

Sunday Bulletin | July 25

Welcome and Announcements

Gathering Song (*sing two times through*)

This is the day (2x)
that the Lord has made (2x)
We will rejoice (2x)
and be glad in it (2x)
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We will rejoice and be glad in it.
This is the day (2x)
that the Lord has made.

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Confession and Forgiveness

When we confess, we acknowledge the ways we have been living apart from relationship with God and each other.

Moment of reflection and confession

Gracious God,
we confess our sin, our separation, and our suffering. Grant us mercy, undeserved and extravagant, so we are restored to dignity, belonging, and purpose that come from you.

We are loved by a God who keeps promises, whose grace is restless to find and free us, who calls us beloved from the first day until the last, always eager to welcome us home.

Friends in Christ, your sins are forgiven. May your liberation be a gift to the world still aching for freedom and may you be strengthened by the love of this community and the healing power of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

Kyrie

. . . let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, and defend us, O God.

Amen.

Hymn of Praise ELW #525

You are holy, you are whole.
You are always ever more
than we ever understand.
You are always at hand.
Blessed are you coming near.
Blessed are you coming here
to your church in wine and bread,
raised from soil, raised from dead.

You are holy, you are wholeness, you are present.
Let the cosmos praise you, Lord!
Sing hosanna in the highest! Sing hosanna!
Sing hosanna to our God!

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray. Gracious God,
you have placed within the hearts of all your children a longing for your word and a hunger for your truth. Grant that we may know your Son to be the true bread of heaven and share this bread with all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Psalm 145:10-18 *(read responsively)*

All your works shall give thanks to you, O Lord,
and all your faithful shall bless you.
**They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom,
and tell of your power, to make known to all people your mighty deeds,
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.**

Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom,
and your dominion endures throughout all generations.

**The Lord is faithful in all his words,
and gracious in all his deeds.**

The Lord upholds all who are falling,
and raises up all who are bowed down.

**The eyes of all look to you,
and you give them their food in due season.**

You open your hand,
satisfying the desire of every living thing.

**The Lord is just in all his ways,
and kind in all his doings.**

**The Lord is near to all who call on him,
to all who call on him in truth.** (NRSV)

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia! Lord and Savior:
open now your saving word.
Let it burn like fire within us;
speak until our hearts are stirred.
Alleluia! Lord, we sing
for the good news that you bring.

Gospel John 6:1-21

The holy gospel according to John, the 6th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

After this Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?" He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, "Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?" Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." So they gathered them up,

and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world."

When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. But he said to them, "It is I; do not be afraid." Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going.
(NRSV)

The gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon **Vicar Kristin Dybdal**

Hymn of the Day **ELW #484:1, 2, 4, 5**

Refrain

**You satisfy the hungry heart with gift of finest wheat.
Come, give to us, O saving Lord, the bread of life to eat.**

As when the shepherd calls his sheep,
they know and heed his voice;
so when you call your fam'ly, Lord,
we follow and rejoice. ***Refrain***

With joyful lips we sing to you
our praise and gratitude
that you should count us worthy, Lord,
to share this hea'vnly food. ***Refrain***

The myst'ry of your presence, Lord,
no mortal tongue can tell:
whom all the world cannot contain
comes in our hearts to dwell. ***Refrain***

You give yourself to us, O Lord;
then selfless let us be,
to serve each other in your name
in truth and charity. ***Refrain***

Apostles' Creed

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 People

Prayer Refrain

**Lord, listen to your children praying,
Lord, send your Spirit in this place;
Lord, listen to your children praying,
Send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.**

. . . Come, Holy Spirit, **hear our prayer.**

Repeat Prayer Refrain

Offering

We worship God by supporting our church and the mission we share. ELCA World Hunger, our mission of the month for July, works with local churches and organizations in 63 countries, including the US, to not only feed people who are hungry but to also provide sustainable resources so that people can grow food for their family and neighbors.

Offering Prayer

Let us pray. Merciful God,
we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us - our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive these gifts. Make us a blessing in your world. Amen.

Lord's Prayer

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.

Sending Song ELW #858

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and salvation!
Let all who hear now to his temple draw near,
joining in glad adoration!

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is wondrously reigning,
and, as on wings of an eagle, uplifting, sustaining.
Have you not seen all that is needful has been
sent by his gracious ordaining?

Praise to the Lord, who will prosper your work and defend you;
surely his goodness and mercy shall daily attend you.
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do
if with his love he befriend you.
Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me adore him!
All that has life and breath, come now with praises before him!
Let the amen sound from his people again.
Gladly forever adore him!

Blessing

May the Lord bless you and keep you;
the Lord make his face shine on you
and be gracious to you;
the Lord turn his face toward you
and give you peace. (*Numbers 6:24-26*)

Amen.

Dismissal

Go in grace, grow in faith, serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

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Worship Schedule All Are Welcome!

Worship online, in the sanctuary, parking lot or at home.

Online worship available at faithlilacway.org

9:30 AM Worship in Sanctuary* and Parking Lot - Simultaneously

10:30 AM Coffee and treats in the Parking Lot! (masks optional)

*When you are ready to return inside, you are welcome! Based on the CDC guidance and after the Governor has removed the mask mandate, **our council voted to not require masks for fully vaccinated people inside worship.** However, if you feel more comfortable wearing a mask, please do so. **For those not fully vaccinated, please continue to wear a mask,** if you can, to protect yourself and others who are not vaccinated. During this transition time, we encourage people to physically distance inside the sanctuary.