Nov 8- 12 noon Wisdom Circle bring a sack lunch Carol Practice for Dec. 13 Caroling

Nov. 9 - 11:00 Christian Ed meeting

Nov. 16 - CCC 9am

Nov. 16 – 11:00 am Worship and Music Planning

Nov. 19- Newsletter deadline

Nov. 29- 5:30 pm Potluck and White elephant gift exchange (\$10 limit for new gifts or find a repurposed gift of any value.)

Dec. 6 - 5:30 pm Second Wed in Advent Pot Luck and Project-Ornaments

December 10-16 Family Promise

December 12&13- FISH

Dec 13- 12 noon Wisdom Circle Caroling at Montesano, Canterbury, Beacon Hill, and Somerset

Dec. 14 – 11:00 am EDU

Dec. 17 Christmas dinner- decorate a table & Diaper Drive.

Dec. 17- Newsletter deadline

Dec. 20 – 5:30 pm Fourth Wed in Advent Pot Luck and Project

Dec. 21 - CCC 9am

Dec. 21 – 11:00 am Worship & Music Planning

Dec. 24 – CHRISTMAS EVE 7:30 pm ONLY SERVICE THIS DAY

Gloria Dei Lutheran Church NOW THE FEAST AND CELEBRATION BY MARTY HAUGEN

18th Sunday after Pentecost ELW Holy Communion Setting Eight Sunday, October 1, 2023



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GATHERING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

We gather in the name of God, Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer of the Earth and all creatures! **Amen**.

Praise be to the Holy Trinity! God is sound and life, Creator of the Universe, Source of all life, whom the angels sing; wondrous Light of all mysteries known or unknown to humankind, and life that lives in all. (Hildegard of Bingen, 13th Century)

LITANY OF REPENTANCE

God of light, life and love, God of land, and sea, and sky, Who called creation into existence and wove it into a rich tapestry, a fine mat, a web of life

Your Spirit hovered over the face of the primordial waters, And was breathed into humankind after You made us equally in Your image.

Your Word was made flesh and embodied Your divine love as it took root and bore fruit in us, restoring our relationship with You.

Yet we have not honored this relationship with You and the rest of Your Creation.

We have disrespected the web of life.

We have devalued the fine ecological mat that You wove with so much love.

We have uprooted Your tree of life and sold it as logs.

We have forgotten that we sweat and cry saltwater and have polluted Your oceans and rivers... oceans that cry for Justice and rivers that call to righteousness.

Instead of everything that has breath praising You, all creation groans in pain as trees and phytoplankton choke on carbon belched from our desire for more, and our care for less.

All around we see the consequences of our ecological sin as we extract and exploit, as we defile and pillage our sister and brother creation:

Heatwaves and wildfires, Bitter winters, Droughts and floods, Rising sea levels and rising ocean temperatures, More extreme cyclones, typhoons and hurricanes.

Announcements

THE WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS: Next week

Pastor: Denise Arnold
Music: Jan Thompson
Coffee hour: Pastor Appreciation
Flowers: Engebo
Denise Arnold
Linda Monahan
Paula Zerby
Zerby

Communion Asst.: Carol Rife
Reader: Amanda Little Candace Kolberg

Greeter: Allan & Jackie Erickson

Candace Kolberg

Candace Kolberg

Caroline Fittro

Please sign up for greeter, coffee hour and flowers on clipboard in narthex.

ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the glory of God by the Engebo family.

Thursdays- 10am Prayer group in the library **Wednesdays-** 5:30pm Bible study in Library

Oct. 11th- @ noon Wisdom circle at the church- Carl Winston award winning film "Roswell" bring a sack lunch

Oct. 12 - 11:00 Christian Ed meeting

Oct. 14- Oktoberfest 4-8pm @St. Paul's in Castle Rock. We are hosting the games. Please bring cupcakes for the cake walk...bring to Church by 3 pm Thursday the 12th or bring directly to St. Paul at 4 pm.

Oct. 14-8 am Men's Breakfast at the church

Oct. 19 - CCC 9am

Oct. 19 - 10am Worship & Communion planning

October 19&20- FISH

Oct. 22- Harvest Fest potluck after church

Oct. 22- Newsletter deadline

Oct. 29 Reformation Sunday Service at Trinity 10:30am Bishop Preaching





ANIMAL BLESSING

BENEDICTION

May we be blessed to open our hearts to receive "the living waters of God's justice and peace" within us: **Amen**.

