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Introduction

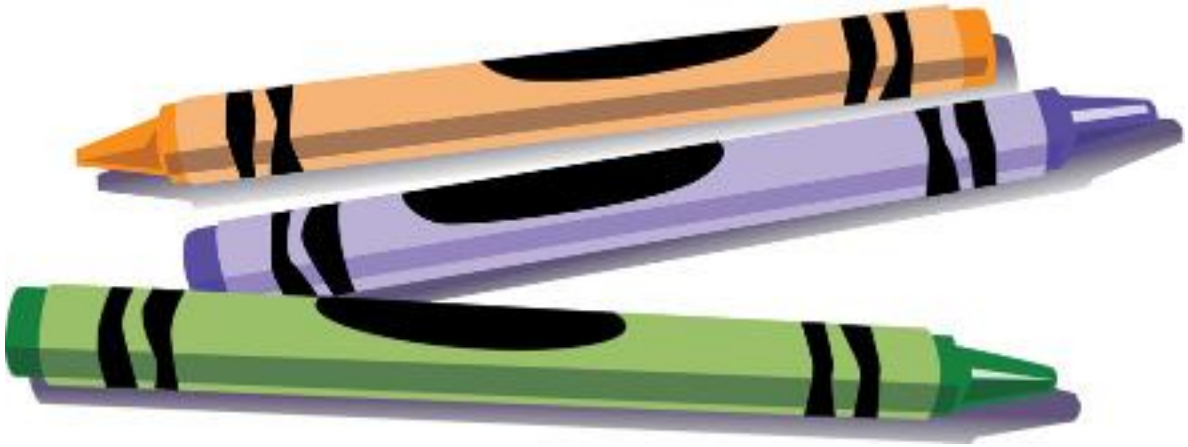
Today the prophet Amos calls for justice
to roll down like waters. Paul urges us
to encourage one another with the promised
coming of the Lord. Jesus tells the parable
of the wise and foolish bridesmaids.
Surrounded by the faithful of every time
and place, we celebrate Christ's coming
in our midst in the word of life and the feast
of victory—the marriage feast of the Lamb.

Prelude — Katherine Frantsen


WELCOME TO
WORSHIP


Anthem Chorale

Children's Message



You May Stand or Sit
Congregational responses are in bold

Confession and Forgiveness ELW page 94

In the name of the Father, and of the
☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit, **Amen**.

God of all mercy and consolation,
come to the help of your people,
turning us from our sin
to live for you alone.

Give us the power of your Holy Spirit
that we may confess our sin,
receive your forgiveness, and grow
into the fullness of Jesus Christ,
our Savior and Lord. **Amen**.

Let us confess our sin in the
presence of God and of one another.

Gracious God,
have mercy on us.

We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin.
We are truly sorry and humbly repent.

**In your compassion forgive us
our sins, known and unknown,
things we have done and things
we have failed to do. Turn us again
to you, and uphold us
by your Spirit, so that we may live
and serve you in newness of life
through Jesus Christ,
our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

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.**

Morning Has Broken *#556 (ELW)*

Morning has broken
like the first morning;
blackbird has spoken
like the first bird.
Praise for the singing!
Praise for the morning!
Praise for them,
springing fresh from the Word!

**Sweet the rain's new fall,
sunlit from heaven,
like the first dewfall
on the first grass.**

**Praise for the sweetness
of the wet garden,
sprung in completeness
where his feet pass.**

Mine is the sunlight!
Mine is the morning,
born of the one light
Eden saw play!
Praise with elation,
praise ev'ry morning,
God's recreation of the new day!

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Greeting

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

And also with you.

Kyrie (ELW setting 10 words)

Have mercy on us, Lord,
and hear our solemn prayer.
We come to hear your living word;
it saves us from despair.

Have mercy on us, Christ,
and wash away our sin.

Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may begin.

Have mercy on us, Lord;
make sin and shame depart.
Renew us with your saving pow'r;
create in us new hearts!

Tune: #717 (ELW)

I Love You Lord

#67 (W&P)

I love you, Lord, and I lift my voice
to worship you; O my soul, rejoice.
Take joy, my king,
in what you hear;
may it be a sweet, sweet
sound in your ear.

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Prayer of the Day (in unison)

**O God of justice and love,
you illumine our way through life
with the words of your Son.
Give us the light we need,
and awaken us to the needs
of others, through Jesus Christ,
our Savior and Lord. Amen**

You may sit

First Reading:

Amos 5:18-24

18 Woe to you who desire the day of the Lord!
Why do you want the day of the Lord?
It is darkness, not light, 19 as if someone
fled from a lion and was met by a bear or
went into the house and rested a hand
against the wall and was bitten by a snake.
20 Is not the day of the Lord darkness, not
light, and gloom with no brightness in it?
21 I hate, I despise your festivals, and I
take no delight in your solemn assemblies.

