

# Lord of the Valley Lutheran Church

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## LOTV Worship with Holy Communion

Sunday, July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2022 8<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

### Welcome and Announcements

Leader: We worship as we live in the name of God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**All: Amen**

Leader: Live this moment in its fullness, the grace of God overflows. As we worship, let us celebrate the richness and diversity of life in the presence of God.

**All: Be with us, O God, in our thinking, feeling, and our being. Touch us where we need to feel your presence and encourage us where we need your inspiration.**

Leader: We come together, O God, to worship you. We are neighbors and strangers. Some faces we know, some we have never seen before. Yet we worship together as your people.

**All: Help us to open ourselves to You, that we may truly love You and love our neighbor in all that we say and do. Amen**



1 Come, let us wor-ship God... Come, let us wor-ship God...  
2 Rest for the wea-ry... Rest for the wea-ry...  
3 Food for the hun-gry... Food for the hun-gry...  
4 Hope for the chil-dren... Hope for the chil-dren...



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To the love of God... To the love of God...  
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Leader: Surrounded by the steadfast love of God, we gain courage to examine our lives and our relationships. Together we confess the sin that distances us from God and separates us from each other.

*(A time of Silence for Personal Reflection and Confession.)*

Leader: Most Merciful God;

**All: We see a glimpse of what we should do and say, and we stand still and remain silent. In worship we celebrate how our sins are forgiven, how we are called to forgive others, but in truth we hold on to grudges, we use forgiveness as a weapon of control instead of a way of peace. Teach us how to forgive. Teach us how to be reconciled with each other. Forgive our sins, O God. Renew our lives. Amen.**

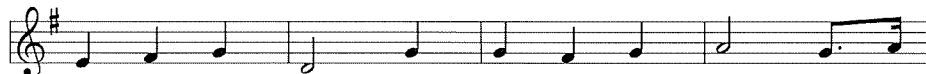
Leader: In spite of all we have done or not done, God is gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger and abounding in love. To all who believe in Jesus Christ, God forgives you of your sin, and through the Holy Spirit gives you new life.

**ALL: Amen. Thanks be to God!**

### Gathering Song *Open Our Lives to the Word*



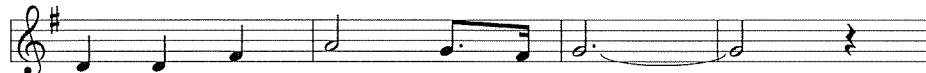
1 May our words, may our songs, may our wor - ship this night  
2 May our griefs, may our woes, may the sor - rows we share  
3 May our joys, may our smiles, may the gifts that we bring



fill up our hearts and give us new sight. May our  
fill up our hearts and call forth our care. May our  
fill up our hearts and stir us to sing. May we



prayers, may our praise give us light for our days, and  
tears, may our fears be ac - cept - ed right here, and  
serve, may we dance, may we all take that chance; and



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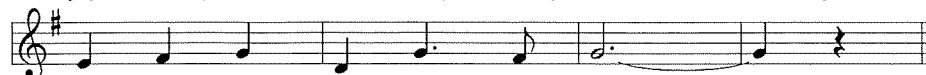
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Leader: The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Love of God, and the Fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you always.

**All: And also with you.**

### Rise Up and Sing

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It features a Leader part and a Congregation part. The lyrics are: "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. 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." The score includes a Coda section for the final "Al - le - lu - ia" phrase.

### The Word

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray.

**ALL: Benevolent God, you are the source, the guide, and the goal of our lives. Teach us to love what is worth loving, to reject what is offensive to you, and to treasure what is precious in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## **Bible Readings**

### **Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2: 18-23**

Vanity of vanities, says the Teacher,  
vanity of vanities! All is vanity.

I, the Teacher, when king over Israel in Jerusalem, applied my mind to seek and to search out by wisdom all that is done under heaven; it is an unhappy business that God has given to human beings to be busy with. I saw all the deeds that are done under the sun; and see, all is vanity and a chasing after wind.

I hated all my toil in which I had toiled under the sun, seeing that I must leave it to those who come after me —and who knows whether they will be wise or foolish? Yet they will be master of all for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity. So I turned and gave my heart up to despair concerning all the toil of my labors under the sun, because sometimes one who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave all to be enjoyed by another who did not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil. What do mortals get from all the toil and strain with which they toil under the sun? For all their days are full of pain, and their work is a vexation; even at night their minds do not rest. This also is vanity.

### **Colossians 3: 1-11**

So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. But now you must get rid of all such things—anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!

