

As a community following Christ, we LOVE with an open heart GROW with a curious mind and SHARE with a generous spirit.

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Please turn off all cell phones.

If you are visiting with us today, we extend to you a particular welcome and invite your questions and comments.

Our entire worship service is printed in this worship folder for your convenience.

Hearing assistance devices are available in the Narthex.

Child care is available for children ages 5 years and under in the Child Care Area, across from the Life Together Hall.

In the order of service, the words that are spoken by a leader are in regular type.

Words spoken by the assembly are in boldface type.

SUMMER NARRATIVE LECTIONARY

Time after Pentecost: ISAIAH 55

Sunday, June 18, 2023 • 8:15 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Stand.

CALL TO CONFESSION

All may make the sign of the cross, + the sign that is marked at baptism.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who greets us in this and every season, whose word never fails, whose promise is sure.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of our neighbors.

Kneel or stand.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned.
We have hurt our community.
We have squandered your blessings.
We have hoarded your bounty.
In the name of Jesus,
forgive us and grant us your mercy.

Silence is kept for reflection.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

God is a cup of cold water when we thirst.

God offers boundless grace when we fail.

Claim the gift of God's mercy: you are freed and forgiven in the name of + Jesus Christ.

Amen.

Stand.

KYRIE • "KYRIE" With One Voice 601 • Ghana





GREETING

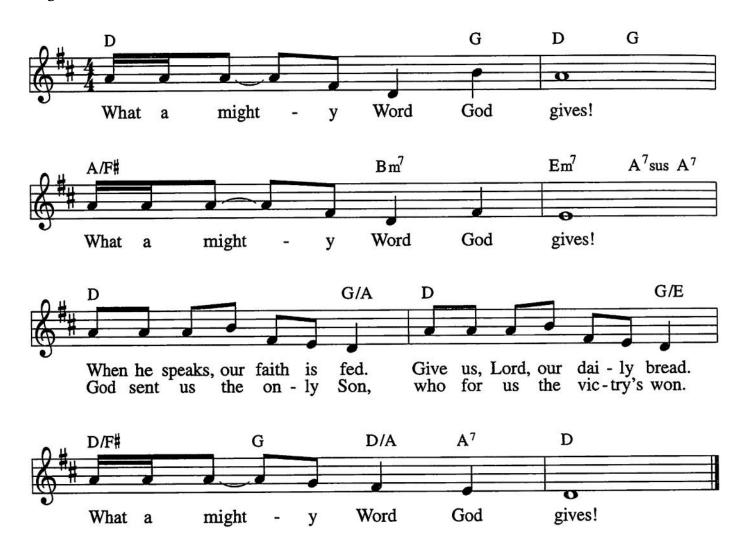
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

HYMN OF PRAISE • "WHAT A MIGHTY WORD GOD GIVES"

Worship & Praise 155

Sing three times.



PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

God of restoration, save us when we find ourselves spiritually thirsty.

Help us walk your road with your purpose, strengthened by your living water.

Amen.

Sit.

ACCLAMATION OF SCRIPTURE • "CELTIC ALLELUIA"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 174

Sing twice.



READING

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

Isaiah 55:1-13

Ho, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy? Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live. I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. See, you shall call nations that you do not know, and nations that do not know you shall run to you, because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you.

Seek the LORD while he may be found, call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake their way, and the unrighteous their thoughts; let them return to the LORD, that he may have mercy on them, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the LORD. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts. For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return there until they have watered the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and succeed in the thing for which I sent it. For you shall go out in joy, and be led back in peace; the mountains and the hills before you shall burst into song, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands. Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress; instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle; and it shall be to the LORD for a memorial, for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

