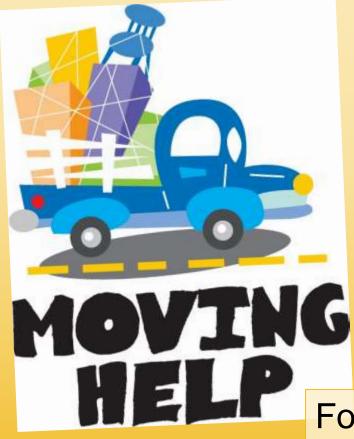
Welcome to Worship at Zion Lutheran Church

Sunday, August 18, 2024 9:00 am

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Welcome and Announcements

We still need volunteers to help move Pr. Linda!



We are looking for:

- Two people to help load the moving van on Sept. 6 & 7
- A dozen people to help unload the van on Sept. 7 when they arrive.

For more information and to volunteer contact Jim Hallan or Ron Tveit

Sharing the Peace

Praise and Thanksgiving

ELW #689

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Praise and thanksgiving, God, we would offer for all things living, you have made good: harvest of sown fields, fruits of the orchard, hay from the mown fields, blossom and wood.

God, bless the labor we bring to serve you, that with our neighbor we may be fed. Sowing or tilling, we would work with you, harvesting, milling for daily bread.

Father, providing food for your children, by Wisdom's guiding teach us to share one with another, so that, rejoicing with us, all others may know your care.

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Then will your blessing reach ev'ry people, freely confessing your gracious hand. Where you are reigning, no one will hunger; your love sustaining showers the land.

Confession and Forgiveness

- L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.
- C: Amen.

- L: Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin. God, our provider,
- C: help us.

It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. C: We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen. L: Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, + the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.
C: Amen.

Greeting

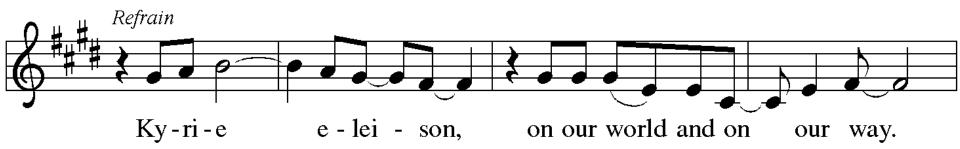
L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

Kyrie

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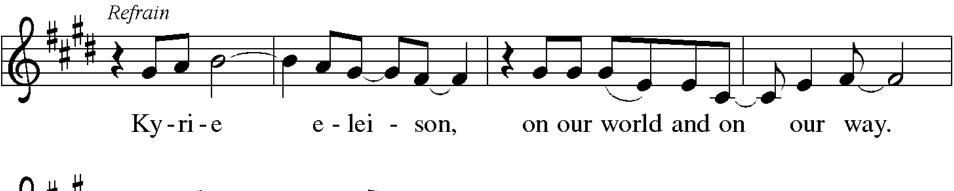
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Cantor: For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the unity of all; for this holy house, for all who worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

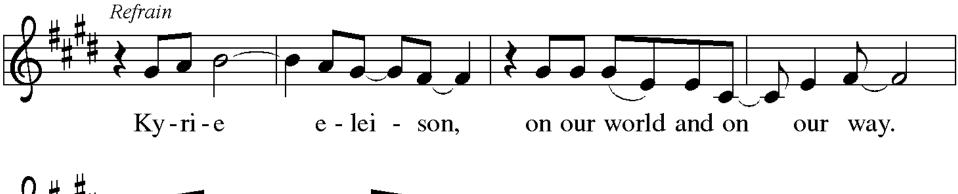
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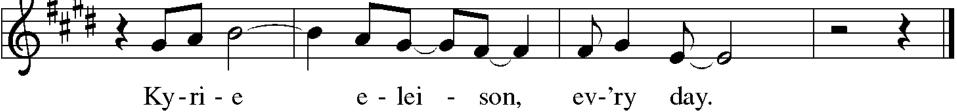




Cantor: That we may live out your impassioned response to the hungry and the poor; that we may live out truth and justice and grace, let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

All:





Cantor: For peace in our hearts, for peace in our homes, for friends and family; for life and for love, for our work and our play, let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

