

# FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH BROOKINGS

Season of Creation  
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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.**

**GATHERING HYMN** *All Creatures, Worship God Most High v.1-3* ELW 835



1 All crea-tures, wor-ship God most high! Sound ev-'ry voice in earth and  
2 Sing, broth-er wind; with clouds and rain you grow the gifts of fruit and  
3 Sing, broth-er fire, so mirth-ful, strong; drive far the shad-ows, join the



sky: Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Sing, broth-er sun, in splen-dor  
grain: Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Dear sis - ter wa - ter, use - ful,  
throng: Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Dear moth - er earth, so rich in



bright; sing, sis - ter moon and stars of night:  
clear, make mu - sic for your Lord to hear: Al-le - lu - ia, al-le -  
care, praise God in col - ors bright and rare:



lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia!

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



1 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;  
2 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;  
3 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;



yours is the prom - ise, the bless - ing, the birth.  
yours the ho - san - nas, the dy - ing, re - birth.  
yours the a - noint - ing, the ra - di - ant worth.



Ours the re - joic - ing for Word giv - en frame;  
Ours the re - joic - ing for na - ture re - claimed;  
Ours the re - joic - ing for spir - its a - flame;



ours the thanks - giv - ing to your ho - ly name.



Ours be the tell - ing of deeds great - ly done;



yours be the glo - ry, O God, yours a - lone.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

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

**Amen.**

## **READING: Amos 8:4-7**

4 Hear this, you who trample on the needy,  
and bring to ruin the poor of the land,

5 saying, "When will the new moon be over  
so that we may sell grain, and the Sabbath,  
so that we may offer wheat for sale?"

We will make the ephah smaller and the shekel heavier  
and practice deceit with false balances,

6 buying the poor for silver  
and the needy for a pair of sandals  
and selling the sweepings of the wheat."

7 The Lord has sworn by the pride of Jacob:  
Surely I will never forget any of their deeds.

## **PSALM 113**

1 Hallelujah! Give praise, you servants of the Lord;  
praise the name of the Lord.

**2 Let the name of the Lord be blessed,  
from this time forth forevermore.**

3 From the rising of the sun to its going down  
let the name of the Lord be praised.

**4 The Lord is high above all nations;  
God's glory above the heavens.**

5 Who is like the Lord our God,  
who sits enthroned on high,

**6 but stoops to behold  
the heavens and the earth?**

7 The Lord takes up the weak out of the dust  
and lifts up the poor from the ashes,


**8 enthroning them with the rulers,  
with the rulers of the people.**

9 The Lord makes the woman of a childless house  
to be a joyful mother of children. Hallelujah!

## **CHILDREN'S SERMON**

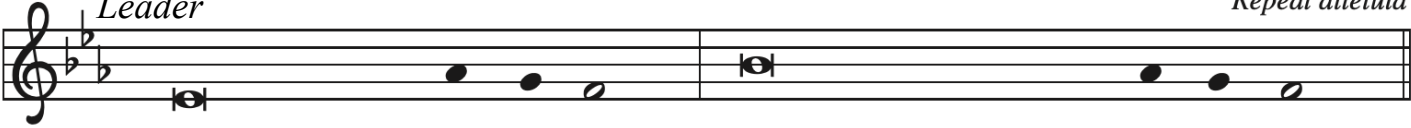
## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Congregation*



Al-le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia.

*Leader* *Repeat alleluia*



Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

### GOSPEL Luke 16:1-13

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

1 Then Jesus said to the disciples, “There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. 2 So he summoned him and said to him, ‘What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management because you cannot be my manager any longer.’ 3 Then the manager said to himself, ‘What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. 4 I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.’ 5 So, summoning his master’s debtors one by one, he asked the first, ‘How much do you owe my master?’ 6 He answered, ‘A hundred jugs of olive oil.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.’ 7 Then he asked another, ‘And how much do you owe?’ He replied, ‘A hundred containers of wheat.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill and make it eighty.’ 8 And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly, for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. 9 And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone they may welcome you into the eternal homes. 10 “Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much, and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. 11 If, then, you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? 12 And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? 13 No slave can serve two masters, for a slave will either hate the one and love the other or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.”

