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# **LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE CROSS**

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## **SEASON OF CREATION – 17 PENTECOST**

***For God, faith the size of a mustard seed is enough.***

October 5, 2025 – 10:00 AM

All Creation Sings

Holy Communion Setting Twelve

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**Gathering Song**  
***God Is Here!* – No. 526**

**Vs. 1** God is here! As we your people  
meet to offer praise and prayer,  
may we find in fuller measure  
what it is in Christ we share.  
Here, as in the world around us,  
all our varied skills and arts  
wait the coming of the Spirit  
into open minds and hearts.

**Vs. 2** Here are symbols to remind us  
of our lifelong need of grace;  
here are table, font, and pulpit;  
here the cross has central place.  
Here in honesty of preaching,  
here in silence, as in speech,  
here, in newness and renewal,  
God the Spirit comes to each.

**Vs. 3** Here our children find a welcome  
in the Shepherd's flock and fold;  
here as bread and wine are taken,  
Christ sustains us as of old.  
Here the servants of the Servant  
seek in worship to explore  
what it means in daily living  
to believe and to adore.

**Vs. 4** Lord of all, of church and kingdom,  
in an age of change and doubt,  
keep us faithful to the gospel;  
help us work your purpose out.  
Here, in this day's dedication,  
all we have to give, receive;  
we, who cannot live without you,  
we adore you! We believe!

# **Confession and Forgiveness**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,  
who looks upon us in compassion,  
forgives our sin,  
and heals our lives.

**Amen.**

Have mercy, O God,

**against you, you alone,  
we have sinned.**

**In your compassion,  
cleanse us from our sin  
and take away our guilt.**

**Create in us a new heart  
and give us a steadfast spirit.**

**Do not cast us away,  
but fill us with your Holy Spirit  
and restore your joy within us.**

**Amen.**



As tender as parent to child,  
so deep is God's compassion for you.

As high as heaven is above earth,  
so vast is God's love for you.

As far as east is from west,  
so far God removes your sin from you,  
renewing your life through Jesus Christ.

Blessed be God who crowns us with mercy and love.

**Blessed be God forever.**

## **Greeting**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

# **Kyrie**

Kyrie eleison. Lord, have mercy.  
Christe eleison. Christ, have mercy.  
Kyrie eleison. Lord, have mercy.

# Hymn of Praise

**Vs. 1** Glory to you, God, for yours is the earth;  
yours is the promise, the blessing, the birth.  
Ours the rejoicing for Word given frame;  
ours the thanksgiving to your holy name.  
Ours be the telling of deeds greatly done;  
yours be the glory, O God, yours alone.

**Vs. 2** Glory to you, God, for yours is the earth;  
yours the hosannas, the dying, rebirth.  
Ours the rejoicing for nature reclaimed;  
ours the thanksgiving to your holy name.  
Ours be the telling of deeds greatly done;  
yours be the glory, O God, yours alone.

**Vs. 3** Glory to you, God, for yours is the earth;  
yours the anointing, the radiant worth.

Ours the rejoicing for spirits aflame;  
ours the thanksgiving to your holy name.  
Ours be the telling of deeds greatly done;  
yours be the glory, O God, yours alone.

## Lamentations 3:19-26

<sup>19</sup> The thought of my affliction | and my homelessness  
is worm- | wood and gall!

<sup>20</sup> **My soul continually | thinks of it  
and is bowed | down within me.**

Refrain: ***Great is your faithfulness, O Lord***

<sup>21</sup> But this I | call to mind,  
and therefore | I have hope:

<sup>22</sup> **The steadfast love of the Lord | never  
ceases, God's mercies never come | to an end;**

Refrain: ***Great is your faithfulness, O Lord***

<sup>23</sup> they are new | every morning;  
great | is your faithfulness.

<sup>24</sup> **"You are all that I have," | says my soul,  
"therefore I will hope in | you, O Lord."**

<sup>25</sup> You are good to those who | wait for you,  
to all that | search for you.