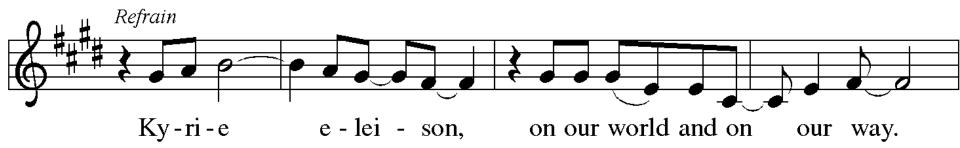
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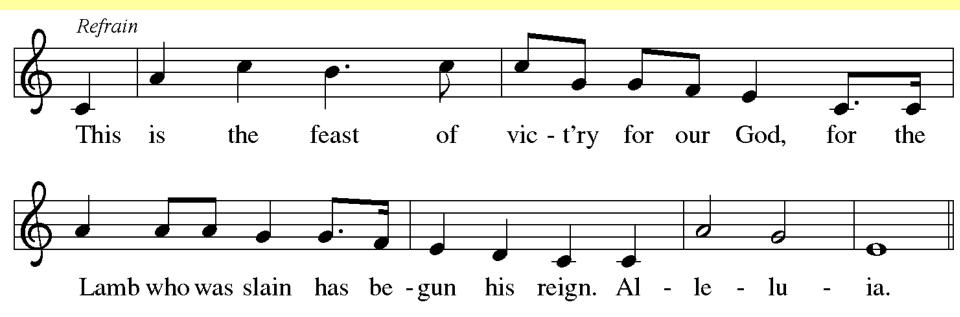
Cantor: For your Spirit to guide; that you center our lives in the water and the word; that you nourish our souls with your body and blood, let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

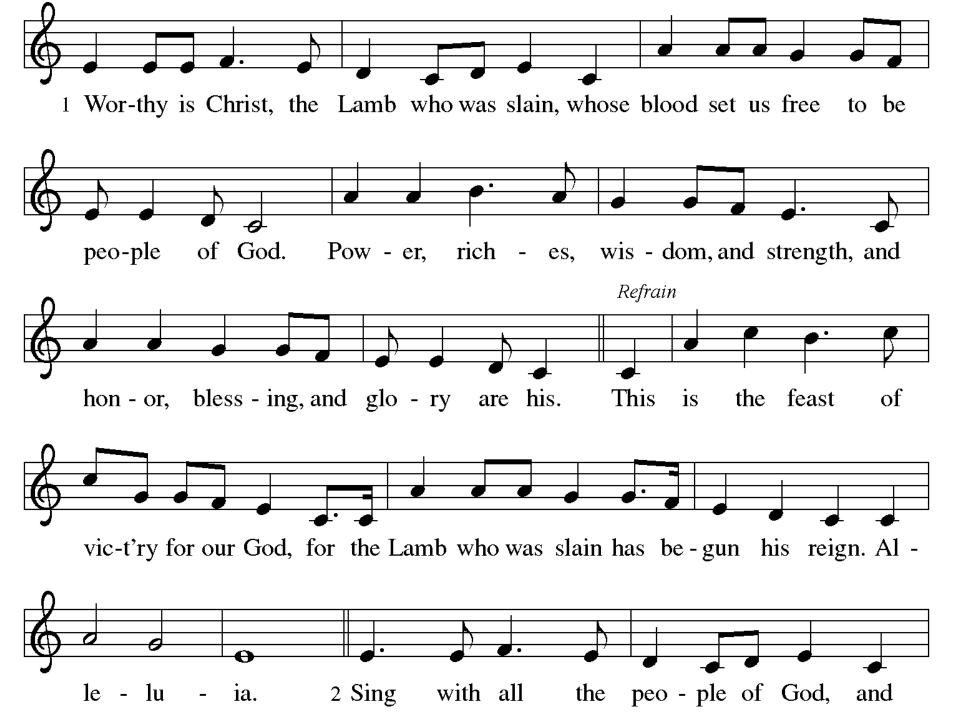
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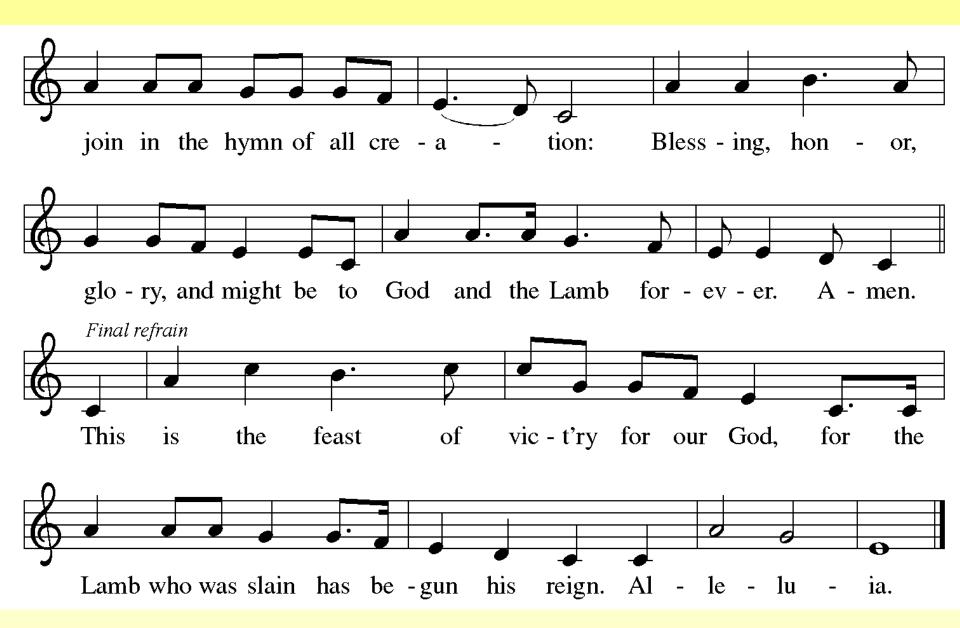