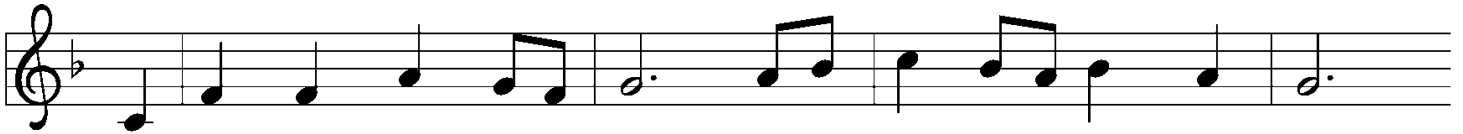
The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## SERMON

### HYMN OF THE DAY

*Let Justice Flow Like Streams*

ELW 717



- 1 Let jus - tice flow like streams of spar - kling wa - ter, pure,
- 2 Let righ - teous - ness roll on as oth - ers' cares we heed,
- 3 So may God's plumb line, straight, de - fine our mea - sure true,



en - a - bling growth, re - fresh - ing life, a - bun - dant, cleans - ing, sure.  
an ev - er - flow - ing stream of faith trans - lat - ed in - to deed.  
and jus - tice, right, and peace per - vade this world our whole life through.

Text: Jane Parker Huber, b. 1926

Music: ST. THOMAS, Aaron Williams, 1731–1776

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## 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.**

**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**

Gracious God, we come to you in prayer for the church, the world, and all in need.

O God, teach your church to act in solidarity with the poor, frustrating the efforts of those who trample on the needy and practicing justice in our own life and community. God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

Almighty Creator, we pray for an end to the misuse of the earth and its resources, that all people may benefit from your abundant gifts and that our stewardship of creation would be marked by justice and sustainability. God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

Holy One, embolden elected leaders to pursue policies of economic justice for the benefit of all, especially those who are most vulnerable and marginalized. Persuade them by your example of generosity and compassion. God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

Compassionate God, we pray for all facing illness, those near death, or those grieving the loss of loved ones. May they find comfort and strength in your love. Prepare us to surround them with your healing care. God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

God of love, motivate our congregation to enact economic justice through tangible action, prioritizing the needs of our community and sharing resources generously through our outreach and justice ministries. God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

Gracious God, we give thanks for the saints who now join the heavenly chorus in praising your name. Lift us up from the dust of grief and remind us of your promise of new life. God of grace, **receive our prayer.**



We entrust these prayers to you, O God, in the name of Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend. **Amen.**

## PEACE

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

## OFFERING

**Sing Out, My Soul** Arr. Mark Hayes  
**Pat Anderson – Sanctuary Choir Director**

Sing out my soul, the goodness of our God! With joy we behold all the hope of each newborn day. All nature shouts God's praise in myriad wondrous ways; Thanksgiving swells in ev'ry breast; give thanks, my soul!

Sing out, my soul, the mercies of our God, Whose wisdom ordained that we dwell in community; Through fellowship we grow, God's greater love to know; Reunion speaks of heaven's bliss; rejoice, my soul!

Rejoice, my soul, Sing out, my soul the mercies of our God, the greatness of our God! Sing out, my soul, the greatness of our God! With God as our strength; we can know our defense is sure. Though mortal powers fail, with God we shall prevail, And human hearts must celebrate; sing out, my soul! Amen! Amen! Amen!

## OFFERING RESPONSE

*Let The Whole Creation Cry v.1*

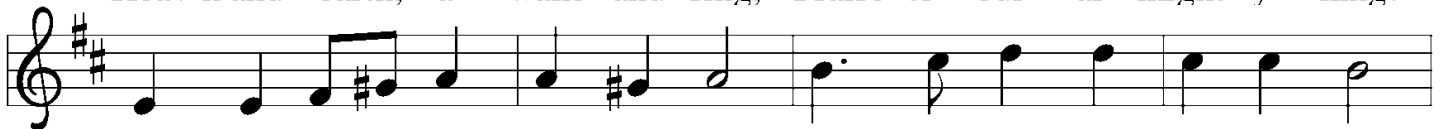
ELW 876



1 Let the whole cre - a - tion cry, "Glo - ry to the Lord on high!"



Heav'n and earth, a - wake and sing, "Praise to our al - might - y king!"



