

OUR SAVIOUR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH  
**SUNDAY WORSHIP**

**May 21, 2023 - Seventh Sunday of Easter**

*ELW = Evangelical Lutheran Worship: Our red hymn book is located in the pew rack in front of you. The songs are in the back half of the book, with the song number at the top of the page.*

*\*An asterisk indicates the congregation should stand as you are able.*

*Congregation's speaking and singing parts are in bold font.*



**Prelude**

*"Fantasy on 'Hyfrydol'" by Hal H Hopson*

**Welcome**

Alleluia, Christ is Risen!

**Christ is risen, indeed, Alleluia!**

**\*Thanksgiving for Baptism**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,  
by whose hand we are given new birth,  
by whose speaking we are given new life.

**Amen.**

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism...

...who with you and the Spirit reigns forever.

**Amen.**

**\*Gathering Hymn - ELW 167 *Now the Feast and Celebration***

**\*Prayer of the Day**

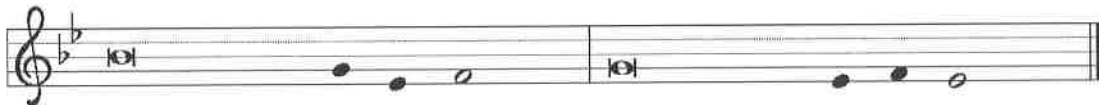
**\*Anthem - "A Joyful Psalm" by Michael Helman**

## READINGS

### FIRST READING: Acts 1:6-14

Word of God, word of life.  
Thanks be to God.

### PSALM 68:1-10, 32-35

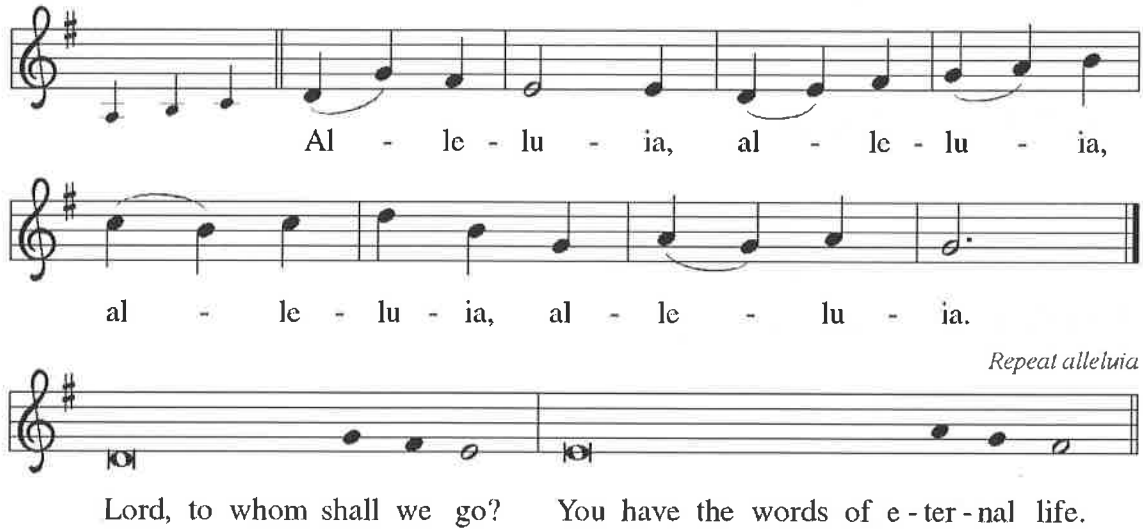


- <sup>1</sup>Let God arise, and let God's ene- | mies be scattered;  
let those who | hate God flee.
- <sup>2</sup>**As smoke is driven away, so you should drive | them away;**  
**as the wax melts before the fire, so let the wicked perish at the pres-**  
**ence of God.**
- <sup>3</sup>But let the righteous be glad and rejoice | before God;  
let them also be mer- | ry and joyful.
- <sup>4</sup>**Sing to God, sing praises to God's name; exalt the one who | rides the**  
**clouds;**  
**I AM is that name, rejoice | before God!**
- <sup>5</sup>In your holy habita- | tion, O God,  
you are a father to orphans, defend- | er of widows;
- <sup>6</sup>**you give the solitary a home and bring forth prisoners | into freedom;**  
**but the rebels shall live in | desert places.**
- <sup>7</sup>O God, when you went forth be- | fore your people,  
when you marched | through the wilderness,
- <sup>8</sup>**the earth quaked, and the skies poured down rain, at the presence of God,**  
**the | God of Sinai,**  
**at the presence of God, the | God of Israel.**
- <sup>9</sup>You sent a bountiful | rain, O God;  
you restored your inheritance | when it languished.
- <sup>10</sup>**Your people found their | home in it;**  
**in your goodness, O God, you have made provision | for the poor.**
- <sup>32</sup>Sing to God, O kingdoms | of the earth;  
sing praises | to the Lord.
- <sup>33</sup>**You ride in the heavens, O God, in the | ancient heavens;**  
**you send forth your voice, your | mighty voice.**
- <sup>34</sup>Ascribe pow- | er to God,  
whose majesty is over Israel; whose strength is | in the skies.
- <sup>35</sup>**How wonderful you are in your holy places, O | God of Israel,**  
**giving strength and power to your people! | Blessed be God!**

