

# FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH BROOKINGS

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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

**CALL TO WORSHIP**    *All Things Bright and Beautiful*    Royal Oak  
Handbell Choir with percussion by Cathy Moklebust & Tony Nielson

## WELCOME

### GATHERING HYMN

*Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart*

ELW 873

1 Re - joice, ye pure in heart! Re - joice, give thanks, and sing;  
2 With voice as full and strong as o - cean's surg - ing praise,  
3 With all the an - gel choirs, with all the saints on earth  
4 Still lift your stan - dard high, still march in firm ar - ray,

your fes - tal ban - ner wave on high, the cross of Christ your king.  
send forth the stur - dy hymns of old, the psalms of an - cient days.  
pour out the strains of joy and bliss, true rap - ture, no - blest mirth.  
as pil - grims through the dark - ness wend till dawns the gol - den day.

*Refrain*

Re - joice!

Re - joice!

Re - joice, give thanks, and sing!

5 At last the march shall end;  
the wearied ones shall rest;  
the pilgrims find their home at last,  
Jerusalem the blest. *Refrain*

6 Praise God who reigns on high,  
the Lord whom we adore:  
the Father, Son, and Spirit blest,  
one God forevermore. *Refrain*

## 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.**

In the beginning was the Word,  
**and the Word was with God,**  
**and the Word was God.**

In the Word was life,  
**and the life was the light of all people.**

The Word became flesh and lived among us,  
**and we have seen his glory,**  
**full of grace and truth.**

## CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Cantor



Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.

Congregation



Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther,



we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us;



you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re-ceive our prayer.



For you a - lone are the Ho-ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Let us pray....

**Amen.**

**READING:** 1 Corinthians 1:18-31

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

**CHILDREN'S SERMON**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the

words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

## GOSPEL: Matthew 5:1-12

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

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

## SERMON

## HYMN OF THE DAY

## *Build a Longer Table*

ACS 1062



1 Build a long - er ta - ble, not a high - er wall,  
2 Build a saf - er ref - uge, not a larg - er jail;  
3 Build a broad - er door - way, not a long - er fence.  
4 When we lived as ex - iles, ref - u - gees a - broad,



feed - ing those who hun - ger, mak - ing room for all.  
where the weak find shel - ter, mer - cy will not fail.  
Love pro - tects all peo - ple, spar - ing no ex - pense.  
Christ be - came our door - way to the reign of God.



Feast - ing to - geth - er, strang - er turns to friend,  
For an - y place where jus - tice is de - nied,  
When we em - brace com - pas - sion more than fear,  
So must our ta - bles wel - come those who roam.



Christ breaks walls to piec - es; false di - vi - sions end.  
Christ will breach the jail wall, free - ing all in - side.  
Christ tears down our fenc - es: all are wel-come here.  
None can be ex - clud - ed; all must find a home.

Text: David BJORLIN, b. 1984

Music: NOËL NOUVELET, French carol

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## STEPPINGSTONE RECOGNITION

### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

...Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**  
...in Christ Jesus our Savior.  
**Amen**

## PEACE

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

## OFFERING

*Blessed Are You  
Sanctuary Choir*

by William Beckstrand

Blessed, blessed, blessed are you poor,  
for yours is the kingdom, the kingdom of God.

Blessed, blessed are you who hunger now, for you will be fed.

Blessed are you who weep, for you will laugh.

Blessed are you, blessed are you when people hate you, reject you, exclude you,  
persecute you, defame you, on account of the Son,  
the Son of Man, the Son of Man, on account of the Son of Man.

Blest are you. Rejoice! Rejoice and leap for joy! Rejoice this day and sing!

For surely your reward is great; a promised day we all await, the kingdom,  
God's kingdom, the kingdom of the Lord!

