

Praising the Lord Together
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Cross of Glory Lutheran Church
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Praising the Lord Together Worship Service

Gathering Song: “Come, Let Us Worship God”

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A Creation Confession

L: For the marvelous grace of your Creation, we give thanks to you, O God!

All: We praise you, O Lord for plants growing in earth and water, for life inhabiting lakes and seas, for life creeping in soils and land, for creatures living in wetlands and waters, for life flying above earth and sea, for beasts dwelling in woods and fields.

L: How many and wonderful are your works, our God! In wisdom you have made them all!

All: But we confess, dear Lord, As creatures privileged with care and keeping of Your Creation that we have abused Your Creation gifts through arrogance, ignorance, and greed. We confess, Lord, that we often are unaware of how deeply we have hurt Your good earth and its marvelous gifts. We confess that we are often unaware of how our abuse of creation has also been an abuse of ourselves. For our wrongs, Lord, we ask forgiveness. We offer our repentance. We promise to treat Your Creation as a gracious gift entrusted to us by You, our God. We promise anew to be stewards and not pillagers of what You have entrusted to us.

L: Creator God, You have given us every reason to learn and promote this wisdom of lives lived in harmony with Creation. May you daily be present with us, gracing our service, our loving, our striving, through Christ Jesus, our Lord.

All: Amen

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Prayer of the Day (All)

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.

Song: “Sanctuary” (Sing 3 times)

Scripture Readings

First Reading: Genesis 15:1-6

Lorna Schultz

¹After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, “Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.” ²But Abram said, “O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?” ³And Abram said, “You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir.” ⁴But the word of the LORD came to him, “This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own

issue shall be your heir.” ⁵He brought him outside and said, “Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them.” Then he said to him, “So shall your descendants be.” ⁶And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness.

Second Reading: Psalm 33:12-22 (Read responsively)

Jason Emerson

¹²Happy is the nation whose God is the LORD!
Happy the people chosen to be God’s heritage!

¹³**The LORD looks down from heaven,
and sees all humankind.**

¹⁴God sits firmly enthroned and watches
all who dwell on the earth.

¹⁵**God fashions all their hearts
and observes all their deeds.**

¹⁶A king is not saved by the size of the army,
nor are warriors rescued by their great strength.

¹⁷**The horse gives vain hope for victory;
despite its great strength it cannot save.**

¹⁸Truly, your eye is upon those who fear you, O LORD,
upon those who wait for your steadfast love,

¹⁹**to deliver their lives from death,
and to keep them alive in time of famine.**

²⁰Our innermost being waits for you, O LORD,
our helper and our shield.

²¹**Surely, our heart rejoices in you,
for in your holy name we put our trust.**

²²Let your lovingkindness, O LORD, be upon us,
even as we place our hope in you.

Reader: Word of God. Word of Life.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel: Luke 12:32-40

L: The holy gospel according to Luke.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] ³²“Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom. ³³Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. ³⁴For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

³⁵“Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; ³⁶be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes

and knocks. ³⁷Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. ³⁸If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

³⁹“But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. ⁴⁰You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.”

L: The gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Pastor Cassie

Sermon Song: “Shake Another Hand”

Creed: We are Not Alone (All)

**We are not alone,
we live in God’s world.
We believe in God:
who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus,
the Word made flesh,
to reconcile and make new,
who works in us and others
by the Spirit.
We trust in God.
We are called to be the Church:
to celebrate God’s presence,
to live with respect in Creation,
to love and serve others,
to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,
our judge and our hope.
In life, in death, in life beyond death,
God is with us.
We are not alone.
Thanks be to God.**

Prayers of the People (Sing response, song “Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying”)

L: Treasuring your promise to hear us when we call, we pray for the church, those in need, and all of your creation.

L: Lord God, bless and send your church out from each place of worship to be a light to the nations. Wherever we set out in faith, equip us to share our hope in Jesus Christ. Lord, hear us as we pray:

C: “Lord, listen to your children....”

L: All these things and more we ask in the name of our risen Lord, Jesus Christ, by the power of your Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Sharing the Peace

L: The peace of the Lord is with you always!

C: And also with you.

Offering

Offering Hymn: “Beautiful Savior”

Prayer

L: Send your Spirit of truth, O God; rekindle your gifts within us; renew our faith, increase our hope, and deepen our love for the sake of a world in need. Gather us into one to pray the words Jesus taught us:

Lord’s Prayer (all)

**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.**

Blessing

L: Live your lives in Christ, rooted and built up in him, and abound in thanksgiving; and the blessing of the holy Trinity, † one God, be upon you and remain with you forever.

C: Amen.

Sending Hymn: “This is My Father’s World”

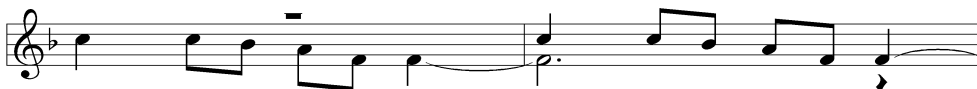
Dismissal

L: Go in peace. Christ is sending you.