**SECOND READING: 1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11**

Word of God, word of life.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



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

**\*GOSPEL: John 17:1-11**  
The Holy Gospel according to John.  
**Glory to you, O God.**

This is the Gospel of Jesus Christ.  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Sermon**  
*Silence for reflection*

**\*Hymn of the Day - ELW 579 Lord, You Give the Great Commission**

## **\*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

*After each petition of the prayers:*

Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Rejoicing in Christ's resurrection, we lift our prayers and praise to you, eternal God; through Jesus Christ, our risen Saviour. **Amen.**

## **\*EXCHANGE OF PEACE**

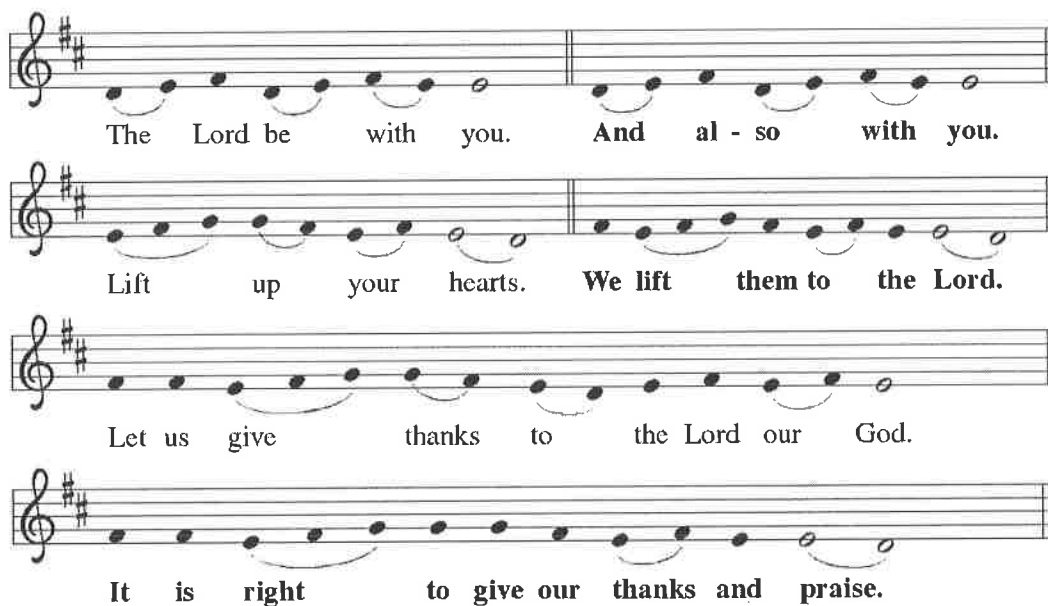
*Please be seated.*

## **OFFERTORY - Dreaming of a City**

## **\*OFFERING**

## **\*OFFERING PRAYER**

## **\*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (setting one)**



The Lord be with you. And al - so 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.

It is indeed right and holy...  
...we praise your name and join their unending song:

### **\*HOLY, HOLY, HOLY**



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of  
pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the  
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*Make us bold to address you as intimately as Jesus did, calling you our Parent, our Mother,*

