

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

"God Speaks to Each of Us"

God speaks to each of us as he makes us,
then walks with us silently out of the night.

These are the words we dimly hear:

You, sent out beyond your recall,
go to the limits of your longing.
Embody me.

Flare up like flame
and make big shadows I can move in.

Let everything happen to you: beauty and terror.
Just keep going. No feeling is final.
Don't let yourself lose me.

Nearby is the country they call life.
You will know by its seriousness.

Give me your hand.

by Rainer Maria Rilke

June 23, 2024

Followers of Jesus, sharing God's love with all...
an adventure for life!

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

In Preparation for Worship

- Within the sanctuary please remember that some people use this time of silence to prepare for worship.
- Whenever the cross is carried in procession through the congregation, we turn to face the cross to signify our way of life as followers of Jesus.
- Large-print bulletins and copies of the worship order are available; ask an usher for assistance.
- Assistive hearing devices are available from the ushers.
- Please silence your cell phone.

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

Please be respectful of people who use this time to prepare for worship.

Prelude

Endless Song, arr. John Carter

Welcome



Hymn

Earth and All Stars!



1 Earth and all stars! Loud rush - ing plan - ets!
2 Trum - pet and pipes! Loud clash - ing cym - bals!
3 En - gines and steel! Loud pound - ing ham - mers!
4 Class - rooms and labs! Loud boil - ing test tubes!
5 Knowl - edge and truth! Loud sound - ing wis - dom!



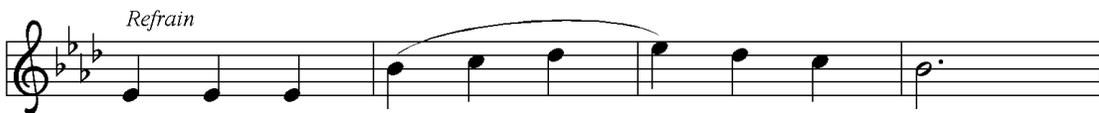
Sing to the Lord a new song!
Sing to the Lord a new song!



Hail, wind, and rain! Loud blow - ing snow - storm!
Harp, lute, and lyre! Loud hum - ming cel - los!
Lime - stone and beams! Loud build - ing work - ers!
Ath - lete and band! Loud cheer - ing peo - ple!
Daugh - ter and son! Loud pray - ing mem - bers!



Sing to the Lord a new song!
Sing to the Lord a new song!



God has done mar - vel - ous things.



I too sing prais - es with a new song!

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Music: EARTH AND ALL STARS, David N. Johnson, 1922-1987
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Greeting

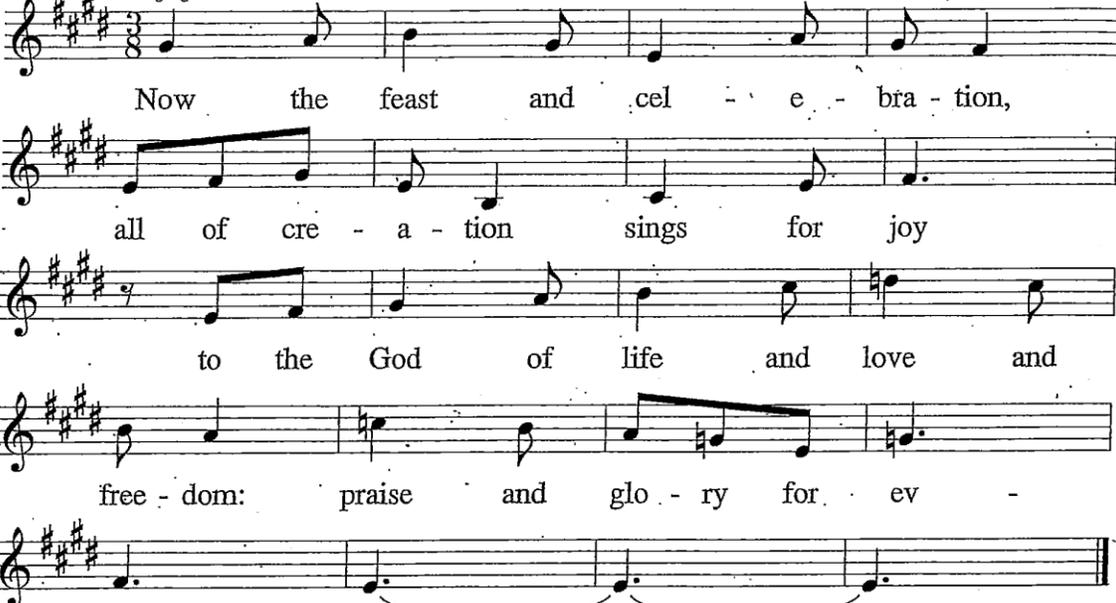
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the friendship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Hymn of Praise