## 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...and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -  
san - na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. 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

*O God of Mercy, God of Light*

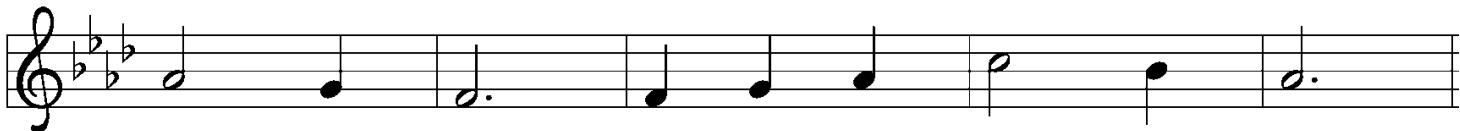
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1 O God of mer - cy, God of light, in love and  
 2 You sent your Son to die for all, that our lost  
 3 Teach us the les - son Je - sus taught: to feel for  
 4 For all are kin - dred, far and wide, since Je - sus



mer - cy in - fi - nite, teach us, as ev - - er  
 world might hear your call; oh, hear us lest we  
 those his blood has bought, that ev - 'ry deed and  
 Christ for all has died; grant us the will, and



in your sight, to live our lives in you.  
 stray and fall! We rest our hope in you.  
 word and thought may work a work for you.  
 grace pro - vide, to love them all in you.

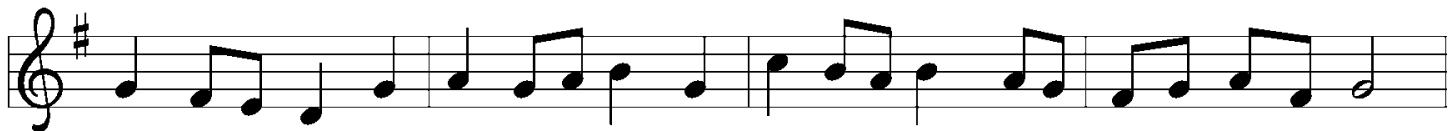
5 In sickness, sorrow, want, or care,  
 may we each other's burdens share;  
 may we, where help is needed, there  
 give help as though to you.

6 And may your Holy Spirit move  
 all those who live to live in love,  
 till you receive in heav'n above  
 all those who live in you.

Text: Godfrey Thring, 1823–1903, alt.  
 Music: JUST AS I AM, Joseph Barnby, 1838–1896

## *As We Gather at Your Table*

ELW 522



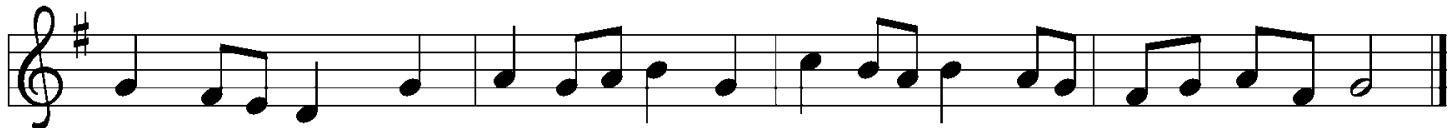
1 As we gath - er at your ta - ble, as we lis - ten to your word,  
2 Turn our wor - ship in - to wit - ness in the sac - ra - ment of life;  
3 Gra - cious Spir - it, help us sum - mon oth - er guests to share that feast



help us know, O God, your pres - ence; let our hearts and minds be stirred.  
send us forth to love and serve you, bring - ing peace where there is strife.  
where tri - umphant Love will wel - come those who had been last and least.



Nour - ish us with sa - cred sto - ry till we claim it as our own;  
Give us, Christ, your great com - pas - sion to for - give as you for - gave;  
There no more will en - vy blind us nor will pride our peace de - stroy,



teach us through this ho - ly ban - quet how to make Love's vic - t'ry known.  
may we still be - hold your im - age in the world you died to save.  
as we join with saints and an - gels to re - peat the sound - ing joy.