**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,**

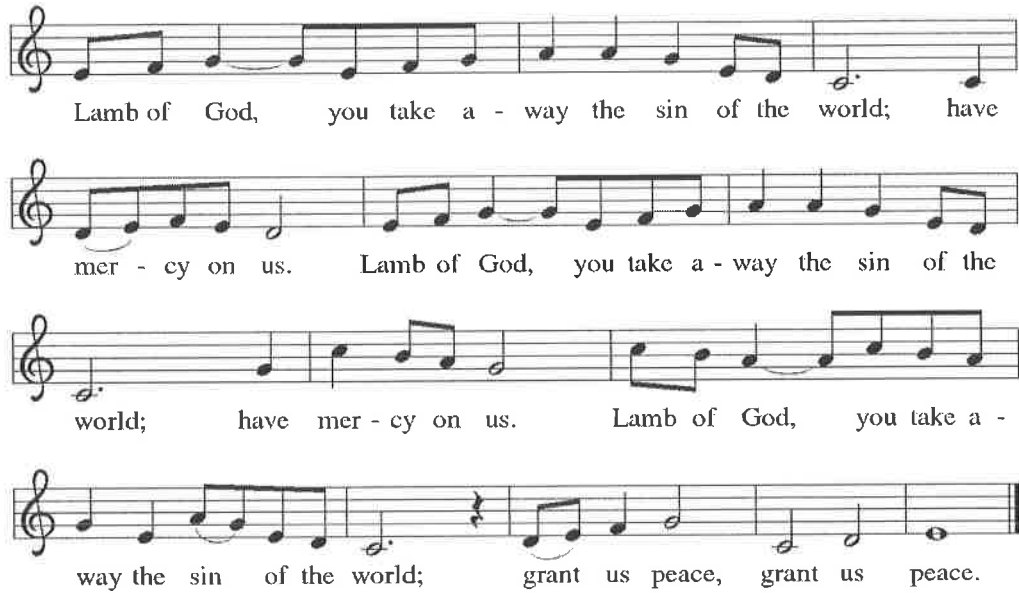
**as we forgive those  
who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen.**

### **COMMUNION**

Behold what you are; become what you receive.

*This is Christ's table. You are welcome here, without exception. Please follow the ushers' direction, filling in the communion rail starting on the right side. You may stand or kneel. If you prefer a blessing, cross your hands over your heart. Gluten free wafers are available. The wine is red; the grape juice is clear. Please let an usher know if you would like communion brought to your pew.*

## 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.

## COMMUNION MUSIC

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Gracious God,  
in you we live and move and have our being.  
With your word and this meal of grace,  
you have nourished our life together.  
Strengthen us to show your love  
and serve the world in Jesus' name.  
**Amen.**

## SENDING ANNOUNCEMENTS

### \*BLESSING

The God of all,  
who raised + Jesus to life,  
bless you by the power of the Holy Spirit  
to live in God's creation. **Amen.**

**\*SENDING SONG** - ELW 826 *Thine the Amen*

**\*DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Serve the Risen One.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE**


*"A Simple Celebration"* by Kevin McChesney

*You are welcome to leave anytime during the postlude or stay to listen. Please use this time in whatever way is most worshipful to you.*



## **Welcome to Our Saviour's**

Christ is our peace and breaks down the walls that divide us (Ephesians 2:14). You are welcome at Our Saviour's because of who you are. We are a congregation of longtime churchgoers, newcomers, seekers, seasonal visitors, and returners with diverse backgrounds, life experiences, and beliefs. We follow a familiar Lutheran service with piano, organ, and guest musicians. We celebrate the cultural, ethnic, and racial diversity of the Tucson region and seek to be a place of belonging for all. We welcome those who have felt or been excluded from church spaces because of race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, financial status, or any other reason. We like the sound of young people in worship, we value the experience of our elders, and all ages between. Our communion table is Christ's table, and all people are welcome, no exceptions. Your presence here builds up the body of Christ.



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**THOSE SERVING TODAY (5/21/23)**

**Presider** - Rev. Amalia Vagts  
**Assisting Minister** - Linda Zizka  
**Accompanist/Organist** - Gréta Pásztor      **Cantor** - Jordan Fouts  
**Communion Assistant** - Patty Sirls      **Acolyte** - Bonnie Phelps  
**Ushers** - Bonnie Phelps, Diane Siefkes      **Greeter** - Scott Koenig  
**Prelude/Anthem/Postlude** - OSLC Handbell Choir  
**Offertory** - Dianne Chua, Kaloni Philipp, Paul Philipp, Samuel Masango, Gréta Pásztor  
**Coffee Host** - Fred Hudson  
**Sound & Video** - Kent Pflibsen, Tracy Ratliff, Timothy Bustamante, Jack Ryan  
**Treats** - Mary Durham-Pflibsen

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**THOSE SERVING NEXT SUNDAY (5/28/23)**

**Presider** - Rev. Amalia Vagts  
**Assisting Minister** - Wendi Van Beek  
**OSLC Chancel Band** - Sophia Rankin, Ron Rude, David Lester  
**Communion Assistant** - Ted Adams      **Acolyte** - Wendi Van Beek  
**Ushers** - Jeanne Gacke, Pam Hardman      **Greeter** - Erin McMahon  
**Prelude/Anthem/Postlude** - OSLC Handbell Choir  
**Coffee Host** - Clare Johnson  
**Sound & Video** - Kent Pflibsen, Tracy Ratliff, Timothy Bustamante, Jack Ryan  
**Treats** - Clare Johnson

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