May we be blessed to share "the living waters of God's justice and peace" with our suffering brothers and sisters and all creatures around us: **Amen**.

May we be blessed to walk together with all people of good will so that the many streams of "the living waters of God's justice and peace" may become a mighty river all over the Earth: **Amen**.

And may God bless us on this journey, + the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. **Amen**. (Fr Joshtrom Kureethadam, Vatican Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development)

SENDING HYMN All Creatures, Worship God Most High! (ELW 835)

Go in peace to serve the lord. Ok we will!

Yet we are blind. Creation roars in pain, Yet we are deaf.

You call us in Christ, to speak truth to power and peace to this planet, our common home. Yet we are silent.

God of hope and healing - May your Rivers of Righteousness Wash away our apathy, our greed and selfishness and reveal the deep relationships You created for us with all creation.

Nourish us with the water of life that restores, turning deserts of despair into oases of hope.

May the waves of Your embrace Transform us back into guardians of Your creation. May the currents of Your justice Carry us to Your lagoon of peace

Where all creation may enjoy Life in abundance

We pray in the name of the one who came so that the whole cosmos may have everlasting life,

Jesus the Christ, Amen.

(Rev. James Shri Bhagwan, General Secretary of the Pacific Conference of Churches)

IN GOD THERE IS FORGIVENESS.

Loving and all-seeing God, forgive us where we have failed to support one another and to be what we claim to be.

Forgive us where we have failed to serve you and where our thoughts and actions have been contrary to yours we ask your pardon. God forgives us; be at peace.

[Silence]

Rejoice and be glad, for Christ is resurrection, reconciliation for all the human race

And for the whole of creation. **Amen**.

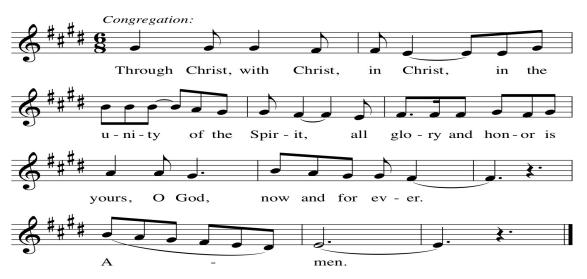
(Adapted from the New Zealand Prayer Book - Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia)

GATHERING HYMN Morning Has Broken (ELW 556)

NOW THE FEAST



Final acclamation after leader says, "This we pray though Jesus Christ, our Savior and our friend."



Presider: Make us bold, O merciful God, to address you as our Abba as we pray:

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Let us pray an adaption of the Lord's Prayer (by Jim Cotter adapted in the New Zealand Prayer Book):

Eternal Spirit, Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver, Source of all that is and that shall be, Father and Mother of us all, Loving God, in whom is heaven:

The hallowing of your name echoes through the universe!

The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world!

Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!

Your communion of peace and freedom sustain our hope and come on Earth.

With the bread we need for today, feed us.

In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.

In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.

From trials too great to endure, spare us.

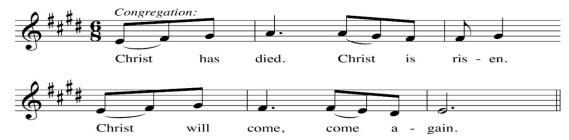
From the grip of all that is evil, free us.

For you reign in the glory of the power that is love, now and forever. Amen.

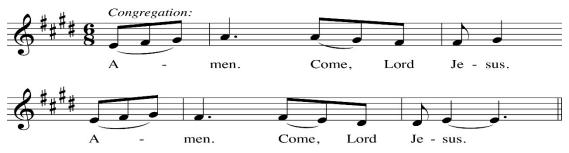
Leader Speaks & Sings then congregation follows.

Presider sings: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come, come again.

Congregation sings Acclamation 1



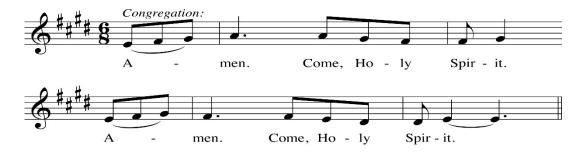
Presider sings: Amen. Come Lord Jesus. Amen come Lord Jesus.

