



## Summer Worship

Welcome to Faith and thank you for worshipping with us! All are Welcome.

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### GATHERING

#### ***Prelude***

#### ***Call to Worship***

#### ***Gathering Hymn***

“Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!”

ELW #413

- 1 Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty!  
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.  
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!
- 2 Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,  
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;  
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,  
which wert and art, and evermore shalt be.
- 3 Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,  
though the eye of sinfulness thy glory may not see,  
only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,  
perfect in pow'r, in love and purity.
- 4 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.  
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!

God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

### ***Greeting***

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

**C: And also with you!**

A: You are the treasured people of the LORD,

**C: a people holy to the LORD our God.**

A: Keep the words of the LORD in your heart; teach them to your children.

**C: Talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise.**

A: One does not live by bread alone,

**C: but by every word that comes from the mouth of the LORD.**

### ***The Hymn of Praise***

“This Is My Father's World”

ELW #824 vs 1&2

**1 This is my Father's world,  
and to my list'ning 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.**

**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  
ev'rywhere.

### ***Prayer of the Day***

A: The Lord be with you.      C: And also with you.

A: Let us pray. ...

C: O God, mighty and immortal, you know that as fragile creatures surrounded by great dangers, we cannot by ourselves stand upright. Give us strength of mind and body, so that even when we suffer because of human sin, we may rise victorious through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

### **WORD**

#### ***First Reading***

***Isaiah 58:9b-14***

*God promises those who have returned from exile that where justice and mercy prevail, the ruins will be rebuilt and light will rise in the darkness. It is a day for new beginnings.*

<sup>9b</sup> If you remove the yoke from among you,  
the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil,

<sup>10</sup> if you offer your food to the hungry  
and satisfy the needs of the afflicted,  
then your light shall rise in the darkness  
and your gloom be like the noonday.

<sup>11</sup> The LORD will guide you continually  
and satisfy your needs in parched places  
and make your bones strong,  
and you shall be like a watered garden,

like a spring of water  
whose waters never fail.

<sup>12</sup> Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt;  
you shall raise up the foundations of many generations;  
you shall be called the repairer of the breach,  
the restorer of streets to live in.

<sup>13</sup> If you refrain from trampling the Sabbath,  
from pursuing your own interests on my holy day;  
if you call the Sabbath a delight  
and the holy day of the LORD honorable;  
if you honor it, not going your own ways,  
serving your own interests or pursuing your own affairs;  
<sup>14</sup> then you shall take delight in the LORD,  
and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth;  
I will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob,  
for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

### ***Psalm: Psalm 103:1-8***

<sup>1</sup> Bless the LORD, O my soul,  
and all that is within me, bless God's holy name.

<sup>2</sup> **Bless the LORD, O my soul,  
and forget not all God's benefits—**

<sup>3</sup> who forgives all your sins  
and heals all your diseases;

<sup>4</sup> **who redeems your life from the grave  
and crowns you with steadfast love and mercy;**

<sup>5</sup> who satisfies your desires with good things  
so that your youth is renewed like an eagle's.

- <sup>6</sup> **O LORD, you provide vindication  
and justice for all who are oppressed.**
- <sup>7</sup> You made known your ways to Moses  
and your works to the children of Israel.
- <sup>8</sup> **LORD, you are full of compassion and mercy,  
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**

## ***Second Reading***

## ***Hebrews 12:18-29***

*Using images of Moses, the writer presents a striking vision of the new covenant of God made possible in Christ. There is no longer fear; only awe in the new promise in Christ into which we are invited.*

<sup>18</sup> You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, <sup>19</sup> and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. <sup>20</sup> (For they could not endure the order that was given, “If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death.” <sup>21</sup> Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, “I tremble with fear.”) <sup>22</sup> But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, <sup>23</sup> and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, <sup>24</sup> and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

