

# Our Saviour

Lutheran Church



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## ❧ GATHERING ❧

Gathering Song

*God Is Here*

ELW526

God is here! As we your people meet to offer praise and prayer,  
May we find in fuller measure what it is in Christ we share.  
Here, as in the world around us, all our varied skills and arts  
Wait the coming of the Spirit into open minds and hearts.

Here are symbols to remind us of our lifelong need of grace;  
Here are table, font, and pulpit; Here the cross has central place.  
Here in honesty of preaching, here in silence, as in speech,  
Here, in newness and renewal, God the Spirit comes to each.

Here our children find a welcome in the Shepherd's flock and fold;  
Here as bread and wine are taken, Christ sustains us as of old  
Here the servants of the Servant seek in worship to explore  
What it means in daily living to believe and to adore.

Lord of all, of church and kingdom, in an age of change and doubt,  
Keep us faithful to the gospel; help us work your purpose out.  
Here, in this day's dedication, all we have to give, receive;  
We, who cannot live without you, we adore you! We believe!

### Welcome and Announcements

### Confession and Forgiveness

P In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

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

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P Most merciful God,

C we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free  
ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and  
deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

P In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

### 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.

Almighty and ever-living God, throughout time you free the oppressed, heal the sick, and make whole all that you have made. Look with compassion on the world wounded by sin, and by your power restore us to wholeness of life, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

## ❧ WORD ❧

### Children's Message

*Children come forward as we sing "This Little Light of Mine".*

### First Reading: Deuteronomy 5:12-15

L A reading from Deuteronomy.

<sup>12</sup>Observe the sabbath day and keep it holy, as the LORD your God commanded you. <sup>13</sup>Six days you shall labor and do all your work. <sup>14</sup>But the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; you shall not do any work—you, or your son or your daughter, or your male or female

slave, or your ox or your donkey, or any of your livestock, or the resident alien in your towns, so that your male and female slave may rest as well as you. <sup>15</sup>Remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the LORD your God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm; therefore the LORD your God commanded you to keep the sabbath day.

L The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

### Psalm 81:1-10

L We will read the Psalm responsively. The congregation will read the sections in bold print.

<sup>1</sup>Sing with joy to God our strength  
and raise a loud shout to the God of Jacob.

<sup>2</sup>**Raise a song and sound the timbrel,  
the merry harp, and the lyre.**

<sup>3</sup>Blow the ram's horn at the new moon,  
and at the full moon, the day of our feast;

<sup>4</sup>**for this is a statute for Israel,  
a law of the God of Jacob.**

<sup>5</sup>God laid it as a solemn charge upon Joseph, going out over the land  
of Egypt,  
where I heard a voice I did not know:

<sup>6</sup>**"I eased your shoulder from the burden;  
your hands were set free from the grave-digger's basket.**

<sup>7</sup>You called on me in trouble, and I delivered you;  
I answered you from the secret place of thunder and tested you at  
the waters of Meribah.

<sup>8</sup>**Hear, O my people, and I will admonish you:  
O Israel, if you would but listen to me!**

<sup>9</sup>There shall be no strange god among you;  
you shall not worship a foreign god.

<sup>10</sup>**I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of  
Egypt.**

**Open your mouth wide, and I will fill it.**

## Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 4:s5-12

L A reading from Saint Paul's second letter to the church in Corinth.

<sup>5</sup>We do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. <sup>6</sup>For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

<sup>7</sup>But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us. <sup>8</sup>We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; <sup>9</sup>persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; <sup>10</sup>always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be made visible in our bodies. <sup>11</sup>For while we live, we are always being given up to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may be made visible in our mortal flesh. <sup>12</sup>So death is at work in us, but life in you.

L The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

## Gospel: Mark 2:23-3:6

*The congregation remains seated during the multi-voice presentation of the lesson.*

P The holy gospel according to John.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

**Narrator:** <sup>23</sup> One Sabbath Jesus and His disciples were walking through a field of grain; as they walked, His disciples *grew hungry*. They began to pull from the stalks *and eat*.

<sup>24</sup> The Pharisees confronted Him.

**Pharisees:** Did You see that? Why are Your disciples doing what our law forbids on the Sabbath?

**Jesus (turning toward the Pharisees):** <sup>25</sup> Do you remember the story about what *King David* and his followers did when they were hungry and had nothing to eat?

**Narrator:** *They said nothing, so He continued.*

**Jesus:** <sup>26</sup> David went into the house of God, when Abiathar was the high priest, and ate the bread that was consecrated to God. Now our laws say no one but the priests can eat that holy bread; *but when David was hungry, he ate* and also shared the bread with those who followed him.

<sup>27</sup> The Sabbath was made for *the needs of* human beings, and not the other way around. <sup>28</sup> So the Son of Man is Lord even over the Sabbath.

