

April 2, 2023 9:30 AM – Palm Sunday



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WELCOME

to Holy Trinity

Reconciling in Christ

At Holy Trinity, we welcome and affirm everyone—because God welcomes and affirms everyone—



regardless of age, race, ability, ethnicity, gender identity, sexual orientation, or other life circumstance.

You are welcome. Your family, children, friends, spouses, and partners are welcome.

You are welcome, whether you are a believer, a doubter, or a seeker.

Your diversity and uniqueness are welcomed and affirmed into the full life of Holy Trinity.

You are wanted here.

April Celebrations!

Happy Birthday!

Molly Goupil, Dave Arrington, Melinda Mallon, Mac Rouleau, Lois Kfoury, Martha Mercer, John Moore, Glenn Oswald, Mark Donahue, Jeremiah Sihotang, Adeline Mei, Alex Bock, Ron Indorf, Ade Monareh, Carol Suafley, Matt Nania, Emily Sullivan, Jim McKenna, and Joyce Rivoire,

Happy Anniversary!

Jo Whiting & Russ Hilliard, Jill & Jerry Schock, Bill & Jill Larson, and Jonathan & Sue Bock. A Warm Welcome as you worship with us today! Whether you are here for the first time or a long time member, know that you are welcomed in Christ's Name, joined to be with us, Christ's Body the Church, as we worship God.

Your presence at worship is a gift!

We love having children worship with us! At this moment, our Nursery is not staffed. You may find Children's bulletins and activities on tables inside the sanctuary.

Prayer Requests: Prayer Request Cards are available indoors on the Usher's Table. Simply fill one out and hand it to the Pastor, or place it in the Offering Basket.

Office Hours & Pastoral Emergencies:

Church Office: Monday-Thursday 9am-4pm

Pastor Luther: Wednesdays 11am-2:30pm

If you need a Pastoral Visit, or experiencing a Pastoral Emergency, pastoral care is available for home or hospital visits, emotional support, and church ceremonies. Please contact the Church Office and he will provide you with the Pastoral information during daytime and after work (emergencies) hours. Email office@htelc.com or call (603)436-1704 and leave a voicemail message.

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place your offering in the offering plate during the service. We appreciate what you are able to give to help support our church and our ministries. Thank you.



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PRAYER CONCERNS

Health Issues: Franklyn Vosburg, Jerry Schock, Pastor Linn Opderbecke, Alice Peterson, Sarah Meier, Bob & Don Gindlesperger, Richard Anderson, Yvonne Topping, Dave Smith, Larry Sanders, Hazel Larson, Leo Larson, Jean Klein, Joe Lugalla, Geri Seig, Rani Marcus, Grover Marshall, Shirley Jackson. *Homebound:* Carol Saufley, Edith Rowan, Barbara Werdelin, Ron Evers, Dave & Joyce Rivoire, Anita Lindstrom, Steve & Carol Bush, Judy Hollister. *Military:* Josh Bretz, Matthew Hanrahan, Brendan Podszus, Jacob Schankis, Jessica Chabot.

Friends: Linda Smith and Bill Hutchins (Jill Larson's friends), Casey Lavoie (Stephanie Goupil's friend), Danielle Elwanger & family (Bobbie Febbo's granddaughter), Lynn Geraci (Jill & Jerry Schock's friend), Robert Gjellstad (Jerry Schock's cousin), Helaine Wemple (Gisela Wemple's daughter), Frank & Lucille Febbo (Bobbie Febbo's cousins), Mark and Janet Febbo (Bobbie Febbo's cousins).

Prayers will be listed for 6 weeks unless told otherwise. If you would like a prayer concern listed in the bulletin, please fill out a Prayer Request at the Usher's table or contact the Church Office at office@htelc.com.

LECTIONARY for Holy Week

Palm Sunday: Matthew 21:1-11; Isaiah 50:4-9a; Psalm 31:9-16; Philippians 2:5-11; Matthew 26:14--27:66; Matthew 27:11-54.

