

Lord of the Valley Lutheran Church

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LOTV Worship with Holy Communion

Sunday, October 25, 2026 Reformation Sunday

Welcome Krista Kilgus, the executive director at Urban Servant Corps.

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as people of God.

Welcome and Announcements

Welcoming One Another with Christ's Peace

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Because Lord of the Valley is a welcoming church, we take a moment to share Christ's peace and greet one another, especially if there is someone you haven't met or seen in a while, so that we can worship together in peace and unity.

Gathering Song

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

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1 A might - y for - tress is our God, a sword and shield vic -
2 No strength of ours can match his might! We would be lost, re -
3 Though hordes of dev - ils fill the land all threat - 'ning to de -
4 God's Word for - ev - er shall a - bide, no thanks to foes, who

to - rious; he breaks the cruel op - pres - sor's rod and
ject - ed. But now a cham - pion comes to fight, whom
vour us, we trem - ble not, un - moved we stand; they
fear it; for God him - self fights by our side with



wins sal - va - tion glo - rious. The old sa - tan - ic foe
 God him - self e - lect - ed. You ask who this may be?
 can - not o - ver - pow'r us. Let this world's ty - rant rage;
 weap-ons of the Spir - it. Were they to take our house,

has sworn to work us woe! With craft and dread - ful might
 The Lord of hosts is he! Christ Je - sus, might - y Lord,
 in bat - tle we'll en - gage! His might is doomed to fail;
 goods, hon - or, child, or spouse, though life be wrenched a - way,

he arms him - self to fight. On earth he has no e - qual.
 God's on - ly Son, a - dored. He holds the field vic - to - rious.
 God's judg-ment must pre - vail! One lit - tle word sub - dues him.
 they can - not win the day. The king-dom's ours for - ev - er!

Confession & Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,
 who pours love into our hearts
 and healing upon the earth.

Amen.

Confident that God justifies us by grace through faith,
 let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Compassionate God,
**we confess that we struggle to embody your goodness
 in the world and in our own hearts.**
Creation groans from overuse.
Jealousy and bitterness strain our relationships.
Indifference keeps us from seeking justice.
Divisions disrupt your call to show genuine love to others.

Turn our hearts back to you.
 Restore our world and reconcile us to one another.
 Renew us to live as your holy people,
 following the way of Jesus Christ.
 Amen.

Hear this good news:
 We have peace with God through Jesus Christ,
 in whom there is no condemnation,
 but only forgiveness and the promise of eternal life.
 In the name of ✝ Jesus Christ, all your sins are forgiven.
 Receive freely this healing gift of grace.
 Amen.

Rise Up and Sing

Leader Congregation

O God, o - pen my lips, and my
 mouth will de - clare your praise.

1 Rise up and sing! Bring in the morn - ing;
 2 Rise up, good friends! Now is the hour; . . .
 3 Rise with the world, curled up a - wait - ing

dawn is a - born - ing, day has be - gun.
 sun - light will show - er hope for the day.
 end to the hat - ing, day full of grace.

Raise the glad sound! A - round us are break - ing
 Rise from your sleep, and keep your dreams with you.
 Rise up in song! The long night is end - ing;

skies that are wak - ing light of the sun.
 Let the light kiss you soft on your way.
 now God is send - ing peace to this place.

Last time to Coda ☪

⊕ Coda

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Greeting

P: 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.

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray,

C: Almighty God, gracious Lord, we thank you that your Holy Spirit renews the church in every age. Pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your word, protect and comfort them in times of trial, defend them against all enemies of the gospel, and bestow on the church your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WORD

God speaks to us in the Scriptures, preaching, and song.

Music to Receive the Word

We sing together to open our hearts and minds to hear God's Word, good news (gospel) for all people.

Spirit of the Living God

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall fresh on - me,

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall fresh on me.

Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall fresh on me.

Scriptures

Psalms 46 – The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold. (Ps. 46:7)

¹ God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble.

² **Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved,
and though the mountains shake in the depths of the sea;**

³ though its waters rage and foam,
and though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

⁴ **There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy habitation of the Most High.**

⁵ God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be shaken;
God shall help it at the break of day.

