

ORDER OF SERVICE

Evangelical Lutheran Worship ~ Setting IV

10:30 AM

INTRODUCTION

Someone is casting out demons in Jesus' name who isn't part of Jesus' own circle, and the disciples want him stopped. They appeal to Jesus, as Joshua did to Moses about the elders who prophesied without official authorization. Like Moses, Jesus refuses to see this as a threat. Jesus welcomes good being done in his name, even when it is not under his control. The circle we form around Jesus' word must be able to value good being done in ways we wouldn't do it, by people we can't keep tabs on.

PRELUDE

ENTRANCE HYMN

“When Morning Gilds the Skies”

ELW 853

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the Holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C **Amen**

P: Let us approach the throne of grace with boldness, confessing our sin and trusting in God's mercy.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P God of truth,

C **we have all sinned and fallen short of your glory. We have turned away from you. We have not kept your commandments. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have neglected the poor, and we have not welcomed all people in your name. You know the fullness of our sin. Forgive us, and turn us again to you, so that we may receive the fullness of your mercy. Amen.**

P Our great high priest, Jesus Christ, sacrificed himself for us and for our sins. In Christ, you are freed from your sins and given a place in God's household forever.

C **Amen**

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.**



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



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



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



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



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



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



hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless- ing and hon - or and 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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Generous God,

C: **your Son gave his life that we might come to peace with you. Give us a share of your Spirit, and in all we do empower us to bear the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

CHOIR ANTHEM

“My Tribute”

FIRST READING: Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29

The rabble among the people had a strong craving; and the Israelites also wept again, and said, “If only we had meat to eat! ⁵We remember the fish we used to eat in Egypt for nothing, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the garlic; ⁶but now our strength is dried up, and there is nothing at all but this manna to look at.”...¹⁰Moses heard the people weeping throughout their families, all at the entrances of their tents. Then the LORD became very angry, and Moses was displeased. ¹¹So Moses said to the LORD, “Why have you treated your servant so badly? Why have I not found favor in your sight, that you lay the burden of all this people on me? ¹²Did I conceive all this people? Did I give birth to them, that you should say to me, ‘Carry them in your bosom, as a nurse carries a sucking child,’ to the land that you promised on oath to their ancestors? ¹³Where am I to get meat to give to all this people? For they come weeping to me and say, ‘Give us meat to eat!’ ¹⁴I am not able to carry all this people alone, for they are too heavy for me. ¹⁵If this is the way you are going to treat me, put me to death at once—if I have found favor in your sight—and do not let me see my misery.” ¹⁶So the LORD said to Moses, “Gather for me seventy of the elders of Israel, whom you know to be the elders of the people and officers over them; bring them to the tent of meeting, and have them take their place there with you...”²⁴So Moses went out and told the people the words of the LORD; and he gathered seventy elders of the people, and placed them all around the tent. ²⁵Then the LORD came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders; and when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied. But they did not do so again. ²⁶Two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the spirit rested on them; they were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. ²⁷And a young man ran and told Moses, “Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.” ²⁸And Joshua son of Nun, the assistant of Moses, one of his chosen men, said, “My lord Moses, stop them!” ²⁹But Moses said to him, “Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the LORD’s people were prophets, and that the LORD would put his spirit on them!”

PSALM: Psalm 19:7-14

(Read Responsively)

⁷The teaching of the LORD is perfect and re-¹vives the soul;

the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives wisdom to ¹the simple.

⁸**The statutes of the LORD are just and re-¹joice the heart;**

the commandment of the LORD is clear and gives light¹ to the eyes.

⁹The fear of the LORD is clean and en-¹dures forever;

the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous¹ altogether.

**¹⁰More to be desired are they than gold, more than¹ much fine gold,
sweeter far than honey, than honey¹ in the comb.**

¹¹By them also is your ser-¹vant enlightened,

and in keeping them there is¹ great reward.

¹²Who can detect one's¹ own offenses?

Cleanse me from my¹ secret faults.

¹³Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins;

let them not get dominion¹ over me;

then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a¹ great offense.

¹⁴Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart

be acceptable¹ in your sight,

O LORD, my strength and¹ my redeemer.

SECOND READING: James 5:13-20

Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise.¹⁴Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them

pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. ¹⁵The prayer of faith will save the sick; and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven.

¹⁶Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. ¹⁷Elijah was a human being like

us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. ¹⁸Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its

harvest. ¹⁹My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, ²⁰you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save

the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE GOSPEL

P: The Holy Gospel, according to Mark, the ninth chapter.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

GOSPEL: Mark 9:38-50

John said to Jesus, "Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us." ³⁹But Jesus said, "Do not stop him; for no one who

does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. ⁴⁰Whoever is not against us is for us. ⁴¹For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because

you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward. ⁴²If any of you put a stumbling block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great

millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. ⁴³If your hand causes

you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. ⁴⁵And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. ⁴⁷And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, ⁴⁸where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched. ⁴⁹For everyone will be salted with fire. ⁵⁰Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another.”