<sup>25</sup> See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking, for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth,

how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! <sup>26</sup> At that time his voice shook the earth, but now he has promised, “Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven.” <sup>27</sup> This phrase, “Yet once more,” indicates the removal of what is shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. <sup>28</sup> Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us show gratitude, by which we may offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe, <sup>29</sup> for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

*(after the readings)*

**L:** Holy wisdom, holy word.

**C:** Thanks be to God.

## ***Kids’ Time***

### ***Gospel Acclamation***

“Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks”

WOV #671 vs 1&5

*Refrain*

**Alleluia alleluia**

**Give thanks to the Risen  
Lord**

**Alleluia alleluia**

**Give praise to His Name**

*Verse 1*

**Jesus is Lord of all the  
earth He is the King of  
creation**

*Refrain*

*Verse 5*

**Come let us praise the  
Living God**

**Joyfully sing to our**

**Saviour** *Refrain*

### ***Gospel***

***Luke 13:10-17***

**P:** The Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke the 13<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>10</sup> Now [Jesus] was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath.

<sup>11</sup> And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. <sup>12</sup> When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, “Woman, you are set free from your ailment.” <sup>13</sup> When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. <sup>14</sup> But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the Sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, “There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured and not on the Sabbath day.” <sup>15</sup> But the Lord answered him and said, “You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the Sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger and lead it to water? <sup>16</sup> And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the Sabbath day?” <sup>17</sup> When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame, and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things being done by him.

*(after the reading)*

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God!**

## ***Sermon***

***Hymn of the Day***      “God, Whose Almighty Word”      ELW #673

1 God, whose almighty word  
chaos and darkness heard  
and took their flight:  
hear us, we humbly pray,  
and where the gospel day  
sheds not its glorious ray,

let there be light.

2 Christ, who once came to bring,  
on your redeeming wing,  
healing and sight;  
health to the troubled mind,  
sight where illusions blind;  
oh, now to humankind  
let there be light.

3 Spirit of truth and love,  
life-giving, holy dove,  
speed forth your flight;  
move on the water's face  
bearing the lamp of grace,  
and in earth's darkest place  
let there be light.

4 Holy and blessed three,  
glorious Trinity,  
Wisdom, Love, Might:  
boundless as ocean's tide,  
rolling in fullest pride,  
through the earth, far and wide,  
let there be light.

### ***Apostles' Creed***

WOV p.49

A: In Christ, you have heard the word of truth, the gospel of  
your salvation.



**C: We believe in him and are marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit. (*Ephesians 1:13-14*)**

A: Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

**C: I believe in God the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He 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, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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**

### ***Confession & Forgiveness***

P: In the name of the Father,  
and of the ✝ Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

P: Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P: Merciful God,

**C: you free us to love others,  
but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way.  
You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace,  
but we turn away from the abundant life you offer.  
You surround us with patience, kindness,**

and generosity,  
but we grow weary in doing what is right.  
In your mercy, forgive us.  
Do not give up on us.  
Heal us, break our bonds,  
and show us the path of life. Amen.

P: You belong to Christ Jesus  
and you are God's children through faith.  
In the cross of ✝ Christ,  
and through the power of the Holy Spirit,  
your sins are forgiven.  
Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation.  
C: Amen.

### ***Prayers of Intercession***

A: Let us pray for the church, the creation, and the whole people of God, for God is near.

*A brief silence.*

You call your church to proclaim liberation and freedom to all.  
Give wisdom to bishops, synod councils and staff, and  
congregation leaders (*leaders may be named*) as they pursue a  
more just and equitable church and society. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

You inspire all creation to sing and bless your holy name. Send  
healing rains to parched places and relief to flooded lands. Lead  
us to enact policies to rebuild ruined ecosystems and habitats.  
Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

You work vindication and justice for all who are oppressed. Strengthen the resolve of world leaders and local officials in the way of love and mercy, so that all persons may experience abundant life. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