⁶ **The nations rage, and the kingdoms shake;
God speaks, and the earth melts away.**

⁷ The LORD of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

⁸ **Come now, regard the works of the LORD,
what desolations God has brought upon the earth;**

⁹ behold the one who makes war to cease in all the world;
who breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the shields with fire.

¹⁰ **“Be still, then, and know that I am God;
I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth.”**

¹¹ The LORD of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

R: The Word of God for the People of God.

C: Thanks be to God.

Romans 3:19-28 – Justified by God's grace as a gift

¹⁹ Now we know that, whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced and the whole world may be held accountable to God. ²⁰ For no human will be justified before him by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin.

²¹ But now, apart from the law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed and is attested by the Law and the Prophets, ²² the righteousness of God through the faith of Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, ²³ since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; ²⁴ they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵ whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did this to demonstrate his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; ²⁶ it was to demonstrate at the present time his own righteousness, so that he is righteous and he justifies the one who has the faith of Jesus.

²⁷ Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. Through what kind of law? That of works? No, rather through the law of faith. ²⁸ For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

John 8:31-36 – Jesus says, Continue in my word and you will know the truth

³¹ Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples, ³² and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." ³³ They answered him, "We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, 'You will be made free'?"

³⁴ Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵ The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. ³⁶ So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

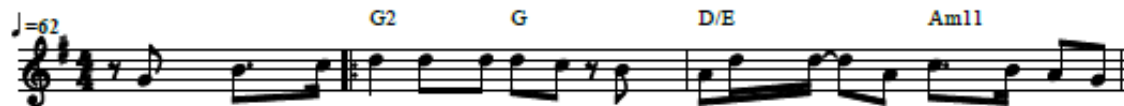
C: Thanks be to God.

Children's Message & Sunday School

Sermon Krista Kilgus, the executive director at Urban Servant Corps

Song of the Day "In Christ Alone" Words and Music by Shawn Craig and Don Koch

VERSE



1. In Christ a-lone will I glo-ry, though I could pride my-self in bat-tles
(2. In Christ a)-lone will I glo-ry, for on-ly by His grace I am re-



won. For I've been blessed be-yond mea-sure, and by His strength a-lone I o-ver-
-deemed. On-ly His ten-der mer-cy could reach be-yond my weak-ness to my

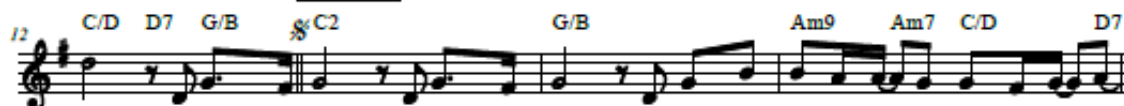


-come. Oh, I could stop and count suc-cess-es like dia-monds in my
need. Now, I seek no great-er hon-or than just to know Him



hand, but those tro-phies could not e-qual to the grace by which I
more. And to count my gains but loss-es to the glo-ry of my

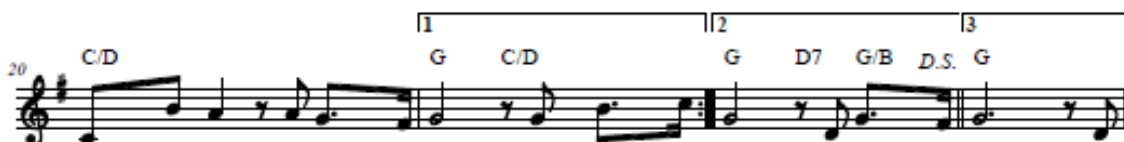
CHORUS



stand. In Christ a-lone I place my trust, and find my glo-ry in the pow-er of the
Lord.

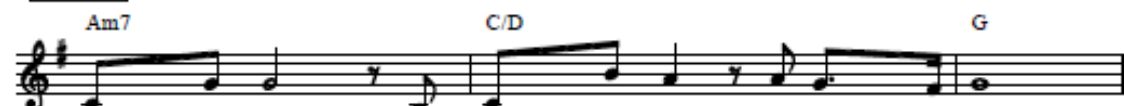


cross. In ev-'ry vic-to-ry, let it be said of me, my source of strength, my



source of hope is Christ a-lone. 2. In Christ a lone. In Christ a lone. My

ENDING



source of strength, my source of hope is Christ a-lone.

