

welcome to worship
TIME AFTER PENTECOST
August 10, 2025 ♦ 10:00 am



The Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Atonement
5 Wyomissing Boulevard
Wyomissing, Pennsylvania 19610-2081
phone: 610-375-3512 ♦ www.atonementwyo.org
The Rev. Katie Lyon ♦ Deacon Tom Yenser, director of music

The assembly's responses are in bold print.

PRELUDE

Oh, Sing to the Lord (ELW 822)

WELCOME

Pastor Katie

The assembly stands.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father, and of the ✙ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

A brief silence.

Holy God, we are sorry for the many times we have left you and chosen to satisfy our own selfish desires. For the times we have hurt those who love us. **Loving Creator, we have sinned. Forgive us.**

For the times we were unkind and impatient with those who needed our time and concern. **Jesus our Savior, we have sinned. Forgive us.**

For the times we were too weak to stand up for what was right and allowed others to suffer because of our cowardice. **Spirit of life, we have sinned. Forgive us.**

For the times we refused to forgive others. **Holy Three-in-One, we have sinned. Forgive us.**

Hear now the good news! "If we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness." (1 John 1:9) Rejoice, for your sins are forgiven! **Thanks be to God! Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN 531

Alabaré (opposite page)

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Almighty God, you sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your church. Open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may be ready to receive you wherever you appear, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

The assembly is seated.

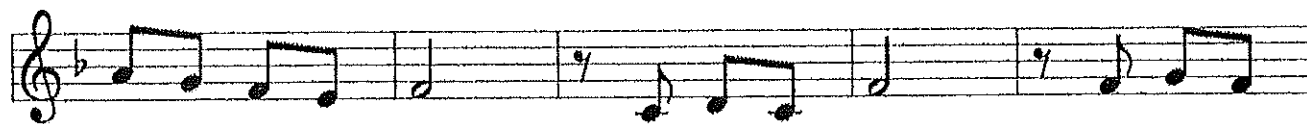
CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Pastor Katie

Refrain



A - la - ba - ré a - la - ba - ré a - la - ba -



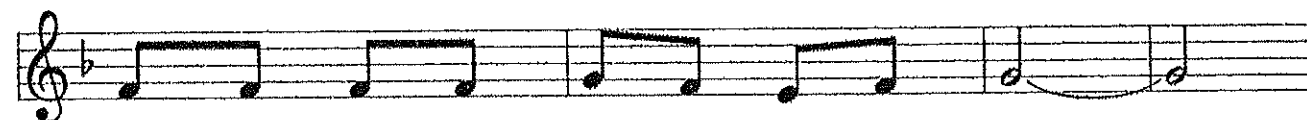
ré a mi Se - ñor. A - la - ba - ré a - la - ba -



ré a - la - ba - ré a mi Se - ñor.



1 John saw the num - ber of all those re - deemed, and
2 Wor - thy is Christ . . . the Lamb who was slain, whose
3 Sing with the peo - ple, the peo - ple of God, and

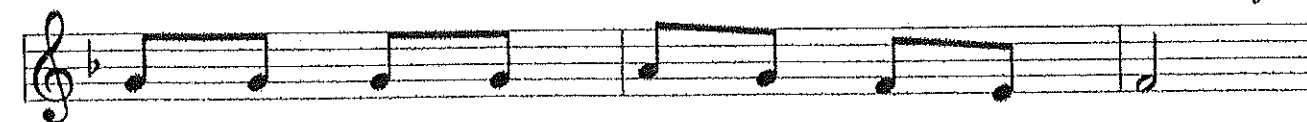


all were sing - ing prais - es to the Lord.
blood has set us free from ev - 'ry sin.
join cre - a - tion in a joy - ful hymn.



Thou - sands were pray - ing, ten thou - sands re - joic - ing, and
Pow - er and rich - es, and wis - dom and strength . . . and
Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and might . . . to

Refrain



all were sing - ing prais - es to the Lord.
hon - or and all bless - ing shall be his.
God and to the Lamb be with - out end.

