

# KOUNTZE MEMORIAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

## A CITY-WIDE CHURCH WITH A WORLD-WIDE MINISTRY

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*God hears every prayer—the prayer of the outsider as well as the prayer of the insider. The attentive nature of our God is evident as God comes to us again and again in the word and in the supper. “Ascribe to the LORD the honor due the holy name; bring offerings and enter the courts of the LORD.” Do it today.*

## POSTLUDE

# GATHERING

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*(stand)*

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

**P** Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, abounding in steadfast love toward us, healing the sick and raising the dead, showering us with every good gift.

**C** ***Amen.***

**P** Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

**P** Just and gracious God,

**C** ***we come to you for healing and life. Our sins hurt others and diminish us; we confess them to you. Our lives bear the scars of sin; we bring these also to you. Show us your mercy, O God. Bind up our wounds, forgive us our sins, and free us to love, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.***

**P** The apostle Paul assures us: “When we were dead in our trespasses, God made us alive together with Christ, nailing the record of our sins to the cross.” Jesus says to you, † “Your sins are forgiven.” Be at peace, and tell everyone how much God has done for you.

**C** ***Amen.***

## PROCESSIONAL HYMN

*O Word of God Incarnate*

ELW 514

## GREETING

**P** The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Love of God, and the Communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all!

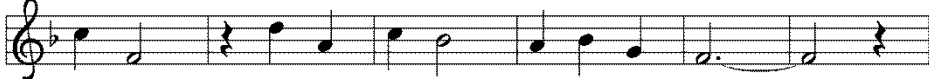
**C** ***And also with you.***

# HYMN OF PRAISE

*Refrain*



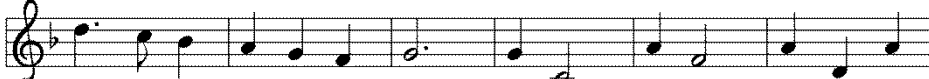
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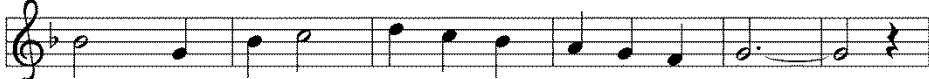
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us




free to be peo - ple of God. Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and

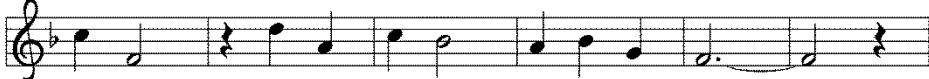


strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

*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.

*Final refrain*

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

**P** Merciful Lord God,

**Q** *we do not presume to come before you trusting in our own righteousness, but in your great and abundant mercies. Revive our faith, we pray; heal our bodies, and mend our communities, that we may evermore dwell in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.*

**Amen.**

## WORD

*(sit)*

### FIRST READING

**1 Kings 8:22-23, 41-43**

*In King Solomon prays at the dedication of the temple in Jerusalem, built under his direction. Solomon prays that the temple will be a sign of God's presence and power, not only to the Israelites, but to all peoples.*

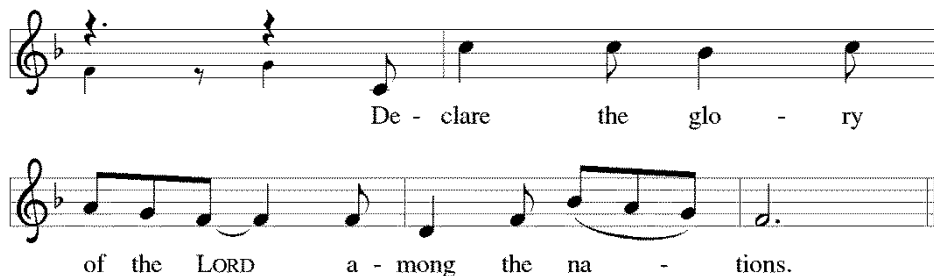
**T**hen Solomon stood before the altar of the LORD in the presence of all the assembly of Israel, and spread out his hands to heaven. <sup>23</sup>He said, "O LORD, God of Israel, there is no God like you in heaven above or on earth beneath, keeping covenant and steadfast love for your servants who walk before you with all their heart.

<sup>41</sup>"Likewise when a foreigner, who is not of your people Israel, comes from a distant land because of your name <sup>42</sup>for they shall hear of your great name, your mighty hand, and your outstretched arm when a foreigner comes and prays toward this house, <sup>43</sup>then hear in heaven your dwelling place, and do according to all that the foreigner calls to you, so that all the peoples of the earth may know your name and fear you, as do your people Israel, and so that they may know that your name has been invoked on this house that I have built."

**A** The word of the Lord.

**Q** *Thanks be to God.*

## PSALM 96:1-9





De - clare the glo - ry  
of the LORD a - mong the na - tions.