Maundy Thursday: Exodus 12:1-4 [5-10] 11-14; Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19; 1 Corinthians 11:23-26; John 13:1-17, 31b-35

Good Friday: Isaiah 52:13--53:12; Psalm 22; Hebrews 10:16-25; Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9; John 18:1--19:42

Easter Sunday: Acts 10:34-43; Jeremiah 31:1-6; Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24; Colossians 3:1-4; Acts 10:34-43; Matthew 28:1-10; John 20:1-18

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Musician(s): Jon Bock & Ken Galle Choir Director: Ken Galle Sound System: Franklyn Vosburg & Mark Donahue Counters: Phyllis & Barry Philbrick Altar Guild: Bobbie Febbo Lector: Ken Galle Liturgical Deacon: Yvonne Topping

THIS WEEK AT HOLY TRINITY

WEDNESDAY, April 5 9:30 AM: Bible Study THURSDAY, April 6 8:30 AM: Property Team 7:00 PM: Maundy Thursday Worship FRIDAY, April 7 7:00 PM: Good Friday Worship SUNDAY, April 9 9:30 AM: Easter Sunday Worship 10:30 AM: Easter Breakfast

ATTENDANCE AND OFFERING

Sunday, March 19: Sunday, March 26: 86 (In-Person) + 21 (Online) = 107Offering: \$4,103.4094 (In-Person) + 23 (Online) = 117Offering: \$5,786.10

Announcements

Congregational Letter: On March 28, 2023, Holy Trinity officially announced that the Call Committee has recommended we call Pastor Luther to be our Pastor. To read the full announcement, please pick up a copy of the letter on table in the Gathering Area. There will be a congregational meeting on Sunday, April 16 to discuss the Call Committee's recommendation. Then, on Sunday, April 30, Rev. Steve Wilco will be here to facilitate on congregational vote on the call.

Welcome Pastor Donald Larsen: On Easter Sunday, Pastor Don Larsen will be joining us as a temporary, parttime interim pastor, while Pastor Luther returns to the summer congregation in Manchester by the Sea, Massachusetts. Pastor Larsen will be with us beginning Easter Sunday, and will be with us throughout the summer. During these summer weeks, he will be with us for Sunday worship, join us for Bible Study on Wednesdays, and be available for other pastoral concerns.

Faith Formation: Faith Formation is offering children's Easter story activities AFTER WORSHIP in the rear Sunday school room. Confirmation class continues to meet weekly and will attend a retreat at Camp Calumet April 14-16. Families with a child in 3rd-grade or older, looking to have first communion should tell Lara Scammon or Mark Donahue.

Holy Week: Please note the upcoming schedule for Holy Week 2023.

- Maundy Thursday, April 6 (Worship at 7:00 PM)
- Good Friday, April 7 (Worship at 7:00 PM)
- Holy Saturday, April 8 (Online Worship only on htelc.com no in-person service)
- Easter Sunday, April 9 (Worship at 9:30 AM), Easter Breakfast to Follow.

Easter Breakfast: The council is excited to announce that our Annual Easter Breakfast will be returning on Easter April 9th after the 9:30 service. This is a "Potluck" breakfast where you can bring any breakfast or dessert dish to share. The church will provide baked ham for all who attend. The ovens will be in use that morning, so please bring a dish that is already heated or doesn't need to be warm. There will be a setup for tables, chairs, accessories on Saturday April 8th at 1:00pm. We will also need volunteers to help on Easter morning during the breakfast, but not during the actual Easter service. Many hands make the work light and fast. Speak to Tom Bernth if you're interested in helping.

Indonesian Cooking Class in May: We are planning some opportunities for fellowship between the Holy Trinity 9:30 community and the Imanuel Indonesian 2:00 congregation during 2023. Our first event... do you like cooking? If so, please come to cooking class after 9:30 Worship on May 7 (tentative date)! Open to all ages and cooking skills. We will learn to cook Indonesian nasi goreng (fried rice) and lumpia (springrolls) from our fellow parishoners. We will all help with the chopping, rolling, frying and then sit down to enjoy the lunch we have cooked. Details are under discussion, more information coming soon.

Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church Palm Sunday – Sunday, April 2, 2023 — 9:30 a.m.