READING

Genesis 15:1-6 (The Message)

God promises childless and aging Abram that a child of his own will be his heir and that his descendants will number as many as the stars. Abram trusts God's promise, and through this faith he is considered righteous.

15 After all these things, this word of God came to Abram in a vision: "Don't be afraid, Abram. I'm your shield. Your reward will be grand!"

²⁻³ Abram said, "God, Master, what use are your gifts as long as I'm childless and Eliezer of Damascus is going to inherit everything?" Abram continued, "See, you've given me no children, and now a mere house servant is going to get it all."

⁴ Then God's Message came: "Don't worry, he won't be your heir; a son from your body will be your heir."

⁵ Then he took him outside and said, "Look at the sky. Count the stars. Can you do it? Count your descendants! You're going to have a big family, Abram!"

⁶ And he believed! Believed God! God declared him "Set-Right-with-God."

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

The assembly stands.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION 164

Glory to God

Repeat each line after the song leader.

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 12:32-40 (The Message)

Jesus encourages disciples to invest their hearts and live fully into God's reign. Instead of facing life with fear, those who know God's generosity are always ready to receive from God and to give to others.

The holy gospel according to Luke. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

³² Don't be afraid of missing out. You're my dearest friends! The Father wants to give you the very kingdom itself.

³³⁻³⁴ "Be generous. Give to the poor. Get yourselves a bank that can't go bankrupt, a bank in heaven far from bank robbers; safe from embezzlers, a bank you can bank on. It's obvious, isn't it? The place where your treasure is, is the place you will most want to be, and end up being.

³⁵⁻³⁸ "Keep your shirts on; keep the lights on! Be like house servants waiting for their master to come back from his honeymoon, awake and ready to open the door when he arrives and knocks. Lucky the servants whom the master finds on watch! He'll put on an apron, sit them at the table, and serve them a meal, sharing his wedding feast with them. It doesn't matter what time of the night he arrives; they're awake—and so blessed!

³⁹⁻⁴⁰ "You know that if the house owner had known what night the burglar was coming, he wouldn't have stayed out late and left the place unlocked. So don't you be lazy and careless. Just when you don't expect him, the Son of Man will show up."

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

The assembly is seated.

SERMON

Pastor Katie

The assembly stands.

APOSTLES CREED

Let us affirm our faith together:

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 INTERCESSION

Each petition concludes ... God of grace, receive our prayer.

The prayers conclude ... in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

PEACE

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

The assembly is seated.

OFFERING

If you brought an offering 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 HYMN 817

You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore – stanzas 1, 3, 4

The assembly stands.

HOLY COMMUNION

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to you, Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to praise you, Lord.**

On the night of your betrayal, Lord Jesus, you took bread, blessed it, broke it, gave it to your disciples and said, "This is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." You did the same with the cup after the supper, saying, "This cup that is poured out is the new covenant in my blood."

Blessed Trinity, in remembrance of all you have done to save us, we offer ourselves to you in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of our faith:

Christ has come among us. Christ has died. Christ has risen. Christ abides with us. Christ will come again.

Abba, Father! **Let your kingdom come!**
Come, Lord Jesus! **Be our daily bread.**
Come, Holy Spirit! **Send us to the world.**
Holy, Blessed Trinity! **One God forever!**

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, 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

The kingdom of God is set before you. Eat and rejoice!

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.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

ELW 473 *Holy, Holy, Holy (alternating singing in Spanish and English)*

ELW 498 *United at the Table*

The assembly stands.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Mothering God, you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace. Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

BLESSING

The love of God abound in you; the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts; and the life of the Spirit ✠ bless you and give you peace. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN 538

The Lord Now Sends Us Forth

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Live by the Spirit. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

"Alabaré," words and music by Manuel José Alonso and José Pagán. ©1979 OCP Publications. All rights reserved. Reprinted under OneLicense.net #A-742295.

Scripture taken from THE MESSAGE, copyright © 1993, 1994, 1995, 1996, 2000, 2001, 2002. Used by permission of NavPress Publishing Group.

