

Service of Worship

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

July 14, 2024

Welcome to Advent Lutheran Church! Our hope today is that you will experience God's love in Word, Sacrament, and Song through the amazing grace of Jesus Christ. Everything you need for today's worship service is printed in this bulletin.

This community welcomes you – wherever you are on your spiritual journey. Are you visiting? Come back again! Are you looking for a church home? All are invited to become part of the Advent community. If you join us in person or on our Facebook livestream; if you are here for an hour, a season, or a lifetime, you are welcome at Advent. The church may be cozy, but the table is long. There's a place for you here!

Need more information about who and what we are? Fill out a green contact/prayer card, add a comment on Facebook, email the church, or visit our website - www.adventlc.us - or make an appointment with Pastor Alex. We'd love to know how we can be in ministry together!

Advent is part of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.



PRAYER CONCERNS

We keep the following persons in prayer



Douglas M. Bennett (brother of Shelley Bennett)

David Church (friend of Advent)

Ellie Holsopple (member)

Roxie Jairrels (member)

Rev. Patricia Johnson (friend of the Stalls)

Jenny Jones (friend of the Falksens)

Kathryn "Kate" Juhl (member)

Rev. Elizabeth Platz (first woman in North America ordained
by a Lutheran church body)

Wayne Theye (friend of the Falksens)

Gail Wickre (mother of Sarah Wickre)

Becky Wilfinger (friend of Marilyn Falksen)

Edwina Wyatt-Knowles (friend of Nancy Jairrels)

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Rise, O Church, Like Christ Arisen

N. Raabe

WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Water is poured into the font as a reminder of God's ever flowing stream of grace and forgiveness.

All may make the sign of the cross (signified with this ✠), the sign marked at baptism.

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God,
the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.

C **Amen.**

P Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P God, our provider,

C **help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share.**

We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live.

We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you.

We take offense at your teachings and your ways.

Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn?

Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world.

Amen.

P Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished.
By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough.

Through Jesus, ✠ the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy:
you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

C **Amen.**


PROCESSIONAL HYMN

We Are Called


ELW 720




1 Come!	Live	in	the	light!
2 Come!	O -	pen	your	heart!
3 Sing!	Sing	a	new	song!



Shine with the joy and the love of the Lord! We are
Show your . . . mer - cy to all those in fear! We are
Sing of that great day when all will be one! God will




called to be light for the king - dom, to
called to be hope for the hope - less so all
reign, and we'll walk with each oth - er as




live in the free - dom of the cit - y of God.
ha - tred and blind - ness . . . will be . . . no more.
sis - ters and broth - ers . . . u - nit - ed in love.


Refrain



We are called to act with jus-tice, we are called to



love ten - der - ly; we are called to serve one an -



oth - er, to walk hum - bly with God.

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.**

KYRIE

Setting 8

Refrain

Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, on our world and on our way.

Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, ev-'ry day.

1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the

2 That we may live out your im-passioned re-sponse to the

3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . for

4 For your Spir-it to guide; that you cen-ter our lives in the

u - ni - ty of all; for

hun - gry and the poor; that

friends and fam - i - ly; for

wa - ter and the word; that you



this ho - ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,
 we may live out truth and jus - tice and grace,
 life and for love, for our work and our play,
 nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod - y and blood,



let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

HYMN OF PRAISE

This is the Feast

Setting 8



This is the feast of vic - t'ry for our God, for the



Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign. 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

Refrain



hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his. This is the feast of



vic-t'ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign. 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 - t'ry for our God, for the



Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray. (*Pause for a moment of silent prayer.*) O God, from you come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works. Give to us, your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey your commandments; and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C **Amen.**

Please be seated.

WORD

FIRST READING: Amos 7:7-15

Reader A reading from Amos

⁷ This is what [the Lord GOD] showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand. ⁸ And the LORD said to me, “Amos, what do you see?” And I said, “A plumb line.” Then the Lord said,

“See, I am setting a plumb line
in the midst of my people Israel;
I will never again pass them by;

⁹ the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate,
and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste,
and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword.”

¹⁰ Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, “Amos has conspired against you in the very center of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words.

¹¹ For thus Amos has said,
‘Jeroboam shall die by the sword,
and Israel must go into exile
away from his land.’”

¹² And Amaziah said to Amos, “O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; ¹³ but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king’s sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom.”

¹⁴ Then Amos answered Amaziah, “I am no prophet, nor a prophet’s son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees, ¹⁵ and the LORD took me from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, ‘Go, prophesy to my people Israel.’”

Reader The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

PSALMS: Psalm 85:8-13

(Assisting minister reads light print; congregation reads bold.)