22 Even though you offer me your burnt
offerings and grain offerings, I will not
accept them, and the offerings of
well-being of your fatted animals I will not
look upon. 23 Take away from me the noise
of your songs; I will not listen to the
melody of your harps. 24 But let justice
roll down like water and righteousness
like an ever-flowing stream.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm

Psalm 70

[1]Be pleased, O God, to deliver me;
O Lord, make haste to help me.

[2]Let those who seek my life be put
to shame and confounded;
let those who take pleasure
in my misfortune draw back and
be disgraced.

[3]Let those who say to me “Aha!” and gloat
over me turn back because of their shame.

[4]Let all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you; let those who love your salvation say forever, "Great is the Lord!"

[5]But as for me, I am poor and needy;
come to me quickly, O God.
You are my helper and my deliverer;
O Lord, do not tarry.

Second Reading:

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

13We do not want you to be uninformed,
brothers and sisters, about those who
have died, so that you may not grieve
as others do who have no hope.
14For since we believe that Jesus died
and rose again, even so, through Jesus,
God will bring with him those who have
died.

15For this we declare to you by the word
of the Lord, that we who are alive,
who are left until the coming of the Lord,
will by no means precede those who have
died. 16For the Lord himself, with a cry of
command, with the archangel's call and
with the sound of God's trumpet,
will descend from heaven, and the dead in
Christ will rise first.

17 Then we who are alive, who are left,
will be caught up in the clouds together
with them to meet the Lord in the air,
and so we will be with the Lord forever.
18 Therefore encourage one another with
these words.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah *#612 (WOV)*

Halle, halle, hallelujah.
Halle, halle, hallelujah.
Halle, halle, hallelujah.
Hallelujah. Hallelujah.

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Gospel:

The Gospel according to Matthew, the twenty-fifth chapter, beginning at the first verse.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said to the disciples:] 1“Then
the kingdom of heaven will be like this.
Ten young women took their lamps
and went to meet the bridegroom.
2Five of them were foolish, and five
were wise. 3When the foolish took
their lamps, they took no oil with
them, 4but the wise took flasks of oil
with their lamps.

5 As the bridegroom was delayed, all of
them became drowsy and slept.
6 But at midnight there was a shout,
‘Look! Here is the bridegroom!
Come out to meet him.’
7 Then all those young women got up
and trimmed their lamps. 8 The foolish
said to the wise, ‘Give us some of your
oil, for our lamps are going out.’

9 But the wise replied, ‘No! there will
not be enough for you and for us;
you had better go to the dealers and
buy some for yourselves.’
10 And while they went to buy it, the
bridegroom came, and those who were
ready went with him into the wedding
banquet, and the door was shut.

11 Later the other young women came
also, saying, ‘Lord, lord, open to us.’
12 But he replied, ‘Truly I tell you,
I do not know you.’
13 Keep awake, therefore, for you know
neither the day nor the hour.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Viv Vega

You may sit



Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers#244 (ELW) verses 1

Rejoice, rejoice, believers,
and let your lights appear;
the evening is advancing,
and darker night is near.
The bridegroom is arising
and soon is drawing nigh.
Up, pray and watch and wrestle;
at midnight comes the cry.

The watchers on the mountain
proclaim the bridegroom near;
go forth as he approaches
with alleluias clear.
The marriage feast is waiting;
the gates wide open stand.
Arise, O heirs of glory;
the bridegroom is at hand.

Our hope and expectation,
O Jesus, now appear;
arise, O Sun so longed for,
o'er this benighted sphere.
With hearts and hands uplifted,
we plead, O Lord, to see
the day of earth's redemption
that sets your people free!

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The Apostles' Creed (ELW p105)

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.

Prayers of the People

United with the great cloud
of witnesses,
we offer our prayers
for the church,
the world,
and all of creation.

O Lord, answer the needs of loved ones and friends as we call out their names, either within our hearts or aloud.

Donna Fox, Lee Clarke, Al Ujfalusy

Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

You illumine the church
with the hope of your new day.
Prepare our hearts and minds
for the inbreaking of your kingdom,
that we might awaken
to your transforming
love at work all around us.

Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

You create and sustain
the earth's natural rhythms
so that all life might thrive.
Show us the wisdom and wonder
of nature's balance;
make us careful stewards
of our common home.

Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

You make justice roll down
in all places and among all nations.
Encourage all who protect vulnerable
communities and help rebuild
in the aftermath of conflict.
Uphold veterans and
those who care for them.

Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

You hasten to heal our wounds and
make whole what is broken.
Comfort individuals facing
a difficult diagnosis,
receiving palliative care,
or facing uncertain treatment options.

Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

You give rest to weary
hearts and bodies.
As the days grow shorter in the north,
help us to move more slowly and
intentionally through our days,
honoring the need for quiet
and stillness.

Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

You welcome those who have come
before us in faith
into the joys of heaven.
Sustain us by your grace
and guide us into
the promise of everlasting life.

Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

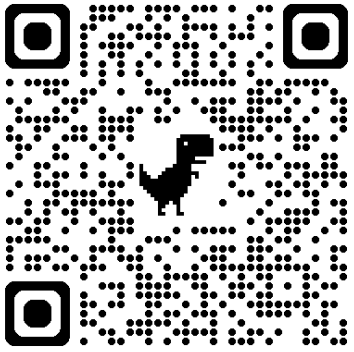
Into your steadfast love,
faithful God,
we entrust all for whom
we pray,
in the name of Jesus,
your beloved.
Amen.

The peace of Christ
be with you always,
And also with you.

Sharing the Peace:
The peace of the Lord be with you,
And also with you.

You may be seated

Offering for the mission
of the church,
including the care
of those in need.



Come, Take My Hand *(Mark Anzelon)*

Come, take my hand
for now the time is near,
May our hearts lead us
where our fears won't go,

For one single footstep
can become a million miles
if we'll all walk together
this new road.

There’s a new harvest waiting
and the seeds are sown,
There’s a warm wind
rising with the sun,

And the wheat will be gathered
to become the bread of life
if we'll all walk together
this new road,
And we'll all walk together
this new road.

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Offering Prayer

Eternal God,
our time, talents, and treasures
are gifts from you.
Receive what we offer,
and all that you entrust to us,
until hungry no more, all the world is fed,
through Jesus Christ,
our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving (ELW p206)

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and
in all places give thanks and praise
to you, almighty and merciful God,
through our Savior Jesus Christ.
You call your people to cleanse
their hearts and prepare
with joy for the paschal feast,

That renewed in the gift of baptism,
we may come to the fullness
of your grace.
And so, with all the choirs of angels,
with the church on earth
and the hosts of heaven,
we praise your name and
join their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy (Mark Anzelon)

Holy, holy, holy;
Holy, holy, holy;
Holy, holy, holy,
Lord most high.
You alone are holy,
You alone are worthy,
Merciful and mighty,
Holy, holy, Lord.

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In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread,
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.

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit,
Let us pray as Jesus taught us:

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.

Invitation to Communion

In bread and cup
the reign of Christ is breaking in.
Come,
receive what Christ has prepared.

You may be seated
Red Wine and White Grape Juice are offered
Gluten-free is available

O Lamb of God (Mark Anzelon)

O Lamb of God, you bear
the sin of all the world away;
you suffered death our lives
to save: have mercy now, we pray.

O Lamb of God, you bear
the sin of all the world away;
you set us free
from guilt and grave:

have mercy now, we pray.
Hallelujah, Hallelujah.

O Lamb of God, you bear
the sin of all the world away;
eternal peace with God you made:
give us your peace, we pray.
Hallelujah, Hallelujah.

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You may stand or sit

Holy God,
we have received your
never-ending mercy in this meal.
You continuously seek the lost,
bind the injured, and feed
your people abundantly.
Now send us out, awake to your presence,
now and forever. **Amen.**

You may sit

Announcements

Altar Guild: **Renee Brandt**

Communion Server: **Chris Craney**

Fellowship: **Lori Moody**

Lector: **Liz Craney**

TMT: **GariLynn & Greg Hiscott, Cameron H.**

Usher/Greeter: **Jim Goris**



Emily DiPetrillo & Jeremy Dillard– Nov. 8

Save The Dates!

Weekly Discussion Group

Monday, November 9 at 11am



Women GATHER

Tuesday, November 10 at 1pm

LCIF Book Club

Monday, November 16 at 1pm

Red Cross Blood Drive at LCIF

Thursday, November 19

Details at www.lcifoothills.org

Blessed Assurance *#638 (ELW)*

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
Oh, what a foretaste
of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
born of his Spirit,
washed in his blood.

This is my story,
this is my song,
praising my Savior,
all the day long:
this is my story,
this is my song,
praising my Savior
all the day long.

Perfect submission,
perfect delight,
visions of rapture
now burst on my sight;
angels descending
bring from above
echoes of mercy,
whispers of love.

This is my story,
this is my song,
praising my Savior,
all the day long:
this is my story,
this is my song,
praising my Savior
all the day long.

Perfect submission,
all is at rest;
I in my Savior
am happy and blest,
watching and waiting,
looking above,
filled with his goodness,
lost in his love.

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This is my story,
this is my song,
praising my Savior,
all the day long:
this is my story,
this is my song,
praising my Savior
all the day long.

Blessing and Dismissal

The holy Trinity,
Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you with wisdom to
welcome the reign of God,
today and always.
Amen.

Go in peace.
Encourage one another.
Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Katherine Frantsen