Gathering Music

At the beginning of the service, all will be invited into the Narthex to proceed into the sanctuary during the Gathering Song.

Gathering

- LD: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
- C: Hosanna in the highest.

Blessing of Palms

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray.

-A brief silence is kept-

We praise you, O God, for redeeming the world through our Savior Jesus Christ. Today he entered the holy city in triumph and was proclaimed Messiah and King by those who spread garments and branches along his way. Bless these branches and those who carry them. Grant us grace to follow our Lord in the way of the cross, so that, joined to his death and resurrection, we enter into life with you; through the same Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Procession

LD: Let us go forth in peace, in the name of Christ. Amen.

The assembly follows the minister into the church. "All Glory, Laud, and Honor" is to be sung as the people proceed into the church or once they have taken their places.

ELW 344 — Please remain standing—

All Glory, Laud, and Honor



Text: Theodulph of Orleans, c. 760–821; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–1866, alt. Music: VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN, Melchior Teschner, 1584–1635

Greeting

- P: May 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.



Prayer of the Day

- P: Let us pray.
- C: Sovereign God, you have established your rule in the human heart through the servanthood of Jesus Christ. By your Spirit, keep us in the joyful procession of those who with their tongues confess Jesus as Lord and with their lives praise him as Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

WORD

The remaining lessons appointed for use on this Sunday are located in the announcements of this worship booklet. You are invited to read them during the collection of offerings or Communion. You are also invited to take this booklet home with you and read the lessons and prayers as part of family worship or individual devotions.

First Reading

-Please be seated-

- L: A responsive reading from Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29
- L: ¹O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever!
- C: ²Let Israel say, "His steadfast love endures forever."
- L: ¹⁹Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD.
- C: ²⁰This is the gate of the LORD; the righteous shall enter through it.
- L: ²¹I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.
- C: ²²The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.
- L: ²³This is the LORD's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.
- C: ²⁴This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.
- L: ²⁵Save us, we beseech you, O LORD! O LORD, we beseech you, give us success!
- C: ²⁶Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the LORD. We bless you from the house of the LORD.
- L: ²⁷The LORD is God, and he has given us light.

Bind the festal procession with branches, up to the horns of the altar.

C: ²⁸You are my God, and I will give thanks to you; you are my God, I will extol you.

- L: ²⁹O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever.
- L: Word of God, word of life.
- C: Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

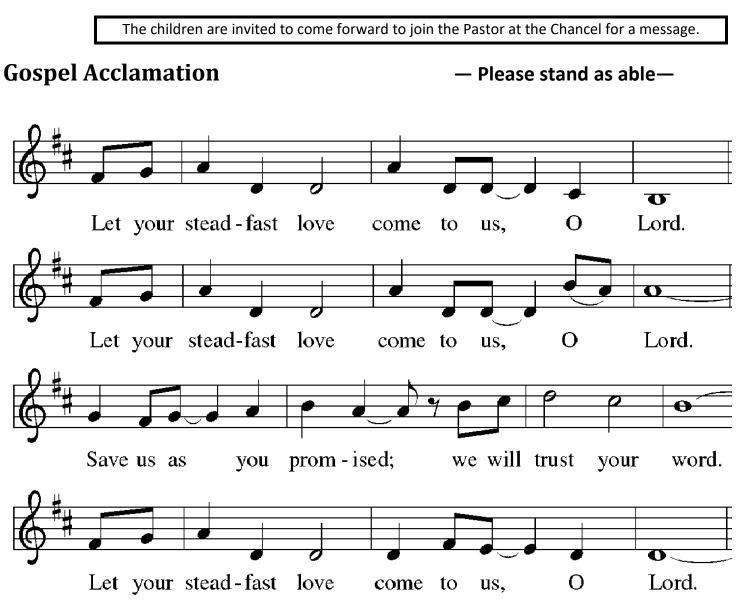
A reading from Philippians 2:5-11 L: ⁵Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, ⁶who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, ⁷but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, ⁸he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of deatheven death on a cross. ⁹Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

¹¹and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Children's Message



Gospel

P: The holy gospel according to St. Matthew, Chapter 21:1-11

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, ²saying to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. ³If anyone says anything to you, just say this, 'The Lord needs them.' And he will send them immediately." ⁴This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet, saying,

⁵"Tell the daughter of Zion,

Look, your king is coming to you,

humble, and mounted on a donkey,

and on a colt, the foal of a donkey."