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L: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

L: Ever-loving God, your Son gives himself as living bread for the life of the world. Fill us with such a knowledge of his presence that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life to serve you continually, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

Childrens' Message



Noisy Offering!!! Drop your change in the buckets and make some noise!

Proceeds will go to the Elementary Warrior Store.

First Reading: Proverbs 9:1-6

Wisdom is portrayed as a woman who invites people to partake of her banquet. Just as ordinary food is necessary for physical life, Wisdom's food—insight and understanding—is necessary for fullness of life with God. Partaking of Wisdom's banquet is the way to life.

- ¹ Wisdom has built her house, she has hewn her seven pillars.
- ² She has slaughtered her animals, she has mixed her wine, she has also set her table.
- ³ She has sent out her servant-girls, she calls from the highest places in the town,
- ⁴ "You that are simple, turn in here!" To those without sense she says,
- ⁵ "Come, eat of my bread and drink of the wine I have mixed.
- ⁶ Lay aside immaturity, and live, and walk in the way of insight."

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

Psalm 34:9-14

- L: ⁹ Fear the LORD, you saints of the LORD, for those who fear the LORD lack nothing.
 C: ¹⁰ The lions are in want and suffer hunger, but those who seek the LORD lack nothing that is good.
- L: ¹¹ Come, children, and listen to me;
 I will teach you reverence for the LORD.
 C: ¹² Who among you takes pleasure in life and
 - desires long life to enjoy prosperity?

- L: ¹³Keep your tongue from evil and your lips from lying words.
- C: ¹⁴ Turn from evil and do good; seek peace and pursue it.

Second Reading: Ephesians 5:15-20

True wisdom integrates our new reality in Christ with our Christian fellowship and daily conduct. Because we are filled with the Spirit, Christians regularly rejoice together, give thanks to God for one another, and care for one another. In this way we revere our Lord Jesus Christ.

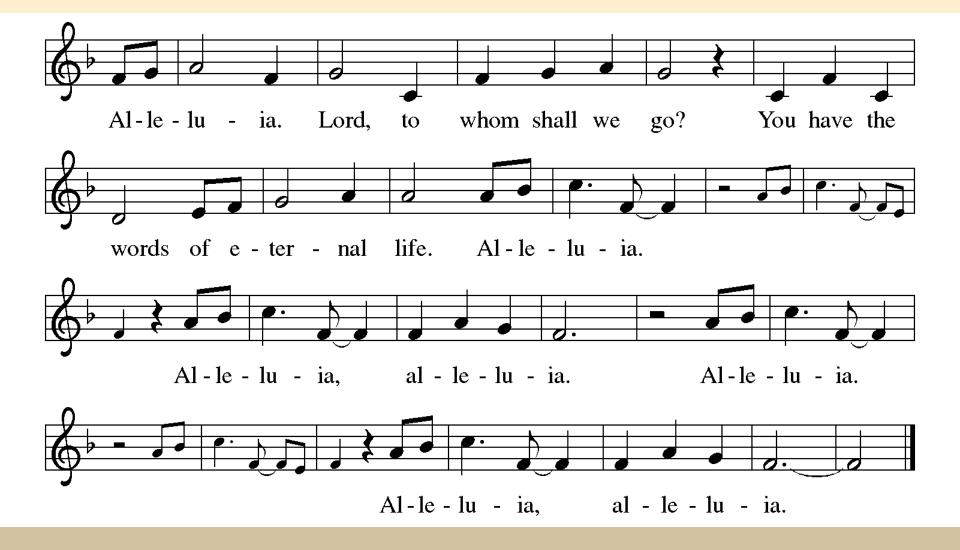
¹⁵ Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, ¹⁶ making the most of the time, because the days are evil. ¹⁷ So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. ¹⁸ Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, ¹⁹ as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, ²⁰ giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

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L: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the sixth chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: John 6:51-58

In John's gospel, the feeding of the five thousand leads to extended teaching in which Jesus identifies himself as the true "bread of life." Finally, in these verses, he makes a connection that would not be understood until after his death, in light of the church's celebration of holy communion. [Jesus said,] ⁵¹ "I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

⁵² The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?"
⁵³ So Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you.