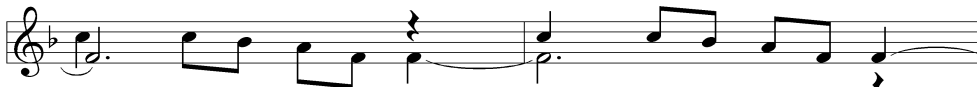
C: Thanks be to God.

Thank you for joining us today to share worship and fellowship together. Please join us for a picnic immediately following worship.

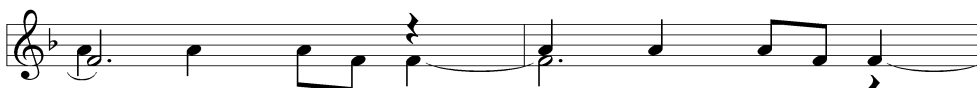
Come, Let Us Worship God



1	Come,	let	us	wor - ship	God ...	Come,	let	us	wor - ship	God ...
2	Rest	for	the	wea - ry ...		Rest	for	the	wea - ry ...	
3	Food	for	the	hun - gry ...		Food	for	the	hun - gry ...	
4	Hope	for	the	chil - dren ...		Hope	for	the	chil - dren ...	



	Come,	let	us	wor - ship	God ...	Come,	let	us	wor - ship	God ...
	Rest	for	the	wea - ry ...		Rest	for	the	wea - ry ...	
	Food	for	the	hun - gry ...		Food	for	the	hun - gry ...	
	Hope	for	the	chil - dren ...		Hope	for	the	chil - dren ...	



	Wel - come	ev - 'ry - one ...	Wel - come	ev - 'ry - one ...
	Wel - come	ev - 'ry - one ...	Wel - come	ev - 'ry - one ...
	Wel - come	ev - 'ry - one ...	Wel - come	ev - 'ry - one ...
	Wel - come	ev - 'ry - one ...	Wel - come	ev - 'ry - one ...



	To the	love	of	God ...	To the	love	of	God ...
	To the	love	of	God ...	To the	love	of	God ...
	To the	love	of	God ...	To the	love	of	God ...
	To the	love	of	God ...	To the	love	of	God ...

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Sanctuary



Lord, pre - par me to be a sanc - tu - ar - y, — pure and



ho - ly, tried and true; — with thanks - giv - ing, I'll be a



liv - ing — sanc - tu - ar - y for — You.

Shake Another Hand

by David Graham

Chorus:

A-la-la-la, la-la-le-lu-ia

A-la-la-la, la-le-lu-ia

A-la-la-la

A-la-le-lu-ia

A-la-la-la-la-la-le-lu-ia

Verse:

Shake Another Hand Shake The Hand Next To You

Shake Another Hand And Sing Along

Shake Another Hand Shake The Hand Next To You

Shake Another Hand And Sing A Song.

(Repeat Chorus)

Give Another High Five Give A High Five To The Hand Next To You...

(Repeat Chorus)

Bump Another Fist Bump The Fist Next To You...

(Repeat Chorus)

Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying

Lord, lis - ten to your chil - dren pray - ing, Lord, send your

Spir - it in this place; Lord, lis - ten to your chil - dren

pray - ing, send us love, send us power, send us grace.

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CHILDREN PRAYING
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Beautiful Savior

1. Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, King of cre - a - tion,
 2. Fair are the mead - ows, fair are the wood - lands,
 3. Fair is the sun - shine, fair is the moon - light,
 4. Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, Lord of the na - tions,

Son of God and Son of Man!
 robed in flow'rs of bloom - ing spring;
 bright the spar - kling stars on high;
 Son of God and Son of Man!

Tru - ly I'd love thee, tru - ly I'd serve thee,
 Je - sus is fair - er, Je - sus is pur - er,
 Je - sus shines bright - er, Je - sus shines pur - er,
 Glo - ry and hon - or, praise, ad - o - ra - tion,

light of my soul, my joy, my crown.
 he makes our sor - rowing spir - it sing.
 than all the an - gels in the sky.
 now and for - ev - er - more be thine!

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This is My Father's World

1. This is my Fa-ther's world, and to my lis - t'ning ears all
2. This is my Fa-ther's world; the birds their car - ols raise; the
3. This is my Fa-ther's world; oh, let me not for - get that,

na - ture sings, and round me rings the mu - sic of the spheres. This
morn - ing light, the lil - y white, de - clare their mak - er's praise. This
though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the rul - er yet This

is my Fa-ther's world; I rest my in the thought of
is my Fa-ther's world; he shines in all that's fair. In the
is my Fa-ther's world; why should my heart be sad? The

rocks and trees, of skies and seas; his hand the won - ders wrought.
rus - tling grass I hear him pass; he speaks to me ev - 'ry - where.
Lord is king, let heav - en ring; God reigns, let earth be glad!

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