- ⁸ I will listen to what the LORD God is saying;
for you speak peace to your faithful people and to those who turn their hearts to you.
- ⁹ **Truly, your salvation is very near to those who fear you,
that your glory may dwell in our land.**
- ¹⁰ Steadfast love and faithfulness have met together;
righteousness and peace have kissed each other.
- ¹¹ **Faithfulness shall spring up from the earth,
and righteousness shall look down from heaven.**
- ¹² The LORD will indeed grant prosperity,
and our land will yield its increase.
- ¹³ **Righteousness shall go before the LORD
and shall prepare for God a pathway.**

SECOND READING: Ephesians 1:3-14

Reader A reading from Ephesians

³ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, ⁴ just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. ⁵ He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, ⁶ to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. ⁷ In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace ⁸ that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight ⁹ he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, ¹⁰ as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. ¹¹ In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, ¹² so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. ¹³ In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; ¹⁴ this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

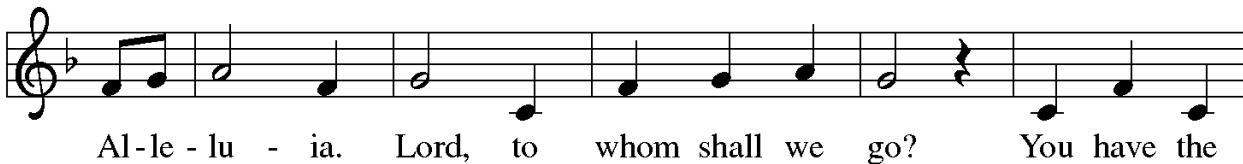
Reader The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able..

THE GOSPEL HYMN

Setting 8



Al-le-lu-ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the



words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.



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



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

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P The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the sixth chapter.

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

GOSPEL: Mark 6:14-29

¹⁴ King Herod heard of [the disciples' preaching,] for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, "John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him."¹⁵ But others said, "It is Elijah." And others said, "It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old."¹⁶ But when Herod heard of it, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised."

¹⁷ For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her.¹⁸ For John had been telling Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife."¹⁹ And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not,²⁰ for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him.²¹ But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee.²² When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it."²³ And he solemnly swore to her, "Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom."²⁴ She went out and said to her mother, "What should I ask for?" She replied, "The head of John the baptizer."²⁵ Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter."²⁶ The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her.²⁷ Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and be-

headed him in the prison, ²⁸ brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. ²⁹ When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Please be seated.

SERMON

The Rev. Alex Stall, Jr.

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

Please stand as you are comfortable to proclaim the word of God in song.

HYMN OF THE DAY

Let Justice Flow Like Streams

ELW 717



1 Let jus - tice flow like streams of spar-king wa - ter, pure,
2 Let righ - teous - ness roll on as oth - ers' cares we heed,
3 So may God's plumb line, straight, de - fine our mea - sure true,



en - a - bling growth, re - fresh - ing life, a - bun - dant, cleans-ing, sure.
an ev - er - flow - ing stream of faith trans-lat - ed in - to deed.
and jus-tice, right, and peace per-vade this world our whole life through.

Text: Jane Parker Huber, b. 1926

Music: ST. THOMAS, Aaron Williams, 1731–1776

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APOSTLES' CREED

Dating back as early as the 4th century CE, the creed is a confession of the faith of the assembly. It is historically ecumenical and structurally trinitarian. The Creed is a resurrection statement.

I believe in God, eternal, almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, the Redeemer of all, the only begotten one;

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary, lived and loved among us,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
who descended into hell,
and on the third day rose from the dead;
Jesus, our Savior, ascended into heaven,
sits at the right hand of the loving God,
and will come again 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 OF INTERCESSION

A We come before the triune God to pray for our communities, ourselves, and our world.

A brief silence. After each petition please respond: "Receive our prayer."

A Merciful God,

C **receive our prayer.**

P Receive our prayers, O God, and come quickly to our aid, through the power of the Spirit and the love of Jesus Christ.

C **Amen.**

SHARING THE PEACE

Offering the peace of Christ is far more than a handshake and a greeting to someone you haven't seen since last Sunday. It is the embodiment of conflicts forgiven, wars ended, even death destroyed. Jesus's resurrection offers true peace.

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

We greet one another with a gesture of peace.

Please be seated.



MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERING

All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly

L. Maynard

The Offering represents a shift in our worship time. We change from a time of hearing and learning God's Word, to a time of action. We share of our time and resources – and our very selves. We recognize God's grace in our lives and respond with our offerings. All are invited to respond to God with joyful hearts by giving regularly or tithing (giving proportionally) by placing your gifts in the collection plate, or by making electronic donations using our website at www.adventlc.us (look for the "Giving" option on the home page). We also use Simply Giving for regular, automatic electronic donations. Please reach out to the church office for the necessary forms! In whatever way you support Advent, know that we are thankful for your faithfulness and trust in God. Please stand as you are able.

OFFERTORY

Create in Me

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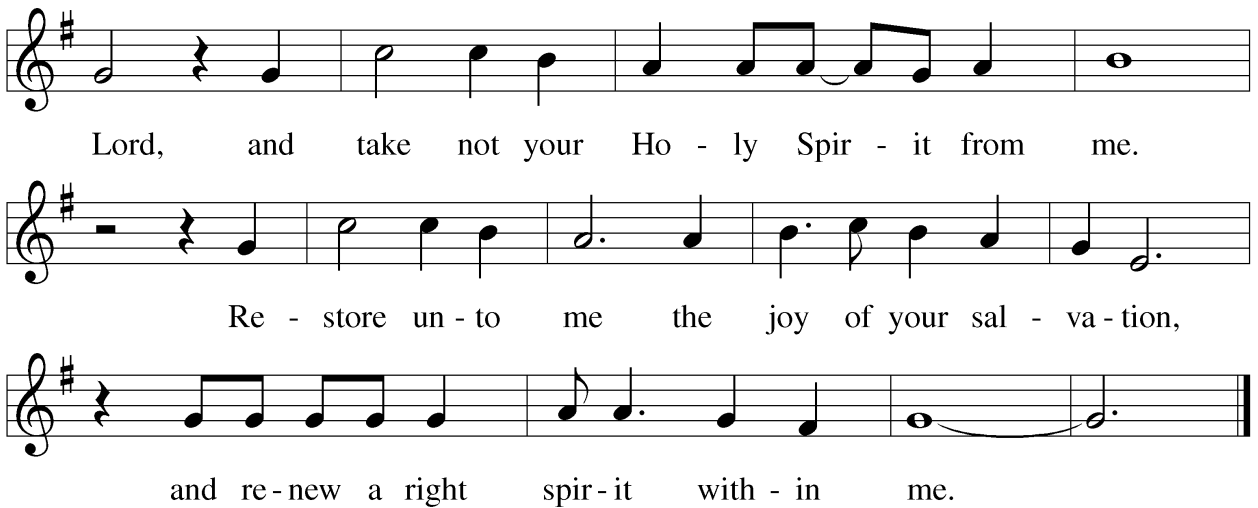
Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God,

and re - new a right spir - it with - in me.

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God,

and re - new a right spir - it with - in me.

Cast me not a - way from your pres - ence, O



Lord, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me.

Re - store un - to me the joy of your sal - va - tion,

and re - new a right spir - it with - in me.

