

Season of Creation Fall 2025 8:30 am



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Welcome to worship at First Lutheran!
As we encounter God's Word and respond with prayer and praise,
may this gathering be for you a holy time of grace, inspiration, and renewal.
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We're glad you're here!

PRELUDE

TOWER BELLS / WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

As we gather, let us confess our sin in the presence of God, one another, and all of creation.

Gracious God,

we confess that we are a people of contradictions.

You have blessed us with the gifts of creation

yet we have distorted them for our own benefit.

We are quick to see the sins of others,

but slow to acknowledge our own.

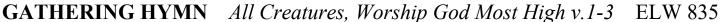
We have been indifferent to suffering

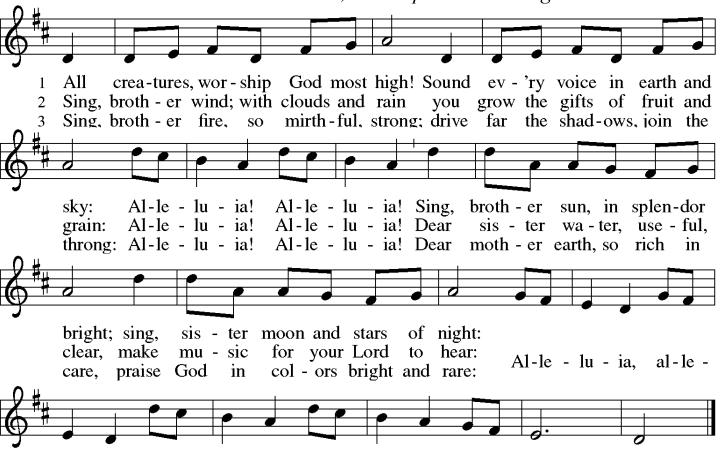
and complacent to the groaning of creation.

Forgive our sins,

renew us in your spirit, and free us from our brokenness that we may live as your forgiven children, in service to our neighbor and to all that you have made. Amen.

Even when we are faithless,...In the name of Jesus, your sins are forgiven! **Amen.**





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Text: Francis of Assisi, 1182-1226; tr. composite

Music: LASST UNS ERFREUEN, Geistliche Kirchengesänge, Köln, 1623

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GREETING

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.**

SONG OF PRAISE



PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray...through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

READING: Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:14

¹ The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw.

²O Lord, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not listen?

Or cry to you "Violence!"

and you will not save?

³ Why do you make me see wrongdoing and look at trouble?

Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise.

⁴ So the law becomes slack, and justice never prevails.

The wicked surround the righteous; therefore judgment comes forth perverted.

^{2:1}I will stand at my watchpost and station myself on the rampart;

I will keep watch to see what he will say to me and what he will answer concerning my complaint.

² Then the Lord answered me and said:

Write the vision;

make it plain on tablets,

so that a runner may read it.

³ For there is still a vision for the appointed time; it speaks of the end and does not lie.

If it seems to tarry, wait for it; it will surely come; it will not delay.

⁴Look at the proud!

Their spirit is not right in them, but the righteous live by their faithfulness.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 37:1-9

1 Do not be provoked by evildoers; do not be jealous of those who do wrong.

2 For they shall soon wither like the grass, and like the green grass fade away.

3 Put your trust in the Lord and do good; dwell in the land and find safe pasture.

4 Take delight in the Lord,

who shall give you your heart's desire.

5 Commit your way to the Lord;

put your trust in the Lord, and see what God will do.

6 The Lord will make your vindication as clear as the light and the justice of your case like the noonday sun.

7 Be still before the Lord and wait patiently.

Do not be provoked by the one who prospers, the one who succeeds in evil schemes.

8 Refrain from anger, leave rage alone; do not be provoked; it leads only to evil.

9 For evildoers shall be cut off, but those who hope in the Lord shall possess the land.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION





Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of e-ter-nal life.

GOSPEL Luke 17:5-10

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

⁵ The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" ⁶ The Lord replied, "If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you.

⁷ "Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, 'Come here at once and take your place at the table'? ⁸ Would you not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me; put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink'? ⁹ Do you

thank the slave for doing what was commanded? ¹⁰ So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, 'We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!' "

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

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY My Hope is Built on Nothing Less

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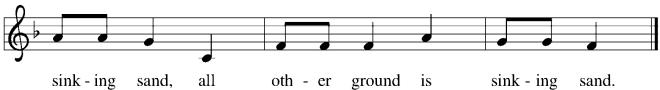


- My hope is built on noth-ing less than Je-sus' blood and righ-teous-ness;
- 2 Whendark-ness veils his love-ly face, I rest on his un chang-ing grace;
- 3 His oath, his cov e nant, his blood sus tain me in the rag ing flood;
- 4 When he shall come with trum-pet sound, oh, may I then in him be found,



no mer-it of my own I claim, but whol - ly lean on Je - sus' name. in ev-'ry high and storm - y gale my an - chor holds with-in the veil. when all sup-ports are washed a-way, he then is all my hope and stay. clothed in his righ-teous-ness a-lone, re-deemed to stand be-fore the throne!





NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,

maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father: through him all things were made.

of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Renewed in God's everlasting grace, let us pray for the church, the world, and all creation.