Prayers of the People

L: Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

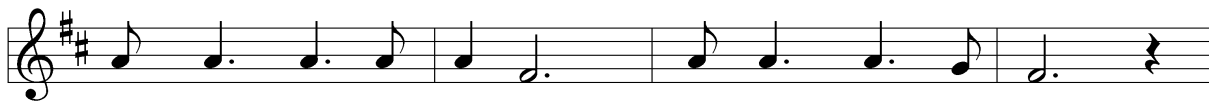
MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Offering

Offering Response

"What Have We to Offer"



1 What have we to of - fer? What have we to share?
2 What have we to of - fer? What have we to bring?
3 What have we to of - fer? What have we to give?



Coins from the cof - fer, hearts filled with care.
Love, ripe with laugh - ter; hope that we can sing;
Eyes that are wide o - pen; lies that we won't live;



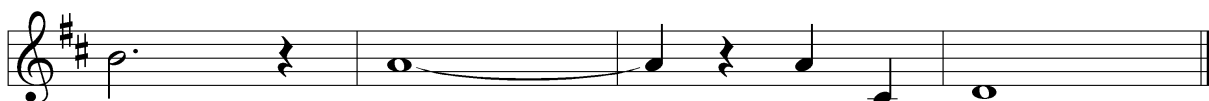
God will not fal - ter; so let us dare
dreams of what we're af - ter; prom - is - es of when.
truth that must be spo - ken; jus - tice some - how.



lay it at the al - tar there.
Lay it at the al - tar then.
Lay it at the al - tar now.



4 What have we to of - fer? What have we to



give? Lives we will live.

Offering Prayer

A: God of creation,

C: You send rain and the earth springs forth abundantly.

All blessings are from you;

make us generous with what we have.

Use our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts

in service to you and in love to our neighbors,

today and always.

Amen.

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 God thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places...

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 God

Refrain



Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly God, source of pow - er, source of love:



heav - en and earth are full of you. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



Bless-ed is the one, the one who comes in the name of our gra-cious God.



Bless-ed is the one, the one who comes: bless-ed be Je-sus Christ.

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

P: Lord, remember us in your love, 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.

Distribution of Communion

We invite all who come in faith to the Lord's Table as we celebrate Holy Communion in our worship today. For those who prefer, grape juice and gluten free wafers are available, let the server know as you approach. Those not communing are welcome to come forward for a blessing.

Lamb of God



☒ Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the



sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Post-Communion Blessing

Post-Communion Prayer

P: Sustaining God,

C: with this bread and cup,

you nourish us with mercy and abundant life.

By your Spirit, send us from this table to serve a needy world.

Make us living signs of your liberation, healing, and love,

following the way of Jesus, in whose name we pray.

Amen.

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

Blessing

P: The God of love

draw you into full accord and one mind,

in the body of Christ Jesus.

C: Amen.

P: The God of hope

grant you strength and joy in all circumstances

through the interceding of the Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: The God of grace

✠ bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

Sending Song

Let Us Enter In



- 1 Let us en - ter in to the song of thanks - giv - ing and free - dom.
- 2 Let us en - ter in to the place where our God has pre - ced - ed.
- 3 Let us en - ter in to the heart of a world that is bro - ken.



Let us en - ter in to the long line of peo - ple in need.
Let us en - ter in to the face of the fear and the pain.
Let us en - ter in to the start of a hope we can share.



Let us en-ter in to the strong mind that God is still liv - ing.
Let us en-ter in to the grace of the love when it's need - ed.
Let us en-ter in to the part where we call one an - oth - er



Heal - ing, for - giv - ing— Let us en - ter in.
Death is de - feat - ed! Let us en - ter in.
sis - ter and broth - er. Let us en - ter in.

Dismissal

A: Go out in joy. Be led forth in peace.

C: Thanks be to God. And we will!

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