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LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE CROSS

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24th Sunday After Pentecost



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Gathering Song

Oh, Happy Day When We Shall Stand – No. 441

Vs. 1

Oh, happy day when we shall stand
amid the heav'nly throng;
and sing with hosts from ev'ry land
the new celestial song,
the new celestial song.

Vs. 2

Oh, blessed day when Christ shall come
and show himself as Lord,
and thousands meet in their new home
which Jesus has prepared,
which Jesus has prepared.

Vs. 3

Oh, what a mighty rushing flood
of joy and love and peace
will roll down over us with good
and blessedness and grace,
and blessedness and grace.

Vs. 4

O Lord, your grace is ev'rything;
your love has made us free
to stand among the saints and sing
the glory that we see,
the glory that we see.

Kyrie

Lord have mercy
Lord have mercy
Lord have mercy
Lord have mercy
Amen.

Song Of Praise

This is the Feast

Refrain

This is the feast of victory for our God.
Alleluia, alleluia.
This is the feast of victory for our God.
Alleluia, alleluia.

Vs. 1

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,
whose blood set us free to be people of God.
Power, riches, wisdom, and strength,
and honour, blessing, and glory are his.

Refrain

This is the feast of victory for our God.
Alleluia, alleluia.
This is the feast of victory for our God.
Alleluia, alleluia.

Vs. 2

Sing with all the people of God
and join in the hymn of all creation:
Blessing, honour, glory and might
be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.

Refrain

This is the feast of victory for our God.
Alleluia, alleluia.
This is the feast of victory for our God.
Alleluia, alleluia.

Vs. 3

For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign.
Alleluia. *Refrain*

Refrain

Open Your Ears, O Faithful People – No. 519

Vs. 1

Open your ears, O faithful people,
open your ears and hear God's word.
Open your hearts, O royal priesthood,
God has come to you.

Psalm 78:1-7

Hear my teaching, | O my people;
incline your ears to the words | of my mouth.
2 **I will open my mouth | in a parable;**
I will declare the mysteries of | ancient times—
3 that which we have heard and known, and what our fore- |
bears have told us,* we will not hide | from their children.
4 **We will recount to generations to come the**
praiseworthy deeds and the power | of the Lord,
and the wonderful works | God has done.

The Lord gave a decree in Jacob and established a | law in Israel,* commanding our ancestors to teach it | to their children;

6 **that the generations to come might know,**
and the children | yet unborn;
that they in their turn might tell it | to their children;

7 so that they might put their | trust in God,
and not forget the deeds of God, but keep | God's commandments

Refrain

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Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel Reading

…Glory to you, O God
…Praise to you, O Christ

Hymn of the Day

Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burning – No. 949

Vs. 1

Keep your lamps trimmed and burning,
keep your lamps trimmed and burning,
keep your lamps trimmed and burning,
for this work's almost done. ***Refrain***

Refrain

Children, don't grow weary;
children, don't grow weary;
children, don't grow weary,
for this work's almost done.

Vs. 2

Darker midnight lies before us,
darker midnight lies before us,
darker midnight lies before us,
for this work's almost done. ***Refrain***

Refrain

Children, don't grow weary;
children, don't grow weary;
children, don't grow weary,
for this work's almost done.

Vs. 3

Lo, the morning soon is breaking,
lo, the morning soon is breaking,
lo, the morning soon is breaking,
for this work's almost done. ***Refrain***

Refrain

Children, don't grow weary;
children, don't grow weary;
children, don't grow weary,
for this work's almost done.

Vs. 4

Keep your lamps trimmed and burning,
keep your lamps trimmed and burning,
keep your lamps trimmed and burning,
for this work's almost done. ***Refrain***

Refrain

Children, don't grow weary;
children, don't grow weary;
children, don't grow weary,
for this work's almost done.

Prayers of the People

God in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

Peace Sharing

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

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Offering Song

Come Bless the Lord - R. Lau - choir anthem

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

Blessed Assurance– No. 638

Vs. 1

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
born of his Spirit, washed in his blood. ***Refrain***

Refrain

This is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior, all the day long:
this is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior all the day long.

Vs. 2

Perfect submission, perfect delight,
visions of rapture now burst on my sight;
angels descending bring from above
echoes of mercy, whispers of love. ***Refrain***

Refrain

This is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior, all the day long:
this is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior all the day long.

Vs. 3

Perfect submission, all is at rest;
I in my Savior am happy and blest,
watching and waiting, looking above,
filled with his goodness, lost in his love. ***Refrain***

Refrain

This is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior, all the day long:
this is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior all the day long.

Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness– No. 489

Vs.1 Soul, adorn yourself with gladness,
leave the gloomy haunts of sadness,
come into the daylight's splendor,
there with joy your praises render.
Bless the one whose grace unbounded
this amazing banquet founded;
Christ, though heavenly, high, and holy,
deigns to dwell with you most lowly *Refrain*

Refrain:
Be thankful!
Soul, adorn yourself with gladness, and rejoice!
Bless the one whose grace unbounded is our joy.

2 Now in faith I humbly ponder
over this surpassing wonder
that the bread of life is boundless
though the souls it feeds are countless;
with the choicest wine of heaven
Christ's own blood to us is given.
Oh, most glorious consolation,
pledge and seal of my salvation. Refrain

Refrain:
Be thankful!
Soul, adorn yourself with gladness, and rejoice!
Bless the one whose grace unbounded is our joy.

3 Jesus, source of lasting pleasure,
truest friend, and dearest treasure,
peace beyond all understanding,
joy into all life expanding:
humbly now, I bow before you,
love incarnate, I adore you;
worthily let me receive you,
and, so favored, never leave you. Refrain

Refrain:
Be thankful!
Soul, adorn yourself with gladness, and rejoice!
Bless the one whose grace unbounded is our joy.

Wait for the Lord– No. 262

Wait for the Lord, whose day is near.
Wait for the Lord: be strong, take heart!

Sending Song

What Is the World Like – No. 1047

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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