Refrain

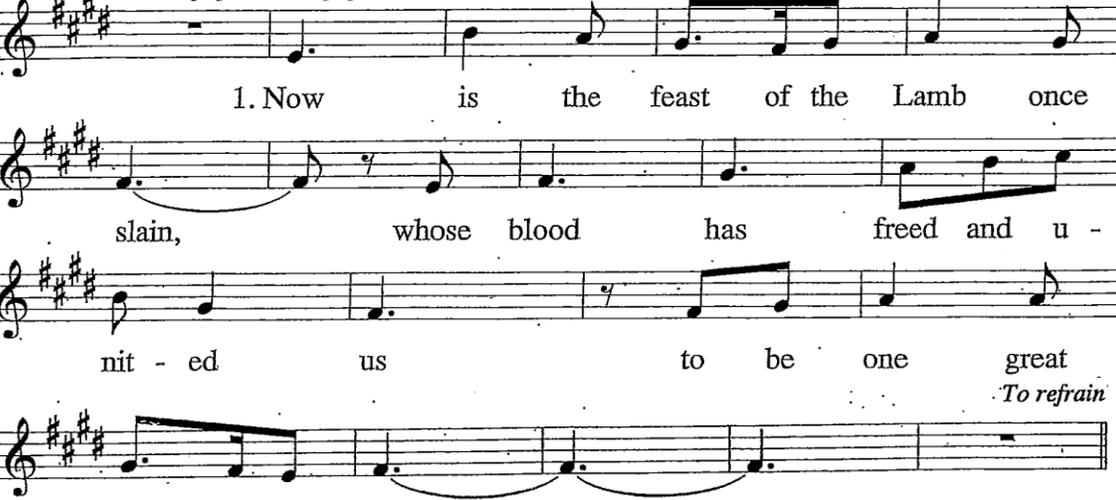
Congregation:



Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion,
all of cre - a - tion sings for joy
to the God of life and love and
free - dom: praise and glo - ry for ev -
er - more!

Verse 1:

Congregation or Congregation 1:



1. Now is the feast of the Lamb once
slain, whose blood has freed and u -
nit - ed us to be one great
peo - ple of God.

To refrain

Verse 2

Congregation or Congregation 2:



Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and
might, all hon - or and glo - ry to Christ

To refrain

for ev - er.

Verse 3

Congregation:

3. For God has come to dwell with us;
to make us peo - ple of God; to make
all things new.

To refrain

Please be seated



WE PROCLAIM THE WORD

Reading

2 Corinthians 6:1-13 (The Message, inclusivized)

A reading from the St. Paul's second letter to the early church at Corinth

Companions as we are in this work with you, we beg you, please don't squander one bit of this marvelous life God has given us. God reminds us,

I heard your call in the nick of time;

The day you needed me, I was there to help.

Well, now is the right time to listen, the day to be helped. Don't put it off; don't frustrate God's work by showing up late, throwing a question mark over everything we're doing. Our work as God's servants gets validated—or not—in the details. People are watching us as we stay at our post, alertly, unswervingly ... in hard times, tough times, bad times; when we're beaten up, jailed, and mobbed; working hard, working late, working without eating; with pure heart, clear head, steady hand; in gentleness, holiness, and honest love; when we're telling the truth, and when God's showing power; when we're doing our best setting things right; when we're praised, and when we're blamed; slandered, and honored; true to our word, though distrusted; ignored by the world, but recognized by God; terrifically alive, though rumored to be dead; beaten within an inch of our lives, but refusing to die; immersed in tears, yet always filled with deep joy; living on handouts, yet enriching many; having nothing, having it all.

