

Ascension Lutheran Church Livestream Worship
October 18– 9:15am

Welcome! A few pointers to make this worship service meaningful:

- Set the space. Clear a table of everything except the screen, a Bible, and the candle. Turn off the TV, radio, and phones.
- Make sure your computer/tablet/phone is charged, connected to the internet, and has the volume up.
- We will be receiving communion this morning. Have your bread and wine or grape juice ready.
- We won't be receiving an offering during the service, but please still support the ministry of Ascension.

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Prelude

“Listen, God is Calling” arr. by Anne Krentz

Organ Solo

Announcements

Call to Worship

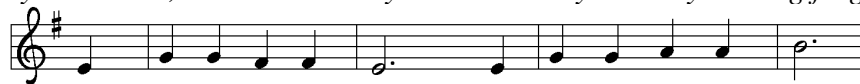
“In Christ Alone” arr. by Lloyd Larson
Duet: Sandra Hagen and Sadie Hjelmstad

+ Confession

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who created us from the earth, who promises new life to us, who stirs up our faith.

Amen.

Kyrie eleison, Lord have mercy. We come to you today seeking forgiveness and healing.

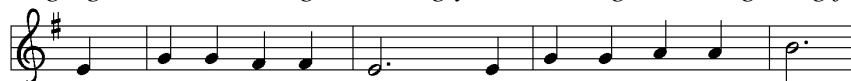


1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.



We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.

Kyrie eleison, Lord have mercy. We confess to those things we've done that harm our neighbor: slinging words that sting, hoarding your blessings, abusing the gift of creation.



2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.



Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.

Kyrie eleison, Lord have mercy. We confess to you those things we've left undone. We've not lifted up the poor. We've not torn down sources of oppression. We've not been bold in sharing the gospel.

3 Have mer-cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part.
 Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

God of grace and mercy, we come to you seeking forgiveness, seeking courage, seeking the will to heed your call.
Amen.

Forgiveness

Gathering Hymn – “For All the Faithful Women” (419)
Sing verses 1,2, Hannah, Last

1 For all the faith - ful wom - en who served in days of old,
Insert one or more of stanzas 3–11 or this general stanza 2:
 2 O God, for saints and ser - vants, those named and those un - known,
Last All praise to God the Fa - ther! All praise to Christ the Son!
 to you shall thanks be giv - en; to all, their stor - y told.
 in whom through all the a - ges your light of glo - ry shone,
 All praise to God the Spir - it, who binds the church as one!
 They served with strength and glad - ness in tasks your wis - dom gave.
 we of - fer glad thanks-giv - ing and fer - vent prayer we raise
 With saints who went be - fore us, with saints who wit - ness still,
 To you their lives bore wit - ness, pro - claimed your pow'r to save.
 that, faith - ful in your ser - vice, our lives may sing your praise.
 we sing glad al - le - lu - ias and strive to do your will.

Hannah
 4 To Hannah, praying childless
 before the throne of grace,
 you gave a son and called him
 to serve before your face.
 Grant us her perseverance;
 Lord, teach us how to pray
 and trust in your deliv'rance
 when darkness hides our way.

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.

Hymn of Praise – “Glory be to God in Heaven”



1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.

3 Ho-ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a-lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre-a-tion, Fa-ther of sur-pass-ing worth:

Ho-ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex-alt you, we a-dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.

Je-sus Christ, with God the Spir-it, in the Fa-ther's splen-dor bright.



Saints and an-gels bow be-fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.

For the peace that we in-her-it, glo-ry be to God on high!

Prayer of the Day

God who answers prayer,

We are blessed and humbled that you hear us when we call to you in our time of deepest longing.

Receive our gratitude for your listening ear. Amen.

First Reading- 1 Samuel 1: 9-11; 19-20; 2:1-8

After Hannah and Elkanah had eaten and drunk at Shiloh, Hannah rose and presented herself before the Lord. Now Eli the priest was sitting on the seat beside the doorpost of the temple of the Lord. She was deeply distressed and prayed to the Lord, and wept bitterly. She made this vow: ‘O Lord of hosts, if only you will look on the misery of your servant, and remember me, and not forget your servant, but will give to your servant a male child, then I will set him before you as a nazirite until the day of his death. He shall drink neither wine nor intoxicants, and no razor shall touch his head.’