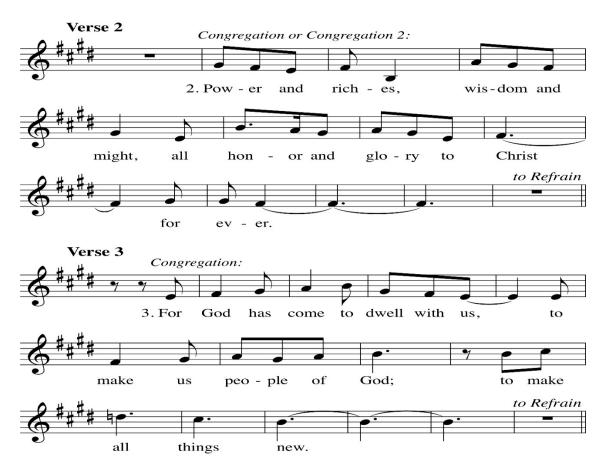


Congregations sings Acclamation 2

Presider sings: Amen. Come Holy Spirit. Amen. Come Holy spirit..

Congregation sings Acclamation 3





PRAYER OF THE DAY

Blessed are you, Creator of all - to you be praise and glory forever as your dawn renews the face of the Earth bringing light and life to all creation bring hope to your people. May we rejoice in this day you have made open our eyes to behold your presence and strengthen our hands to work for justice for all of creation, that the world may rejoice together and give you praise. Amen (Adapted from Lancelot Andrewes, 1626)

WORD

READING OF SCRIPTURE

First Reading - Amos 5: 21-24

Justice, allied with peace, calls us to repent of our ecological sins and to change our attitudes and actions. Righteousness demands that we live in peace, not conflict with our human neighbors, and building right relationships with all of creation. We are invited to join the river of justice and peace on behalf of all creation and to converge our individual identities, of name, family or faith community, in this greater movement for justice, just like tributaries come together to form a mighty river. Let us hear the words of prophet Amos:

"I can't stand your religious meetings. I'm fed up with your conferences and conventions. I want nothing to do with your religion projects, your pretentious slogans and goals. I'm sick of your fund-raising schemes, your public relations and image making. I've had all I can take of your noisy ego-music. When was the last time you sang to me? Do you know what I want? I want justice—oceans of it. I want fairness—rivers of it. That's what I want. That's all I want." Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.** (The Message Translation)

PSALM 85

We are presently more aware than ever of the link between fossil fuels, and violence and war. Let us pray and proclaim with the Psalmist:

Lord, you poured out blessings on your land! You restored the fortunes of Israel.

You forgave the guilt of your people—yes, you covered all their sins.

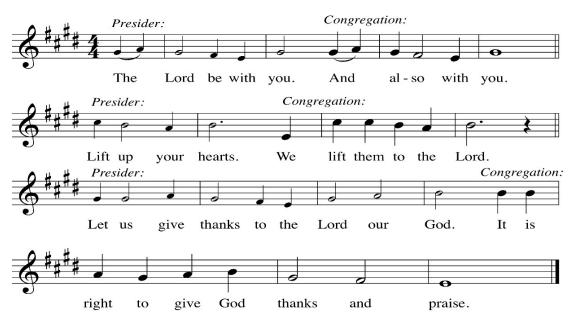
May love and truth meet together - Let justice and mercy kiss - You held back your fury.

You kept back your blazing anger. Now restore us again, O God of our salvation. Put aside your anger against us once more.

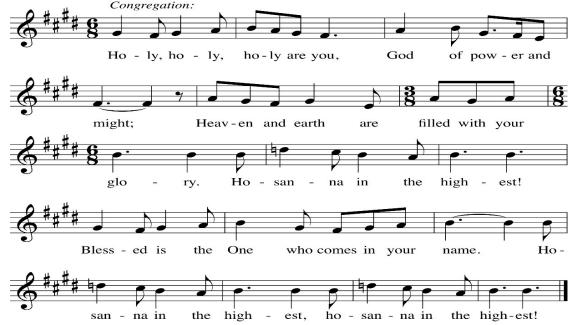
Will you be angry with us always? Will you prolong your wrath to all generations?

Won't you revive us again, so your people can rejoice in you?

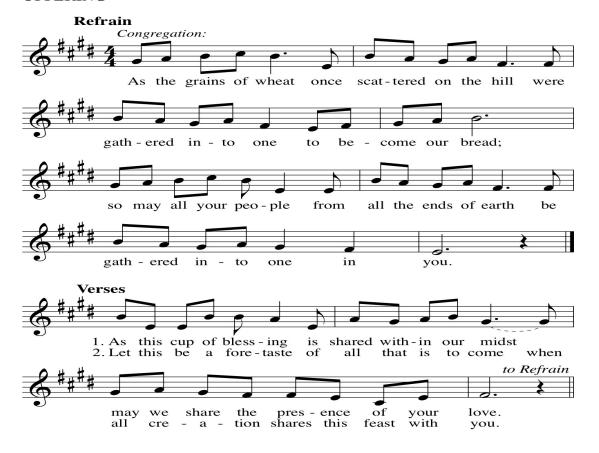
GREAT THANKSGIVING



THE PREFACE IS READ followed by HOLY



OFFERING



May love and truth meet together. Let justice and mercy kiss. Show us your unfailing love, O Lord, and grant us your salvation.