Dear, dear Corinthians, I can't tell you how much I long for you to enter this wide-open, spacious life. We didn't fence you in. The smallness you feel comes from within you. Your lives aren't small, but you're living them in a small way. I'm speaking as plainly as I can and with great affection.

Open up your lives. Live openly and expansively.

May we open ourselves to what the Spirit is saying to the church. **Amen.**

Psalm 133



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How good and how pleas- | ant it is,
when kindred live togeth- | er in unity!

**It is like fine oil upon the head, flowing down up- | on the beard,
upon the beard of Aaron, flowing down upon the collar | of his
robe.**

It is like the dew of Hermon flowing down upon the | hills of Zion.
For there the LORD has commanded the blessing: life for- | evermore.



Please stand in body or spirit

Gospel Acclamation

Congregation:

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

Gospel

Mark 4:35-41 (The Message)

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark

Glory to you, O Lord.

[After spending all day preaching to the crowds on the shore of the Sea of Galilee, Jesus] said to his disciples, "Let's go across to the other side."

They took him in the boat as he was. Other boats came along. A huge storm came up. Waves poured into the boat, threatening to sink it. And Jesus was in the stern, head on a pillow, sleeping! They roused him, saying, "Teacher, is it nothing to you that we're going down?"

Awake now, he told the wind to pipe down and said to the sea, "Quiet!

Settle down!" The wind ran out of breath; the sea became smooth as glass. Jesus reprimanded the disciples: "Why are you such cowards? Don't you have any faith at all?"

They were in absolute awe, staggered. "Who is this, anyway?" they asked.

"Wind and sea at his beck and call!"

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated

Message

Big Shadows

Musical Reflection

Scott Steiner

Apostles' Creed

Let us confess our faith in the Triune God as expressed in these historic words:

**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.**

Community Prayers

Let us pray....

After each petition: "Your mercy is great, O God." **Receive our prayer.**
Amen.

Included in our daily prayers are those with special needs or concerns:

Bebe McCoy, Robin Stokes, Bonnie Hegreness, Heidi Carman, Mary Kennedy,
Kevin Bailey's sister Kleta Childs, Jeremy Davis, Bebe McCoy's brother-in-law Walt and
her sister Jan, Brittany Parsons, Mary Bowling's sister Val, John Kennedy's niece
Michele Wolfe, Maddie Sutphin, Skye Andree, Carolyn Moehring, Kris Kauffman,
Kathy Richter, Ruth Murray's daughter Ellen Rose, John Kennedy's sister and brother-in-
law, Becky & Vic Wolfe, Kathie Ehrich, Elaine Warren, Nate Bird's in-laws Rose and
Wendell Jordan, Lorien Dana, Becky Trover's niece Olivia Theissen, Kandice Hoddinott-
Ward, Brittany Amon, John Huber, Mary Watts, Barbara and David Hairston, Dottie and
Larry Bird, Paul Johnson, Carol Heacock

For the people of St. Luke Lutheran Church in Columbus

For Redeemer community members Sara Auman and Julianne Johnson

Time with the Young People

Sharing the peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Members are encouraged to move around the sanctuary to greet each with a hearty handshake or a hug.

For those who have special concerns or who do not wish close contact, please offer a sign of blessing to let others know you are more comfortable greeting them from a distance.

We will continue to take a moment to greet those who are worshiping via livestream before greeting those in the sanctuary.

WE SHARE HOLY COMMUNION

Jesus invited all who were hungry for food, healing, justice, and joy to share this communion meal.