[After Eli promised a son to Hannah, she and Elkanah left the temple]

They rose early in the morning and worshipped before the Lord; then they went back to their house at Ramah. Elkanah knew his wife Hannah, and the Lord remembered her. In due time Hannah conceived and bore a son. She named him Samuel, for she said, ‘I have asked him of the Lord.’

[After Hannah left Samuel with Eli]

Hannah prayed and said,

‘My heart exults in the Lord;

my strength is exalted in my God.

My mouth derides my enemies,

because I rejoice in my victory.

‘There is no Holy One like the Lord,

no one besides you;

there is no Rock like our God.

Talk no more so very proudly,

let not arrogance come from your mouth;

for the Lord is a God of knowledge,
 and by him actions are weighed.
 The bows of the mighty are broken,
 but the feeble gird on strength.
 Those who were full have hired themselves out for bread,
 but those who were hungry are fat with spoil.
 The barren has borne seven,
 but she who has many children is forlorn.
 The Lord kills and brings to life;
 he brings down to Sheol and raises up.
 The Lord makes poor and makes rich;
 he brings low, he also exalts.
 He raises up the poor from the dust;
 he lifts the needy from the ash heap,
 to make them sit with princes
 and inherit a seat of honour.
 For the pillars of the earth are the Lord's,
 and on them he has set the world.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

+ Gospel Acclamation



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

Gospel Reading: Luke 1: 46-55

The Holy Gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

And Mary said,
 'My soul magnifies the Lord,
 and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour,
 for he has looked with favour on the lowliness of his servant.
 Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed;
 for the Mighty One has done great things for me,
 and holy is his name.
 His mercy is for those who fear him
 from generation to generation.
 He has shown strength with his arm;

he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts.
 He has brought down the powerful from their thrones,
 and lifted up the lowly;
 he has filled the hungry with good things,
 and sent the rich away empty.
 He has helped his servant Israel,
 in remembrance of his mercy,
 according to the promise he made to our ancestors,
 to Abraham and to his descendants for ever.'

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you O Christ.

Children's Sermon

Sermon

Pastor Daniel Smith

Hymn of the Day—"Here I am, Lord" (574)



1 "I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo - ple cry.
 2 "I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peo - ple's pain.
 3 "I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.



All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.
 I have wept for love of them. They turn a - way.
 I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.

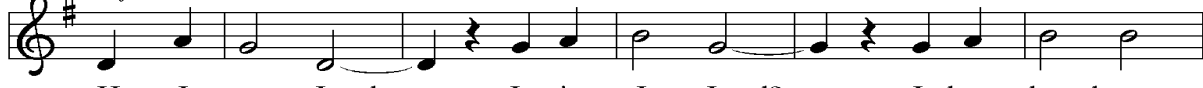


I, who made the stars of night, I will make their dark-ness bright.
 I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love a - lone.
 Fin-est bread I will pro-vide till their hearts be sat - is - fied.



Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?"
 I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?"
 I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?"

Refrain



Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you



call-ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you



lead me. I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

+Apostle's Creed

**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 into hell.
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

*Trusting the Spirit's power, we pray for the church, the world, and all of God's creation.
(a brief silence)*

After each petition:

Lord in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Those remembered in prayer this week ...

Beth Ayen, Allen Brooks, Brad Buhler, Sonny Campbell, Rose Erickson, Andrea Gallant, Tom & Sandy George, Elaine Glover, Jack Kagarise, Pam Landry, Carlos Quiles, Rick Rogers, Jeff Sebben, Cassie Shaffer, Cathy Stanley, Ilene Steinkruger, Wanda Wade, Dee Yocum, all our men and women serving overseas, especially Anthony Calderon, and all others we lift up to you at this time.

