



Sunday Worship
Together on-line as a community of Christ
Big Spring United Lutheran Church with
Zion Lutheran Church, Newville
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Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
God's work. Our hands.

The *congregation*, or participants, *respond* with the lines in *bold type*.

PRELUDE

selections sung by Nick Higgins from Missioners of Christ &
the San Jose Café, Newville

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Molly

GATHERING SONGS

“Here I Am to Worship” – Tim Hughes

Light of the world
You stepped down into darkness
Open my eyes, let me see.
Beauty that made this heart adore You
Hope of a life spent with You

**Here I am to worship,
Here I am to bow down,
Here I am to say that You're my God
You're altogether lovely
Altogether worthy,
Altogether wonderful to me**

King of all days
Oh, so highly exalted
Glorious in heaven above
Humbly You came
To the earth You created
All for love's sake became poor

I'll never know how much it cost, to see my sin upon that cross
(x2)

“Mighty to Save” – Hillsong United

Everyone needs compassion
A love that's never failing
Let mercy fall on me
Everyone needs forgiveness
The kindness of a Savior
the hope of nations

**Savior He can move the mountains
My God is mighty to save
He is mighty to save
Forever author of salvation
He rose and conquered the grave
Jesus conquered the grave**

So take me as you find me
All my fears and failures
Fill my life again
I give my life to follow
Everything I believe in
Now I surrender

Shine your light and let the whole world see
We're singing for the glory of the risen king, Jesus

“How Great is Our God” – Chris Tomlin

Verse 1:

The splendor of the King,
Clothed in majesty
Let all the earth rejoice
Let all the earth rejoice

He wraps himself in light
And darkness tries to hide
And trembles at His voice
Trembles at His voice

Chorus:

How great is our God,
Sing with me how great is our God
And all will see how great, how great is our God

Verse 2:

Age to age He stands
And time is in His hands
Beginning and the end
Beginning and the end

The Godhead Three in One
Father Spirit Son
The Lion and the Lamb
The Lion and the Lamb

Verse 2 in Spanish:

Él a mi lado está,
Me ayuda a vencer.
Él siempre ha sido fiel,
Él siempre ha sido fiel.

La trinidad de Dios,
Padre, Hijo, Espíritu.
Es cordero y león, es cordero y león.

Chorus in Spanish:

Cuán grande es mi Dios,

Cántalo, cuán grande es mi Dios, y todos lo verán.

Cuán grande es mi Dios.

Bridge:

Name above all names

Worthy of our praise

My heart will sing

How great is our God

WELCOME

I want to take a moment and welcome you here today. No matter where you are on your faith or life journey, you are welcome here. If you are young or old, or young at heart, or feeling old, you are welcome. If you are married or single or divorced, you are welcome. If you are happy or sad or anxious, you are welcome. If you struggle with your identity or are confident in your identity, you are welcome. If you are rich or poor, sick or well, you are welcome. You are welcome no matter what color your skin is. If you believe in God all of the time, some of the time or not at all, you are welcome. Come with your pains and sorrows. Come with your fear and brokenness. Come with a mind that is open and a heart that is ready to give and receive love and compassion. You are welcome in this community.

GREETING

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✚ one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation. **Amen.**

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.
(*2 Corinthians 13:13*)

PRAYER OF APOLOGY:

And now as in the tradition of our community, before we move toward recognition of our own faults, I want to offer an apology on behalf of the church. For the ways the church may have ignored you, judged you, and rejected you; for any pain, hurt, division, or betrayal the church may have caused. I am sorry. Nothing can undo the wrong you have endured; and I hope for you deep inner healing and peace.

BRIEF CONFESSION

We will hold a brief silence to confess our sins to God.

But God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved . . . I pray, that according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. (*Ephesians 2:4-5; 3:16-17*)

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you, and for his sake, God forgives you all your sin. Blessed are you! Rejoice and be glad, beloved people of God.

Amen.

GATHERING HYMN (ELW 887)

“This Is My Song”

- 1 This is my song, O God of all the nations,
a song of peace for lands afar and mine.
This is my home, the country where my heart is;
here are my hopes, my dreams, my holy shrine;
but other hearts in other lands are beating
with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.

- 2 My country's skies are bluer than the ocean,
and sunlight beams on cloverleaf and pine.
But other lands have sunlight too, and clover,
and skies are ev'rywhere as blue as mine.
So hear my song, O God of all the nations,
a song of peace for their land and for mine.