<sup>26</sup> **It is good that one | should wait quietly  
for the salvation | of the Lord.**

Refrain: ***Great is your faithfulness, O Lord***



# **Gospel Acclamation**

***Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.***

## **Gospel Reading**

Luke 17:5-10

**Hymn of the Day**  
***What Is the World Like – No. 1047***

**Vs. 1** What is the world like when God's will is done?  
Mustard seeds grow more than we can conceive:  
roots thread the soil; branches reach for the sun.  
This is how God moves us each to believe.

**Vs. 2** What is the world like when God's will is done?  
Witness the wandering child coming home;  
watch as the parent breaks into a run.  
This is how God longs for us when we roam.

**Vs. 3** What is the world like when God's will is done?  
No more is neighbour just ally or friend;  
peace thrives in places where once there was none.  
This is how God works when rivalries end.

**Vs. 4** What is the world like when God's will is done?  
Ready for feasting, we watch through the night,  
tending our lamps till the new day's begun.  
This is how God readies us for the light.

**Vs. 5** These are the stories that Jesus imparts,  
filled with the Spirit who joins us as one.  
Born through our voices, our hands, and our hearts,  
this is a new world where God's will is done.

## **Prayers of the People**

Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

## **Peace Sharing**

The peace of Christ be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

**Offering Song**  
***God Bestows on Every Sense – No. 1069***

**Vs. 1** God bestows on ev'ry sense  
beauty as hope's evidence:  
signs of what the earth will be  
just beyond what we can see.

**Vs. 2** Catch a fleeting glimpse of grace  
in an unexpected place:  
just a taste, the smallest crumb  
of the banquet yet to come.

**Vs. 3** Vibrant pictures in our dreams,  
brushed with crystal colour schemes,  
vanished from awaking mind,  
leaving just a trace behind.

**Vs. 4** In a burnt and blackened field  
broken ground begins to yield  
tiny, fragile sprouts of green:  
hints of forests yet unseen.

**Vs. 5** God makes all creation new,  
turning back what people do,  
building up what we destroy,  
singing sorrow into joy.



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# Great Thanksgiving

God be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to God.**

Let us give thanks to God. **It is right to give our  
thanks and praise.**

# **Holy, Holy, Holy**

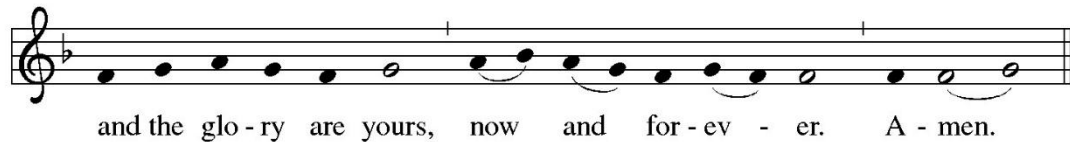
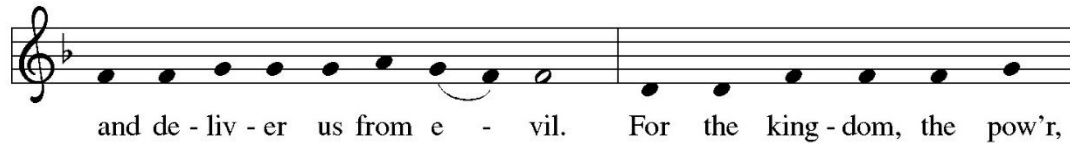
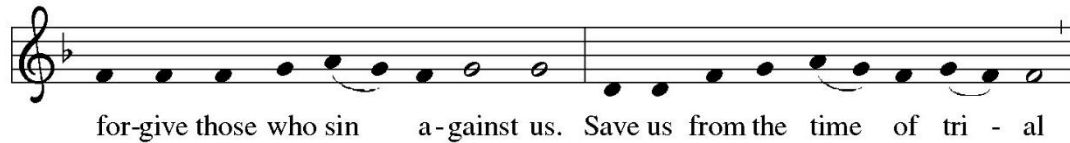
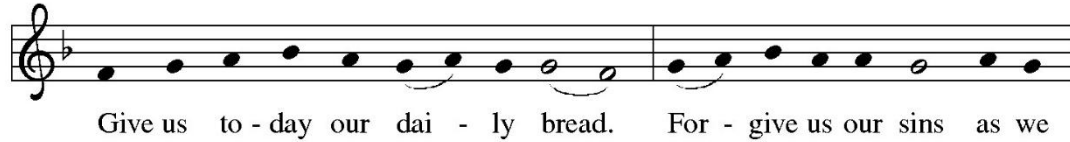
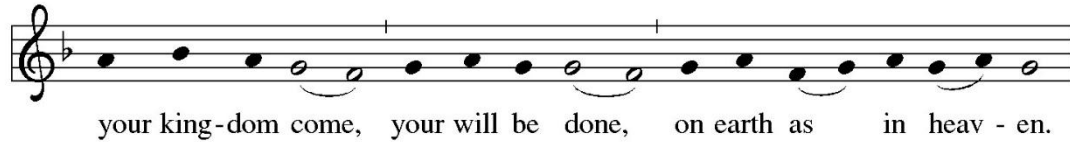
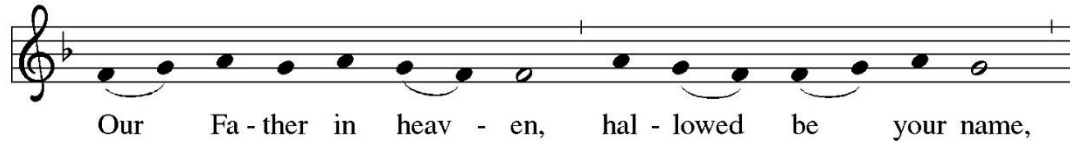
Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of pow'r and God of might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