⁵⁴ Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; ⁵⁵ for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. ⁵⁶ Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. ⁵⁷ Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. ⁵⁸ This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever."

L: The Gospel of our Lord.C: Praise to you, O Christ.



Kamarra Brunelle

Lord, I Lift Your Name on High

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Lord, I lift your name on high; Lord, I love to sing your praises. I'm so glad you're in my life, I'm so glad you came to save us. You came from heaven to earth to show the way, from the earth to the cross, my debt to pay, from the cross to the grave, from the grave to the sky; Lord, I lift your name on high.

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, 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, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come 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.

Prayers of Intercession

Response after each petition:
L: Merciful God,
C: receive our prayer.

L: We lift up these prayers to you, gracious God. Receive them into your holy keeping.
C: Amen.



Create in Me a Clean Heart

ELW #186

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Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me.

Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me your free spirit.

Offering Prayer

L: Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty.
Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal.
Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world.
C: Amen.

Words of Institution

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. 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.

Holy Communion

An usher will guide you forward. Wafers or gluten free bread and wine or juice will be offered. You will be served a wafer unless you indicate otherwise. Please take the wine or juice from the tray yourself.

Let Us Break Bread Together ELW #471

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Let us break bread together on our knees; Let us break bread together on our knees. When I fall on my knees, With my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me. Let us drink wine together on our knees; Let us drink wine together on our knees. When I fall on my knees With my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me.

Let us praise God together on our knees; Let us praise God together on our knees. When I fall on my knees With my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me.



Come, Let Us Eat ELW #491

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tr. Margaret D. Miller, b. 1927, sts. 1-3, alt. Music: Billema Kwillia, adapt.
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Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread, come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread. Our Lord's body let us take together, our Lord's body let us take together. Come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured, come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured. Jesus' blood poured let us drink together, Jesus' blood poured let us drink together.

In Jesus' presence now we meet and rest, in Jesus' presence now we meet and rest. In the presence of our Lord we gather, in the presence of our Lord we gather.

4.

Rise, then, to spread abroad God's mighty word, rise, then, to spread abroad God's mighty Word. Jesus risen will bring in the kingdom, Jesus risen will bring in the kingdom.

O Living Bread from Heaven ELW #542

Text: Johann Rist, 1607-1667; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827-1878, alt. Music: Samuel S. Wesley, 1810-1876. Public Domain.

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How well you feed your guest! The gifts that you have given have filled my heart with rest. O wondrous food of blessing! O cup that heals our woes! My heart, this gift possessing, in thankful song o'er flows! My Savior, you have led me within your holiest place, and here yourself have fed me with treasures of your grace; for you have freely given what earth could never buy, the bread of life from heaven, that now I shall not die.

You gave me all I wanted; this food can death destroy. And you have freely granted the cup of endless joy. My Lord, I do not merit the favor you have shown, and all my soul and spirit bow down before your throne.

Oh, grant me then, well-strengthened with heav'nly food, while here my course on earth is lengthened, to serve you, free from fear; and bring me home to praise you where none can peace destroy, where I will ever raise you glad songs in endless joy.

Communion Blessing



Prayer after Communion

L: Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask.
As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray.
C: Amen.

Blessing

L: The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, + be upon you now and forever.
C: Amen.

Sent Forth by God's Blessing ELW #547

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 Sent forth by God's blessing, our true faith confessing, the people of God from this dwelling take leave.

> The supper is ended. Oh, now be extended the fruits of this service in all who believe.

The seed of Christ's teaching, receptive souls reaching, shall blossom in action for God and for all.

Your grace shall incite us, your love shall unite us to work for your kingdom and answer your call. With praise and thanksgiving to God everliving, the tasks of our ev'ry day life we will face.

2.

our faith ever sharing, in love ever caring, embracing God's children, the whole human race. With your feast you feed us, with your light now lead us; unite us as one in this life that we share.

Then may all the living with praise and thanksgiving give honor to Christ and his name that we bear.

Dismissal

L: Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.C: Thanks be to God.

God bless you!

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