



Guitar Worship ***July 7, 2024***

Full Service Guitar Bulletin

Welcome to Faith and thank you for worshiping with us! All are welcome.

GATHERING

Prelude

Call to Worship

“As We Gather”

PRAISE #16

(2 times)

As we gather may Your Spirit work within us
As we gather may we glorify Your name
Knowing well that as our hearts
Begin to worship
We'll be blessed because we came
We'll be blessed because we came

Gathering Hymn

“O Beautiful for Spacious Skies”

ELW #888

- 1 O beautiful for spacious skies,
for amber waves of grain,
for purple mountain majesties
above the fruited plain:
America! America!
God shed his grace on thee,
and crown thy good with brotherhood
from sea to shining sea.
- 2 O beautiful for heroes proved
in liberating strife,
who more than self their country loved,
and mercy more than life:
America! America!
May God thy gold refine,
till all success be nobleness,
and ev'ry gain divine.

3 O beautiful for patriot dream
that sees beyond the years
thine alabaster cities gleam,
undimmed by human tears:
America! America!
God mend thine ev'ry flaw,
confirm thy soul in self-control,
thy liberty in law.

Greeting

A: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the unity of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you!

A: You are the treasured people of the LORD,

C: a people holy to the LORD our God.

A: Keep the words of the LORD in your heart; teach them to your children.

C: Talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise.

A: One does not live by bread alone,

C: but by every word that comes from the mouth of the LORD.

Prayer Requests

The Hymn of Praise “We Bring The Sacrifice Of Praise” W&P #150
(2 times)

We bring the sacrifice of praise

And we offer up to You

Into the house of the Lord

The sacrifices of thanksgiving

We bring the sacrifice of praise

And we offer up to You

Into the house of the Lord

The sacrifices of joy

Prayer of the Day

A: The Lord be with you. **C: And also with you.**

A: Let us pray.

C: God of the covenant, in our baptism you call us to proclaim the coming of your kingdom. Give us the courage you gave the apostles, that we may faithfully witness to your love and peace in every circumstance of life, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

First Reading

Ezekiel 2:1-5

In 597 BCE, the priest Ezekiel was removed into exile in Babylon. While there, he received a vision of God appearing majestically on a chariot throne. Today's reading recounts God's commissioning of Ezekiel during this vision. The prophet is to speak God's word to a people unwilling to hear.

1 [A voice] said to me: O mortal, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you.² And when he spoke to me, a spirit entered into me and set me on my feet; and I heard him speaking to me. ³ He said to me, Mortal, I am sending you to the people of Israel, to a nation of rebels who have rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have transgressed against me to this very day. ⁴ The descendants are impudent and stubborn. I am sending you to them, and you shall say to them, "Thus says the Lord God." ⁵ Whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house), they shall know that there has been a prophet among them.

Psalm: Psalm 123

¹ To you I lift up my eyes,

to you enthroned in the heavens.

² **As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their masters, and the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress, so our eyes look to you, O Lord our God, until you show us your mercy.**

³ Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy,
for we have had more than enough of contempt,

⁴ **too much of the scorn of the indolent rich,
and of the derision of the proud.**

Second Reading

2 Corinthians 12:2-10

Christians do not boast of their own accomplishments. Rather, Christian boasting focuses attention on how the power of Christ is present in our lives, especially in times of weakness and vulnerability. No matter what our circumstances in life, Christ's grace is sufficient for us.

² I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows. ³ And I know that such a person—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows—⁴ was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat.

⁵ On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. ⁶ But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, ⁷ even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. ⁸ Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, ⁹ but he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.” So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. ¹⁰ Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

L: Holy wisdom, holy word.

C: Thanks be to God.

Kid’s Time

Gospel Acclamation “Halle, Halle, Hallelujah”

ELW #172

(2 times)

Halle, halle, hallelujah.

Halle, halle, hallelujah.

Halle, halle, hallelujah.

Hallelujah. Hallelujah.

Gospel

Mark 6:1-13

P: The Holy Gospel according to Saint Mark.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹ [Jesus] came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. ² On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, “Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! ³ Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?” And they took offense at him. ⁴ Then Jesus said to them, “Prophets are not without honor, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house.” ⁵ And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. ⁶ And he was amazed at their unbelief.

Then he went about among the villages teaching. ⁷ He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. ⁸ He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; ⁹ but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. ¹⁰ He said to them, “Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. ¹¹ If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them.” ¹² So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. ¹³ They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

P: The Gospel of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God!**

Sermon

Sermon Song

“My Country, 'Tis of Thee”

LBW #566

- 1 My country, 'tis of thee,
sweet land of liberty,
of thee I sing:
land where my fathers died,
land of the pilgrims' pride,
from ev'ry mountainside
let freedom ring.
- 2 My native country, thee,
land of the noble free,
thy name I love;
I love thy rocks and rills,
thy woods and templed hills;
my heart with rapture thrills
like that above.
- 3 Let music swell the breeze,
and ring from all the trees
sweet freedom's song;
let mortal tongues awake;
let all that breathe partake;
let rocks their silence break,
the sound prolong.

