

**Student Message - Putting it all together:** *by Ruby Schafer*

*Student Questions: Why is living a life of faith important for you? How do you hope to grow in your faith?  
What are your greatest faith challenges and/or questions right now?  
What is the most important thing you believe about God? Why is it important to you?*

**Teaching:** *Pastor Eric Hanson*

**Song of the Day and Offering:** *“Thy Word”*

*Offerings will be collected during the song of the day. Thank you also to those who give online.  
If you’d like to sign up for online giving please visit <http://www.stlukegoodhue.org/online-giving.html>.*

**Chorus: Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and light unto my path.  
Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and light unto my path.**

**Vs 1: When I feel afraid, and I think I’ve lost my way, still You’re there right beside me.  
Nothing will I fear as long as You are near. Please be near me to the end. [chorus]**

**Vs 2: I will not forget your love for me, and yet my heart forever is wandering.  
Jesus, be my guide and hold me to Your side; I will love You to the end.**

**Offertory Response:** *“Give Thanks”*

**Give thanks with a grateful heart. Give thanks to the Holy One.  
Give thanks because He’s given Jesus Christ, His Son.**

**And now let the weak say, “I am strong”.  
Let the poor say, “I am rich Because of what the Lord has done for us”. Give thanks.**

**Offertory Prayer:**

L: Let us pray together,  
**C: Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

*“I Believe, I Do Believe” (Please stand as you are able)*

**Refrain: I believe, I do believe, truly I believe it, truly I believe it, truly I believe it. (repeat)**

**Vs 1: I believe in God the Almighty Lord Creator, Mighty Lord Creator, Mighty Lord Creator. (repeat)  
Refrain: I believe, I do believe, truly I believe it, truly I believe it, truly I believe it. (repeat)**

**Vs 2: I believe in Jesus the Savior of the people, Savior of the people, Savior of the people. (repeat)  
Refrain: I believe, I do believe, truly I believe it, truly I believe it, truly I believe it. (repeat)**

**Vs 3: And I do believe in the Power of the Spirit, Power of the Spirit, Power of the Spirit. (repeat)  
Refrain: I believe, I do believe, truly I believe it, truly I believe it, truly I believe it. (repeat)**

**The Prayers:** *by Heidi King (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.**

**The Great Thanksgiving:**

P: The Lord be with you **C: And also with you** P: Lift up your hearts. **C: We lift them to the Lord.**  
P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **C: It is right to give Him thanks & praise.**

**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 & Hymns:** *(you may be seated)*

*All are welcome at this meal. We believe in the saving power of Jesus Christ through the gift of his life, death, and resurrection experienced in bread and wine.*

*Please move forward via the center aisle. Bread is received in the hands. Wine is received by dipping the bread into the wine chalice and consuming both together. All ages are welcome to commune. Those not communing may receive a blessing by simply keeping your hands folded or extending your arms over your chest in the sign of a cross inviting blessing. For those unable to consume either wine or bread, communion is received fully in either element alone, for Christ is fully present in the meal. You may return to your seats via the side aisles after communing. Gluten-free is available, simply make the server aware of your need. Also, if you cannot come forward, but wish for communion or blessing, let the usher know it will come to you at the end.*

*“Bind Us Together”*

**Chorus: Bind Us Together, Lord Bind Us Together With Cords That Cannot Be Broken  
Bind Us Together, Lord Bind Us Together Bind Us Together In Love**

**Vs 1: There Is Only One God, There Is Only One King  
There Is Only One Body, That Is Why We Sing. [Chorus]**

**Vs. 2: You Are The Family Of God, You Are The Promise Divine;  
You Are God’s Chosen Desire, You Are The Glorious New Wine. [Chorus]**

*“Open My Eyes Lord” 2X*

**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.**

**Post Communion Prayer:** *(Please stand as you are able)*

P: Let us pray together,  
**C: Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ’s resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of life to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to your Son’s resurrection, that we may show your glory to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.**

**Blessing:** P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you  
The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace. **Amen.**

**Sending Hymn:** *“Go In Peace” 3X*

**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 in peace to love the Lord and serve your neighbor,  
**C: Thanks be to God!**

*Thank you to the O’Connor 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 that was challenging?”

**Faith Five this week:** Once this week consider doing this night-time devotion together: **SHARE** your highs and lows for the week. **READ** the piece of 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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# Mid-Week Edu-Worship



St. Luke Lutheran Church • Pastor Eric Hanson  
6:45PM • May 3, 2023

## Welcome and Announcements

**The Easter Litany:** *(please stand as you are able)*

P: Christ is Risen!

C: **Christ is Risen Indeed! Alleluia!**

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation. **Amen.**

## Confession and Forgiveness:

P: Faithful and Just God,

C: **We confess that we are captive to doubt and fear, bound by the ways that lead to death. We have not loved our sisters and brothers as you have first loved us. Forgive us, God of mercy. Let your Holy Spirit work in us to change our lives and make us new, that we may know the abundant life given in Christ Jesus, our risen Lord. Amen.**

P: 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. **Amen.**

## Opening Hymn: "God, We Gather As Your People"

Vs 1: **God, we gather as your people to raise our song above, and we dare to claim the promise of your love. Though the day may not yet be here, we trust it soon will be, when your children will be free.**

Refrain: **Oh, may our hearts and minds be opened, fling the church doors open wide. May there be room enough for ev'ryone inside. For in God there is a welcome, in God we all belong. May that welcome be our song.**

Vs 2: **Oh, we sing for all the children, that one day they be free; and we sing for generations yet to be, that they never have a reason to doubt that they are blest. May they, in your love, find rest. [Refrain]**

Vs 3: **Oh, we pray for all the young lives cut short by fear & shame, so afraid of who they are & whom they love. May the message now be banished that your love is for the few; may their faith in you renew. [Refrain]**

Vs 4: **God, we're working for the future when children far & wide can live their lives with dignity and pride. As they grow in strength & stature, may they join us hand in hand, as against all hate we stand. [Refrain]**

## Reading: 1 Corinthians 13:1-13 *read by Ruby Schafer (you may be seated)*

<sup>1</sup>If I speak in the tongues of men or of angels, but do not have love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. <sup>2</sup>If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. <sup>3</sup>If I give all I possess to the poor and give over my body to hardship that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing. <sup>4</sup>Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. <sup>5</sup>It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. <sup>6</sup>Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. <sup>7</sup>It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. <sup>8</sup>Love never fails. But where there are prophecies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be stilled; where there is knowledge, it will pass away. <sup>9</sup>For we know in part and we prophesy in part, <sup>10</sup>but when completeness comes, what is in part disappears. <sup>11</sup>When I was a child, I talked like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I put the ways of childhood behind me. <sup>12</sup>For now we see only a reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known. <sup>13</sup>And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.

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