You satisfy your people with good things. In your steadfast love, receive the cries of all who are bent over under the weight of addiction, isolation, and mental or physical illness (*especially*). Manifest your healing presence in their midst. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

You call us to delight in the sabbath. Invigorate worship planners and leaders with creativity to aid this assembly in fresh and faithful prayer and praise. Enable all who gather here to be nourished and renewed. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

With (*Bartholomew and*) all your apostles, prophets, and saints, we give thanks and bless your holy name. As they now rest from their labors, guide us by the witness of their lives to pursue your reign, which can never be shaken. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Confident in God's presence and promise, we entrust our prayers to the one who always receives them; through Jesus Christ, our wisdom and companion.

**Amen.**

***Passing of the Peace***

**P:** The peace of the lord be with you always.

**C:** And also with you.

## ***The Offering***

**"We Give Thee but Thine Own"**

**ELW #686 vs 1&2**

**1 We give thee but thine  
own,  
whate'er the gift may be;  
all that we have is thine  
alone,  
a trust, O Lord, from thee.**

**2 May we thy bounties thus  
as stewards true receive,  
and gladly, as thou blessest  
us,  
to thee our first fruits give.**

## ***Offering Prayer***

**A: Creator God,**

**C: in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good  
and the harvest is plentiful.**

**Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth  
and our labor, that we may work for the good of all;  
through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.**

## **MEAL**

## ***Words of Institution***

### ***The Lord's Prayer***

**Matthew 6:9-13 & Luke 11:2-4**

**P: Lord Jesus, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to  
pray:**

**C: 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**

***Invitation to Communion***

P: The kingdom of God is set before you. Eat and rejoice.

***Communion***            “Just a Closer Walk with Thee”            ELW #697

***Refrain***

Just a closer walk with thee,  
grant it, Jesus, is my plea;  
daily walking close to thee,  
let it be, dear Lord, let it be.

- 1    I am weak but thou art strong:  
     Jesus, keep me from all wrong;  
     I'll be satisfied as long  
     as I walk, let me walk close to thee. *Refrain*
- 2    Through this world of toil and snares,  
     if I falter, Lord, who cares?  
     Who with me my burden shares?  
     None but thee, dear Lord, none but thee. *Refrain*
- 3    When my feeble life is o'er,  
     time for me will be no more;  
     guide me gently, safely o'er  
     to thy kingdom shore, to thy shore. *Refrain*

**SENDING**

***Blessing***

P: May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ nourish  
your soul and fill you with his grace now and forever!

**C: Amen**

***Canticle***

WOV p.40

Thankful hearts and voices raise; tell ev'ryone what God has done.

Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and bear Christ's holy name.

Send us with your promises, O God, and lead us forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia.

***Prayer After Communion***

P: Mothering God,

**C: you gathered us to your table  
and we drank deeply of your grace.**

**Send us out by your Spirit  
to love our neighbors as ourselves  
and proclaim your love in Jesus' name.  
Amen.**

***Announcements***

***Blessing***

P: The love of God abound in you;  
the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts;  
and the life of the Spirit

✙ bless you and give you peace.

**C: Amen**

***Sending Song***    "Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer"    ELW #618

1    Guide me ever, great Redeemer,  
pilgrim through this barren land.

I am weak, but you are mighty;  
hold me with your pow'rful hand.  
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven,  
feed me now and evermore,  
feed me now and evermore.

- 2 Open now the crystal fountain  
where the healing waters flow;  
let the fire and cloudy pillar  
lead me all my journey through.  
Strong deliv'rer, strong deliv'rer,  
shield me with your mighty arm,  
shield me with your mighty arm.
- 3 When I tread the verge of Jordan,  
bid my anxious fears subside;  
death of death and hell's destruction,  
land me safe on Canaan's side.  
Songs and praises, songs and praises,  
I will raise forevermore,  
I will raise forevermore.

## ***Dismissal***

A: Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.

C: Thanks be to God.

## ***Postlude***

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