfortable — sharing a Bible story, leading a craft, singing a song or playing a game. You may sign up to volunteer for as many Sundays that you are available. All Spark lesson plans will be provided to engage the children. There will be a teacher orientation meeting to discuss the Sunday School classes and rotation stations, Sunday, August 28th, at 10:45 am in Room M4.

Installation of Sunday School teachers

Please join us **Sunday, September 11, at both services**, as our volunteer Sunday School teaching staff is installed for the 2022-2023 teaching year. Having the support of the congregation is integral to the success of our year teaching our children. Thank you!

PA Dutch Classes

begin their fall session on **Thursday, September 8th, at 7:00 p.m.** in our Social Hall. New students are welcome by calling Jean & Dave Adam at 610-395-4282.

Harvest Home Sunday

Sunday, September 18, 2022. We will be accepting items to be donated to the food pantry to display on Harvest Home Sunday, beginning in early September. There will be a special basket, marked Harvest Home, for those items. Your fresh produce would also be welcome for the display and may be dropped off Saturday afternoon, September 17th, by 1:00 p.m.

Game Day

will resume **Tuesday, September 20th, at 1:30 p.m.** We plan on meeting in our Social Hall. Plans are to meet the *first and third Tuesday of each month*. For additional information or comments, call Jean & Dave Adam at 610-395-4282.

A request from Carol

Our new Income/Expense Coordinator is asking for your help. Since I am new to the church and do not know all the accounting functions (still learning), I am asking all members who need any type of payment or reimbursement to attach the Church Expense Form with their request. This will help me answer all the “who/what/when and how much” questions I usually have and will help me process the payments on a timely basis. Having the completed form also helps to identify what committee accounts to be used and confirms that these accounts are up-to-date and accurate. Thank you for your understanding and helping me perform my job accurately. Forms may be obtained from the church office and Monica can assist you to fill one out if needed.



Refreshments

We are looking for two people to coordinate the Sunday refreshment times (one for each service), beginning after Labor Day. We have a checklist of duties if you'd like to see a “job description” before you commit, just call the church office.

Pantry

We could use your donations of cereal and canned tuna. Please place them in the white wicker hamper in the Sunday School foyer. We need one volunteer to help with food distribution on the first Wednesday of the month, 6-7 pm. Contact Glenn Hahn at 610-597-8038.

Psalm 103 - Praise the Lord

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Masks are a PERSONAL PREFERENCE at Jordan

The Lord's Table at Jordan Church is an open table. If you are a baptized Christian of any church, believe in the Lord's presence in the sacrament and have received the sacrament before, you are welcome to receive with us. If you are not able to receive, please come forward for a pastoral blessing. To come forward, simply follow the direction of the ushers. **Distribution method** is noted in the order for worship.

ALTAR DISTRIBUTION: As you come forward, please take an empty cup with you to the altar rail. If you choose not to consume wine, grape juice is available. Come to the altar rail without a glass and a communion assistant will offer you the grape juice in a pre-filled glass.

INTINCTION DISTRIBUTION: Come forward and receive a wafer. Then dip it into either the wine (the cup in the center of the bread plate) or the grape juice (in the separate cup held by the second assistant). If you want additional time at the altar, please step to center of the altar rail out of the flow of other worshippers. You are invited to kneel if you wish.

Gluten-free wafers are available – please indicate your need to the communion assistant.

You are asked to fill out **communion cards** clearly and completely, one card per person. Visitors are asked to fill out the address of their home church (if you identify with one) so we may forward the card there. Take a moment also before leaving to sign our guest book, located in the entrance area.

If it is necessary to **leave the sanctuary** during worship, please refrain, if possible, from doing so during the reading of scripture or the Eucharistic prayers so as not to distract other worshippers.

The use of **electronic devices** during worship is discouraged. Please turn off cell phones or place on vibrate before the start of the service.

Hearing assistance is available for members and visitors to Jordan. Please see an usher to arrange to use a receiver. A Koala Bear **baby changing station** is located in the handicapped restroom across from the church offices (in the new section). Children's welcome bags and bulletins are located in the narthex. Please ask ushers for help.

Restrooms are located through the left side doors of the chancel; then left through the french doors; restrooms located in the foyer on the right.

Children in grade 9 and younger are asked to remain in the Memory Room when consuming refreshments during the fellowship hours.

Please be sensitive to the fact that many people are allergic to or bothered by **strong scents** (perfume, aftershave, etc.), particularly when many people are gathered closely together, as for **worship services**.

For Parents of young children: We are grateful that God has blessed Jordan with so many young children. Worshiping with young children is a special privilege and joy for all of us. We enjoy the sounds of children in our worship. However, if you sense the need for a "calming break" feel free to take him/her to the Memory Room or Nursery (located through the doors on the left side of the altar) where you can continue to hear and be involved in the worship.

If you are interested in **becoming a member of Jordan**, please speak with the pastor following the service or call the church office (610-395-5912).

Announcements for the Sunday bulletin are due in the church office before 10:00 a.m. on Thursday. Deadline for the monthly newsletter is the 15th of the month.