Praise God, an - gel hosts a - bove, ev - er bright and fair in love;



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.**

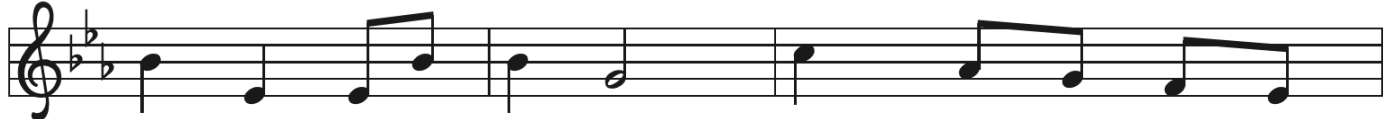
Lift up your hearts.

**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:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and



God of might, heav - en and earth are full of your



glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is the one who comes in the name of the



Lord. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

### 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

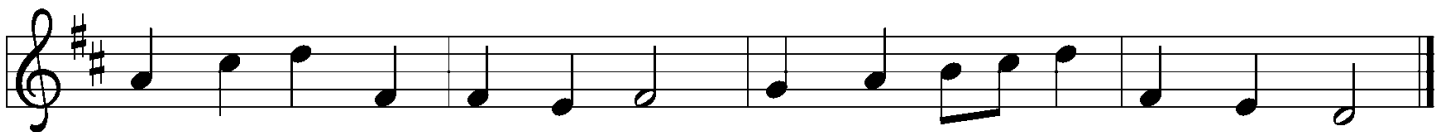
### COMMUNION HYMN #1

*Take My Life, That I May Be*

*ELW 685*



- 1 Take my life, that I may be con - se - crat - ed, Lord, to thee;
- 2 Take my hands and let them move at the im - pulse of thy love;
- 3 Take my voice and let me sing al - ways, on - ly, for my King;
- 4 Take my sil - ver and my gold, not a mite would I with - hold;



take my mo - ments and my days; let them flow in cease - less praise.  
take my feet and let them be swift and beau - ti - ful for thee.  
take my lips and let them be filled with mes - sag - es from thee.  
take my in - tel - lect, and use ev - 'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose.

5 Take my will and make it thine;  
it shall be no longer mine.  
Take my heart, it is thine own;  
it shall be thy royal throne.

6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour  
at thy feet its treasure store;  
take myself, and I will be  
ever, only, all for thee.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt.

Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

Here is bread, here is wine, Christ is with us, he is with us.  
Break the bread, taste the wine Christ is with us here.

*Refrain:* In this bread, there is healing, in this cup is life forever.  
In this moment, by the spirit, Christ is with us here.

Here is grace, here is peace, Christ is with us, he is with us.  
Know his grace, find his peace, feast on Jesus here.

*Refrain*

Here we are, joined as one, Christ is with us, he is with us.  
We'll proclaim till he comes, Jesus crucified.

*Refrain*

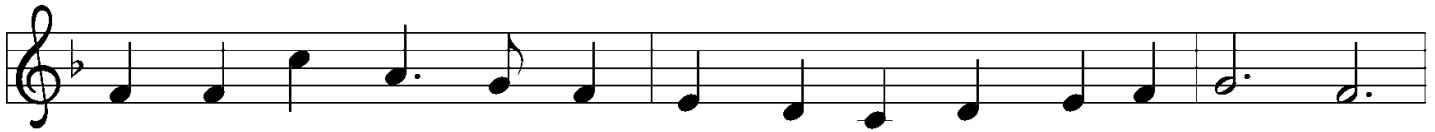
**BLESSING**

**SENDING HYMN***Praise To The Lord, The Almighty*

ELW 858



1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre - a - tion!  
 2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is won-drous-ly reign - ing  
 3 Praise to the Lord, who will pros - per your work and de - fend you;  
 4 Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me a - dore him!



O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and sal - va - tion!  
 and, as on wings of an ea - gle, up - lift - ing, sus - tain - ing.  
 sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy shall dai - ly at - tend you.  
 All that has life and breath, come now with prais - es be - fore him!



Let all who hear now to his tem - ple draw near,  
 Have you not seen all that is need - ful has been  
 Pon - der a - new what the Al - might - y can do  
 Let the a - men sound from his peo - ple a - gain.



join - ing in glad ad - o - ra - tion!  
 sent by his gra - cious or - dain - ing?  
 if with his love he be - friend you.  
 Glad - ly for - ev - er a - dore him!

Text: Joachim Neander, 1650–1680; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt.  
 Music: LOBE DEN HERREN, *Ernewerten Gesangbuch*, Part II, Stralsund, 1665

**DISMISSAL**

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

## **POSTLUDE**

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