

Worship Service Sunday, July 26, 2020 10:00 A.M.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Your Love is Amazing (Hallelujah)

Your love is amazing, steady and unchanging Your love is a mountain, firm beneath my feet Your love is a myst'ry, how You gently lift me When I am surrounded, Your love carries me

Chorus: Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah Your love makes me sing Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah Your love makes me sing

Your love is surprising, I can feel it rising all the joy that's growing, deep inside of me Ev'ry time I see You, all Your goodness shines through I can feel this God song, rising up in me

Chorus

Yes, You make me sing Lord, You make me sing, sing, sing How You make me sing

Chorus

GATHERING SONG

This is the Day

This is the day
That the Lord has made
I will rejoice and celebrate
This is the day
That the Lord has made
I will rejoice, I will rejoice and celebrate
(Repeat)

Leader: He goes before me
ALL: He goes before me
Leader: He walks beside me
ALL: He walks beside me
He lives within me,
He's the Lover of my soul
Leader: He's my defender
ALL: He's my defender
Leader: He's my provider
ALL: He's my provider
His overflowing mercies
are brand new every day

This is the day
That the Lord has made
I will rejoice and celebrate
This is the day
That the Lord has made
I will rejoice, I will rejoice and celebrate

PRAYER

SONG OF RESPONSE

There's a song creation's singing
And it sounds throughout the universe
It's our longing for You Jesus
It's an anthem telling of Your Worth

Praise

Chorus: Praise, when the sun is rising Praise, when the day is fading Praise, when the stars are shining O God we wait We wait on You

God, our hearts are yearning for You Like the watchmen waiting for the dawn And our eyes are turned towards You For the day when You return Until that day we'll sing

Chorus

WORD

SCRIPTURE: Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

³¹[Jesus] put before [the crowds] another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field;³²it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches."

³³He told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened."

⁴⁴"The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

⁴⁵"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; ⁴⁶on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.

⁴⁷"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; ⁴⁸when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. ⁴⁹So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous ⁵⁰and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

⁵¹"Have you understood all this?" They answered, "Yes." ⁵²And he said to them, "Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old."

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON

Rev. Christina Garrett Klein



PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

We sing our prayers today. You are invited to share the prayers you lift to God during livestream worship.

God of Wonders

Lord of all creation
Of the water, earth and sky
The Heavens are Your Tabernacle
Glory to the Lord on high

Chorus: God of wonders, beyond our galaxy
You are holy, holy
The universe declares Your majesty
You are holy, holy

Lord of Heaven and Earth Lord of Heaven and Earth

(*We pray*...)

Early in the morning
I will celebrate the light
As I stumble into darkness
I will call Your name by night

Chorus

Lord of Heaven and Earth Lord of Heaven and Earth

(We pray...)

Hallelujah, to the Lord of Heaven and earth Hallelujah, to the Lord of Heaven and earth Hallelujah, to the Lord of Heaven and earth

God of wonders, beyond our galaxy
You are holy, holy
Precious Lord, reveal your heart to me
Father holy, holy
The universe declares Your majesty
You are holy, holy
holy, holy

MEAL

We practice two sacraments in the Lutheran tradition: baptism and holy communion. These are celebrated in community, in public worship, where we can all participate and remember together: God is known for using ordinary earthly things (like water, bread, and wine) to make extraordinary promises (like forgiveness, salvation, healing and new life) to creation.

We don't serve ourselves communion because there's something holy about that promise coming from outside our own bodies, a perfect declaration from God spoken to us by our neighbor: This is the body of Christ, given for you. This is the blood of Christ, poured out for you. If you are gathered together with others from your household, speak these words aloud when you serve each other. If you do not have someone in the room with you while you receive the sacrament, hear my voice as the external word of grace and invitation.

Today is a good reminder that this simple meal nourishes God's community across time and space - this is why we call it communion. We would rather be with you in person for the sacrament today, but we trust Jesus to show up beyond our limitations, to meet us in this separation with a Spirit that unites, to feed us with the bread of life who is our source and strength.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;

broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

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.

Jesus has promised his full presence in this meal. We don't know how he does it, showing up with the bread and wine so that we cannot pull them apart. This love is impossible and irrational. It is everything we need and cannot give ourselves. And so we open ourselves to the mystery and hold out our hands to receive the gifts of God.

+ + Receive the Meal + +

The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.

We pause for prayer and reflection, and to give time to commune those gathered with others in the household.

SENDING

OFFERING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

BENEDICTION

God, the creator, \pm Jesus, the Christ, and the Holy Spirit, the comforter, bless you and keep you in steadfast love. **Amen.**

SENDING SONG Lord, I Lift Your Name on High

Lord I lift Your name on high Lord I love to sing your praises I'm so glad You're in my life I'm so glad You came to save us

You came from heaven to earth
to show the way
From the earth to the cross
my debt to pay
From the cross to the grave
from the grave to the sky
Lord I lift Your name on high

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Christ is with you. **Thanks be to God.**

See you next week for worship recorded at 5pm on Saturday and 10am on Sunday!

We continue sharing in <u>virtual communion</u>. Please call/email the church office if you need elements brought to you.



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Thank you for worshipping with us today as we seek to be in community with one another while minimizing physical contact. As a gentle reminder, please continue to wash your hands for the recommended 20 seconds, wear a mask and create safe boundaries through physical distancing.

We know that God is with us and God is at work, wherever we worship. We have updated a guideline for worship and all church activities for Phase 3, available on our email blast and church website. Please check your email, Facebook, etc., for additional notifications and updates in the coming weeks, and contact the church council (council@edgebrooklutheran.org) with any concerns.

Stay safe and be well! God's peace to you!!