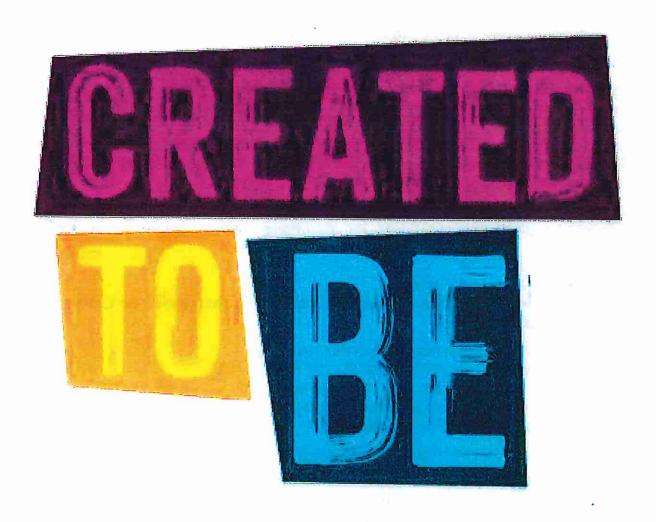
# welcome to worship

## CREATED TO BE: OUR AUTHENTIC SELVES

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The assembly's responses are in bold print.

PRELUDE

Open the Eyes of My Heart

arr. Hayes

WELCOME

Pastor Katie

The assembly stands.

#### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy. Amen.

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God, our provider, help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Search our hearts. Forgive us for the harm we have done to ourselves and each other. Meet us in the mess we have created, renewing us with the good news that there is nowhere we can go where you aren't with us. Amen.

Siblings in faith, God has created us to be a part of Christ's mission of compassion, mercy and justice. Through the grace of this promise, you are forgiven and set free to live and to love as you are loved. Amen.

#### GATHERING SONG

#### Praise

# ALL CHANT: Let everything | that has breath | praise the Lord | praise the Lord | Repeat several times

Solo:

I'll praise in the valley, praise on the mountain.

I'll praise when I'm sure, praise when I'm doubting.

I'll praise when outnumbered, praise when surrounded,

'cause praise is the water my anxieties drown in. As long as I'm breathing, I've got a reason to:

ALL: Praise the Lord, oh, my soul. Praise the Lord, oh, my soul.

Solo:

I'll praise when I feel it and I'll praise when I don't.

I'll praise 'cause I know you're still in control,

'cause my praise is like thunder, it's more than a sound.

My praise is the shout that brings Jericho down. As long as I'm breathing, I've got a reason to:

ALL: Praise the Lord, oh, my soul. Praise the Lord, oh, my soul. I won't be quiet, my God is alive. How could I keep it inside? Praise the Lord, oh, my soul.

I'll praise 'cause you're sovereign, praise 'cause you reign. Praise 'cause you rose and defeated the grave. I'll praise 'cause you're faithful, praise 'cause you're true.

Praise 'cause there's nobody greater than you. Repeat

Praise the Lord, oh, my soul. I won't be quiet, my God is alive. How could I keep it inside. I won't be quiet, my God is alive. How could I keep it inside.

I won't be quiet, my God is alive. How could I keep it inside.

Praise the Lord, oh, my soul.

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#### CALL TO WORSHIP

God is our light and our salvation, whom shall we fear?

We are created to be brave.

Christ shines through our unique gifts, giving glory to God.

We are created to be authentic.

The Spirit transforms us through God's Word, renewing Christ's presence among us.

We are created to be free.

God is calling us to lives of justice, following the example of Jesus.

We are created to be disruptive.

Guided by the Spirit, we love others as God loves us.

We are created to be disciples.

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

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.

Let us pray as Jaqueline Bussie taught us to pray at the youth gathering:

"No matter what life brings, may we dance anyways. May we share our scars anyways. May we sparkle anyways. Believe God anyways. Know we are loved, ALWAYS." In Jesus' name, Amen.

The assembly is seated.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Miss Caitlyn

#### Psalm 139:1-14a (NRSV)

#### READING

A reading from the Book of Psalms.

<sup>1</sup>O Lord, you have searched me and known me.

<sup>2</sup> You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from far away.

