

# Lord of the Valley Lutheran Church

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## LOTV Worship with Holy Communion

Sunday, June 16<sup>th</sup> Fourth 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.

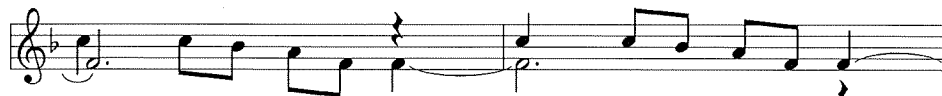
**All: Be with us, O God, in our thinking, feeling, and our being. Touch us where we need to feel your presence and encourage us where we need your inspiration.**

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.

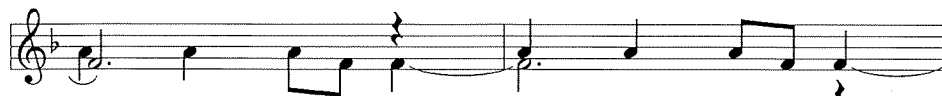
**All: Help us to open ourselves to You, that we may truly love You and love our neighbor in all that we say and do. Amen**



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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Wel - come ev - 'ry - one ... Wel - come ev - 'ry - one ...  
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To the love of God ... To the love of God ...  
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*Coda*

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

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## The Word

Leader: The Lord be with you. **All: And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray.

**All: O God, you are the tree of life, offering shelter to all the world. Graft us into yourself and nurture our growth, that we may bear your truth and love to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## Bible Readings

### Ezekiel 17: 22-24

Thus says the Lord GOD:

I myself will take a sprig

from the lofty top of a cedar;

I will set it out.

I will break off a tender one

from the topmost of its young twigs;

I myself will plant it

on a high and lofty mountain.

On the mountain height of Israel

I will plant it,

in order that it may produce boughs and bear fruit,

and become a noble cedar.

Under it every kind of bird will live;

in the shade of its branches will nest

winged creatures of every kind.

All the trees of the field shall know

that I am the LORD.

I bring low the high tree,

I make high the low tree;

I dry up the green tree

and make the dry tree flourish.

I the LORD have spoken;

I will accomplish it.

### 2 Corinthians 5: 6-10 [11-13] 14-17

So we are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord—for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would

rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For all of us must appear before the judgement seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil. [Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord, we try to persuade others; but we ourselves are well known to God, and I hope that we are also well known to your consciences. We are not commending ourselves to you again, but giving you an opportunity to boast about us, so that you may be able to answer those who boast in outward appearance and not in the heart. For if we are beside ourselves, it is for God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you.] For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them. From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

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

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

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 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.

## Mark 4: 26-34

[Jesus said,] 'The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come.'

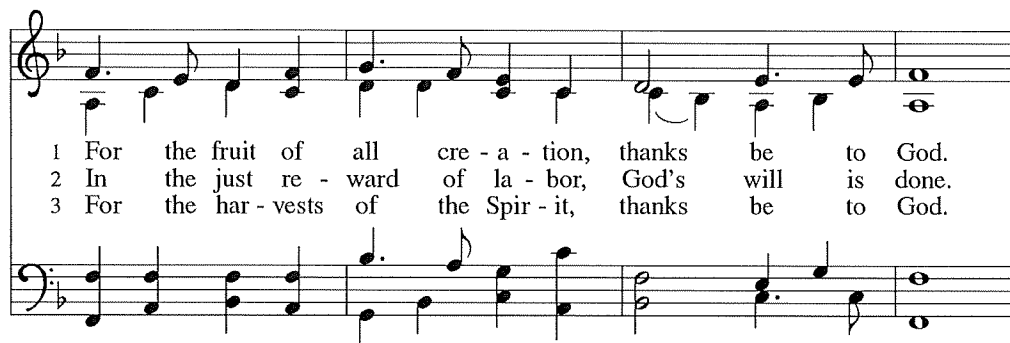
He also said, 'With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.'

With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

## Sermon

## Song

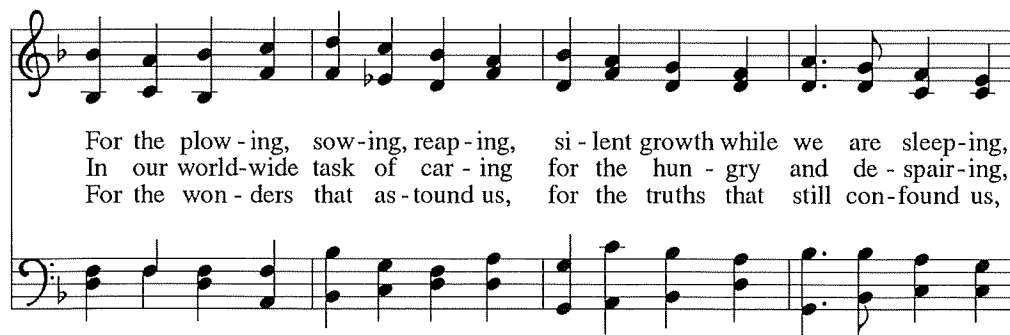
### "For the Fruit of All Creation"



1 For the fruit of all cre - a - tion, thanks be to God.  
2 In the just re - ward of la - bor, God's will is done.  
3 For the har - vests of the Spir - it, thanks be to God.



For these gifts to ev - 'ry na - tion, thanks be to God.  
In the help we give our neigh - bor, God's will is done.  
For the good we all in - her - it, thanks be to God.



For the plow - ing, sow - ing, reap - ing, si - lent growth while we are sleep - ing,  
In our world - wide task of car - ing for the hun - gry and de - spair - ing,  
For the won - ders that as - tound us, for the truths that still con - found us,

fu - ture needs in earth's safe-keep - ing, thanks be to God.  
 in the har - vests we are shar - ing, God's will is done.  
 most of all, that love has found us, thanks be to God.

**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**

Leader: Merciful God,  
**All: receive our prayer.**

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

### 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





## 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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