

**Welcome to Worship**  
**Twenty Fifth Sunday after Pentecost**  
**November 14, 2021 ♦ 9:00am**



**Bethlehem Lutheran Church**

490 N. Fourth Street, Bayport

“In partnership with God, Each Other, and the World.”

# GATHERING

## PRELUDE

*How Majestic is Your Name  
You Are My Rock  
I Come by Faith*

Michael W. Smith  
Joseph Vogels  
Graham Kendrick

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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**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 neighbor 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. Amen.

## GATHERING SONG

1) My life flows on in endless song;  
above earth's lamentation,  
I catch the sweet, though far-off hymn  
that hails a new creation.

*Refrain*

No storm can shake my inmost calm  
while to that Rock I'm clinging  
Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth,  
how can I keep from singing?

2) Through all the tumult and the strife,  
I hear that music ringing  
It finds an echo in my soul.  
How can I keep from singing? *Refrain*

3) What though my joys and comforts die?  
The Lord my Savior liveth.  
What though the darkness gather round?  
Songs in the night he giveth. *Refrain*

4) The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart,  
a fountain ever springing  
All things are mine since I am his!  
How can I keep from singing? *Refrain*

## GREETING

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

## KYRIE *(spoken)*

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**L** Lord, have mercy: **C** Lord, have mercy.

**L** Christ, have mercy: **C** Christ, have mercy.

**L** Lord, have mercy: **C** Lord, have mercy.

## HYMN OF PRAISE

## *Glory to God*

W&P 45

- 1) Glory to God in the highest, peace to His people on earth; almighty God, the Father, the heavenly king. Glory to God in the highest, peace to His people on earth; almighty God, the Father, the heavenly king.

### *Refrain*

We worship you, we give thanks to you, we praise you for your glory. We worship you, we give thanks to you, we praise you for your glory.

- 2) Jesus, our Lord and Savior, ruling in glory above, author of life and creator of infinite love: We call on you now for mercy, we pray for your healing within; O Lamb of God, so worthy, forgive us our sin. *Refrain*

## WORD

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

☒ Almighty God, your sovereign purpose brings salvation to birth. Give us faith to be steadfast amid the tumults of this world, trusting that your kingdom comes and your will is done through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. ☒ **Amen.**

### FIRST READING

**Daniel 12:1-3**

☒ <sup>1</sup>“At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish, such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. <sup>2</sup>Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. <sup>3</sup>Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever.”

### PSALM 16 *(Please read responsively)*

- ☒ <sup>1</sup>Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you;  
I have said to the LORD, “You are my Lord, my good above all other.”
- ☒ <sup>2</sup>**All my delight is in the godly that are in the land,  
upon those who are noble among the people.**

- L** <sup>3</sup>But those who run after other gods shall have their troubles multiplied.
- C** <sup>4</sup>**I will not pour out drink offerings to such gods, never take their names upon my lips.**
- L** <sup>5</sup>O LORD, you are my portion and my cup; it is you who uphold my lot.
- C** <sup>6</sup>**My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; indeed, I have a rich inheritance.**
- L** <sup>7</sup>I will bless the LORD who gives me counsel; my heart teaches me night after night.
- C** <sup>8</sup>**I have set the LORD always before me; because God is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.**
- L** <sup>9</sup>My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; my body also shall rest in hope.
- C** <sup>10</sup>**For you will not abandon me to the grave, nor let your holy one see the pit.**
- L** <sup>11</sup>You will show me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

## SECOND READING

## Hebrews 10:11-14, 19-25

**L** <sup>11</sup>Every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. <sup>12</sup>But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, “he sat down at the right hand of God,” <sup>13</sup>and since then has been waiting “until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet.” <sup>14</sup>For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified.

<sup>19</sup>Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, <sup>20</sup>by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), <sup>21</sup>and since we have a great priest over the house of God, <sup>22</sup>let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. <sup>23</sup>Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. <sup>24</sup>And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, <sup>25</sup>not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

## GOSPEL

## Mark 13:1-8

*The Gospel is announced:*

**L** The Holy Gospel... **C** Glory to you, O Lord.

**L** <sup>1</sup>As [Jesus] came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, “Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!” <sup>2</sup>Then Jesus asked him, “Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.”

<sup>3</sup>When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, <sup>4</sup>“Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?” <sup>5</sup>Then Jesus began to say to them, “Beware that no one leads you astray. <sup>6</sup>Many will come in my name and say, ‘I am he!’ and they will lead many astray. <sup>7</sup>When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. <sup>8</sup>For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs.”

*After the Gospel is read:*

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

## SERMON

Pastor Rich Larson

## HYMN OF THE DAY *My Lord, What a Morning* ELW 438

*Refrain*

My Lord, what a morning;  
my Lord, what a morning;  
oh, my Lord, what a morning,  
when the stars begin to fall.

*Refrain*

My Lord, what a morning;  
my Lord, what a morning;  
oh, my Lord, what a morning,  
when the stars begin to fall.

- 1) You will hear the trumpet sound,  
to wake the nations underground,  
looking to my God's right hand,  
when the stars begin to fall. *Refrain*
- 2) You will hear the sinner cry,  
to wake the nations underground,  
looking to my God's right hand,  
when the stars begin to fall. *Refrain*
- 3) You will hear the Christian shout,  
to wake the nations underground,  
looking to my God's right hand,  
when the stars begin to fall. *Refrain*

## APOSTLES CREED

**C** I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, 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, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come 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.

## PRAYER SONG

*Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying*

W& 91

- 1) On bended knee, with needy hearts, we come and pray. Lord, listen to your children.  
With willing hearts and open arms, we come and pray. Lord, listen to your children.  
With simple words of heartfelt thanks, we come. Believing in your promises, we come.  
On bended knee, with needy hearts, we come and pray.  
Lord, listen to your children, listen to your children.

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

*Following each petition:* **L** God, in your mercy, **C** hear our prayer.

*The prayers conclude:* ... God our hope and strength, we entrust to you all for whom we pray.  
Remain with us always, through Jesus Christ, our Savior. **C** Amen.

## SHARING OF THE PEACE

**L** The peace of the Lord be with you always. **C** And also with you.

## SENDING

## OFFERING

*You Are the Rock of My Salvation*

Teresa Muller

## OFFERING SONG

*We Are an Offering*

ELW 692

- 1) We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering.  
Lord, use our voices, Lord, use our hands, Lord, use our lives, they are yours: we are an offering. All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you. We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering, we are an offering

## OFFERING PRAYER

**L** Let us pray, **C** Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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.

## BLESSING

**L** People of God, you are Christ's body, bringing new life to a suffering world. The holy Trinity, † one God, bless you now and forever. **C** Amen.

## SENDING SONG      *Give to Our God Immortal Praise*

ELW 848

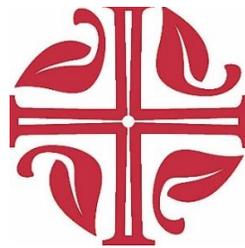
- 1) Give to our God immortal praise!  
Mercy and truth are all his ways.  
Wonders of grace to God belong;  
repeat his mercies in your song.
- 2) God sent his Son with pow'r to save  
from guilt and darkness and the grave.  
Wonders of grace to God belong;  
repeat his mercies in your song.
- 3) Give to the Lord of lords renown;  
the King of kings with glory crown.  
His mercies ever shall endure  
when lords and kings are known no more!

## DISMISSAL

**L** Led on by the saints before us, go in peace to serve the Lord.  
**C** Thanks be to God.

## POSTLUDE      *Lord, the Light of Your Love*

Graham Kendrick



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