

ROSEVILLE LUTHERAN CHURCH



Words in **BOLD** are for congregational participation, either said or sung.

Words to hymns are printed in this bulletin, but you are encouraged to open up and use the red ELW (Evangelical Lutheran Worship) hymnal found below or in front of your seat. Hymn numbers are provided.

PRELUDE

WELCOME

CHORAL INVOCATION Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

Opening Hymn Evening and Morning (vs. 1, 2, 4) ELW 761

Evening and morning, sunset and dawning, Wealth, peace, and gladness, comfort in sadness: These are your works, rich in glory divine! Times without number, awake or in slumber, Your eye observes us, from danger preserves us, Causing your mercy upon us to shine.

Gracious Lord, hear me, pardon and spare me; Calm all my terrors, blot out my errors, That justified in your sight I may stand. Order my goings, direct all my doings; Guard me and guide me and stay close beside me; All I commit to your fatherly hand.

To God in heaven all praise be given!
O God, we offer and gladly proffer
Gifts from your hand; these alone you will prize:
Hearts that receive you and faith to believe you;
Hymns that adore you are precious before you
And to your throne like sweet incense arise.

STORYTIME

Storytime is for the entire congregation as we begin our exploration of our text for the day. Children are invited forward for Storytime as the congregation sings:

Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

As storytime ends, children in grades 1st-6th are invited to leave the worship center for RLC Kids time and activities in the Activity Center. They will rejoin families at offering time. Children in Pre-K through Kindergarten are welcomed to go to Room 45A at the beginning of the service and stay for the entirety of the worship service.

WELCOME OF NEW MEMBERS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us remind ourselves: that it is not we who chose Christ, but Christ who chose us,
That we are not here because of our goodness but because of Christ's grace,
That we are not here to enlighten ourselves,
but to allow Christ to enlighten us,
That we have not come to be entertained but to worship God with heart, soul, mind and strength.

HYMN OF PRAISE

Oh, For a Thousand Tongues to Sing (Vs. 1, 2, 3, 6)

FLW 886

Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise, The glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace!

My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim, To spread through all the earth abroad the honors of your name.

The name of Jesus charms our fears and bids our sorrows cease, Sings music in the sinner's ears, brings life and health and peace.

To God all glory, praise, and love be now and ever giv'n By saints below and saints above, the church in earth and heaven.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Generous God, maker of all creation, we gather together in your name. We come as living sacrifices, to offer you our worship and thanksgiving, our praise and our prayers. Come among us, living Lord. Through the power of your Holy Spirit, transform our hearts and minds so that we may recognize your presence, hear your voice, know your will, and walk in your way. In Jesus' name we pray, **Amen**

THE 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 into hell. 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

ANTHEM

This Little Light of Mine

arr. John Helgen RLC Choir

PREPARING FOR THE WORD

Lord, Let My Heart be Good Soil

ELW 512

Lord, let my heart be good soil, open to the seed of your word.

Lord, let my heart be good soil, where love can grow and peace is understood.

When my heart is hard, break the stone away.

When my heart is cold, warm it with the day.

When my heart is lost, lead me on your way.

Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart be good soil.

FIRST READING

James 5:13-18

The passage from James impels us to examine our practice of prayer, which here is focused on communal healing, not on personal situations. The Elijah reference reflects early monotheistic beliefs, according to which any cosmic event, even weather, is produced directly by God.

Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

The extreme admonitions in this passage capture the metaphoric nature of Jesus' preaching. Although later Christians saw this passage as about eternal punishment in hell, it is unlikely that Mark's community had any such medieval understanding of "Gehenna." In our baptism, we do "bear the name of Christ" and have been salted with God's Spirit. The passage includes an admonition for Christians to cease competition with each other. The stark passage concludes with a blessing of Christ's peace.

John said to him, "Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him because he was not following us." But Jesus said, "Do not stop him, for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. Whoever is not against us is for us. For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward.

"If any of you cause one of these little ones who believe in me to sin, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. If your hand causes you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. And if your foot causes you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. And if your eye causes you to sin, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, where their worm never dies and the fire is never quenched.

"For everyone will be salted with fire. Salt is good, but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Message Pastor Marty Wyatt

HYMN OF THE DAY O Jesus, I Have Promised ELW 810

O Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end; Be thou forever near me, my Master and my friend; I shall not fear the battle if thou art by my side, Nor wander from the pathway if thou wilt be my guide.

O let me feel thee near me! The world is ever near: I see the sights that dazzle, the tempting sounds I hear. My foes are ever near me, around me and within; But, Jesus, draw thou nearer, and shield my soul from sin.

O let me hear thee speaking in accents clear and still, Above the storms of passion, the murmurs of self-will. O speak to reassure me, to hasten or control; O speak, and make me listen, thou guardian of my soul.

O Jesus, thou hast promised to all who follow thee That where thou art in glory there shall thy servant be. And, Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end; O give me grace to follow, my Master and my friend. OFFERING

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Children are invited to bring their offering up to the front of the Worship Center.

OFFERING MUSIC

Breathe on Me

arr. Aaron David Miller

RI.C. Choir

PRAYERS

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; 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

BLESSING

May thoughts of Jesus fill your mind, hunger for God drive your soul, and the Holy Spirit guide your speech and actions.

May the grace, peace, and love of the triune God, protect, defend, and empower you now and forever. **Amen**

CLOSING HYMN

The Lord Now Sends Us Forth

ELW 538

The Lord now sends us forth with hands to serve and give, To make of all the earth a better place to live. (Repeat)

The angels are not sent into this world of pain To do what we were meant to do in Jesus' name; That falls to you and me and all who are made free. Help us, O Lord, we pray, to do your will today. (Repeat)

The Lord now sends us forth with hands to serve and give, To make of all the earth a better place to live. (Repeat)

DISMISSAL

Go in peace, serve the Lord. Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

participants

Pastor Fric Lesher Pastor Marty Wyatt Pastor Tori Kraus Jenna Baccam, Director of Children, Family, and Youth Ministry Reader: Derrick Ostlie Musicians: RLC Choir, Jeff Bowar, John Helgen

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HELLO, I'M
Wearing a
Nametag!

The Vision of RLC is to be a "Community United by Grace." One way we extend that grace is to each other by greeting one another by name. It is much easier to do when everyone is wearing a nametag! Please remember to get yours every Sunday near the Welcome Desk in the Commons. This way we can greet friends, old and new, and extend warmth and hospitality without worrying if we forget someone's name, even if we recognize their face!



Campus and Facilities Task Force

The Council approved the charter for the Campus & Facilities Task Force at their September meeting. This Task Force will identify needed campus and facility repairs, and operational improvements in a comprehensive report to the Council by June 2025. If you have interest in serving on this task force, contact KJ Bach (k-j-o@msn.com), Bill Metzger (bill.metzger@triminsystems.com) or Jim Stark (Jim.Stark@lcc.mn.gov) by Oct 2, 2024.

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