Text: Psalm 51:10-12

Music: CREATE IN ME, anonymous

OFFERING PRAYER

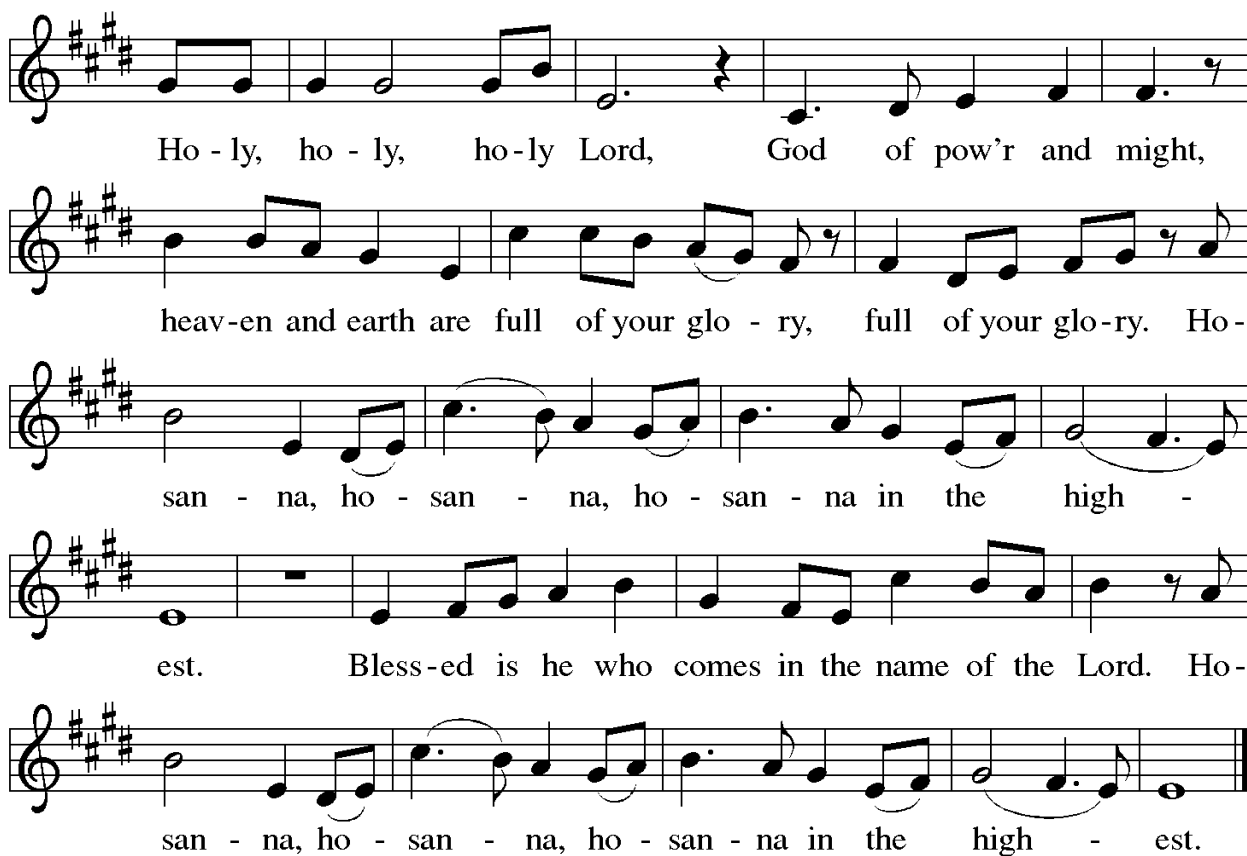
After the table is set, the assisting minister leads the prayer.

A Let us pray. Jesus, Bread of life,
 C **you have set this table with your very self,
 and called us to the feast of plenty.
 Gather what has been sown among us,
 and strengthen us in this meal.
 Make us to be what we receive here,
 your body for the life of the world.
 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 ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



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

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EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

P Blessed are you, O God, creator of heaven and earth.
You rescued your covenant people, led them on all their journeys,
and taught them by the prophets.
You so loved the world that you gave your only Son,
so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes:

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

P Pour out your Holy Spirit in this meal, and make us one in this community of faith
and with your people throughout the world. Glory and praise to you, O God,
Author of life,
Word made flesh,
Power of the Most High,
now and forever.

C 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

All are welcome at the Lord's Supper here at Advent. Wine and white grape juice are available by individual cup. Gluten-free communion hosts are also available upon request. If you do not commune, you are welcome to come forward for a blessing. We ask that you please maintain a safe distance as we commune. Hand sanitizer is available at the usher's stand.

P Come now to the Lord's Table, for all is ready!


LAMB OF GOD

(Please see graphic next page)

Setting 8



 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, Lamb of God.

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Please be seated.

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

Build A Longer Table

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|---|-------|----|------------|-------------|----------|------|-----------|--------|
| 1 | Build | a | long - er | ta - ble, | not | a | high - er | wall, |
| 2 | Build | a | saf - er | ref - uge, | not | a | larg - er | jail; |
| 3 | Build | a | broad - er | door - way, | not | a | long - er | fence. |
| 4 | When | we | lived | as | ex - u - | gees | a - | broad, |





feed - ing those who hun - ger, mak - ing room for all.
 where the weak find shel - ter, mer - cy will not fail.
 Love pro - tects all peo - ple, spar - ing no ex - pense.
 Christ be - came our door - way to the reign of God.



Feast - ing to - geth - er, strang - er turns to friend,
 For an - y place where jus - tice is de - nied,
 When we em - brace com - pas - sion more than fear,
 So must our ta - bles wel - come those who roam.



Christ breaks walls to piec - es; false di - vi - sions end.
 Christ will breach the jail wall, free - ing all in - side.
 Christ tears down our fenc - es: all are wel - come here.
 None can be ex - clud - ed; all must find a home.

Text: David Bjorlin, b. 1984

Music: NOËL NOUVELET, French carol

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Please stand as you are able.

BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION

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

C Amen.

POST COMMUNION CANTICLE

All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly
(Verse 3; please see graphic next page)

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3 All who hun-ger, sing to - geth - er, Je - sus Christ is liv - ing bread.

Come from lone - li - ness and long - ing. Here in peace we have been fed.

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.

