

# Mid-Week Edu-Worship



## St. Luke Lutheran Church • Pastor Eric Hanson 6:45PM • January 12, 2022

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### Welcome and Announcements

Gathering Hymn: *"Gather Us In"* #532 Pianist, *Debbi St. John*

**Vs 1:** Here in this place new light is streaming, now is the darkness vanished away;  
see in this space our fears and our dreamings brought here to you in the light of this day.  
Gather us in, the lost and forsaken, gather us in, the blind and the lame;  
call to us now and we shall awaken, we shall arise at the sound of our name.

**Vs 2:** We are the young, our lives are a mystery, we are the old who yearn for your face;  
we have been sung throughout all of history, called to be light to the whole human race  
Gather us in, the rich and the haughty, gather us in, the proud and the strong;  
give us a heart so meek and so lowly, give us the courage to enter the song.

**Vs 3:** Here we will take the wine and the water, here we will take the bread of new birth,  
here you shall call your sons and your daughters; call us anew to be salt for the earth.  
Give us to drink the wine of compassion, give us to eat the bread that is you;  
nourish us well and teach us to fashion lives that are holy and hearts that are true.

**Vs 4:** Not in the dark of buildings confining, not in some heaven, light years away--  
here in this place the new light is shining, now is the kingdom, now is the day.  
Gather us in and hold us forever, gather us in and make us your own;  
gather us in, all peoples together, fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

### Confession and Forgiveness:

P: We confess our sins together, in the name of the Father, and of the Son +, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C:** God of all Mercy, come to our aid. When we hide brokenness and only show you wholeness, forgive us. When we cover shame and guilt with pride and pretense, forgive us. When we point out the speck in our neighbor's eye but ignore the log in our own eye, forgive us. When we choose old, harmful ways of living over new, live-giving ways, forgive us. Transform us by the power of your Spirit, Lord God, & make us New.

P: Children of God, God loved us even when we were dead in sin, & makes us new through Jesus Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Live as people set free. **Amen.**

**The Psalms: Psalm 139:1-18** read by *Maya Roschen and Lexi Majerus*

<sup>1</sup>You have searched me, Lord, and you know me. <sup>2</sup>You know when I sit and when I rise; you perceive my thoughts from afar. <sup>3</sup>You discern my going out and my lying down; you are familiar with all my ways. <sup>4</sup>Before a word is on my tongue you, Lord, know it completely. <sup>5</sup>You hem me in behind and before, and you lay your hand upon me. <sup>6</sup>Such knowledge is too wonderful for me, too lofty for me to attain. <sup>7</sup>Where can I go from your Spirit? Where can I flee from your presence? <sup>8</sup>If I go up to the heavens, you are there; if I make my bed in the depths, you are there. <sup>9</sup>If I rise on the wings of the dawn, if I settle on the far side of the sea, <sup>10</sup>even there your hand will guide me, your right hand will hold me fast. <sup>11</sup>If I say, "Surely the darkness will hide me and the light become night around me," <sup>12</sup>even the darkness will not be dark to you; the night will shine like the day, for darkness is as light to you. <sup>13</sup>For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb. <sup>14</sup>I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well. <sup>15</sup>My frame was not hidden from you when I was made in the secret place, when I was woven together in the depths of the earth. <sup>16</sup>Your eyes saw my unformed body; all the days ordained for me were written in your book before one of them came to be. <sup>17</sup>How precious to me are your thoughts, God! How vast is the sum of them! <sup>18</sup>Were I to count them, they would outnumber the grains of sand — when I awake, I am still with you.

**Student Messages:** *by Maya Roschen and Lexi Majerus*

*What do you find praiseworthy about God? What do you find praiseworthy about God's creation?*

**Teaching:** *Pastor Eric Hanson*

**Song of the Day:** *"Change My Heart O God" #801*

Change my heart, O God; make it ever true. Change my heart, O God; may I be like you.

You are the potter; I am the clay. Mold me and make me; this is what I pray.

Change my heart, O God; make it ever true. Change my heart, O God; may I be like you.

**Apostles' Creed:**

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, & 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, & he will come to judge the living & 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, & the life everlasting. Amen.

**The Prayers:** *by Ayden Horsman and Kayla Stenlund (call and response)*

L: Let us Pray....

L: Lord in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

**Sharing the Peace:** P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

**Offertory Prayer:** P: Let us pray together,

C: Blessed are you, O God, Sovereign of the universe. You offer us new beginnings and guide us on our journey. Lead us to your table, nourish us with this heavenly food, and prepare us to carry your love to a hungry world, in the name of Christ our light. Amen.

**The Words of Institution**

**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.

**The Meal & Hymn:** *"Calm To The Waves" #794 2X*

Calm to the waves. Calm to the wind. Jesus whispers, "Peace, be still."

Balm to our hearts. Fears at an end. In stillness, hear his voice.

**Communion Prayer:** P: Let us pray together,

C: We give you thanks, gracious God, for we have feasted on the abundance of your house. Send us to bring good news and to proclaim your favor to all, strengthened with the richness of your grace in your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

**Blessing:** *(Please stand as you are able.)*

God, who leads you in pathways of righteousness, who rejoices over you, and who calls you by name, bless your going out and your coming in, today and forever. Amen.

**Sending:** *"Go In Peace" 3X written by Debbi St. John*

Go In Peace And serve the Lord your God. Sow the seeds about the man of love.

Go into the world and tell them One by one. Go tell them what Jesus has done

**Sending:** P: Go with Christ into a weary world. Share the good news. C: Thanks be to God!

*Thank you to the Duden family for ushering this evening.*

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**Car Conversations:** On the way home, consider asking each other, “What’s one new thing I learned tonight?”  
“What’s one thing I’d like to learn more about?”

**Faith Five this week:** Once this week consider doing this night-time devotion together. **SHARE** your highs and lows for the week. **READ** a piece of scripture together (you can re-read the scripture from our Wednesday night service). **TALK** about what you learned this week in Edu-Worship around that scripture. **PRAY** for each other incorporating your highs and lows. **BLESS** each other with the sign of the cross on your foreheads.

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