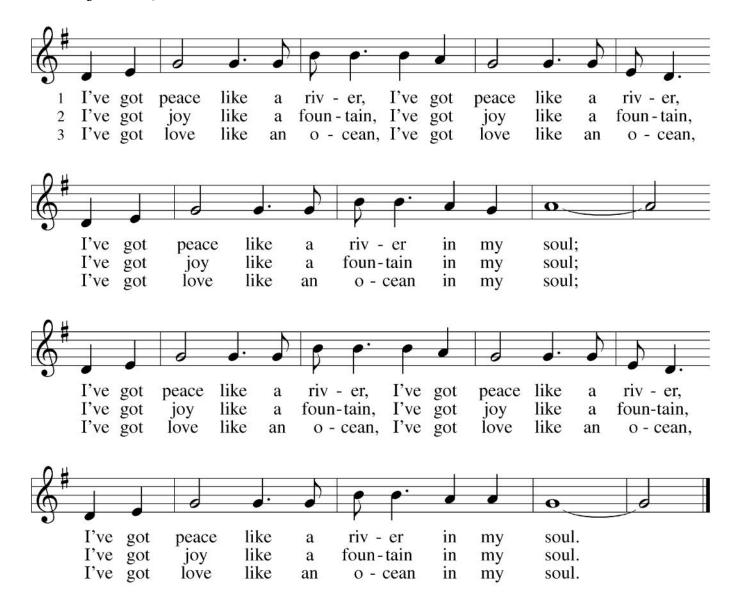
CHILDREN'S SERMON + SERMON

Pastor Eric Bostrom.

Stand.

HYMN OF THE DAY • "I'VE GOT PEACE LIKE A RIVER"

This Far by Faith 258



CREED

Together, let us confess our faith.

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.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Trusting in God's abundant mercy, let us offer our prayers for a world in need.

At the conclusion of each petition:

God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Receive our prayers and answer us, O God, in the name of Jesus Christ.

Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Sit.

OFFERING

"Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this,' says the Lord Almighty, 'and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it." —MALACHI 3:10

Giving is not just about sacrifice. It is God's way of ritually introducing us into the flow of sowing and reaping that is the subcurrent of his creation. Participate in the harvest that God has for us by sowing your gift with him today.

You can participate in the Offering electronically by scanning the QR code and filling out the online form.



OFFERTORY

Stand.

OFFERTORY RESPONSE • "THANKS TO GOD, AUTHOR OF LIVING" Samoa



OFFERTORY PRAYER

God of field and forest, sea and sky, you are the giver of all good things. Sustain us with these gifts of your creation, and multiply your graciousness in us, that the world may be fed with your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

THE 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, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS • "HOLY, HOLY, HOLY"

All Creation Sings • Holy Communion, Setting 11 • Puerto Rico



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER • "CAMBODIAN LORD'S PRAYER"

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COMMUNION

All people are called to Christ's table. Come, eat what is good.

Sit.

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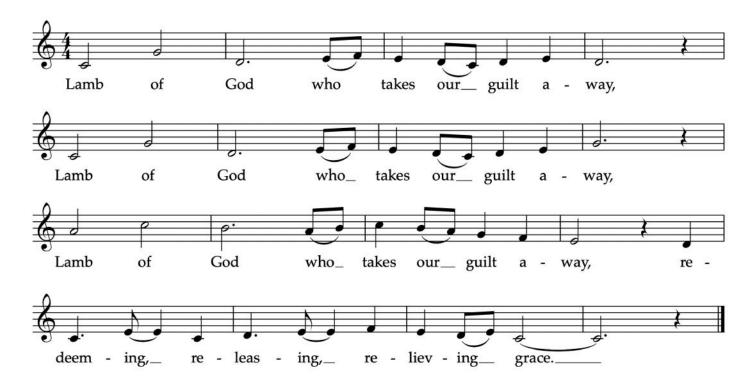
At Mountain View Lutheran Church we practice an open communion table, which means that everyone is welcome to receive the body and blood of Jesus Christ. (You don't have to be a member of MVLC.)

If you need an alcohol-free element or a gluten-free element, then please let your server know.

If you are unable to come forward for communion, then please let an usher know and you will be served where you are seated.