⁶The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; ⁷they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. ⁸A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. ⁹The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting,

"Hosanna to the Son of David!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

¹⁰When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, "Who is this?" ¹¹The crowds were saying, "This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee."

- P: The gospel of the Lord.
- C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

-Please be seated-

If You But Trust in God to Guide You



Text: Georg Neumark, 1621–1681; tr. composite Music: WER NUR DEN LIEBEN GOTT, Georg Neumark Text © 1978, 2006 Augsburg Fortress

Apostles Creed

- LD: Let us confess our faith using the Apostles Creed.
- C: 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 of the People

- LD: Sustained by God's abundant mercy, let us pray for the church, the world, and all of creation. —A brief silence—
- LD: Save your church, O God. Enable us to boldly confess in every time and place that Jesus Christ is Lord. With the humility of a servant, equip congregations, synods, and other ministry settings to proclaim your extravagant love for all. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

LD: Save your creation, O God. Every living being you have made has purpose. Give us renewed appreciation of farm animals who labor in the fields, service animals who accompany their human companions, and beloved pets who live alongside us. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

LD: Save the peoples of the earth, O God. Restore dignity to those who are scorned and persecuted for their religious beliefs or political activism, and deliver them from the hand of their enemies. Bring peace to places where conflict runs deep. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

LD: Be present to all victims of violence, most especially to those affected by the school shooting in Nashville this past week. Calm the fears of schoolchildren, parents, teachers and those who work in schools, protect them from further harm, and strengthen our collective resolve to end senseless gun violence throughout our country. We pray especially for those whose names we say out loud or silently.

-A brief silence- Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

LD: We pray for our partners in mission and ministry: Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, Bishop James Hazelwood and the New England Synod, Pastor Livingstone Msungu and the Isimani congregation in Tanzania, Fundaninos Orphanage in Guatemala, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and the Holy Land and Imanuel Indonesian Lutheran Congregation, Ascentria Care Alliance and Camp Calumet. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

- LD: We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your steadfast love and your promise to renew your whole creation; through Jesus Christ our Savior.
- C: Amen.

The Sharing of God's Peace

- P: May the peace of Christ be with you all.
- C: And also with you.

The congregation is invited to exchange expressions of peace with those near them.

MEAL

Offering

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need. During this time, the table is set. After the offering is gathered, the assembly stands. Bread, wine, money, and other gifts may be brought forward.

Offertory Song

"The Holy City"

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Offertory Prayer

- LD: God of good gifts, receive these and all our offerings as we present them in faithful service for the sake of your gospel. Prepare our hearts to receive you in this meal as you pour out your very presence through Christ Jesus, the wellspring of eternal life.
- C: Amen.

The Celebration of Holy Communion

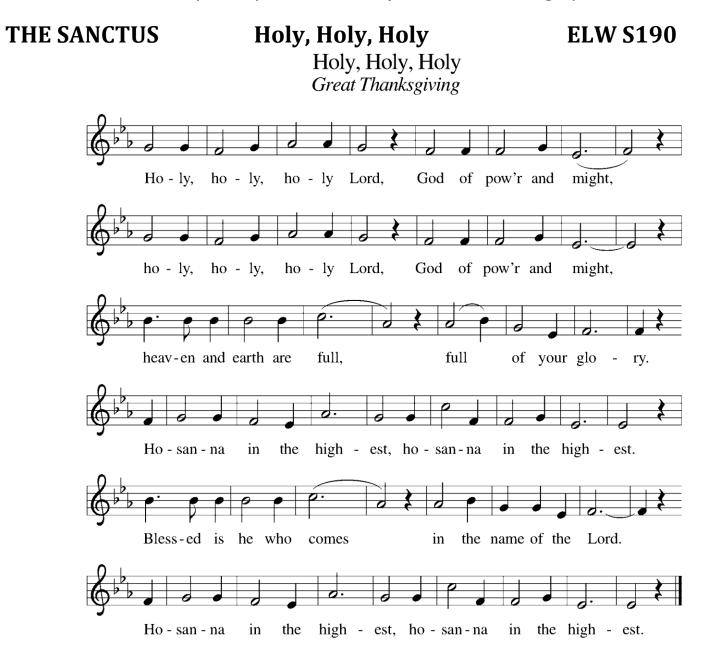
As you come to the Lord's Table, know that it is Christ who invites you to receive the bread and wine, the body and blood. There will be a single communion station around the altar. You will receive a wafer (gluten free wafers are available). Next you may take a pre-filled glass of wine. Please put the glass in the basket by the baptismal font or the lectern. Pre-filled Communion Cups are still available for anyone uncomfortable coming forward to the altar. If you would like to receive communion from the Pastor, but you are unable to come forward, please ask someone to talk to the ushers and we will bring communion to you.