P. The Gospel of Our Lord

C. Praise to you, O Christ

CHILDREN’S TIME

THE SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY “*Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life*” (verses 1-4) **ELW 719**

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.**

THE PRAYERS

A: Lord of creation, with confidence in your abiding care, we are bold to pray for the world, the church, and all in need.

A brief silence.

A: For the church, given peace with God through Christ, that we never tire in our efforts to proclaim the gospel of peace. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: For our care of this one earth, that we make wise use of its bounty and learn to share its riches in sustainable, abundant ways. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: For those who govern, that they exercise compassion for the least and the smallest in their societies, may their decisions be guided by your wisdom. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: For those imprisoned for their faith in you, for those unjustly oppressed because of race or clan, that you raise up strong advocates who work tirelessly for justice and freedom. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: For this family of faith, nourished in prayer, praise, and thanksgiving, that we welcome all in this place, rejoicing in the gifts strangers bring to us. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: We pray especially for our companion congregations this week: Sargent's Chapel and Sedgewickville Lutheran, Bethany and Sharon Lutheran in Sharon Springs. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

Here other prayers are offered.

A: In thanksgiving for the faithful who now rest in your love, that we live in joyful expectation of our promised resurrection. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

P: Lord of creation, into your hands we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C: Amen.

THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful
Offering Song



Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of



bless-ing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that



we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of



all; u-nite them with the prayers we of-fer. Grace our ta-ble



with your pres-ence, and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

A God of majesty,

C in your might you have created all things, and you entrust to our care that you have made. Receive our offerings, and make them a sign of our dedication to provide for the needs of all people and creatures, in the name of the one who sustains all things by his word, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

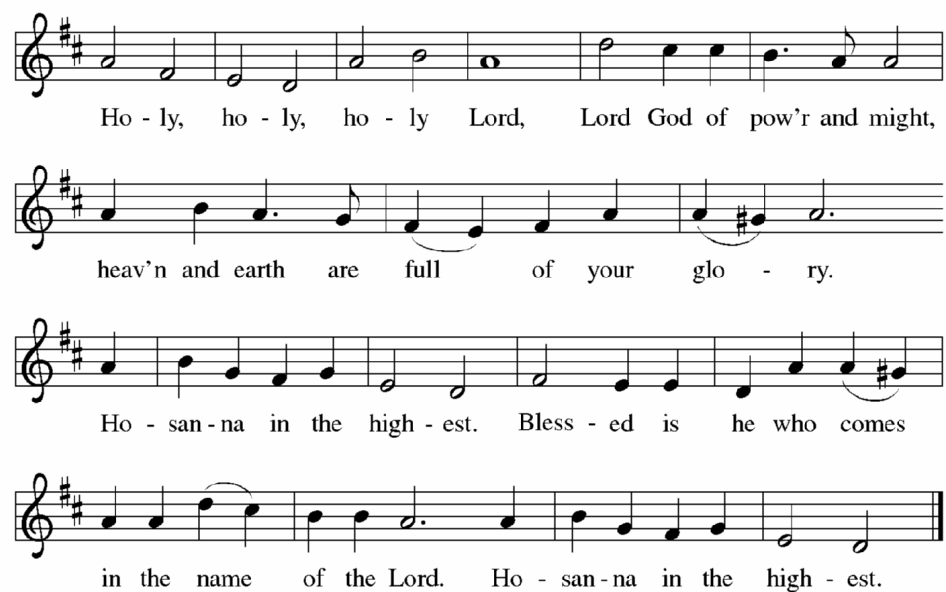
C: We lift them to the Lord.

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

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you...And so with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name, saying:

Holy, Holy, Holy



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r 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.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

P: Holy God...The universe declares your praise...with every breath.

C: We praise you, O God.

P: Generations bless your faithfulness...into the future.

C: We bless you, O God.

P: We give you thanks for your dear Son...with us now.

C: We thank you, O God.

Words of Institution

P: Remembering his love for us...we proclaim the mystery of faith.

C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P: We pray for the gift of your Spirit...in your church without end.

C: Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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P: Remember us in your Kingdom, Lord, and teach us to pray:

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

P The feast is now ready; receive the Lord and live.

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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.

THE COMMUNION

COMMUNION HYMN *“Let Us Break Bread Together”*

“Spirit of Gentleness”

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COMMUNION BLESSING

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in grace.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A Let us pray...

Loving God, in this meal you sustain the weary and heal the broken. May the gift of your word made flesh, the body and blood of Christ, inspire our tongues to praise you and proclaim to the entire world the Savior, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen**

BENEDICTION

P The life-giving God, who sets us free in Christ, encourage you with the presence of the Holy Spirit and + bless you now and forever.

C **Amen**

SENDING HYMN

“We Are Called ”

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DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Remember the poor.

C **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

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