

The Third Reading: *Miriam's Song of Salvation, Exodus 15:1-11*

¹Then Moses and the Israelites sang this song to the Lord: "I will sing to the Lord, for he is highly exalted. Both horse and driver he has hurled into the sea. ²"The Lord is my strength and my defense; he has become my salvation. He is my God, and I will praise him, my father's God, and I will exalt him. ³The Lord is a warrior; the Lord is his name. ⁴Pharaoh's chariots and his army he has hurled into the sea. The best of Pharaoh's officers are drowned in the Red Sea. ⁵The deep waters have covered them; they sank to the depths like a stone. ⁶Your right hand, Lord, was majestic in power. Your right hand, Lord, shattered the enemy. ⁷"In the greatness of your majesty you threw down those who opposed you. You unleashed your burning anger; it consumed them like stubble. ⁸By the blast of your nostrils the waters piled up. The surging waters stood up like a wall; the deep waters congealed in the heart of the sea. ⁹The enemy boasted, 'I will pursue, I will overtake them. I will divide the spoils; I will gorge myself on them. I will draw my sword and my hand will destroy them.' ¹⁰But you blew with your breath, and the sea covered them. They sank like lead in the mighty waters. ¹¹Who among the gods is like you, Lord? Who is like you – majestic in holiness, awesome in glory, working wonders?"

P: This is the Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

The Fourth Hymn: *Congregation Chooses*

The Gospel: *Mary's Song of Salvation, "The Magnificat" Luke 1:46-55*

⁴⁶And Mary said: "My soul glorifies the Lord ⁴⁷and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, ⁴⁸for he has been mindful of the humble state of his servant. From now on all generations will call me blessed, ⁴⁹for the Mighty One has done great things for me – holy is his name. ⁵⁰His mercy extends to those who fear him, from generation to generation. ⁵¹He has performed mighty deeds with his arm; he has scattered those who are proud in their inmost thoughts. ⁵²He has brought down rulers from their thrones but has lifted up the humble. ⁵³He has filled the hungry with good things but has sent the rich away empty. ⁵⁴He has helped his servant Israel, remembering to be merciful ⁵⁵to Abraham and his descendants forever, just as he promised our ancestors."

P: This is the Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

The Fifth Hymn: *Congregation Chooses*

Offerings will be collected during the hymn of the day. Thank you also to those who give online. If you'd like to sign up for online giving please visit www.stlukegoodhue.org/online-giving. Children's coin offering will go toward ELCA Good Gifts serving communities in need around the world at the end of the Sunday School year.

Hymn of Thanksgiving: "Immortal, Invisible, God only Wise" (Ushers bring offering forward)

**Vs 1: Immortal, invisible, God only wise, in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days, almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise!**

**Vs 2: Unresting, unchanging, and silent as light, nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;
thy justice like mountains high soaring above thy clouds which are fountains of goodness & love.**

**Vs 3: To all, life thou givest, to both great and small; in all life thou livest, the true life of all;
we blossom and flourish like leaves on the tree, and wither and perish, but naught changeth thee.**

**Vs 4: Thou reignest in glory; thou dwellest in light; thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;
all laud we would render; oh, help us to see 'tis only the splendor of light hideth thee!**

Statement of Faith: "In Christ Alone"

**Vs 1: In Christ alone my hope is found He is my light, my strength, my song
This cornerstone, this solid ground Firm through the fiercest drought and storm**

**Vs 2: What heights of love, what depths of peace When fears are stilled, when strivings cease
My comforter, my all in all Here in the love of Christ I stand**

**Vs 3: There in the ground His body lay Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious day Up from the grave He rose again**

**Vs 4: And as He stands in victory Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine Bought with the precious blood of Christ**

**Vs 5: No guilt in life, no fear in death This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath Jesus commands my destiny**

**Vs 6: No power of hell, no scheme of man Can ever pluck me from His hand
'Til He returns or calls me home Here in the power of Christ I'll stand**

The Prayers: (call and response)

Trusting in the transformative power of God's loving Spirit, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need. *A briefs silence.* God our parent, you call us your children and have made us siblings through your son Jesus. Heal the church's many divisions, bring understanding and peace where there has been contention and strife, and unite us in one body through the love of Christ. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

God our creator, your hands have made the heights of the mountains, the depths of the sea, and the life that animates all creation. Bring relief to areas harmed by wildfires, floods, storms, and human carelessness. Renew the face of the earth. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