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

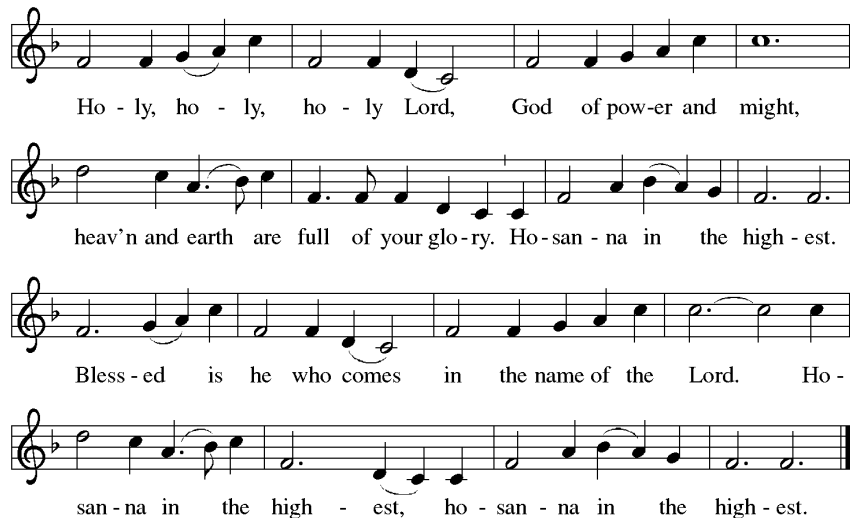
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Preface to the Sanctus

It is indeed right ... and join their unending hymn:

The Sanctus



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

The Eucharistic Prayer and Words of Institution

O God most mighty, O God most merciful, O God our rock and our salvation, hear us as we praise, call us to your table,

give us life.

When the earth was dust, you formed life. When Abraham looked to the stars, you promised a future. When the Israelites were enslaved, you freed them. Hannah's prayer was answered; Elijah and the widow were supplied in their need; Daniel was given courage; and we pray,

give us life. Amen.

In the night in which he was betrayed, ...

Remembering his death, we cry out Amen.

Amen.

Trusting his presence in this life, we plead Amen.

Amen.

Celebrating his resurrection, we shout Amen.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

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

At the time of communion, we encourage you to have your bread and wine or grape juice ready. When the pastor says "the body of Christ given for you" eat the bread and when the pastor says "the blood of Christ shed for you" drink the wine, trusting that this is God's free gift of grace for you. If you are worshipping with others, one person might take the bread and wine with the pastor's words and then offer the same words to others as they eat and drink. God's love and this meal are for all, including children. If your children are not yet ready to receive, offer a simple blessing such as "May the Lord bless you and keep you."

Lamb of God



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

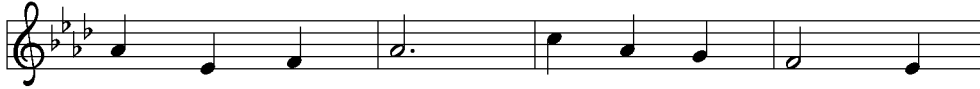
+ The Blessing Amen.

Prayer after Communion

God of abundance,

**With this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord.
Amen.**

Sending Hymn – “Earth and All Stars!” (731)



1 Earth and all stars! Loud rush - ing plan - ets!
 2 Trum - pet and pipes! Loud clash - ing cym - bals!
 4 Class-rooms and labs! Loud boil - ing test tubes!
 5 Knowl-edge and truth! Loud sound-ing wis - dom!



Sing to the Lord a new song!
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Hail, wind, and rain! Loud blow - ing snow - storm!
 Harp, lute, and lyre! Loud hum - ming cel - los!
 Ath - lete and band! Loud cheer - ing peo - ple!
 Daugh - ter and son! Loud pray - ing mem - bers!



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Refrain
 God has done mar - vel - ous things.



I too sing prais - es with a new song!

Benediction

Dismissal

Go in peace, serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

“My Soul Proclaims Your Greatness” arr. Aaron David

Organ Solo

Calendar October 18-25

<u>SUNDAY 10/18</u>	9:15 AM	Live Worship
	10:15 AM	Fellowship via Zoom
<u>MONDAY</u>	7:00 PM	Centering Prayer
<u>TUESDAY</u>	10:30 AM	Pastors Bible Study
<u>WEDNESDAY</u>	9:00 AM	Staff Meeting
	6:30 PM	Confirmation via Zoom
<u>SUNDAY 10/25</u>	9:15 AM	Live Worship
	10:15 AM	Fellowship via Zoom

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