I listen carefully to what God the Lord is saying, for he speaks peace to his faithful people. But let them not return to their foolish ways.

Surely his salvation is near to those who fear him, so our land will be filled with his glory.

Unfailing love and truth have met together. Justice and peace have kissed!

May love and truth meet together. Let justice and peace kiss. Truth springs up from the Earth, and righteousness smiles down from heaven.

Yes, the Lord pours down his blessings. Our land will yield its bountiful harvest.

Righteousness goes as a herald before him, preparing the way for his steps.

May love and truth meet together. Let justice and peace kiss. (Adapted from the New Living Translation)

Gospel Acclamation



JOHN 7:37-39

out, "Let anyone who is thirsty come to me, ³⁸ and let the one who believes in me drink. As^[i] the scripture has said, 'Out of the believer's heart^[i] shall flow rivers of living water.' "³⁹ Now he said this about the Spirit, which believers in him were to receive, for as yet there was no Spirit^[k] because Jesus was not yet glorified. The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY Make Me a Channel of Your Peace (W&P 95)

THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

You, O God, are supreme and holy. You create our world and give us life. Your purpose overarches everything we do. You have always been with us. You are God.

You, O God, are infinitely generous, good beyond all measure. You came to us before we came to you. You have revealed and proved your love for us in Jesus Christ, God made flesh, who lived and died and rose again. You are with us now. You are God.

You, O God, are Holy Spirit. You empower us to be your gospel in the world. You reconcile and heal; you overcome death. You are our God. We worship you. (Adapted from the New Zealand Prayer Book)

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

Creator and Redeemer, as we approach you in prayer, make us walk in beauty and balance. Make us open our hearts and minds. Make us speak the truth. We pray for your community, the Church, the Body of Christ. We pray for all our relatives in the circle of life throughout all Creation, for those chosen to be our leaders and teachers.

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. We call upon the Earth, our planet home, with its beautiful depths, soaring heights and deep waters, its vitality and abundance of life, and together we ask: **That it may teach us and show us the way.**

We call upon the mountains and deserts, the high green valleys and meadows filled with wild flowers, the snows, the summits of intense silence, and we ask: That they may teach us and show us the way.

We call upon the land which grows our food, the nurturing soil, the fertile fields, the abundant gardens and orchards, and we ask: That they may teach us and show us the way.

We call upon the forests, the great trees reaching strongly to the sky with earth in their roots and the heavens in their branches, the fir and the pine and the cedar and we ask: That they may teach us and show us the way.

We call upon all those who have lived on this earth, our ancestors and our friends, who dreamed the best for future generations, and upon whose lives our lives are built, and with thanksgiving, we call upon them too ... That they may teach us and show us the way.

We call upon the nations of the world to hear the cry of those who have suffered loss of homes, lives and hope because of climate change. May they hear the cry of those whose schools, churches, hospitals, roads and infrastructure have been damaged. We pray for justice and for peace: **That they may teach us and show us the way.**

We pray for all victims of war and violence. We pray for countries where the greed for oil and gas are leading to war. We hold in our hearts those areas where fossil fuel projects have destabilized communities and human rights abuses have occurred. We pray for areas where climate change has led to drought and conflict over water and resources is taking place. May we respond to the cry of the Earth and those living in poverty, as peacemakers who challenge the violence that threatens us all. We ask: **That they may teach us and show us the way.**

For what else do the people of God pray? (Response may be: Lord hear our prayer)

Creator, you made the world and declared it to be good: the beauty of the trees, the softness of the air, the fragrance of the grass speaks to us; the summit of the mountains, the thunder of the sky, the rhythm of the lakes speak to us; the faintness of the stars, the freshness of the morning, the dewdrops on the flower speak to us. But above all, our heart soars, for you speak to us in Jesus the Christ, in whose name we offer these prayers.

Amen.

(Adapted from Prayers of the People, the Church of the Four Winds, Portland Oregon.)

THE PEACE, OFFERING & HOLY COMMUNION

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