4 Our fathers' God, to thee,
author of liberty,
to thee we sing:
long may our land be bright
with freedom's holy light.
Protect us by thy might,
great God, our king.

Response to the Word *(Apostle's Creed)*

WOV p.49

A: In Christ, you have heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation.

C: We believe in him and are marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit. *(Ephesians 1:13-14)*

A: Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by
The power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under
Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the
dead. On the third day He rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is
seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the
living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the
communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen**

Confession & Forgiveness

P: Build yourselves up on your most holy faith; *Jude 20*

C: pray in the Holy Spirit.

P: Keep yourselves in the love of God; *Jude 21*

C: look forward to the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ.

P: If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: *2 Cor. 5:17*

C: Everything old has passed away; behold everything has become new!

Stand

P: God has given us the ministry of reconciliation. Therefore, let us be reconciled to God and to one another.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P: Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

P: The almighty and merciful God grants you pardon, forgiveness, and release from all your sins.

C: Amen

The Prayers of the Church

A: One in the communion of saints and in the power of the Holy Spirit, we join our voices in prayer.

A brief silence.

Glorious God, you bend down to wash the feet of your disciples. Let the servant church arise in our teaching, our praying, our healing, and our doing. Make all your faithful people powerful in weakness and strong in grace. In your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Life-giving God, your fingers trace the heavens and your hands mold the earth. Where there is drought, bring nourishing rain. Where there is devastation from fire or flood, bring relief. Sustain the well-being of every living thing. In your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Merciful God, you speak and the nations listen. Open those who govern to the cries of all who journey with no food or shelter, particularly people fleeing violence, those seeking freedom, and those in search of community. In your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Gracious God, your embrace brings wholeness to those who are troubled. Anoint (*names and, A: Offered aloud or in the silence of our hearts.*) all who suffer in any way with the oil of healing and grant them renewal. In your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Welcoming God, in your presence strangers become companions and enemies become neighbors. Open our doors to those we have so easily shut out, particularly people who are different from us or who are marginalized by church or society. In your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

Eternal God, you gather us into your house of many dwelling places. We give you thanks for our faithful departed (*especially*). Inspire us by their lives of faith until, with them, we rest forever at our journey's end. In your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Holy God, holy and merciful: into your outstretched arms we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in the one who is the way, the truth, and the life, Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Passing of the Peace

P: The Peace of the Lord be with you always. **C:** **And also with you.**

The Offering

“What Have We to Offer?”

DATH #20

1 What have we to offer?

What have we to share?

**Coins from the coffer,
hearts filled with care.**

**God will not falter;
so let us dare**

lay it at the altar there.

2 What have we to offer?

What have we to bring?

**Love, ripe with laughter;
hope that we can sing;**

dreams of what we're after;

promises of when.

Lay it at the altar then.

3 What have we to offer?

What have we to give?

**Eyes that are wide open;
lies that we won't live;**

**truth that must be spoken;
justice somehow.**

Lay it at the altar now.

4 What have we to offer?

What have we to give?

Lives we will live.

Offering Prayer

A: Let us pray. Merciful God,

C: **we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen**

MEAL

Words of Institution

P: In the night in which he was betrayed, ...
... almighty Father, now and forever.

C: Amen

The Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6:9-13 & Luke 11:2-4

P: Lord Jesus, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C: 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

Distribution (*background guitar music*)

SENDING

Post-Communion Blessing

P: May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ nourish your soul and fill you with his grace now and forever!

C: Amen

Post-Communion Canticle “The Trees Of The Field”

W&P #138

(2 times)

Verse

**You shall go out with joy
And be led forth with peace
The mountains and the hills
Will break forth before you
There'll be shouts of joy
And all the trees of the field
Will clap will clap their hands**

Chorus

**And all the trees of the field
Will clap their hands
The trees of the field
Will clap their hands
The trees of the field
Will clap their hands
While you go out with joy**

Post-Communion Prayer

A: Let us pray.

C: Almighty God, you provide the true bread from heaven, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant that we who have received the Sacrament of his

body and blood may abide in him and he in us, that we may be filled with the power of his endless life, now and forever. Amen

Benediction

P: Go from this meal knowing that God blesses you and keeps you. That God's face shines on you and is gracious to you. That God looks on you with great favor and gives you peace.

C: Amen

Announcements

Sending Song "Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory" ELW #890

1 Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord;
he is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored;
he has loosed the fateful lightning of his terrible swift sword:
his truth is marching on.

Refrain

Glory, glory! Hallelujah!
Glory, glory! Hallelujah!
Glory, glory! Hallelujah!
His truth is marching on.

2 He has sounded forth the trumpet that shall never call retreat;
he is sifting out the hearts of men before his judgment seat.
Oh, be swift, my soul, to answer him; be jubilant, my feet!
Our God is marching on. *Refrain*

3 In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born across the sea,
with a glory in his bosom that transfigures you and me.
As he died to make men holy, let us live to make men free,
while God is marching on. *Refrain*

Dismissal

A: Go in peace and serve the Lord!

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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