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of text, and the second staff contains the melody for the second line. The lyrics are printed below the notes.

Psalms 96:3

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- <sup>1</sup>Sing to the LORD a new song;  
sing to the LORD, all the earth.
- <sup>2</sup>Sing to the LORD, bless the name of the LORD;  
proclaim God's salvation from day to day.
- <sup>3</sup>Declare God's glory among the nations  
and God's wonders among all peoples.
- <sup>4</sup>For great is the LORD and greatly to be praised,  
more to be feared than all gods. 
- <sup>5</sup>As for all the gods of the nations, they are but idols;  
but you, O LORD, have made the heavens.
- <sup>6</sup>Majesty and magnificence are in your presence;  
power and splendor are in your sanctuary.
- <sup>7</sup>Ascribe to the LORD, you families of the peoples,  
ascribe to the LORD honor and power.
- <sup>8</sup>Ascribe to the LORD the honor due the holy name;  
bring offerings and enter the courts of the LORD.
- <sup>9</sup>Worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness;  
tremble before the LORD, all the earth. 

## SECOND LESSON

## Galatians 1:1-12

Paul, who started this church in Galatia, is angry and troubled that the congregation is confused by other teachers. As he begins this letter, Paul is direct with them about his desire for Christ's pure gospel to be the center of their lives.

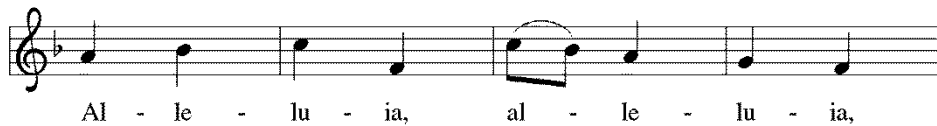
Paul an apostle sent neither by human commission nor from human authorities, but through Jesus Christ and God the Father, who raised him from the dead <sup>2</sup>and all the members of God's family who are with me, To the churches of Galatia: <sup>3</sup>Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>4</sup>who gave himself for our sins to set us free from the present evil age, according to the will of our God and Father, <sup>5</sup>to whom be the glory forever and ever. Amen. <sup>6</sup>I am astonished that you are so quickly deserting the one who called you in the grace of Christ and are turning to a different gospel <sup>7</sup>not that there is another gospel, but there are some who are confusing you and want to pervert the gospel of Christ. <sup>8</sup>But even if we or an angel from heaven should proclaim to you a gospel contrary to what we proclaimed to you, let that one be accursed! <sup>9</sup>As we have said before, so now I repeat, if anyone proclaims to you a gospel contrary to what you received, let that one be accursed! <sup>10</sup>Am I now seeking human approval, or God's approval? Or am I trying to please people? If I were still pleasing people, I would not be a servant of Christ. <sup>11</sup>For I want you to know, brothers and sisters, that the gospel that was proclaimed by me is not of human origin; <sup>12</sup>for I did not receive it from a human source, nor was I taught it, but I received it through a revelation of Jesus Christ.

**A** The word of the Lord.

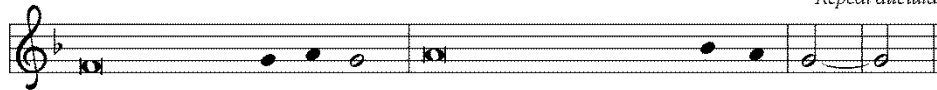
**G** *Thanks be to God.*

(stand)

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



*Repeat alleluia*



**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke.

**G** *Glory to you, O Lord.*

## GOSPEL

Luke 7:1-10

*A Roman centurion stands to lose a highly valued slave. Jewish leaders in Capernaum consider the centurion worthy, but the Gentile declares himself unworthy. In the midst of this tangle of attitudes, the centurion shows his understanding of authority and his testimony that Jesus has it, even authority over illness and death.*

After Jesus had finished all his sayings in the hearing of the people, he entered Capernaum. <sup>2</sup>A centurion there had a slave whom he valued highly, and who was ill and close to death. <sup>3</sup>When he heard about Jesus, he sent some Jewish elders to him, asking him to come and heal his slave. <sup>4</sup>When they came to Jesus, they appealed to him earnestly, saying, "He is worthy of having you do this for him, <sup>5</sup>for he loves our people, and it is he who built our synagogue for us." <sup>6</sup>And Jesus went with them, but when he was not far from the house, the centurion sent friends to say to him, "Lord, do not trouble yourself, for I am not worthy to have you come under my roof; <sup>7</sup>therefore I did not presume to come to you. But only speak the word, and let my servant be healed. <sup>8</sup>For I also am a man set under authority, with soldiers under me; and I say to one, 'Go,' and he goes, and to another, 'Come,' and he comes, and to my slave, 'Do this,' and the slave does it." <sup>9</sup>When Jesus heard this he was amazed at him, and turning to the crowd that followed him, he said, "I tell you, not even in Israel have I found such faith." <sup>10</sup>When those who had been sent returned to the house, they found the slave in good health.