<sup>3</sup> You search out my path and my lying down and are acquainted with all my ways.

<sup>4</sup>Even before a word is on my tongue, O Lord, you know it completely.

<sup>5</sup> You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me.

- <sup>6</sup> Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain it.
- <sup>7</sup>Where can I go from your spirit? Or where can I flee from your presence?
- <sup>8</sup> If I ascend to heaven, you are there; if I make my bed in Sheol, you are there.
- <sup>9</sup> If I take the wings of the morning and settle at the farthest limits of the sea, <sup>10</sup> even there your hand shall lead me, and your right hand shall hold me fast.

<sup>11</sup> If I say, "Surely the darkness shall cover me, and night wraps itself around me," [a]

<sup>12</sup> even the darkness is not dark to you; the night is as bright as the day, for darkness is as light to you.

<sup>13</sup> For it was you who formed my inward parts; you knit me together in my mother's womb.

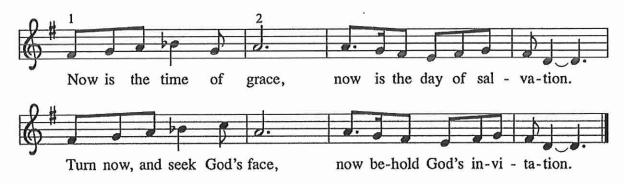
<sup>14</sup> I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

The assembly stands.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Now Is the Time of Grace

The assembly repeats the refrain after the song leader, and again after the verse.



Verse: Sharing your bread with the hungry and welcoming homeless in, Offering hope and offering help, this is what God requires. Refrain

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HOLY GOSPEL

*Matthew 5:14-16 (NRSV)* 

The holy gospel according to Matthew. Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>14</sup> "You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. <sup>15</sup> People do not light a lamp and put it under the bushel basket; rather, they put it on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. <sup>16</sup> In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven. <sup>8-9</sup> One of the disciples—it was Andrew, brother to Simon Peter—said, "There's a little boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But that's a drop in the bucket for a crowd like this."

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

The assembly is seated.

**SERMON** 

Pastor Katie

The assembly stands.

#### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Each petition concludes ... Merciful God, receive our prayer.

The prayers conclude ... Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. Amen.

#### **PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you.

The assembly is seated.

#### **OFFERING**

If you brought an offering or your pledge card today, please place it in an offering plate that ushers will pass at this time. Thank you for your generous gifts! Did you know you can give using a credit card? Scan the QR code to the right.



OFFERING SONG

Bring Forth the Kingdom

Leader: You are salt for the earth, O people:

All: salt for the kingdom of God!

Leader: Share the flavor of life, O people:

All: life in the kingdom of God!

Refrain (ALL SING):

Bring forth the kingdom of mercy, bring forth the kingdom of peace; Bring forth the kingdom of justice, bring forth the city of God!

Leader: You are a light on the hill, O people:

All: light for the city of God!

Leader: Shine so holy and bright, O people:

All: shine for the kingdom of God! Refrain

Leader: We are a blest and a pilgrim people:

All: bound for the kingdom of God!

Leader: Love our journey and love our homeland:

All: love is the kingdom of God! Refrain

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The assembly stands.

HOLY COMMUNION

#### LORD'S PRAYER

Let us pray as Jesus 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

Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!

The assembly is seated.

#### DISTRIBUTION

Everyone is welcome to receive Holy Communion at Atonement. Follow the directions of the ushers to receive bread and a pre-filled cup of wine or grape juice (in purple cups) from the communion assistants. Deposit your empty cup in the basket at the end of the front pew and return to your seat by the side aisles. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. Children are welcome to receive communion with their parents' permission.

Please take a moment to sign and pass the attendance pads found in the pews, check in to Atonement on your favorite social media platform, share a photo with your digital community, and say something gentle in the spirit of Jesus!

#### MUSIC DURING COMMUNION Light of the World

You are the light of the world. You are the light of the world. So shine, shine, shine where you are. You are the light of the world.

You are a city on a hill. You are a city on a hill. So shine, shine, shine where you are. You are a city on a hill.

You are a candle in the dark. You are a candle in the dark. So shine, shine, shine where you are. You are a candle in the dark.