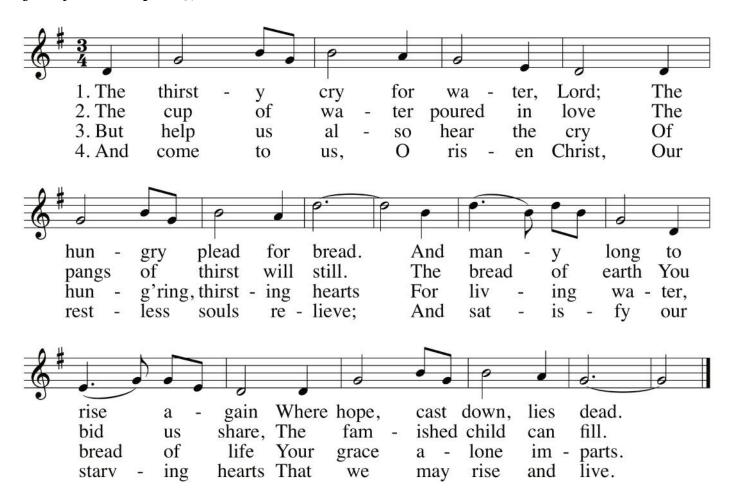
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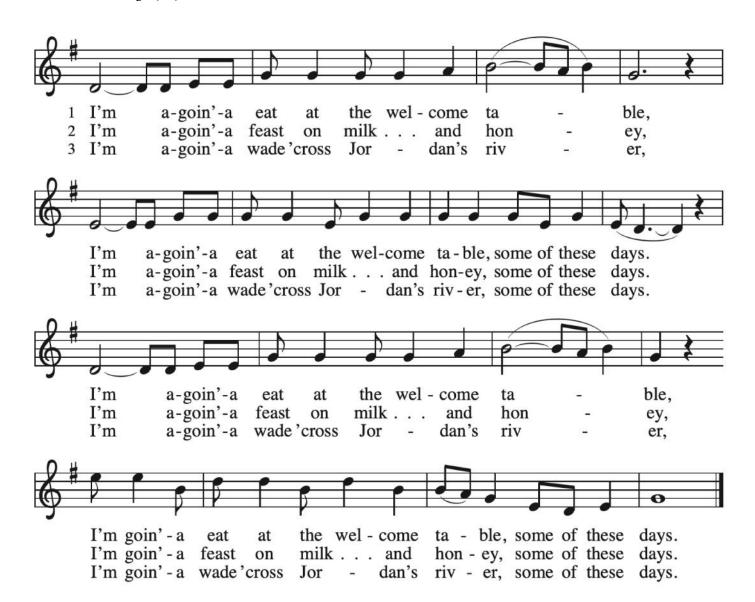
COMMUNION HYMN • "THE THIRSTY CRY FOR WATER, LORD"

Hymns for the Gospels 157



COMMUNION HYMN • "WELCOME TABLE"

All Creation Sings 969



Stand.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We thank you, generous God,

for the refreshment we have received at your banquet table.

Send us now to spread your generosity into all the world, through the one who is our dearest treasure, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

DEACON SENDING

Deacons are called to "make Christ and his redemptive love known by word and example." (1 Timothy) Such love is expressed in the extension of Holy Communion to those who are homebound or hospitalized.

O God of tender compassion,

as you healed the sick and welcomed the stranger, bless those who leave this assembly to share the gifts of this table with our sisters and brothers who are sick or homebound. May they be sustained by the love and prayers of this community, and by the Bread of Life that satisfies all hunger, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

BLESSING

Now may the God of peace, who brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, + the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, make you complete in everything good so that you may do his will, working among us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory forever and ever.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN • "THE TREES OF THE FIELD"

Worship & Praise 138



SENDING

Go in peace. Serve in love.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Flowers on the altar today are given to the glory of God by Don and Lori Neptun in celebration of Lori's birthday and Penelope's baptism.

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Both services

- PREACHER: Pastor Eric Bostrom.
- PRESIDER: Pastor Briana Merkle .
- ASSISTING MINISTER: Soren Bostrom.
- DIRECTOR of MUSIC MINISTRIES: Brenna Sage.
- VIDEOGRAPHER: David Burch.
- ALTAR GUILD: Kathy Harris, Janet Larson, Angela Machumu.

8:15 a.m.

- USHERS: Fred Albert (head usher), Chris Ray, Terry Wolfe.
- GREETER: Gloria Ratcliffe.
- LECTOR: Jeanne Anderson.
- COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Genie Lennon, Gloria Ratcliffe.
- SOUND: Don Neptun.

10:45 a.m.

- USHERS: Diksha Knierim, Erik Knierim (head usher), Keith Wright.
- GREETERS: Diane Nelson, Lindy Nelson.
- ACOLYTE: Dutcher Adams.
-) LECTOR: Amy Lewis.
- COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Bob Linden, Kandy Rose.
-) SOUND: Beth Ann Johnson.

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