Dialogue

- 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.

Preface

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, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. You call your people to cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast, that, renewed in the gift of baptism, we may come to the fullness of your grace. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



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Thanksgiving at the Table

P: Blessed are you, O God of the universe. Your mercy is everlasting and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth. Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood. Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea. Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness to the land of milk and honey.

Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one. Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ. Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

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 all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

With this bread and cup, we remember our Lord's Passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

- P: O God of resurrection and new life: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine. Bless this feast. Grace our table with your presence.
- C: Come, Holy Spirit.

P: Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread. Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world. Breathe new life into us. Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and love.

C: Come, Holy Spirit.

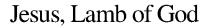
- P: With your holy ones of all times and places, with the earth and all its creatures, with sun and moon and stars, we praise you, O God, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever.
- C: Amen.

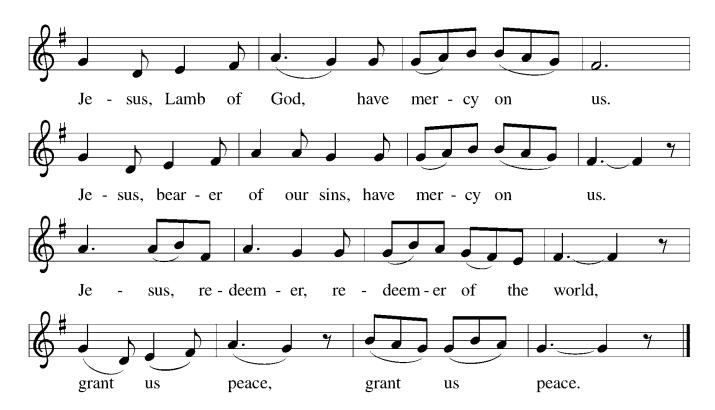
Lord's Prayer

Feel free to use the version of the Lord's Prayer you are most comfortable with.

P: Now, as our Lord taught us, we are bold to pray:

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. Hymn





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Invitation to Communion

The assembly may be seated. The bread may be broken for the communion.

P: Come and receive Jesus, our strength in the wilderness.

Communion Hymns:

While others are communing, you are invited to sing a communion hymn or to meditate on the readings and prayers for the day. To follow along with the Communion Hymns, please locate the cranberry Hymnal under your seats.

ELW 471 - Let Us Break Bread Together ELW 472 - Eat This Bread ELW 492 – Eat This Bread, Drink This Cup

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SENDING

The Prayer after Communion

- P: Embodied God, at your table, we have tasted the goodness of Jesus.With the eyes of our hearts open to your promise, empower us to hear the needs of our neighbors and touch the world with your love.
- C: Amen.

Rites of Passage and Announcements —Please remain seated—

The congregation is invited to share birthdays, anniversaries, and other significant events in the life of its members. Subsequently, brief announcements may be made, especially those related to the congregation's participation in God's mission in the world.

Benediction

Pastor Zeigler will now lead a blessing for the end of our worship service, leading into our Sending Hymn.

Sending Hymn

ELW 856 — Please remain standing—

How Great Thou Art



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Dismissal

LD: Go in peace, serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

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