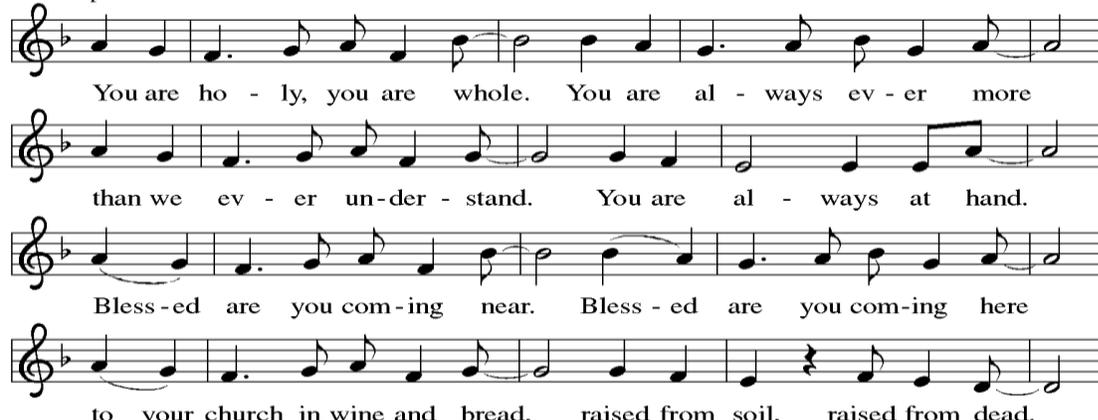
Since this is his meal, and he is present to us in it, all are welcome.

In body or spirit, please stand

Offertory

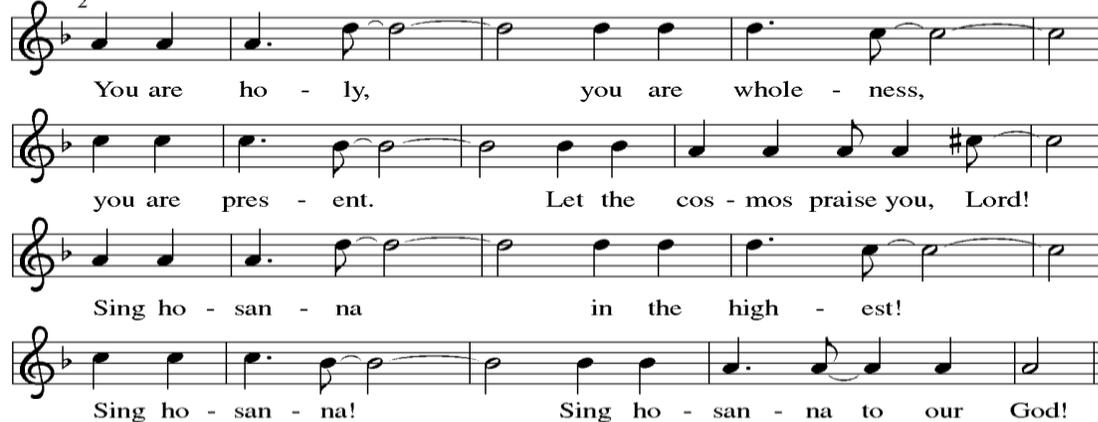
You Are Holy

1*



You are ho - ly, you are whole. You are al - ways ev - er more
than we ev - er un - der - stand. You are al - ways at hand.
Bless - ed are you com - ing near. Bless - ed are you com - ing here
to your church in wine and bread, raised from soil, raised from dead.

2



You are ho - ly, you are whole - ness,
you are pres - ent. Let the cos - mos praise you, Lord!
Sing ho - san - na in the high - est!
Sing ho - san - na! Sing ho - san - na to our God!

* *May be sung in canon.*

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Music: DU ÅR HELIG, Per Harling
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Great Thanksgiving

The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#) and a 4/4 time signature. It consists of five staves of music. The lyrics are: "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 God thanks and praise." The score is divided into parts for the Presider and the Congregation. The Presider's part is indicated by the label "Presider:" above the first, second, and fourth staves. The Congregation's part is indicated by the label "Congregation:" above the third, fourth, and fifth staves. The music is a simple, hymn-like melody with a steady rhythm.

Presider: The Lord be with you. And al - so with
Congregation:
you. *Presider:* Lift up your hearts. *Congregation:* We
Presider: lift them to the Lord. Let us give
Congregation: thanks to the Lord our God. It is
right to give God thanks and praise.

In the beginning, the Spirit brooded time into being, so that God could give form to the world. At the Incarnation, the Spirit breathed God's time into being, so that the world could receive the Word. Through Pentecost, the Spirit brought a new time into being, so that the Word could meet us everywhere.

