

Ascension Lutheran Church In Person & Livestream Worship  
June 6, 9:15am

*Welcome! A few pointers for those at home to make this worship service meaningful:*

- *Set the space. Clear a table of everything except the screen, a Bible, and the candle.*
- *Join us as for communion this morning. Have your bread and wine or grape juice ready.*
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**Prelude**                      **Variations on 'Kum Ba Yah' arr. John Behnke \***  
   **Variation 1 'Someone's Praying, My Lord' \***  
   **Variation 2 'Someone's Crying, My Lord' ©1993 Morning Star Music Publishers**

**Announcements**

**Confession**

*Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the creator of wind and rain, field and ocean, the power at work within us and this world.*

**Amen.**

*Before God and in the company of our sisters and brothers, let us confess our sin.*

*(Silence is kept for reflection.)*

*God and Father of all,*

**we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. We have thought better of ourselves than others. We have told lies, said hurtful things, acted in ways we wish we could take back, and looked the other way when action was needed. In your mercy, O God, forgive us, cleanse us, and heal us, for the sake of Jesus, our Savior. Amen.**

**Forgiveness**

## Gathering Hymn

## Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us (789)



1 Sav-ior like a shep-herd lead us; much we need your ten-der care.  
2 We are yours; in love be-friend us, be the guard-ian of our way;  
3 You have prom-ised to re-ceive us, poor and sin-ful though we be;  
4 Ear-ly let us seek your fa-vor, ear-ly let us do your will;



In your pleas-ant pas-tures feed us, for our use your fold pre-pare.  
keep your flock, from sin de-fend us, seek us when we go a-stray.  
you have mer-cy to re-lieve us, grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free.  
bless-ed Lord and on-ly Sav-ior, with your love our spir-its fill.



Bless-ed Je-sus, bless-ed Je-sus, you have bought us; we are yours.  
Bless-ed Je-sus, bless-ed Je-sus, hear us chil-dren when we pray.  
Bless-ed Je-sus, bless-ed Je-sus, ear-ly let us turn to you.  
Bless-ed Je-sus, bless-ed Je-sus, you have loved us, love us still.



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Text: attr. Dorothy A. Thrupp, 1779–1847  
Music: BRADBURY, William B. Bradbury, 1816–1868

## Greeting

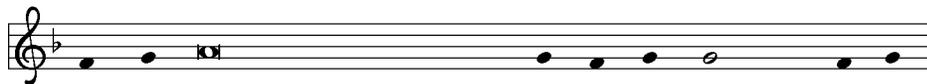
*The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.*

**And also with you.**

## Kyrie



In peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer-cy.



For the peace from above, and for our sal-va-tion, let us

pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,

and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mer - cy.**

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,

let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**

Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.

**A - men.**

## Hymn of Praise

*Refrain*

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le -

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

2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and join in the

hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and



might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God,



for the Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign.



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

### Prayer of the Day

*O loving God,*

**to turn away from you is to fall, to turn toward you is to rise, and to stand before you is to abide forever. Grant us, dear God, in all our duties your help; in all our uncertainties your guidance; in all our dangers your protection; and in all our sorrows your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**Special Music "Seek Ye First" by Karen Lafferty & Johann Pachelbel Women's Ensemble  
arr. by Douglas E. Wagner ©1972 Maranatha! Music**

### Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5:15-23

See that none of you repays evil for evil, but always seek to do good to one another and to all. Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. Do not quench the Spirit. Do not despise the words of prophets, but test everything; hold fast to what is good; abstain from every form of evil.

May the God of peace himself sanctify you entirely; and may your spirit and soul and body be kept sound and blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

*The Word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

### + Gospel Acclamation



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



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

**Gospel Reading: Luke 11:1-13**

*The Holy Gospel according to Luke.*

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, ‘Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples.’ He said to them, ‘When you pray, say:  
Father, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come.

Give us each day our daily bread.

And forgive us our sins,

for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us.

And do not bring us to the time of trial.’

And he said to them, ‘Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, “Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.” And he answers from within, “Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.” I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.

‘So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!’

*The Gospel of the Lord.*

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Children's Sermon**

**Sermon**

**Pastor Daniel Smith**

Hymn of the Day

What a Friend We Have in Jesus (742)



1 What a friend we have in Je - sus, all our sins and griefs to bear!  
2 Have we tri - als and temp - ta - tions? Is there trou - ble an - y - where?  
3 Are we weak and heav - y - lad - en, cum - bered with a load of care?



What a priv - i - lege to car - ry ev - 'ry - thing to God in prayer!  
We should nev - er be dis - cour - aged—take it to the Lord in prayer.  
Pre - cious Sav - ior, still our ref - uge—take it to the Lord in prayer.



