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LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE CROSS

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Gathering Song
Gather Us In – No. 532

Vs. 1

**Here in this place the new light is streaming,
now is the darkness vanished away;
see in this space our fears and our dreamings
brought here to you in the light of this day.
Gather us in, the lost and forsaken,
gather us in, the blind and the lame;
call to us now, and we shall awaken,
we shall arise at the sound of our name.**

Vs. 2

**We are the young, our lives are a myst'ry,
we are the old who yearn for your face;
we have been sung throughout all of hist'ry,
called to be light to the whole human race.
Gather us in, the rich and the haughty,
gather us in, the proud and the strong;
give us a heart, so meek and so lowly,
give us the courage to enter the song.**

Vs. 3

**Here we will take the wine and the water,
here we will take the bread of new birth,
here you shall call your sons and your daughters,
call us anew to be salt for the earth.**

**Give us to drink the wine of compassion,
give us to eat the bread that is you;
nourish us well, and teach us to fashion
lives that are holy and hearts that are true.**

Vs. 4

**Not in the dark of buildings confining,
not in some heaven, light years away—
here in this place the new light is shining,
now is the kingdom, and now is the day.
Gather us in and hold us forever,
gather us in and make us your own;
gather us in, all peoples together,
fire of love in our flesh and our bone.**

Kyrie

Lord have mercy

Song Of Praise

Gloria

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to God's people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you,
we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ,
only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.
Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to God's people on earth.**

Psalm 105:1-11, 45b

Refrain: Make known the deeds of the Lord among the peoples. Hallelujah!

¹ Give thanks to the Lord and call up- | on God's name;
make known the deeds of the Lord a- | mong the peoples.

² **Sing to the | Lord, sing praises, and speak of all
God's | marvelous works.**

³ Glory in God's | holy name; let the hearts of those who
seek the | Lord rejoice.

⁴ **Search for the strength | of the Lord;
continually | seek God's face.**

⁵ Remember the marvels | God has done,
the wonders and the judgments | of God's mouth,

**⁶ O offspring of Abra- | ham, God's servant,
O children of Jacob, God's | chosen ones. R**

⁷ The Lord | is our God, whose judgments prevail in | all the
world,

**⁸ who has always been mindful | of the covenant,
the promise made for a thousand | generations:**

⁹ the covenant | made with Abraham, the oath | sworn to Isaac,

**¹⁰ which God established as a stat- | ute for Jacob,
an everlasting cove- | nant for Israel,**

¹¹ saying, "To you will I give the | land of Canaan
to be your allotted inheritance." ^{45b} | Hallelujah! **R**

***Refrain: Make known the deeds of the Lord among the
peoples. Hallelujah!***

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel Reading

Glory to you, O God.

Praise to you, O Christ

Hymn of the Day
Be Thou My Vision – No. 793

Vs. 1

**Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
naught be all else to me, save that thou art:
thou my best thought both by day and by night,
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.**

Vs. 2

**Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word;
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord.
Thou my soul's shelter, and thou my high tow'r,
raise thou me heav'nward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.**

Vs. 3

**Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise,
thou mine inheritance, now and always:
thou and thou only, the first in my heart,
great God of heaven, my treasure thou art.**

Vs. 4

**Light of my soul, after victory won,
may I reach heaven's joys, O heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.**

Prayers of the People

God of grace,
Hear our prayer

Peace Sharing

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



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Offering Song

Now the Feast and Celebration – No. 679

Vs. 1

**Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain,
whose blood has freed and united us
to be one great people of God. *Refrain***

Refrain

**Now the feast and celebration,
all of creation sings for joy
to the God of life and love and freedom;
praise and glory forevermore!**

Vs. 2

**Power and riches, wisdom and might,
all honor and glory to Christ forever. *Refrain***

Refrain

**Now the feast and celebration,
all of creation sings for joy
to the God of life and love and freedom;
praise and glory forevermore!**

Vs. 3

**For God has come to dwell with us,
to make us people of God;
to make all things new. *Refrain***

Refrain

**Now the feast and celebration,
all of creation sings for joy
to the God of life and love and freedom;
praise and glory forevermore!**

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

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

Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Holy

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of
the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Thanksgiving Prayer

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ has risen.

Christ will come again.

Bring the gift of peace on earth.

Come, Holy Spirit.

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.**

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.**

As the Grains of Wheat – No. 465

Refrain

**As the grains of wheat once scattered on the hill
were gathered into one to become our bread;
so may all your people from all the ends of earth
be gathered into one in you.**

Vs. 1

**As this cup of blessing is shared within our midst,
may we share the presence of your love. *Refrain***

Vs. 2

**Let this be a foretaste of all that is to come
when all creation shares this feast with you. *Refrain***

God of Grace and God of Glory – No. 705

Vs. 1

**God of grace and God of glory,
on your people pour your pow'r;
crown your ancient church's story;
bring its bud to glorious flow'r.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage
for the facing of this hour,
for the facing of this hour.**

Vs. 2

**Lo! the hosts of evil round us
scorn the Christ, assail his ways!
From the fears that long have bound us
free our hearts to faith and praise.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage
for the living of these days,
for the living of these days,**

Vs. 3

**Cure your children's warring madness;
bend our pride to your control;
shame our wanton, selfish gladness,
rich in things and poor in soul.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
lest we miss your kingdom's goal,
lest we miss your kingdom's goal.**

Vs. 4

**Save us from weak resignation
to the evils we deplore;
let the gift of your salvation
be our glory evermore.**

**Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
serving you whom we adore,
serving you whom we adore.**

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 neighbor 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.**

Sending Song

I Love to Tell the Story – No. 661

Vs. 1

**I love to tell the story of unseen things above,
of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love.**

**I love to tell the story, because I know it's true;
it satisfies my longings as nothing else would do.**

Refrain

Refrain

**I love to tell the story; 'twill be my theme in glory
to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.**

Vs. 2

**I love to tell the story: how pleasant to repeat
what seems, each time I tell it, more wonderfully sweet!
I love to tell the story, for some have never heard
the message of salvation from God's own holy word.**

Refrain

Refrain

**I love to tell the story; 'twill be my theme in glory
to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.**

Vs. 3

**I love to tell the story, for those who know it best seem
hungering and thirsting to hear it like the rest.**

**And when, in scenes of glory, I sing the new, new song,
I'll sing the old, old story that I have loved so long.**

Refrain

Refrain

**I love to tell the story; 'twill be my theme in glory
to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.**

Worship Leaders and Assistants

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Ushers: Don Storch, Laura Cochran

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