From Sundays and Seasons.com. Copyright 2025 Augsburg Fortress. All rights reserved. Reprinted by permission under Augsburg Fortress Liturgies Annual License #20325. New Revised Standard Version Bible, copyright 1989, Division of Christian Education of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America. Used by permission. All rights reserved.

Assisting with Worship

MaryLou Hall, greeter

Bob Eisenbrown, head usher

Yvonne Gilbert, lector

Tim McGuirk, assisting minister

Thomas Gentry, Matt Shirk, audio/visual

Susan Beam, Tyler Good, Bryan Wang, Karen Wang, communion assistants

Linda Lord, altar captain

Pat Noll, sexton

Anthony Arana, song leader & guitar

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.

HEARING DEVICES are available for those who have trouble hearing the service—ask an usher or stop by the sound booth on you way into the worship space.

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 nave is available for children and families who would like a little extra wiggle room during the service.

RESTROOMS are located in the hall next to the worship space. A FAMILY RESTROOM with a changing table is also located in the Privacy Room at the back of the worship space.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS are Monday—Thursday, 10:30am—2:30pm, or by appointment.

ATONEMENT VOLUNTEERS SERVE AT OPPORTUNITY HOUSE the third Saturday of every month. Contact Bob Eisenbrown at 484-332-8788 if you would like to join the team.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION will continue throughout the summer in room F122 at 9am.

DONATING TO THE COMMUNITY AID THRIFT SHOP can benefit Common Ground. Use the code **50244** when you make a donation.

PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION is open! Contact Jen Dauber at jdauber@atonementwyo.org for a tour or additional information.

DONATIONS FOR COMMON GROUND are being collected in the large bin next to the coatroom in the narthex. You can also donate using our Amazon wish list, available by going to atonementwyo.org and selecting Common Ground from the top menu of the home page.

SUMMER CHOIR will sing the Sunday one more Sunday morning—August 24. All teens and adults are invited to sing fun, easy-to-learn music in a relaxed, non-judgemental setting. Come to rehearsal at 9am, then stay for 10am worship. Email Deacon Tom at tyenser@atonementwyo.org with questions.

FELLOWSHIP SUPPER will be served every Wednesday at 6pm in Lundin Hall, followed by Common Ground worship at 7. Everyone is invited!

ATTENDANCE PADS are used to keep our records accurate. 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!

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION 164 *Glory to God*

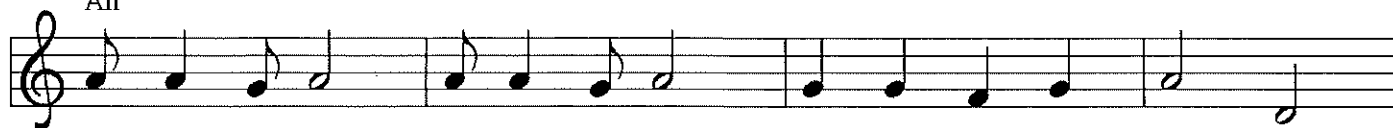
Repeat each line after the song leader.

Leader



Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry in the high-est!

All



Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry in the high-est!

Leader

All



To God be glo-ry for-ev-er! To God be glo-ry for-ev-er!

Leader

Leader

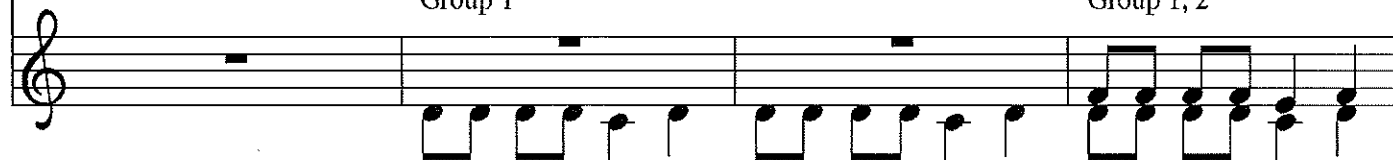


Al-le-lu-ia! A-men!

Al-le-lu-ia! A-men!