☞ The Gospel of our Lord

☞ *Praise to you, O Christ.*

*(sit)*

## CHILDREN'S BLESSING (9:00 AM)

*Children (aged 3 years through 5<sup>th</sup> grade) are invited to come forward for a blessing. Then, they may either follow the teacher upstairs for an extended children's sermon (joining us again later in time for Communion) or they may return to their seat and use the Spark Bible and/or activity bags during the regular sermon.*

## SERMON

Vicar How

*(stand)*

## HYMN OF THE DAY

*Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word*

ELW 517

## COMMISSIONING AND BLESSING OF THE YOUTH MINISTRY PARTICIPANTS (9:00 AM)

**Youth:** Angie Arispe, Jackson Barrett, Nick Barret, Anthony Bonacci, Conner Cameron, Nicole Campbell, Keelan Edwards, Siany Edwards, Bailey Gittler, Blake Gittler, Britten Johnson, Spencer Johnson, Naomi Kirkvold, Ben Lampman, Cierra Lampman, Kenyon Martis, Lily O'Kane, Mattie O'Kane, Grace Penrod, Alec Stouffer, Morgan Stouffer, Rachel Stouffer, Emily Swanson, and Carter Wachholtz.

**Adult Leaders:** Marie Barrett, Ian Hartfield, Ted Kaasch, Katie Larson, Terry Larson, and Rhonda Wachholtz.

## **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 to the dead  
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.***

## **MUSICAL OFFERING**

*Make Me a Servant*

Music: Kelly Willard  
Text: Kelly Willard (John 13:14-16)  
Middle School/High School Youth Choir  
Charlie Campbell, recorder  
Kai Johnson, violin

Make me a servant, humble and meek,  
Lord, let me lift up those who are weak.  
And may the prayer of my heart always be:  
Make me a servant, make me a servant,  
make me a servant today.  
Make me a servant, humble and meek,  
Lord, let me lift up those who are weak.  
And may the prayer of my heart always be:  
Make me a servant, make me a servant,  
make me a servant today.



## PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Response: **P** Lord, in your mercy,

**G** *hear our prayer.*

*(In our prayers today, during a time of silence, pray for those listed below and for others according to their needs)*

**Sympathy:** To the friends and family of Cyndy Sacks

**Illness:** Donald Hirsh, Ralph Morse, Paul Rauth

**Other Prayers: *Those serving in the military*** – Amy Dyer, Michael McNeill, Scott Meyer, Daniel Milstead, Sheldon Skovgaard, Michael Vutov and Joel Woosley

**Other Prayers: *Those serving in mission*** – Rev. Chandran Paul Martin, India; Rev. John Lunn, Tanzania; Rev. Justin Eller, Bolivia; Lindsay Mack, Mexico; Our sister congregation, the American Church in Berlin.

## THE PEACE IS SHARED

**P** The peace of Christ be with you always.

**G** *And also with you.*

## MEAL

*(sit)*

### THE OFFERING IS RECEIVED

*We glorify God in our giving. Our offering is an act of worship that makes the ministries of this church possible. We encourage everyone to give. If you are visiting with us today, please do not feel obligated to participate in this portion of worship. If you would like, use the QR code scanner on your smart phone to give online or use the giving kiosk in the Fellowship Hall.*



### THE TABLE IS PREPARED

#### OFFERTORY ANTHEM

*Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise*

arr. Schalk

*(stand)*

#### OFFERTORY HYMN

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

**P** *Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;*

*praise him, all creatures here below;*

*praise him above, ye heav'nly host;*

*praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.*

Text: Thomas Ken, 1637-1711

#### OFFERING PRAYER

**P** God of mercy and grace,

**G** *the eyes of all wait upon you, and you open your hand in blessing. Fill us with good things at your table, that we may come to the help of all in need, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and Lord.*

*Amen.*

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And al - so 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.

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## 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.

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# EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

☞ *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.*

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

☞ Christ invites you to a place of honor at this banquet. Welcome to the feast.

(sit)

## HYMNS DURING COMMUNION

### *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.

*The Church's One Foundation  
Have No Fear, Little Flock*

ELW 654  
ELW 764

(stand)

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

- ☞ O God, as a mother comforts her child,  
☞ ***so you comfort your people, carrying us in your arms and satisfying us with this food and drink, the body and blood of Christ. Send us now as your disciples, announcing peace and proclaiming that the reign of God has come near; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.***  
***Amen.***

## SENDING

## BLESSING

- ☞ The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.  
☞ ***Amen.***

## HYMN

*A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

ELW 504

## DISMISSAL

- ☞ Go in peace. Proclaim the good news.  
☞ ***Thanks be to God. Alleluia***

## POSTLUDE

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