Holy God, your Christ sends the Spirit to be a companion to all who follow your Way. As inheritors of both the challenge and the comfort of your Way, we join with all who have made this journey in other places and at other times, raising our voices in this timeless song of praise:

Congregation:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and
 might; Heav - en and earth are filled with your
 glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est! Bless - ed is the
 One who comes in your name. Ho - san - na in the
 high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est!

Entering these gifts of bread and wine, the Spirit blesses this time, and makes Christ alive in this meal to comfort, challenge, and transform us. Here at this table, through the power of the Spirit, God's time and our time come together in bread and wine, making grace something we can touch and taste.

We recall how Jesus, drawing near to the end of his time on earth, ate a last meal with his friends. We remember how his words and actions disturbed and dismayed them; but also how he offered them comfort and encouragement. We remember that he took bread, blessed it, broke it, and gave it to his friends saying, "Take this and eat. This is my body broken for you. Do this to remember me." And after supper he took a cup, and gave it to them, saying, "This cup is the new covenant, sealed in my blood. It is shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this to remember me."

Hear us now as we commit ourselves to your Way, and pray the prayer Jesus taught us:

Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

As we share these gifts of grace, may the Holy Spirit take and transform them that we may know both their comfort and their challenge, and so transform ourselves and our days. Here is bread and wine – touched and transformed by the Spirit. Come, eat and drink, and be healed and strengthened to face all that life brings.



Sharing the Meal

The gifts of God, for the people of God. Jesus welcomed all to this meal.
So do we.

Please be seated

You may come forward to receive the elements, remain seated and use the pre-filled communion cups available at the door, or let an usher know you'd like to be served in your seat. Wine is in the outer rings of the tray, grape-apple juice in the inner ring. Gluten-free wafers are available on request, ask Pastor.

Hymn

Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me

1 Je - sus, Sav - ior, pi - lot me o - ver
 2 As a moth - er stills her child, thou canst
 3 When at last I near the shore, and the

life's tem - pes - tuous sea; un - known waves be - fore me
 hush the o - cean wild; bois - t'rous waves o - bey thy
 fear - ful break - ers roar twixt me and the peace - ful

roll, hid - ing rock and treach - 'rous shoal; chart and
 will when thou say'st to them: "Be still." Won - drous
 rest, then, while lean - ing on thy breast, may I

com - pass come from thee. Je - sus, Sav - ior, pi - lot me.
 sov - 'reign of the sea, Je - sus, Sav - ior, pi - lot me.
 hear thee say to me: "Fear not, I will pi - lot thee."

Text: Edward Hopper, 1818-1888
 Music: PILOT, John Edgar Gould, 1822-1875

Hymn

Calm to the Waves

Calm to the waves. Calm to the wind. Je - sus whis - pers, "Peace, be still."

Balm to our hearts. Fears at an end. In still - ness, hear his voice.

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature is one sharp (F#). The first system of music is for the first line of lyrics: "Calm to the waves. Calm to the wind. Je - sus whis - pers, 'Peace, be still.'" The second system of music is for the second line of lyrics: "Balm to our hearts. Fears at an end. In still - ness, hear his voice." The music is written in a simple, accessible style suitable for a hymn.

Text: Mary Louise Bringle, b. 1953

Music: CALM SEAS, Thomas Pavlechko, b. 1962

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Please stand in body or spirit

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Loving Spirit, continue to form and nurture us as we grow in following you.