Oh, what peace we of - ten for - feit; oh, what need - less pain we bear—  
Can we find a friend so faith - ful who will all our sor - row share?  
Do your friends de - spise, for - sake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer.



all be - cause we do not car - ry ev - 'ry - thing to God in prayer!  
Je - sus knows our ev - 'ry weak - ness—take it to the Lord in prayer.  
In his arms he'll take and shield you; you will find a so - lace there.

Text: Joseph Scriven, 1820–1886  
Music: CONVERSE, Charles C. Converse, 1832–1918

+ Apostles' 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, Brad Buhler, Sonny Campbell, Andrea Gallant, Elaine Glover, Bev Godec, Steve Hast, Ginger Johnson, Jean Hinck, Joshua Kaiser, Pam Landry, Michael Noble Jr, John Plump, Carlos Quiles, Rick Rogers, Jeff Sebben, Cassie Shaffer, Cathy Stanley, Ilene Steinkruger, Wanda Wade, Family of Lucille Walker at her death, 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 - en 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

*Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal:*

**We praise you and glorify your holy name.**

*You formed the earth from chaos;  
you encircled the globe with air;  
you created fire for warmth and light;  
you nourish the lands with water.*

*With mercy higher than the mountains, you blessed and cherished your people Israel.  
With grace deeper than the seas, you came among us in Jesus.*

*With love stronger than stone, you died and rose that we might have life.*

*Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal:  
**We praise you and glorify your holy name. Amen.***

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

*Together as the body of Christ, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes:  
**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.***

*Holy and benevolent God, receive our praise and our pleading, as Jesus received the cry of the needy,  
and fill us with your blessing until, needy no longer and bound to you in love, we feast forever in the  
triumph of the Lamb: through whom all glory and honor is yours, now and forever.  
**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**

*For those worshipping at home, we encourage you to have your bread and wine/grape juice  
ready. When the pastor says "The body of Christ given for you" and "The blood of Christ shed for you",  
eat and drink trusting that this is God's free gift of grace for you. If you are worshipping with others, one  
may give the bread and wine to the rest offering those same words. All are welcome to the Lord's table.*

*For those worshipping in the sanctuary, come forward to receive bread and wine, following the  
directions of the pastors and ushers, maintaining 6 feet between families. You will grab a piece of bread  
and cup of wine from the table, hearing the promise from the pastor. Remove your mask to eat and drink,  
and then please put your mask back on. Gluten free bread and grape juice are available.*

*God's love and this meal are for all, including children. If your children are not ready to receive,  
they may receive a simple blessing such as "May the Lord bless you and keep you."*

### **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.

**Communion Hymn**

**All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly (461)**

- 1 All who hun - ger, gath - er glad - ly; ho - ly man - na is our bread.
- 2 All who hun - ger, nev - er strang - ers; seek - er, be a wel - come guest.
- 3 All who hun - ger, sing to - geth - er, Je - sus Christ is liv - ing bread.

Come from wil - der - ness and wan - d'ring. Here in truth we will be fed.  
 Come from rest - less - ness and roam - ing. Here in joy we keep the feast.  
 Come from lone - li - ness and long - ing. Here in peace we have been fed.

You that yearn for days of full - ness, all a - round us is our food.  
 We that once were lost and scat - tered in com - mu - nion's love have stood.  
 Blest are those who from this ta - ble live their days in grat - i - tude.

Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal. Taste and see that God is good.  
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Text: Sylvia G. Dunstan, 1955-1993  
 Music: HOLY MANNA, W. Moore, *Columbian Harmony*, 1825  
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**The Communion Blessing  
 Amen.**

## Prayer after Communion

*We give you thanks, almighty God,*

**that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## Sending Hymn

## Jesus, the Very Thought of You (754)



- 1 Je - sus, the ver - y thought of you fills us with sweet de - light;
- 2 No voice can sing, no heart can frame, nor can the mind re - call
- 3 O Hope of ev - 'ry con - trite soul, O Joy of all the meek,
- 4 O Je - sus, be our joy to - day; help us to prize your love;



but sweet-er far your face to view and rest with - in your light.  
a sweet-er sound than your blest name, O Sav - ior of us all!  
how kind you are to those who fall! How good to those who seek!  
grant us at last to hear you say: "Come, share my home a - bove."

Text: attr. Bernard of Clairvaux, 1091–1153; tr. Edward Caswall, 1814–1878  
Music: ST. AGNES, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

## Benediction

**Amen.**

## Sending

*Go in peace, serve the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

## Postlude

## Variations on 'Kum Ba Yah' arr. John Behnke

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