



St. Luke Lutheran Church
January 31, 2021 • 8:30AM • Hymn Sing Sunday

Prelude: "Open Our Eyes" 2X

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Open our eyes Lord we want to see Jesus. To reach out and touch Him and say that we love Him.
Open our ears Lord and help us to listen. Open our eyes Lord we want to see Jesus.

Confession and Forgiveness *(please stand as you are able)*

(All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.)

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **C: Amen.**

L: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C: Amen.**

L: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

L: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **C: Amen.**

Opening Hymns: "Rock of Ages" #623

Verse 1: Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in thee; let the water and the blood, from thy riven side which flowed, be of sin the double cure; cleanse me from its guilt & pow'r.

Verse 2: Not the labors of my hands can fulfill thy law's demands; could my zeal no respite know, could my tears forever flow, all for sin could not atone; thou must save, and thou alone.

"Blessed Assurance" #638

**Verse 1: Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! O what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.**

**Refrain: This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior, all the day long;
this is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.**

**Verse 2: Perfect submission, perfect delight, visions of rapture now burst on my sight;
angels descending, bring from above echoes of mercy, whispers of love. [Refrain]**

**Verse 3: Perfect submission, all is at rest, I in my Savior am happy and blest,
watching & waiting, looking above, filled with his goodness, lost in his love. [Refrain]**

Hymn: *"Amazing Grace" #779*

Verse 1: Amazing grace! how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me!

I once was lost, but now am found; was blind, but now I see.

Verse 2: 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved;
how precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!

Verse 3: Through many dangers, toils, and snares I have already come;
'tis grace has brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.

Verse 4: The Lord has promised good to me; his word my hope secures;
he will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.

Verse 5: When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun,
we've no less days to sing God's praise than when we'd first begun.

Greeting: L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, & the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. C: And also with you.

Hymn: *"Our God Is An Awesome God" 3X*

Our God is an awesome God. He reigns from heaven above.

With wisdom, power, and love. Our God is an awesome God

Hymn: *"Praise Him, Praise Him All Ye Little Children"*

Verse 1: Praise Him praise Him All ye little children. God is love God is love Praise Him praise Him
All ye little children God is love God is love

Verse 2: Love Him love Him All ye little children. God is love God is love Love Him love Him
All ye little children God is love God is love

Verse 3: Thank Him thank Him All ye little children. God is love God is love Thank Him thank Him
All ye little children God is love God is love

Verse 4: Serve Him serve Him All ye little children. God is love God is love Serve Him serve Him
All ye little children God is love God is love

Verse 5: Crown Him crown Him All ye little children. God is love God is love Crown Him crown Him
All ye little children God is love God is love

Prayer of Day: Compassionate God, you gather the whole universe into your radiant presence & continually reveal your Son as our Savior. Bring wholeness to all that is broken and speak truth to us in our confusion, that all creation will see and know your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Reading: Deuteronomy 18:15-20 *read by Oliver Bonner*

[Moses said:] ¹⁵The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own people; you shall heed such a prophet. ¹⁶This is what you requested of the Lord your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly when you said: "If I hear the voice of the Lord my God any more, or ever again see this great fire, I will die." ¹⁷Then the Lord replied to me: "They are right in what they have said. ¹⁸I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their own people; I will put my words in the mouth of the prophet, who shall speak to them everything that I command. ¹⁹Anyone who does not heed the words that the prophet shall speak in my name, I myself will hold accountable. ²⁰But any prophet who speaks in the name of other gods, or who presumes to speak in my name a word that I have not commanded the prophet to speak – that prophet shall die."

Hymn: *"What A Friend We Have In Jesus" #742*

Verse :1 What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear! What a privilege to carry
everything to God in prayer! O what peace we often forfeit, O what needless pain we bear,
all because we do not carry everything to God in prayer!

Verse 2: Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere? We should never be discouraged;
take it to the Lord in prayer! Can we find a friend so faithful who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our every weakness; take it to the Lord in prayer!

Verse 3: Are we weak and heavy laden, cumbered with load of care? Precious Savior, still our refuge--
take it to the Lord in prayer! Do your friends despise, forsake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer!
In his arms he'll take and shield you; you will find a solace there.

Gospel Acclamation: *"Celtic Alleluia"* (Stand as you are able) **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

L: The holy gospel according to.... **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

Gospel Reading: Mark 1:21-28

²¹[Jesus and his disciples] went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. ²²They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. ²³Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, ²⁴and he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God." ²⁵But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!" ²⁶And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. ²⁷They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, "What is this? A new teaching – with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him." ²⁸At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

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

Children's Sermon (*you may be seated*)

Hymn: *"Jesus Loves Me"* #595

Verse 1: Jesus loves me! this I know, for the Bible tells me so;
little ones to Him belong, they are weak, but he is strong.

Refrain: Yes, Jesus loves me, yes, Jesus loves me, yes, Jesus loves me, the Bible tells me so.