- 3 This is my prayer, O God of all earth's kingdoms,
your kingdom come; on earth your will be done.
O God, be lifted up till all shall serve you,
and hearts united learn to live as one.
So hear my prayer, O God of all the nations;
myself I give you; let your will be done.

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READING 1 PSALM 145:8-14 (read together)

⁸The LORD is gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger and of great kindness.

⁹The LORD is loving to everyone and his compassion is over all his works.

¹⁰All your works praise you, O LORD, and your faithful servants bless you.

¹¹They make known the glory of your kingdom and speak of your power;

¹²that the peoples may know of your power and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

¹³Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; your dominion endures throughout all ages.

¹⁴The LORD is faithful in all his words and merciful in all his deeds.

¹⁵The LORD upholds all those who fall; he lifts up those who are bowed down.

MINISTRY MOMENT: Nick Higgins of San Jose Café

**MUSIC OFFERING: “We will remember” - Tommy Walker
BSULC Choir Members**

CHILDREN’S SERMON: All around the World

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 11:16-19, 25-30

The Gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus spoke to the crowd saying:] ¹⁶“To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another,

¹⁷“We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.”

¹⁸For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, ‘He has a demon’; ¹⁹the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, ‘Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’ Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.”

²⁵At that time Jesus said, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; ²⁶yes, Father, for such was your gracious will.

²⁷All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

²⁸“Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. ²⁹Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

HYMN OF THE DAY (ELW 888)

O Beautiful for Spacious Skies

- 1 O beautiful for spacious skies,
for amber waves of grain,
for purple mountain majesties
above the fruited plain:
America! America!
God shed his grace on thee,
and crown thy good with brotherhood
from sea to shining sea.

- 2 O beautiful for heroes proved
in liberating strife,
who more than self their country loved,
and mercy more than life:
America! America!
May God thy gold refine,
till all success be nobleness,
and ev'ry gain divine.

- 3 O beautiful for patriot dream
that sees beyond the years
thine alabaster cities gleam,
undimmed by human tears:
America! America!
God mend thine ev'ry flaw,
confirm thy soul in self-control,
thy liberty in law.

Text: Katherine L. Bates, 1859-1929

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.**

THE PROPER PREFACE

THE SANCTUS

Holy, holy, holy Lord,

God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest,

hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest,

hosanna in the highest.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Let us pray the prayer Jesus taught us:

**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

☞ Taste and see that the Lord is good.

The elements were given as you entered.

Please peel the top film and take your bread.
The body of Christ given for you. **Amen.**

Open your cup by peeling back the foil.
The blood of Christ shed for you. **Amen**

PRAYERS

Come, O Holy Spirit by Henri Nouwen

Come, O Holy Spirit.

*Come as Holy Fire and burn in us,
come as Holy Wind and cleanse us within,
come as Holy Light and lead us in the darkness,
come as Holy Truth and dispel our ignorance,
come as Holy Power and enable our weakness,
come as Holy Life and dwell in us.*

*Convict us, convert us, consecrate us,
until we are set free from the service of ourselves,
to be your servants to the world. Amen.*

*We ask for your healing for those who are struggling with
spiritual and physical health.*

*We ask for guidance in our business of work, family and
government.*

*We ask for love and strength for those who suffer loss of
others, jobs, friendships and connections*

*Hear what is on our hearts (brief silence). Take this from
us so that we may find Christ's peace.*

*We thank you for your love, forgiveness and grace and
for being all things for all people.*

Amen.

THE LITURGY OF SENDING FOR SERVICE

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray. 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

May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus . . . May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing. (*Romans 15:5, 13*) in the name of Creator, Redeemer and Advocate.

Amen

BLESSING

Go into the world in peace

Have courage

Hold on to what is good

Return on one evil for evil

Strengthen the faint hearted

Support the weak

Help the suffering

Honor all people

Love and serve the Lord

Rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit

May God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit

Bless you now and forever

Amen.

SENDING SONG

“10,000 Reasons” – Matt Redman

**Bless the Lord, oh my soul
Oh my soul
Worship His Holy name
Sing like never before
Oh my soul
I'll worship Your Holy name**

The sun comes up
It's a new day dawning
It's time to sing Your song again
Whatever may pass
And whatever lies before me
Let me be singing
When the evening comes

You're rich in love
And You're slow to anger
Your name is great
And Your heart is kind
For all Your goodness
I will keep on singing
Ten thousand reasons
For my heart to find

And on that day
When my strength is failing
The end draws near
And my time has come
Still my soul will
Sing Your praise unending
Ten thousand years
And then forevermore

If you have any prayer needs, please reach out to us on our Facebook page or websites.

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