



WELCOME FAMILIES!

We are glad that you are worshipping with your children and want you to feel welcome.

There is a “**Pray Ground**” for quiet play in the front right of the sanctuary. We ask that families stay with their little ones and try to keep noise to a minimum.

If you or your little one needs “a break” or “louder play”, there is an “**Active Worship**” room on the West side of the sanctuary. You can see and hear the service from this room.

GATHERING



The Holy Spirit gathers us together during this time of worship

WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION

Commitment Sunday

Inviting All to Live the Gospel through Faith, Love, and Compassion

Welcome to Family of Christ

You are welcome to participate in worship this morning
the way you feel comfortable.

All Are Welcome, No Exceptions!
Everybody Is Somebody Here

PRELUDE

WELCOME

OPENING HYMN

“Come, Now Is the Time to Worship” Brian Doerksen

*Come, now is the time to worship
Come, now is the time To give your heart
Come, just as you are to worship
Come, just as you are Before your God, Come
One day every Tongue will confess
You are God One day every knee will bow
Still the greatest treasure
Remains for those Who gladly choose You now
REPEAT*

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Come, Come, Come Just as you are, Come, Come*

All young and young at heart are invited forward during the Children's time.

THE WORD

God speaks to us through scripture reading, preaching, and song.



CONFESSION

Leader: We confess our sins before God and one another.

Pause for silence and reflection.

P: We begin our worship in the name of the Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer.

C : **Amen**

P: Let us in stillness hold our hearts open to God. (Silence for reflection)

C: Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name and what our hearts can no longer bear. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image, through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen

PRAYER OF THE DAY

God of abundance, you created the world and all that is in it. Release our grip on the things that possess us, opening our hands to the generosity you call us to give and receive. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE

"We Are an Offering"

ELW #692

CHILDREN'S TIME

FIRST READING

Psalms 25

To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.

O my God, in you I trust;

do not let me be put to shame;

do not let my enemies exult over me.

Do not let those who wait for you be put to shame;

let them be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.

Make me to know your ways, O LORD;

teach me your paths.

Lead me in your truth and teach me,

for you are the God of my salvation;

for you I wait all day long.

Be mindful of your mercy, O LORD, and of your steadfast love,

for they have been from of old.

Do not remember the sins of my youth or my transgressions;

according to your steadfast love remember me,

for the sake of your goodness, O LORD!

L: The Word of the Lord C: Thanks be to God

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THE MEAL

God feeds us with the
forgiveness and presence
of Christ.

All are invited to receive
these gifts of God.

No Exceptions!

Children are welcome to
come forward and receive
communion or a blessing
and Goldfish Crackers.



GOSPEL READING

Luke 19:29-35

As Jesus approached Bethphage and Bethany at the hill called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, "Go to the village ahead of you, and as you enter it, you will find a colt tied there, which no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' say, 'The Lord needs it.'"

Those who were sent ahead went and found it just as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?"

They replied, "The Lord needs it."

They brought it to Jesus, threw their cloaks on the colt and put Jesus on it.

L: The Gospel of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God

SERMON

Pastor Brent Erler

HYMN OF THE DAY

"Canticle of the Turning"

ELW #723

STEWARDSHIP

PRESENTATION OF COMMITMENT CARDS

SHARING OF THE PEACE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NOISY OFFERING

Messiah Lutheran Food Shelf

OFFERING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

L: Lord in Your Mercy

C: Hear our prayer

HOLY COMMUNION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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.

THE SENDING

We are blessed and
sent out into the world
to share God's Love
with all people.



BLESSING

PRAYER OF GOOD COURAGE

Lord God, you have called your servants
to ventures of which we cannot see the ending,
by paths as yet untrodden,
through perils unknown.
Give us faith to go out with good courage,
not knowing where we go,
but only that your hand is leading us
and your love supporting us,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

CLOSING HYMN

“We Are Marching in the Light”

ELW #866

SENDING

POSTLUDE

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Serving Today

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