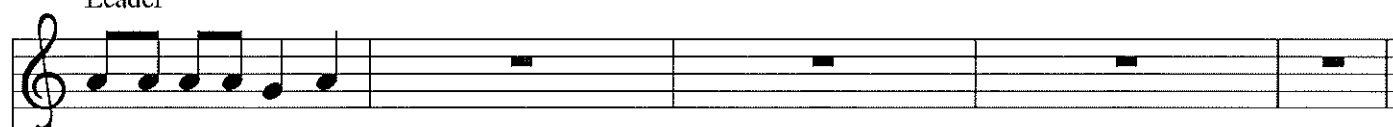
Group 1

Group 1, 2



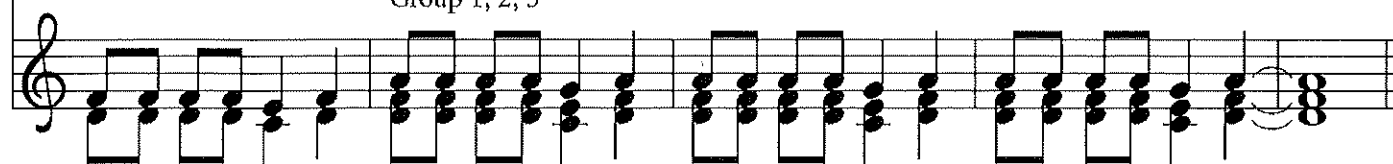
Al-le-lu-ia! A-men! Al-le-lu-ia! A-men! Al-le-lu-ia! A-men!

Leader



Al-le-lu-ia! A-men!

Group 1, 2, 3



Al-le-lu-ia! A-men! Al-le-lu-ia! A-men! Al-le-lu-ia! A-men! Al-le-lu-ia! A-men!

OFFERING HYMN 817

You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore —

stanzas 1, 3, 4



1 You have come down to the lake - shore seek - ing
3 You need my hands, my ex - haus - tion, work - ing
4 You who have fished oth - er wa - ters; you, the



nei - ther the wise nor the wealth - y, but on - ly
love for the rest of the wea - ry— a love that's
long - ing of souls that are yearn - ing: O lov - ing



ask - ing for me to fol - low.
will - ing to go on lov - ing.
Friend, you have come to call me.



Sweet Lord, you have looked in - to my eyes; kind-ly smil - ing,



you've called out my name. . . . On the sand I have a-ban-doned my



small boat; now with you, I will seek oth - er seas.

473

Holy, Holy, Holy

Santo, santo, santo

San - to, san - to, san - to, mi co - ra - zón te a - do - ra.
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, my heart, my heart a - dores you.

Mi co - ra - zón te sa - be de - cir: San - to e - res Se - ñor.
My heart is glad to say the words: You are ho - ly, God.

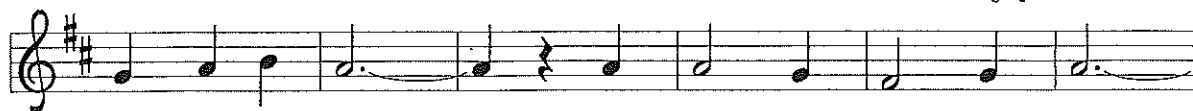
Text: Argentine traditional
Music: Argentine traditional

ARGENTINE SANTO
6785

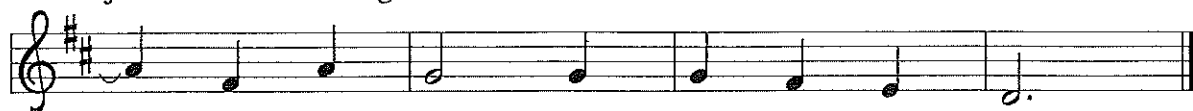
Refrain / Estribillo



U - ni - dos en la fies - ta, la a - le - grí - a
U - nit - ed at the ta - ble: all our joy is



se ha - ce can - ción. U - ni - dos en la fe,
joined in song. U - nit - ed in the faith:



la a - le - grí - a se ha - ce o - ra - ción.
all our joy to God be - longs.



