

Blessing of the Farm
July 18, 2021

Welcome

Litany of Praise

Sing to the Mountains

(sung refrain)

Sing to the mountains, sing to the sea
Raise your voices, lift your hearts
This is the day the Lord has made
Let all the earth rejoice

(spoken)

L: Come and celebrate, people of God!

C: Sing and shout your praise!

L: For our God comes to us:

C: triumphant and victorious, yet gentle and humble of heart.

L: God comes bringing peace, offering hope and freedom to all who despair.

C: Let's worship God together!

refrain

(spoken)

L: Praise the Lord, all people let the sound of our praises be heard!

C: Great is God's power!

L: Creator of the universe,

**C: whose breath gives life, whose hands create beauty,
whose love brings freedom, whose glory fills the earth,
to you alone our praise we bring.**

refrain

(spoken)

L: Savior of the world, whose touch gives healing
whose words offer forgiveness
whose suffering brings life
whose death is victory.

C: Great is God's power!

Praise the Lord, all people let the sound of our praises be heard!

refrain

(spoken)

C: Praise the Lord!

With all our hearts, we will praise God's holy name!

Praise the Lord!

Never forget the good things God has done for us.

Praise the Lord, all the earth. Everyone, everywhere!

We too will praise the Lord!

refrain

Prayer

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 55:1-2

Reflections / Storytelling

Song

One Bread, One Body

Refrain

One bread, one body, one Lord of all;
one cup of blessing which we bless,
and we, though many throughout the earth,
we are one body in this one Lord.

Gentile or Jew, servant or free,
woman or man, no more.

Refrain

Many the gifts, many the works,
one in the Lord of all.

Refrain

Grain for the fields, scattered and grown,
gathered to one for all.

Refrain

Communion

Servers: Deb Friedrichs, Larry Powers

Communion Blessing

Litany of Soil (*based on Matthew 13: 1-9*)

L: Where the soil is hard, where it is not stirred and cultivated, the seed cannot take root and is eaten by the birds.

C: Where the soil lies over rock with little depth, the seeds fail to develop deep roots.

Plants spring up quickly but soon wither away.

L: Where the soil is deeper but lack nourishment, the seeds take root but the weeds grow more quickly and choke the plants.

C: Where the soil is well-tended and fertile, in good heart, the seed puts down deep roots, the plants grow tall and strong and yield a rich harvest.

L: Creator and Nurturer of our soul, save us from hardness of heart, where your word cannot take root.

C: Save us from shallowness of mind, where your word withers away.

L: God of all, save us from the deceitfulness of the world that creates barriers between your people, where your word of life, community and interconnection is choked out.

C: Grant that our hearts may be fertile soil, where your word flourishes and yields a harvest, bringing restoration and life to ourselves, to others, to your world.

Blessing of the Farm

Benediction

*You are a beloved child of God, deserving of love
and respect and God is using you to care for the world.*

Nordland's Week

Today	9:30 / 10:30 am	Worship & Communion at the Peterson Farm / Fellowship at farm
Tue.	10:00 am	Service at Stearns
Wed.	10:00 am	Service at Washburne
Sat.	12:00 pm	Quilt Auction at Green Lake Bible Camp, Pulled Pork Lunch 11 am-1 pm
Sun.	9:30 / 10:30 am	Worship & Communion

Join us for Nordland's Barbecue Blues Bash on Sunday, August 8, 4 – 7 pm at Nordland's Park, in partnership with Krewe Restaurant. Event will feature 1060 West Addison Blues Band. Freewill donation, proceeds will support a new playground at Nordland. Bring your lawn chairs.

BBQ Blues T-shirts are for sale \$20 each, proceeds go to the playground fund! Make check payable to "Nordland Lutheran Church" and put "BBQ Shirt" in the memo line.