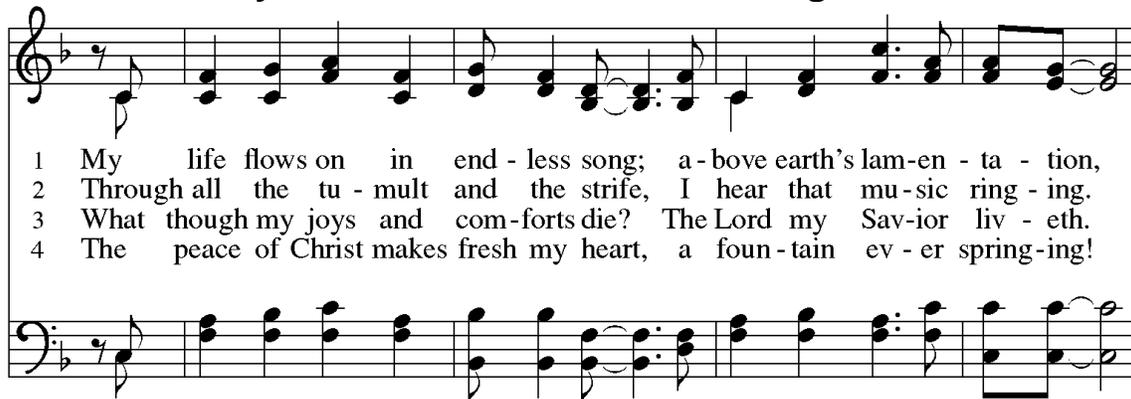
As you led Jesus into the wilderness, stir us out of ease and safety as we follow the way of Christ. As you transformed the disciples, grace and gift us for the task of building the beloved community Christ lived, died, and rose for. Continue to comfort and discomfort us until justice prevails, peace reigns, and love directs all.

Amen.

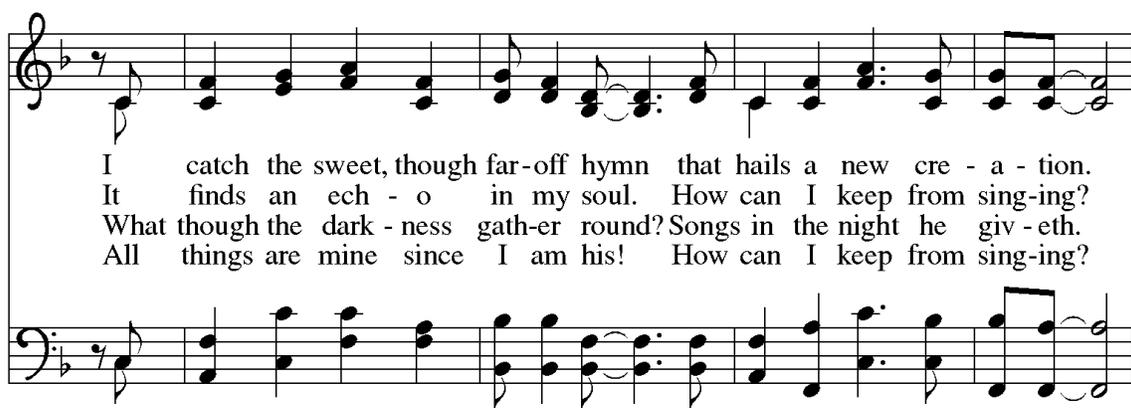
WE ARE SENT

Hymn

My Life Flows On in Endless Song

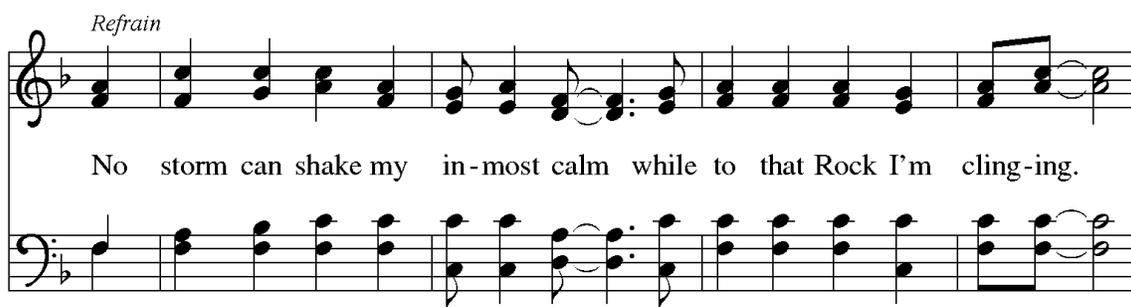


1 My life flows on in end - less song; a - bove earth's lam - en - ta - tion,
2 Through all the tu - mult and the strife, I hear that mu - sic ring - ing.
3 What though my joys and com - forts die? The Lord my Sav - ior liv - eth.
4 The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a foun - tain ev - er spring - ing!