God our ruler, the nations rage and the kingdoms shake, but your word stands fast forever. Let your justice and peace roll down like waters wherever there is strife, injustice, war, or religious conflict. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

God our champion, you are our refuge and strength, a very present help in times of trouble. Draw near to all who suffer especially Keith Brown, Dolly Mensink, Judy Carpenter, Jan Benidt, Dave (Pud) Gnotke, Shawn Frederixon, Garrett Rehder, Neil Stehr, Ella Hadler, Geri Lindholm, and the families of Sharon Buck and Kevin Dankers. Be their rest and comfort. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

God our reformer, you make all things new. Free us from complacency, open us to unexpected ways, and kindle zeal in us for the future. We pray for young people affirming their baptism. With them, stir in us a desire for your wisdom. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

God our savior, you made yourself known in the lives of all who have died in the hope of your grace. We give thanks for the witness of reformers like Martin Luther and for all whose example has brought us closer to you. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Gracious God, into your hands we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your unending love and amazing grace; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. **Amen.**

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 (congregational choices):

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.

Hymn of Thanksgiving for the Holy Supper: *"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"*

Vs 1: A mighty fortress is our God, a sword & shield victorious; he breaks the cruel oppressor's rod & wins salvation glorious. The old satanic foe has sworn to work us woe!
With craft and dreadful might he arms himself to fight. On earth he has no equal.

Vs 2: No strength of ours can match his might! We would be lost, rejected. But now a champion comes to fight, whom God himself elected. You ask who this may be? The Lord of hosts is he!
Christ Jesus, mighty Lord, God's only Son, adored. He holds the field victorious.

Vs 3: Though hordes of devils fill the land all threat'ning to devour us, we tremble not, unmoved we stand; they cannot over pow'r us. Let this world's tyrant rage; in battle we'll engage!
His might is doomed to fail; God's judgment must prevail! One little word subdues him.

Vs 4: God's Word forever shall abide, no thanks to foes, who fear it; for God himself fights by our side with weapons of the Spirit. Were they to take our house, goods, honor, child, or spouse, though life be wrenched away, they cannot win the day. The kingdom's ours forever!

The Blessing:

P: May the Lord Bless you and keep you, may the Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you, may the Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace. **C: Amen.**

Sending Hymn: *Congregation Chooses*

Dismissal:

P: Go in peace to love the Lord & serve your neighbor,

C: Thanks be to God!

Postlude

Contemporary Song Choices

You Are My All In All

Bless The Lord, O My Soul

Thy Word

Lamb Of God

They'll Know We Are Christians

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Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Greeting:

P: The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

C: Come Holy Spirit, Come

Confession and Forgiveness: *Confession adapted from the prayers of Martin Luther*

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

C: Reforming God, you promise to make all things new. Trouble us when our vision and work does not match your vision for our lives. Trouble us with the greatness of your command to make disciples of all nations. Trouble us with your great love for sinners and our own slowness to love those who wound us. Trouble us with the brevity of our lives and time, talent, and treasures not invested in eternity. Comfort us by drawing us to yourself with the chords of unfailing mercy. Comfort us with the assurance of salvation when we suffer and are afflicted. Renew in us a desire to right what is wrong and make whole what is broken, in ourselves and in our world. 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. May almighty God strengthen you through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **Amen.**

The First Hymn: *Congregational Chooses*

The First Reading: Psalm 98

¹Sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things; his right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him. ²The Lord has made his salvation known and revealed his righteousness to the nations. ³He has remembered his love and his faithfulness to Israel; all the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God. ⁴Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth, burst into jubilant song with music; ⁵make music to the Lord with the harp, with the harp and the sound of singing, ⁶with trumpets and the blast of the ram's horn — shout for joy before the Lord, the King. ⁷Let the sea resound, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it. ⁸Let the rivers clap their hands, let the mountains sing together for joy; ⁹let them sing before the Lord, for he comes to judge the earth. He will judge the world in righteousness and the peoples with equity.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

The Second Hymn: *Congregational Chooses*

The Second Reading: Psalm 95:1-7

¹Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation. ²Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song. ³For the Lord is the great God, the great King above all gods. ⁴In his hand are the depths of the earth, and the mountain peaks belong to him. ⁵The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land. ⁶Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the Lord our Maker; ⁷for he is our God and we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care. Today, if only you would hear his voice.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

The Third Hymn: *Congregation Chooses*