O God of the church, you give the church a treasure in Jesus Christ. Draw us into the gift of faith passed down from generation to generation. Remind your people that faith the size of a mustard seed is enough. God of grace, receive our prayer.

O God of creation, you nourish the earth with grace and mercy. Bring favorable weather during the harvest season and sustain all creation along with all who labor in the field. Ensure the welfare of animal companions whose presence offers comfort, safety, and joy. God of grace,

receive our prayer.

O God of nations and communities, you govern and guard the world. Give leaders and people in authority a spirit of making just and righteous laws. Bring peace to countries affected by war and violence. God of grace, receive our prayer.

O God of those in need, you care for those who are sick, oppressed, bereaved, lonely, and poor, especially Curt, Justin, Mary Jo, JT, Janice, Michaela, Tony, Barbara, Duane, Karen, Mitch, Jackson, Jim, Duane and Keith. Come to the help of all in need. Help us to trust that you will come to us at the right time. God of grace, receive our prayer.

O God of this congregation, you nurture our faith. Thank you for those of all ages who teach, lead, and learn in this congregation and beyond. Give growth to the seeds of faith watered by faithful examples of baptismal living. God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

O God of ages past, thank you for the witness of those who have died in faith. May the faith of those who now rest in your merciful arms, like Lois and Eunice, shape our faith in your Son, Jesus Christ. God of grace, receive our prayer.

We offer our prayers, O God, trusting in your everlasting grace and mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

PEACE

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

OFFERING (special music – see insert)





sun and moon, lift up your voice; night and stars, in God re - joice.

COMMUNION

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

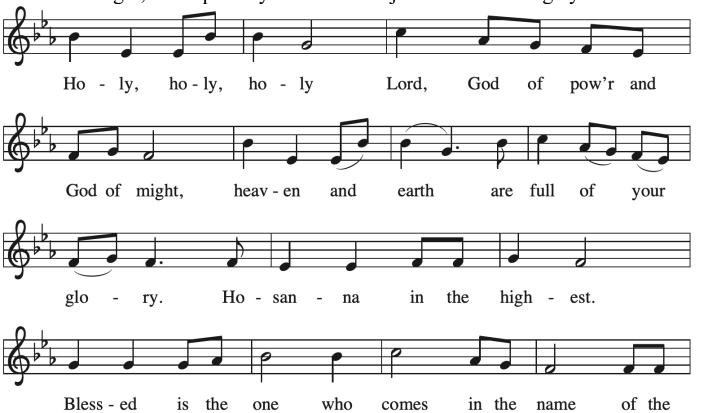
Lift up your hearts.

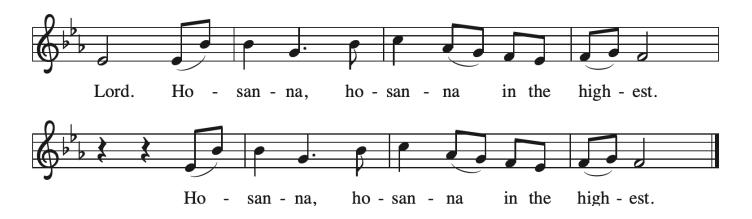
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, ...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:





WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

DISTRIBUTION AND SONGS





gra - cious words draw near, fol - low where you trod; faith bound may our a vine: found in means di light realms of clear er

O Christ, who spoke as your prom - ise but in call to you when on be - neath the wa ter be - hold may we you



we re - joice, ar you are near ar and the word, b as you are, wi

"My peace with be you and cry, "My Lord and and seek where you are be - neath the bread and with full and end less

here."
God!"
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- 1 My faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Cal va ry,
- 2 May thy rich grace im part strength to my faint ing heart,
- 3 While life's dark maze I tread and griefs a round me spread,
- 4 When ends life's tran sient dream, when death's cold, sul len stream



Sav - ior di - vine! my zeal in - spire; be thou my guide; shall o'er me roll; Now while I pray, take all my hear me thou hast died for me, oh, may my as bid sor-row's dark-ness turn to day, wipe blest Say - ior, then, in love fear and dis -



oh, let me from this day be whol - ly thine! guilt a - way, warm, and change-less be, liv - ing love to thee a fire! pure, ev - er stray from thee tears a - way, nor let me a side. oh, bear safe a - bove, a soul! trust re-move; me ran - somed

BLESSING



How Great Thou Art

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- God, when I 1 Lord my in awe - some won - der con-sid-er I hear the
- When through the woods and for est glades I wan - der.
- think that God, his Son not spar - ing,
- sent him to When Christ shall come, with shout of ac - cla - ma - tion, and take me



the works thy hand hath made, I see the stars, I hear the might-y all birds sing sweet-ly in the trees; when I look down from loft - y moun-tain that on the cross my bur-den glad-ly I scarce can take it in. home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in hum-ble ad - o -



thun - der, gran - deur bear - ing ra - tion

thy pow'r through-out and hear the brook bled and died he and there pro - claim,

u - ni - verse dis - played; the and feel the gen - tle breeze; to take a - way my "My God, how great thou art!"



Then sings my soul, my Sav-ior God, to thee, how great thou



art! How great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Sav-ior God, to



DISMISSALGo in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

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