Text: Sylvia G. Dunstan, 1955–1993

Music: HOLY MANNA, W. Moore, *Columbian Harmony*, 1825

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POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

- A Let us Pray. Jesus, Bread of life,
C **we have received from your table
more than we could ever ask.
As you have nourished us in this meal,
now strengthen us to love the world with your own life.
In your name we pray.
Amen.**

Please be seated.

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please stand as you are able.

BLESSING

Based on Ephesians 1:3-14, written by Bruce Prewer

- P It is time to go out and share God's secret purpose which has been disclosed in Jesus Christ.
C **With God's help, Amen!**
- P Share that secret with others by the way you live:
with the words on your lips,
by the deeds of your hands,
with the prayers in your minds,
and through the love in your hearts.
C **With God's help, Amen!**
- P The grace of Christ will redeem you.
The ✠ enduring love of God will support you,
the friendship of the Holy Spirit will accompany you,
this day and ever more.
C **Amen!**

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Rise O Church, Like Christ Arisen
(Please see graphic next page)

ELW 548



1 Rise, O church, like Christ a - ris - en,
 2 Rise, trans - formed, and choose to fol - low
 3 Rise, re - mem - ber well the fu - ture
 4 Ser - vice be our sure vo - ca - tion;



from this meal of love and grace;
 af - ter Christ, though wound - ed, whole;
 God has called us to re - ceive;
 cour - age be our dai - ly breath;



may we through such love en - vi - sion
 bro - ken, shared, our lives are hal - lowed
 pres - ent by God's lov - ing nur - ture,
 mer - cy be our des - ti - na - tion



whose we are, and whose, our praise.
 to re - lease and to con - sole.
 Spir - it - ed then let us live.
 from this day and un - to death.



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



God, the won - der of our days.
Christ, our pres - ent, past, and goal.
Spir - it, grace by whom we live.
Rise, O church, a liv - ing faith.

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Music: SURGE ECCLESIA, Timothy J. Strand, b. 1958

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DISMISSAL

P This service has ended. Our service continues!

A Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

C **Thanks be to God.**

POSTUDE

Rise, O Church, Like Christ Arisen

B. Culli



We give thanks for those assisting with worship today . . .

Pastor
Assisting Minister
Altar Guild
Greeter
Usher
Organist
Videographer
Social Hour Hosts
Counters

The Rev. Alex P. Stall, Jr.
Debbie Lewis
Desiree Jessimy
Ingrid Berdahl
Nancy Jairrels
Rhonda Rose
Shane Gainer
Shelley & Alex Stall
David Falksen & Nancy Jairrels

ANNOUNCEMENTS



TODAY, NOON - 4 PM

Join the fun and fellowship at Debbie's home this afternoon. Directions are available in the Welcome Center. It's not too late to contribute to the meal - look at the list for the current offerings.



Women's Bible Study will start meeting on July 21 with the topic of "Wisdom," exploring Sophia as the Holy Spirit using materials from the Women of the ELCA *Gather* magazine. We'll continue meeting on the first and third Sunday's after social hour. Sessions will be led by Shelley Stall and Shelly Haar.

Counters Needed! Every Sunday, two members meet after service to count and record the offerings given during that service. During the summer months, it can be particularly challenging to ensure that two people are available for this important task! We are looking for volunteers to work with our experienced counters to maintain an accurate records of the weekly offering. No particular accounting skills are needed - we will make sure you understand how the process works. If you are interested in helping out, please let David Falksen, Pr. Alex, or Nancy Jairrels know - we'll help get you set up!



**ARE YOU INTERESTED IN GARDENING AND LANDSCAPING?
ARE YOU CONCERNED ABOUT THE ENVIRONMENT?**

If so, you are invited and encouraged to join the Landscaping Committee to plan Advent's ecological and fiscal stewardship of our beautiful property, particularly the north lawn. We will consider how best to care for and use it, including ideas presented to the Church Council - a rain garden or butterfly garden, a bird sanctuary, or additional trees. Our first meeting will be on Sunday, July 28th, at 11:30 AM after the social hour. The discussion promises to be lively and the more participation, the better!

Help with Summer Gardening. In this time of drought and hot weather, Advent's plants are thirsty! If you are able to help out with watering, speak with Ingrid Berdahl. Training is available. If we have several volunteers we can take turns watering. Of course, as soon as we have a watering team, the rains will begin!

COMING UP AT ADVENT!

August 4

Intro to Native Gardening with Melinda Soltys of Wild Ones NoVA Chapter.

August 17

Advent: The Gathering - "Wishing and Hoping and Thinking and Praying . . . Planning and Dreaming."

September 14

First Ever Unsale on the Ridge - like a yard sale, but everything is FREE.

November 16

Health and Wellness Expo (possible)

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