1 Can - ta - re - mos al Se - ñor
1 We will praise God, we will sing
2 We will praise God, we will feast
3 We will praise God, we will play



a - le - lu - yas con him - nos y sal - mos,
al - le - lu - ias with hymns and with psalm - o - dy;
at the boun - ti - ful ta - ble of life and grace;
al - le - lu - ias with rhy - thm and in - stru - ments;



por - que gran - de es el a - mor
we will praise God for the love
we will praise God and give thanks
we will praise God for the love

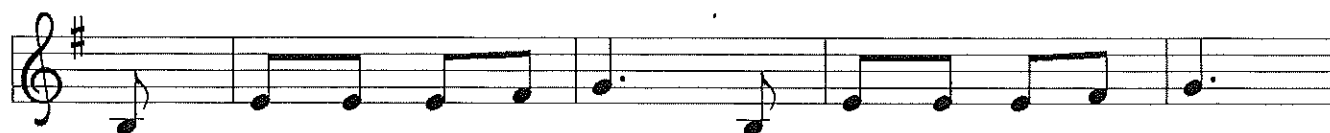
Refrain / Estribillo



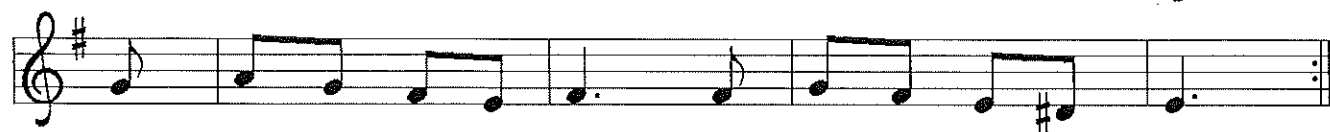
que en no - so - tros por siem - pre mos - tró.
that sus - tains us e - ter - nal - ly.
for com - mu - nion with ev - 'ry race.
that in - vites all cre - a - tion to dance.

2 Cantaremos la bondad
del Señor que nos sienta a su mesa,
y nos llama a comulgar
como hermanos su vino y su pan. Estribillo

3 Cantaremos al Señor
aleluyas al son de instrumentos,
y será nuestra canción
la alabanza que ensalza su amor. Estribillo



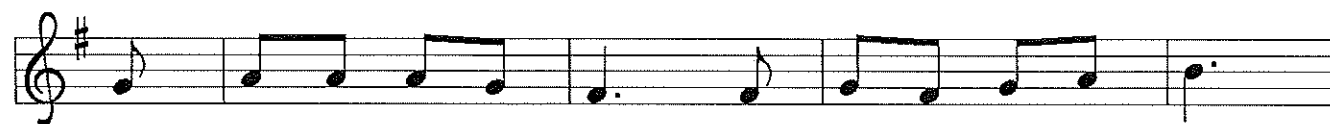
En - via - do soy de Dios, mi ma - no lis - ta es - tá
The Lord now sends us forth with hands to serve and give,



pa - ra cons - truir con él un mun - do fra - ter - nal.
to make of all the earth a bet - ter place to live.



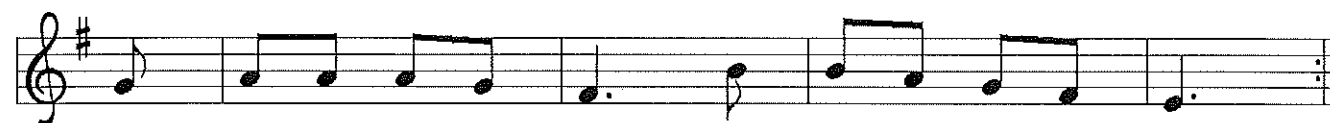
Los án - ge - les no son en - via - dos a cam - biar
The an - gels are not sent in - to our world of pain



un mun - do de do - lor por un mun - do me - jor;
to do what we were meant to do in Je - sus' name;



me ha to - ca - do a mí ha - cer - lo rea - li - dad.
that falls to you and me and all who are made free.



A - yú - da - me, Se - ñor, a ha - cer tu vo - lun - tad.
Help us, O Lord, we pray, to do your will to - day.