# Our Saviour

**Lutheran Church** 



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## **GATHERING**

## **Welcome Song**

## We Believe

In this time of desperation when all we know is doubt and fear; There is only one foundation, we believe, we believe. In this broken generation when all is dark, You help us see; There is only one salvation; we believe, we believe.

Refrain: We believe in God the Father.

We believe in Jesus Christ.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,

and He's given us new life.

We believe in the crucifixion.

We believe that He conquered death.

We believe in the resurrection,

and He's coming back again.

We believe.

So let our faith be more than anthems, greater than the songs we sing.

And in our weakness and temptations we believe, we believe!

(Refrain 2x)

## Welcome

## **Confession and Forgiveness**

P Let us confess our sins in the presence of God and of one another.

## Silence may be kept for reflection.

C Gracious God, we confess that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. Forgive us and give us strength to turn from sin and to serve you in newness of life. Amen.

## The presiding minister announces God's forgiveness.

- P By water and the Holy Spirit, God gives us a new birth, and through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, God forgives us all our sins. Wherefore by the command of our Lord Jesus Christ and in his stead, I forgive you all your sins.
- C Amen.

### Song

## Living Hope

How great the chasm that lay between us,
How high the mountain I could not climb.
In desperation I turned to heaven
And spoke Your name into the night.
Then through the darkness Your loving-kindness
Tore through the shadows of my soul.
The work is finished, the end is written.
Jesus Christ my living hope.

Who could imagine so great a mercy?
What heart could fathom such boundless grace?
The God of ages stepped down from glory
To wear my sin and bear my shame.
The cross has spoken, I am forgiven.
The King of kings calls me His own.
Beautiful Savior, I'm Yours forever.
Jesus Christ my living hope.

Refrain: Hallelujah! praise the One who set me free!
Hallelujah! death has lost its grip on me.
You have broken every chain,
There's salvation in Your name.
Jesus Christ my living hope!

Then came the morning that sealed the promise.
Your buried body began to breathe.
Out of the silence, the Roaring Lion
Declared the grave has no claim on me.
Jesus, Yours is the victory. (Refrain)

Jesus Christ, my living hope! God, You are my living hope!

## Sharing the Peace

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

## Prayer of the Day

L Let us pray. [A brief pause]

Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

## **WORD**

## First Reading

Revelation 21:1-6a

<sup>1</sup>I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. <sup>2</sup>And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. <sup>3</sup>And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

"See, the home of God is among mortals.

He will dwell with them;

they will be his peoples,

and God himself will be with them;

<sup>4</sup>he will wipe every tear from their eyes.

Death will be no more;

mourning and crying and pain will be no more,

for the first things have passed away."

<sup>5</sup>And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." <sup>6a</sup>Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end."

L The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

## Responsive Reading

Psalm 24

<sup>1</sup>The earth is the LORD's and all that is in it, the world and those who dwell therein.

<sup>2</sup>For the LORD has founded it upon the seas and established it upon the rivers.

<sup>3</sup>Who may ascend the mountain of the LORD,

and who may stand in God's holy place?

<sup>4</sup>Those of innocent hands and purity of heart, who do not swear on God's being, nor do they pledge by what is false.

<sup>5</sup>They shall receive blessing from the LORD and righteousness from the God of their salvation. <sup>6</sup>Such is the generation of those who seek you, O LORD, of those who seek your face, O God of Jacob.

Gospel John 11:32-44

P The holy gospel according to St. John.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>32</sup>When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." <sup>33</sup>When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. <sup>34</sup>He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." <sup>35</sup>Jesus began to weep. <sup>36</sup>So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" <sup>37</sup>But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

<sup>38</sup>Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. <sup>39</sup>Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." <sup>40</sup>Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" <sup>41</sup>So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. <sup>42</sup>I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." <sup>43</sup>When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" <sup>44</sup>The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

**P** The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

#### Sermon

#### Song of Day

#### **Ancient Words**

Holy words long preserved For our walk in this world; They resound with God's own heart, O, let the ancient words impart;

Words of life, words of hope, Give us strength, help us cope; In this world where'er we roam, Ancient words will guide us home.

Refrain: Ancient words, ever true, Changing me, changing you; We have come with open hearts, O let the ancient words impart.

Holy words of our faith
Handed down to this age,
Came to us through sacrifice;
O, heed the faithful words of Christ. (Refrain)

Martyr's blood stains each page,
They have died for this faith;
Hear them cry through the years;
Heed these words and hold them dear. (Refrain)

We have come with open hearts, O let the ancient words impart. O let the ancient words impart.

## Prayers of the People

When prompted, call out names of people, places or organizations that are in need of God's care.

## **MEAL**

## **Sharing Our Gifts**

Let us offer back to God what God has first given us: our selves, our time and our possessions, signs of his gracious love.

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#### Offering Song

## As Saints of Old

**ELW 695** 

In gratitude and humble trust we bring our best today
To serve your cause and share your love with all along life's way.
O God, who gave yourself to us in Jesus Christ your Son,
Teach us to give ourselves each day until life's work is done.

## **Dialogue**

The presiding minister invites the people to prayer.

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also 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.

## Thanksgiving Prayer

The minister leads a prayer of thanksgiving, recalling God's saving deeds, and calling the Holy Spirit to be present as we receive the Body and Blood of Jesus.

## Lord's Prayer

- P Let us pray as our Saviour taught us.
- C 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.

## **Sharing Holy Communion**

All baptized Christians are invited to share Christ's Body and Blood. If you wish to receive Holy Communion, please come forward and stand around the altar. You will be offered both the bread and cup. If you prefer not to drink, simply indicate this to the assisting minister.

**Communion Song** 

You Say

Sung by VoP

## **Prayer After Communion**

L Let us pray. [A brief pause]
Grant, O God, that in fellowship with all your saints, we may receive with a pure mind the treasures that we have touched with our lips, the true Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.
C Amen.

### **SENDING**

## **Blessing**

P The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, + be upon you now and forever.

C Amen.

**Sending Song** 

Awesome God

Our God is an awesome God, He reigns from heaven above With wisdom, pow'r, and love -Our God is an awesome God! (repeat)

Our God is an awesome God! Our God is an awesome God!

#### **Dismissal**

L Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

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