## Gospel Verse *Spirit of the Living God, Fall Fresh on Me*

(sung once before the Gospel Reading, and once after the Gospel Reading)

F F7 Gm/BbD/A Gm F/C Bb/C C F Bb/C

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

F F7 Gm D/A Gm7 F/C Bb/C C7 F F7

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

Bb Bbm/Eb F Dm G Csus rit. C C7

Melt me. Mold me. Fill me. Use me. —

*a tempo* F F7 Gm D/A Gm7 F/C Bb/C C7 F

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

## Gospel Reading

### Luke 12: 13-21

Someone in the crowd said to him, 'Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me.' But he said to him, 'Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?' And he said to them, 'Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.' Then he told them a parable: 'The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, "What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?" Then he said, "I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.'" But God said to him, "You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?" So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich towards God.'

## Sermon

## Song

### "Soli Deo Gloria"



1 O God of bless - ings, all praise to you! Your love sur -  
2 All praise for proph - ets, through grace in - spired to preach and  
3 All praise for mu - sic, deep gift pro - found, through hands and  
4 All praise for Je - sus, best gift di - vine through word and  
5 A bil - lion voic - es in one great song, now soft and



rounds us our whole life through. You are the  
wit - ness with hearts on fire. Your Spir - it  
voic - es in ho - ly sound; the psalms of  
wit - ness, in bread and wine; in - car - nate  
gen - tle, now deep and strong, in ev - 'ry



free - dom of those op - pressed; you are the com - fort of all dis -  
choos - es the weak and small to sing the new reign where might - y  
Da - vid, and Mar - y's praise, in word - less splen - dor and lyr - ic  
love song of bound - less grace, priest, teach - er, proph - et in time and  
cul - ture and style and key, from hill and val - ley, with sky and



ressed. Come now, O ho - ly and wel - come guest:  
fall; with them may we live your gos - pel call:  
phrase, with all cre - a - tion one song we raise:  
space, your stead - fast kind - ness with hu - man face:  
sea, with Christ we praise you e - ter - nal - ly:



So - li De - o glo - ri - a! So - li De - o glo - ri - a!

## Affirmation of Faith

We believe in God, the Creator, who moved upon the face of the deep at the beginning of creation, who created all that is, all that will be, who spoke through the prophets of old.

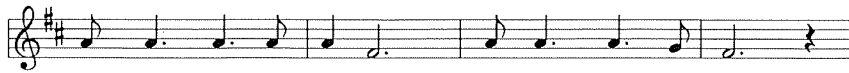
We believe in Jesus Christ, into whom God's Spirit was poured in fullness and power, that the whole creation might be restored, healed and unified; and who promised that the Spirit would come and fill the faithful with power to witness to the mighty love of God.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, who breathes within us the breath of God. We wait on the Spirit today with longing hearts, seeking to be empowered to witness to God's love in Christ, with fresh and courageous actions of love and hope. Amen.

## Prayers of the People

## Offering

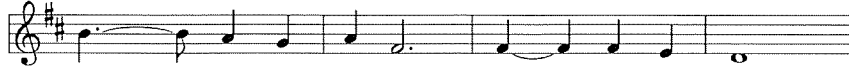
## Offering Response *What Have We to Offer*



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.

Leader: Let us pray, Merciful God,

**All: Everything in heaven and earth belongs to you. We joyfully release what you have entrusted to us. May these gifts be signs of our whole lives returned to you, dedicated to the healing and unity of all creation, through Jesus Christ. Amen**

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

**All: We lift them up to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All: It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Leader: It is indeed right and good that we should at all time and all places . . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn.

*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.

*Refrain*

## Words of Institution

Leader: Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all. 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 in 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 in remembrance of me. Remembering, therefore, his life, his death, his resurrection, we await his coming in glory. Pour out your Holy Spirit, that by this simple meal we may know the unity we share with all your people in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty God, now and forever.

**All: Amen**

Leader: Lord, remember us in your love, and teach us to pray.

**ALL: 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**

## 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.

## Distribution of Holy 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 is available, as well as gluten free wafers, let the servers know as you approach. Children who are not yet communing are welcome to come forward for a blessing.*

Leader: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen us and keep us in his grace, now and always. **All: Amen**

Leader: Life-giving God, in this meal you have bound us to yourself, at this table we have received the very presence of Jesus Christ. Send us now to be what we have received, that all creation might know your love and sing your praise now and always. **All: Amen**



## 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.

## Benediction

**Sending** Leader: Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

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