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

Hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Hosanna, hosanna in the highest.



## **Lamb of God**

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;  
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;  
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;  
grant us peace, grant us peace.

## **Communion Songs**

### ***Great Is Thy Faithfulness* – No. 733**

**Vs. 1** Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father;  
there is no shadow of turning with thee;  
thou changest not, thy compassions they fail not;  
as thou hast been, thou forever wilt be.

**Refrain:** Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy  
faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see;  
all I have needed thy hand hath provided;  
great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

**Vs. 2** Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,  
sun, moon, and stars in their courses above  
join with all nature in manifold witness  
to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.

**Refrain:** Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy  
faithfulness!

Morning by morning new mercies I see;  
all I have needed thy hand hath provided;  
great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

**Vs. 3** Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;  
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,  
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

**Refrain:** Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy  
faithfulness!

Morning by morning new mercies I see;  
all I have needed thy hand hath provided;  
great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!



## ***O Spirit of Life* – No. 405**

**Vs. 1** O Spirit of life, O Spirit of God,  
in ev'ry need you bring us aid,  
proceeding forth from heaven's throne,  
from God, the Father and the Son;  
O Spirit of life, O Spirit of God.

**Vs. 2** O Spirit of life, O Spirit of God,  
increase our faith in our dear Lord;  
unless your grace the power should give,  
none can believe in Christ and live;  
O Spirit of life, O Spirit of God.

**Vs. 3** O Spirit of life, O Spirit of God,  
make us to love your sacred word;  
the holy flame of love impart,  
that charity may warm each heart;  
O Spirit of life, O Spirit of God.

**Vs. 4** O Spirit of life, O Spirit of God,  
enlighten us by that same word;  
teach us to know God's radiant love,  
lead us to Christ who reigns above;  
O Spirit of life, O Spirit of God.

## ***Ubi caritas et amor* – No. 642**

Ubi caritas et amor,  
ubi caritas, Deus ibi est.

Where true charity and love abide,  
God is dwelling there; God is dwelling there.

**Sending Song**  
***Deep Peace* – No. 1018**

Deep peace of the running waves,  
deep peace of the flowing air,  
deep peace of the shining stars to you,  
deep peace of the quiet earth.

**Dismissal... Thanks be to God!**

# **Worship Assistants**

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**Musician:** Karen Johnson-Lefsrud

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