Text: Carl P. Daw Jr., b. 1944

Music: IN BABILON, *Oude en Nieuwe Hollantse Boerenlities en Contradansen*, 1710

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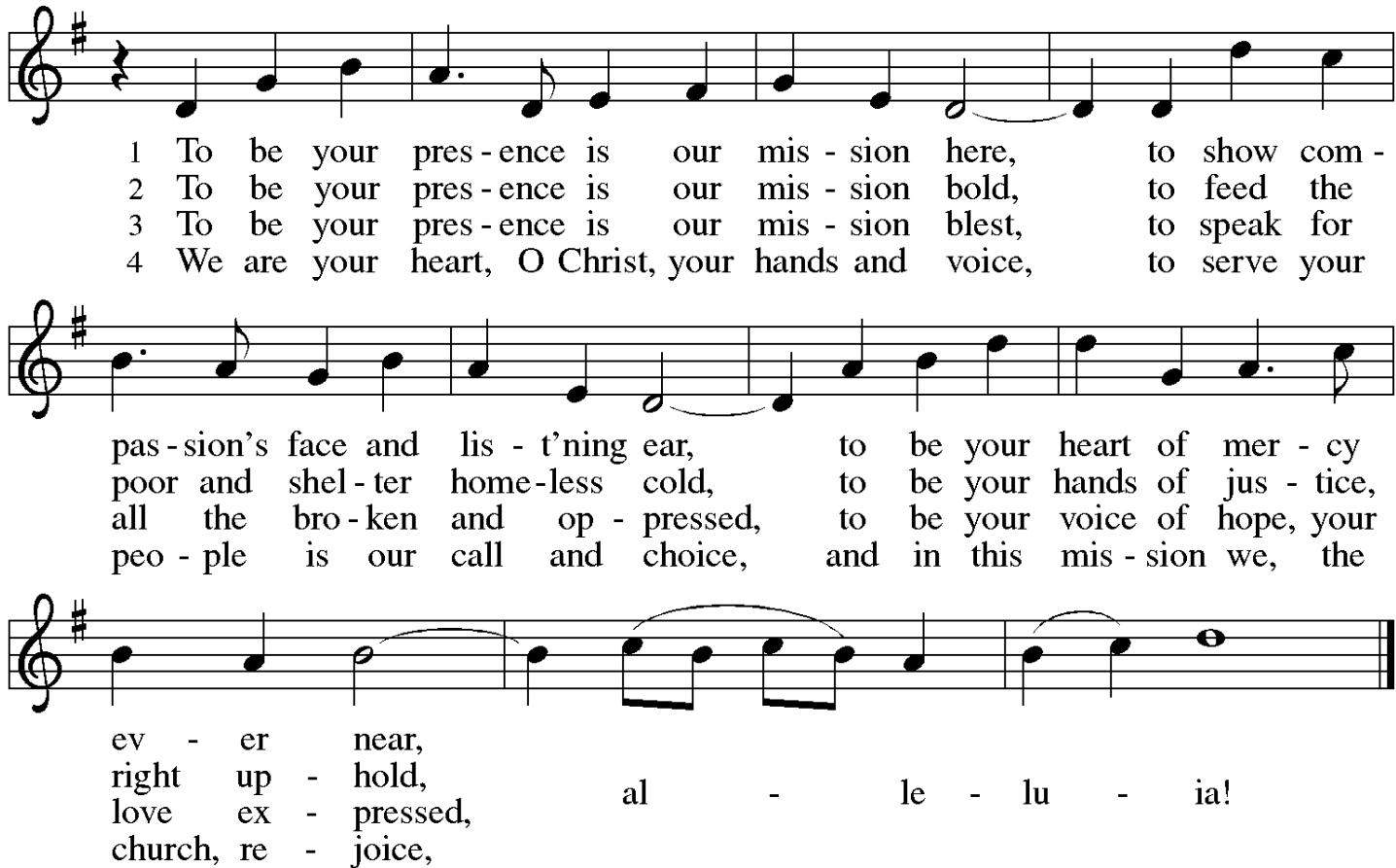
## **BLESSING**

Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
bless you now and forever.

**Amen.**

**SENDING HYMN***To Be Your Presence*

ELW 546



1 To be your presence is our mission here, to show com-  
2 To be your presence is our mission bold, to feed the  
3 To be your presence is our mission blest, to speak for  
4 We are your heart, O Christ, your hands and voice, to serve your

pas-sion's face and lis-tning ear, to be your heart of mer-cy  
poor and shel-ter home-less cold, to be your hands of jus-tice,  
all the bro-ken and op-pressed, to be your voice of hope, your  
peo-ple is our call and choice, and in this mis-sion we, the

ev-er near,  
right up hold,  
love ex-pressed,  
church, re-joice,  
al - le - lu - ia!

Text: Delores Dufner, OSB, b. 1939

Music: ENGELBERG, Charles V. Stanford, 1852–1924

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**DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Consider your call.

**Thanks be to God.****POSTLUDE**

***Serving in Worship Today***

*Pastor Jess Daum and Pastor Trey Daum*

*Chris Larson, Reader*

*Mary Ermel, Organist and Sanctuary Choir Accompanist*

*Ross and Julie Bergan Abraham, Cantors*

*Pat Anderson, Sanctuary Choir Director*

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