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LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE CROSS

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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!**

Kyrie

Lord have mercy

Lord have mercy

Lord have mercy

Lord have mercy

Amen.

Song Of Praise

Gloria

Refrain

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to God's people on earth.
Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to God's people on earth.**

Vs. 1

**Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you,
we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.**

Refrain

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to God's people on earth.
Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to God's people on earth.**

Vs. 2

**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.**

Refrain

**Glory to God, glory to God,
glory to God in the highest;
Glory to God, glory to God,
and peace to God's people on earth.**

Vs. 3

**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 99

Refrain: Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God.

¹ The Lord is king; let the | people tremble. The Lord is enthroned upon the cherubim; let | the earth shake.

² **The Lord, | great in Zion, is high a- | bove all peoples.**

³ Let them confess God's name, which is | great and awesome; God is the | Holy One.

⁴ **O mighty king, lover of justice, you have es- |
tablished equity; you have executed justice and
righteous- | ness in Jacob. R**

⁵ Proclaim the greatness of the Lord and fall down be- | fore God's footstool; God is the | Holy One.

⁶ Moses and Aaron among your priests, and Samuel among those who call upon your | name, O Lord,

they called upon you, and you | answered them,

⁷ you spoke to them out of the pil- | lar of cloud;

they kept your testimonies and the decree | that you gave them.

⁸ O Lord our God, you answered | them indeed;

you were a God who forgave them, yet punished them for their | evil deeds.

⁹ Proclaim the greatness of the Lord and worship upon God's | holy hill; for the Lord our God is the | Holy One. R

Refrain: Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel Reading

...Glory to you, O God

...Praise to you, O Christ

Hymn of the Day
When the Poor Ones – No. 725

Vs. 1

**When the poor ones, who have nothing,
still are giving;
when the thirsty pass the cup, water to share;
when the wounded offer others strength and healing:**

Refrain

**We see God, here by our side, walking our way;
we see God, here by our side, walking our way.**

Vs. 2

**When compassion gives the suff'ring consolation;
when expecting brings to birth hope that was lost;
when we choose love, not the hatred all around us:**

Refrain

Refrain

**We see God, here by our side, walking our way;
we see God, here by our side, walking our way.**

Vs. 3

**When our spirits, like a chalice, brim with gladness;
when our voices, full and clear, sing out the truth;
when our longings, free from envy, seek the humble:**

Refrain

Refrain

**We see God, here by our side, walking our way;
we see God, here by our side, walking our way.**

Vs. 3

**When the goodness poured from heaven
fills our dwellings;
when the nations work to change war into peace;
when the stranger is accepted as our neighbor:
*Refrain***

Refrain

**We see God, here by our side, walking our way;
we see God, here by our side, walking our way.**

Prayers of the People

Hear us, O God,
Your mercy is great.

Peace Sharing

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



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Offering Song

God Bless to Us Our Bread – No. 1056

SPANISH

**Bendice, Señor, nuestro pan,
y da pan a los que tienen hambre
y_hambre de justicia_a los que tienen pan.
Bendice, Señor, nuestro pan.**

ENGLISH

**God bless to us our bread,
and give bread to all those who are hungry,
and hunger for justice to those who are fed.
God bless to us our bread.**

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

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.
Hosanna in the highest.**

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.**

Communion Songs

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending – No. 678

Vs. 1

**God, whose giving knows no ending,
from your rich and endless store:
nature's wonder, Jesus' wisdom,
costly cross, grave's shattered door,
gifted by you, we turn to you,
off'ring up ourselves in praise;
thankful song shall rise forever,
gracious donor of our days.**

Vs. 2

**Skills and time are ours for pressing
toward the goals of Christ, your Son:
all at peace in health and freedom,
races joined, the church made one.
Now direct our daily labor,
lest we strive for self alone;
born with talents, make us servants
fit to answer at your throne.**

Vs. 3

**Treasure, too, you have entrusted,
gain through pow'rs your grace conferred;
ours to use for home and kindred,
and to spread the gospel word.
Open wide our hands in sharing,
as we heed Christ's ageless call,
healing, teaching, and reclaiming,
serving you by loving all.**

O God, You Search Me – No. 1082

Vs. 1

**O God, you search me and you know me.
All my thoughts lie open to your gaze.
When I walk or lie down you are before me:
ever the maker and keeper of my days.**

Vs. 2

**You know my resting and my rising.
You discern my purpose from afar,
and with love everlasting you besiege me:
in ev'ry moment of life or death, you are.**

Vs. 3

**Before a word is on my tongue, Lord,
you have known its meaning through and through.
You are with me beyond my understanding:
God of my present, my past, and future, too.**

Vs. 4

**Although your Spirit is upon me,
still I search for shelter from your light.
There is nowhere on earth I can escape you:
even the darkness is radiant in your sight.**

Vs. 5

**For you created me and shaped me,
gave me life within my mother's womb.
For the wonder of who I am, I praise you:
safe in your hands, all creation is made new.**

Bring Many Names – No. 1094

Vs. 1

**Bring many names, beautiful and good,
celebrate, in parable and story,
holiness in glory, living, loving God.
Hail and hosanna! Bring many names!**

Vs. 2

**Strong mother God, working night and day,
planning all the wonders of creation,
setting each equation, genius at play:
Hail and hosanna, strong mother God!**

Vs. 3

**Warm father God, hugging ev'ry child,
feeling all the strains of human living,
caring and forgiving, till we're reconciled:
Hail and hosanna, warm father God!**

Vs. 4

**Old, aching God, gray with endless care,
calmly piercing evil's new disguises,
glad of good surprises, wiser than despair:
Hail and hosanna, old, aching God!**

Vs. 5

**Young, growing God, eager, on the move,
saying no to falsehood and unkindness,
crying out for justice, giving all you have:
Hail and hosanna, young, growing God!**

Vs. 6

**Great, living God, never fully known,
joyful darkness far beyond our seeing,
closer yet than breathing, everlasting home:
Hail and hosanna, great, living God!**

Sending Song
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.**

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