**Narrator:** <sup>3</sup> *On the Sabbath*, Jesus had come into a synagogue where He saw a man with a withered hand.

<sup>2</sup> The Pharisees held their breath: would Jesus cure this man on the Sabbath, *right there in front of everyone?* If so, they could charge Him *with breaking the Sabbath law.* <sup>3</sup> *Jesus knew their hearts.* He called to the man with the withered hand.

**Jesus:** Come to Me.

**Narrator:** <sup>4</sup> Then He turned to the Pharisees with a question.

**Jesus:** Do our laws tell us to do good or evil on the Sabbath? To save life, or to snuff it out?

**Narrator:** They remained silent.

<sup>5</sup> Jesus was furious as He looked out over the crowd, and He was grieved by their hard hearts.

**Jesus (to the man with the withered hand):** *So be it.* Stretch out your hand.

**Narrator:** The man stretched forth his hand; and as he did, it was completely healed. <sup>6</sup> The Pharisees went directly from the synagogue to consult with the supporters of Herod, *the Romans' puppet ruler*, about how they could get rid of this dangerous dreamer.

**P** The Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to you, O Christ.

**Sermon**

**Song of the Day**     *Before the Waters Nourished Earth*

Before the waters nourished earth or night imagined morning,  
A Love conceived the universe and reveled in its forming.

This Love remained as time revealed the loss of Eden's glory and,  
Grieving, holds in memory each tragic human story.

The Love that called creation good all goodness still is bringing.  
This Love turns death again to life and silence into singing.

**Prayers of the People**

**P** Beloved, I ask your prayers for the church, for all manners of people, and for God's good Creation. Please offer your own petitions aloud or in silence.

**Prayer Song**     *What a Friend We Have in Jesus*

**ELW742**

**Verse 1**

What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear!  
What a privilege to carry ev'rything to God in prayer!  
Oh, what peace we often forfeit; Oh, what needless pain we bear  
All because we do not carry ev'rything to God in prayer!

*The Prayer Song is repeated at the conclusion of our prayers.*

## ❧ MEAL ❧

### Sharing Our Gifts

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

*Our offerings support the work of the church here and around the world. Please pass the baskets from front to back. You may also make an offering online at [www.oslc-warrenton.org](http://www.oslc-warrenton.org) by clicking the "DONATE" tab on the homepage. Thank you!*

### Offertory

### *Come to the Table*

ELW481

Come to the table of mercy, prepared with the wine and the bread.  
All who are hungry and thirsty, come, and your souls will be fed.  
Come at the Lord's invitation; receive from his nail-scarred hand.  
East of the bread of salvation; drink of the blood of the Lamb.

### Offering Prayer

L Let us pray together.

**C Jesus, Bread of life,  
you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the  
feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and  
strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here,  
your body for the life of the world.  
Amen.**

### Dialogue

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 at the Table**

**P** You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God. You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory.

You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have eternal life.

We give you thanks for his coming into the world to fulfill for us your holy will and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

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, therefore, his salutary command, his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension, and the promise of his coming again, we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty, not as we ought but as we are able;

we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants, and these your own gifts of bread and wine,

so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace, and, receiving the forgiveness of sin, may be formed to live as your holy people and be given our inheritance with all your saints.

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.

**C** Amen

## **Lord's Prayer**

**P** Let us pray as our Savior 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. If you wish to receive Holy Communion, please come forward and stand or kneel around the altar.*

## Communion Song *Act Justly, Love Mercy, Walk Humbly*

It all comes down to this, what you require of me:  
Love my neighbor as myself, and You above all things.

### ***Chorus:***

Act justly, love mercy, walk humbly with You, God.  
In all things, in all ways, walk humbly wWith You, God.

It all comes down to this, to be Your hands and feet,  
Good news to all the world, the truth will set us free.

### ***(Chorus)***

It's beauty for ashes, it's mourning to dancing,  
It's closer and closer, the Kingdom of heaven.

### ***(repeat this section)***

Years from now we'll see the fruit our hands have sown.  
Faith, just like a seed, the only way it grows.

### ***(Chorus)***

## Prayer After Communion

**L** Let us pray.

Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray.

**C** Amen.

## ✻ SENDING ✻

### Blessing

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

C Amen.

### Sending Song

### *The Church Song*

W&P135

#### *Refrain:*

We are the church, the body of our Lord;  
we are all God's children. We have been restored.

The church is not a building where people go to pray;  
it's not made out of sticks and stones, it's not made out of clay.

#### *(Refrain)*

You can go to worship but you cannot go to church;  
you can't find a building that's alive no matter how you search.

#### *(Refrain)*

The church is not a business, a committee or a board;  
it's not a corporation for the business of the Lord.

#### *(Refrain)*

The church, it is the people living out their lives,  
called, enlightened, sanctified for the work of Jesus Christ.

#### *(Refrain)*

### Dismissal

L Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

C Thanks be to God.

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**Thanksgiving at the Table:** *With One Voice*