Verse 2: Jesus loves me! he who died heaven's gates to open wide;
he will wash away my sin, let his little child come in. [Refrain]

Verse 3: Jesus loves me! he will stay close beside me all the way; when at last I come to die,
he will take me home on high. [Refrain]

Homily

Hymn of the Day: *"This Is My Father's World"* #824

Verse 1: This is my Father's world, and to my listening ears all nature sings, and round me rings
the music of the spheres. This is my Father's world: I rest me in the thought
of rocks and trees, of skies and seas-- His hand the wonders wrought.

Verse 2: This is my Father's world: the birds their carols raise, the morning light, the lily white,
declare their Maker's praise. This is my Father's world: He shines in all that's fair;
In the rustling grass I hear Him pass, He speaks to me everywhere.

Hymn: *"Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"* #752

Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your Spirit in this place;
Lord, listen to your children praying, send us love, send us pow'r, send us

The Prayers:

Guided by Christ made known to the nations, let us offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all people in need. *A brief silence.* For all who share the gospel and proclaim freedom in Christ throughout the world: prophets, teachers, pastors, deacons, and lay leaders; for the church and its ministries, let us pray. **Have mercy, O God.**

For all God's works in creation: plants and animals, water and soil, forests and farms; and for those tasked with protecting our natural resources and all that exists, let us pray. **Have mercy, O God.**

For government and leaders: cities and nations, rescue professionals and legal aid attorneys, elected officials and grassroots organizers; for all responsible for the well-being of civil society, let us pray. **Have mercy, O God.**

For those who suffer in mind, body, or spirit: those who are sick and hospitalized, those living with HIV/AIDS, those struggling with mental illness, those who are hungry or homeless, and all in any need especially; Gabriel Ryan, Ruth Holm, Keith Brown, Dolly Mensink, David Roschen, Jim Howard, Kelly Rehder, Naomi Berland, Nathlye Benrud, Nancy & Donald Nord, Dean Kirkland, Don & Ella Hadler, Marlene & Lloyd Roschen, Finley Budensiek, Brent Hokanson, & Karl Thomforde and for caregivers, hospice workers, and home health aides, let us pray. **Have mercy, O God.**

For the concerns of this congregation: those who travel, those absent from worship, those celebrating birthdays or anniversaries; for the people of God in this place and for other needs in our community, let us pray. **Have mercy, O God.**

For the covenant God made with us in the waters of baptism, in thanksgiving for the baptized who have died in the Lord, let us pray. **Have mercy, O God.**

Merciful God, hear the prayers of your people, spoken or silent, for the sake of the one who dwells among us, your Son, Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

Hymn: "O Lord Hear My Prayer" #751

O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer: when I call, answer me.

O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer: come and listen to me.

Sharing the Peace

L: The peace of Christ be with you always. C: And also with you.

Offering - Doxology



**Praise God, from who all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below;
praise Him above, ye heav'nly host: praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

L: The Lord be with you C: And also with you

L: Lift up your hearts. C: We lift them to the Lord.

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. C: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Hymns: "Here Is Bread" #483

**Verse 1: 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.**

**Verse 2: 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]**

**Verse 3: Here we are, joined in one, Christ is with us, he is with us.
We'll proclaim till he comes Jesus crucified. [Refrain]**

"Let Us Break Bread Together" #471 vs. 1,3

Verse 1: Let us break bread together on our knees. Let us break bread together on our knees.

Refrain: When I fall on my knees with my face to the rising sun, O Lord have mercy on me.

Verse 3: Let us praise God together on our knees. Let us praise God together on our knees. [Refrain]

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; & forgive us our trespasses, as we
forgive those who trespass against us; & lead us not into temptation but deliver us from
evil. For thine is the kingdom, & the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

**Communion Prayer: We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing
power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and
in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. C: Amen.**

Solo: "Be Not Afraid" by Michelle Matthees

Blessing (Please stand as you are able)

**L: May God who has brought us from death to life fill you with great joy. Almighty God, Father, +
Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. C: Amen.**

Sending Hymn: "How Great Thou Art" #856

**Verse 1: O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder consider all the works thy hand hath made,
I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder, thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed;**

**Refrain: Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee, how great thou art! How great thou art!
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**Verse 2: When through the woods and forest glades I wander, I hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;
when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur & hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze:
[Refrain]**

**Verse 3: But when I think that God, his Son not sparing, sent him to die, I scarce can take it in,
that on the cross my burden gladly bearing he bled and died to take away my sing; [Refrain]**

**Verse 4: When Christ shall come, with shout of acclamation, & take me home, what joy shall fill my
heart! Then I shall bow in humble adoration & there proclaim, "My God, how great thou art!"
[Refrain]**

Dismissal L: Go in peace to love the Lord and serve your neighbor. C: **Thanks be to God.**

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.

Postlude

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