I catch the sweet, though far - off hymn that hails a new cre - a - tion.
It finds an ech - o in my soul. How can I keep from sing - ing?
What though the dark - ness gath - er round? Songs in the night he giv - eth.
All things are mine since I am his! How can I keep from sing - ing?

Refrain



No storm can shake my in - most calm while to that Rock I'm cling - ing.



Since Christ is Lord of heav - en and earth, how can I keep from sing - ing?

Text: Robert Lowry, 1826-1899
Music: HOW CAN I KEEP FROM SINGING, Robert Lowry, alt.

Blessing

Amen.

Announcements

Postlude

The God of Abraham Praise, arr. John Carter

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Adult Ed – 11:15 am

Living our Faith as Citizens

Adult Education Class Discusses New Draft ELCA Statement on Living our Faith as Citizens

In this season of the BREAD Nehemiah Action on May 21, Memorial Day, and elections, it's timely to ask the question, How as Lutherans should we understand our relationship to civic life — including government — as individuals and as a church body?

An Evangelical Lutheran Church in America task force led by experts in theological ethics has been addressing this question for the past three years. This group has issued "A Draft Social Statement on Civic Life and Faith." For the next couple of Sunday mornings, our adult education class will read through a summary of this statement and discuss what it says about faith and public life. Any who wish can submit comments and suggestions to the task force until September 30.

Copies of the draft statement will be available Sunday. You can also access the summary and the entire document at

www.elca.org/civicsandfaith.

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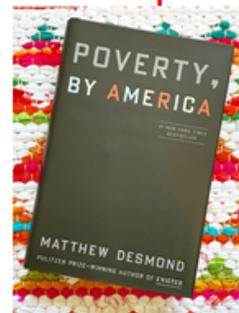
Summer Book Study

Wednesdays

June 19 & 26

July 3 & 10

7-8:30 pm



Matthew Desmond's *Poverty, By America*

There are a number of copies available through the public library if you don't wish to buy it.

For the second discussion on June 26, we're talking about chapters 3 thru 5. Contact the office if you'd like discussion questions before the meeting.

Join Zoom Meeting:

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Bible Study
St. Paul's
Letter to the Romans
Tuesdays + 1:00 pm

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Summer Basketball Camp

June 10 through July 18

Ages 8 - 14

To register,

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RLC Garden Giveaway

Produce from our own garden
and donations from friends and neighbors

Saturday mornings

10 am until gone



*Journaling
Workshop*

7:00 pm

June 25

*In-Person - Outer
Pastor's Office*



Birthdays this week:
23 - Nate Bird

OUR WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

Presiding Minister	David Shull, Pastor
Assisting Minister	Mary Benis
Reader	Mary Benis
Cantor	Heidi Sherer
ASL Interpreter	Bryan Neal
Organist & Senior Choir Director	Kathy Rapp
Pianist & Chime Choir Director	Karen Kent
Usher	Mike Benis
Verger	Michelle Clemence / Wendy Stoica
Communion Prep	Laura Warren, Cathy Oldham, Michelle Clemence
Producers	Michele Disbro, Sue Yehling
Hospitality	Julianne Johnson and Sara Auman

*Flowers are given by **Judith & Ashley Bird** in honor of **Nate Bird** on his birthday.
Noisy Offering will go to World Central Kitchen.*

THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER JUNE 23 – 30

Today	10:00 am	IN-PERSON and LIVESTREAM Worship with Holy Communion
	11:15 am	IN-PERSON and ZOOM Adult Education
Monday	6:30-8:00 pm	Basketball Camp
	7:00 pm	BREAD Celebration!
Tuesday	11:00 am	Member Care Team
	1:00 pm	IN-PERSON and ZOOM Bible Study
	6:30 pm	Congregational Council
	6:30-8:00 pm	Basketball Camp
	7:00 pm	Journaling Workshop
Wednesday	6:30-8:00 pm	Basketball Camp
	7:00 pm	Summer Book Study
Thursday	6:30-8:00 pm	Basketball Camp
Next Sunday	10:00 am	IN-PERSON and LIVESTREAM Worship with Holy Communion
	11:15 am	IN-PERSON and ZOOM Adult Education

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