You are a star in the night. You are a star in the night. So shine, shine, shine where you are. You are a star in the night.

You are the light of the world. You are the light of the world. So shine, shine, shine where you are. You are the light of the world.

COMMUNION HYMN

ELW 593 Drawn to the Light

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The assembly stands.

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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. Amen.

#### BLESSING

Brave, authentic, free and disruptive siblings, you have been created to use your voice, to be a presence of hope, to let your actions reveal the love of Christ throughout God's creation. May the blessing of God, almighty, creator + redeemer and sustainer, send you forth to do amazing things, as creative and faithful disciples. Amen. Thanks be to God.

SENDING SONG

ELW 583 Take My Life, That I May Be

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are the light of the world. Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Old Time Religion/Swing Low, Sweet Chariot

arr. Kartsonakis

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WARMEST WELCOME to this congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America! We are a Lutheran church, but we're not just for Lutherans—we belong to our community! Together we are on the journey of discipleship with Jesus, who guides us from worship to formation, from formation to fellowship, and from fellowship to Christ-like servanthood.

CHILDREN are very welcome at Atonement! Activity bags and children's bulletins are available at the entrance to the worship space.

THE PRIVACY ROOM at the back of the worship space is available if your child needs a little extra wiggle room.

RESTROOMS are located in the hall next to the worship space.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS are 10:30am-2:30pm Monday through Thursday, or by appointment. The office will be CLOSED the week of August 5. If you need assistance that week you can leave a voicemail on the main number and someone will return your call as soon as possible.

ATONEMENT VOLUNTEERS SERVE AT OPPORTUNITY HOUSE the third Saturday of every month. Interested in joining the team? Contact Bob Eisenbrown at 484-332-8788.

OUR VOLUNTEER GROUNDS CREW needs some additional members! Contact John Lehr with questions or interest—johnt.lehr@gmail.com.

SUMMER CHOIR will sing in worship August 18 and September 8. If you would like to be part of summer choir, meet in the choir loft at 9:00 am on those Sundays to learn fun, simple music to sing in 10:00 worship. Everyone is welcome!

ADULT FAITH FORMATION will gather in the privacy room at 9am Sunday mornings to talk about God moments and highs and lows of the week - all are welcome!

PLEASE PRAY for the family of Heather Kalbach Moser, daughter of Atonement member Sandy Kalbach, after the devastating fire on her family's dairy farm. If you are so moved, there are 2 ways to help financially. (1)Use the gofundme page linked on our facebook page, or (2) you can write a check to Atonement and put "Moser Dairy Farm" in the memo. All donations and prayers are gratefully appreciated. We give thanks to God that there were no injuries to family members and all livestock survived.

PHOTOS from our time in New Orleans for the national youth gathering will be on the screen during the postlude at the end of the service.

REFRESHMENTS will be served in the narthex after today's service, courtesy of the Sunday Snack Pack.



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# Take My Life, That I May Be

### 583

Toma, oh Dios, mi voluntad



To-ma, oh Dios, mi vo - lun-tad, y haz-la tu - ya, na - da más; Take my life, that I may be con-se-crat - ed, Lord, to thee;



to - ma, sí, mi co - ra - zón take my mo - ments and my days;

y tu tro - no en él ten - drás. let them flow in cease -less praise.



- ' Que mi vi da en te ra es té
  - Take my hands and let them move
- 2 Take my sil ver and my gold, 3 Take my voice and let me sing
- 4 Take my will and make it thine;

con - sa - gra -

at the imnot a mite

al - ways, on - it shall be





da guiar elim - pul - so de tu a - mor. them be swift and beau - ti ful thee. for and use ev - 'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose. filled with mes - sag - es them be from thee. thine own; it shall be thy roy al throne.

- Que mis pies tan sólo en pos de lo santo puedan ir, y que a ti, Señor, mi voz, se complazca en bendecir. Estribillo
- Que mis labios al hablar hablen sólo de tu\_amor; que mis bienes dedicar yo los quiera\_a ti, Señor. Estribillo
- 4 Que mi tiempo todo esté consagrado a tu loor; que mi mente y su poder sean usados en tu honor. Estribillo