

5th Sunday after Pentecost July 5, 2020 10:00 a.m.

University Lutheran Church of Hope is a welcoming, Christian community of faith centered on God's grace and called to demonstrate God's love for the world. University Lutheran Church of Hope is a Reconciling in Christ congregation and a Sanctuary congregation.

Welcome. Peace be with you.

Welcome to all who are joining us virtually. In this time of social distancing and COVID-19 pandemic response, we are grateful for the opportunity to gather in spirit.

Children are welcome in worship. Kids, grab your SPARK Story Bibles and set up your craft tables!

In our service today, we will share **Holy Communion**. If you'd like to participate, please have bread and wine or juice available.

We welcome your feedback as we experiment with livestreaming worship! What works or doesn't work? What should we try? Our contact info is on the back page of this bulletin.

During today's service, **use the comments section** on YouTube or chat section on Zoom for prayer requests. We will engage these live during the Prayers of the People.

Today's Livestream Worship Leaders:

Pastor Jen Nagel (presiding minister); Marty Lewis-Hunstiger (assisting minister); Bruce Eldevik (lector); Zach Busch (music); Matt Fry, James Flaten (tech facilitators)

Portions of today's service provided by the Minneapolis Area Synod. Musicians from Redeemer Lutheran Church: Joe Davis, Imani Waters (spoken word); Alyssa Schwitzer, Emander Deward (vocals); Traiveon Dunlap (vocals and drums); from Salem English: Kent Goodroad (piano)

Gathering

We gather for worship on the land of our Creator, the traditional home of the Dakota people, and a land over which the Anishinaabeg people and others also moved. They gathered and ate food, rested, died and gave birth, and prayed here, and many still do.

Assembly parts are marked in **bold**.

WELCOME

PRELUDE

Hold on

Joe Davis, Imani Waters

All of my songs, prayers, and positive vibes Can't dry the eyes of the mama who cries, 'Cuz The violence in the skies can't make her son rise! Too many times he's been tried, persecuted, and crucified! Why does it feel like these rivers of justice must have run dry? We don't know who to trust, can't tell the truth from the lies. When grieving the loss of life we still can't decide Who lacks humanity or whose humanity is denied?

Hold On Chorus (repeating the words "hold on")

Why are our dark faces stargazing Searching for our savior To start healing the hurt and stop the heart breaking? To save you and me when detained in a mental state penitentiary? We've been debased to a base meant to be homeless and hopeless And prone to starvation And laid in a bed of cardboard and cold hard pavement! We try to do right with nothing left but desperation, We feel forsaken, lost, and naked in a place of desperation Like a dessert wasteland, a lame man lamenting, restlessly wrestling, questioning if we'll ever get restoration! Impatiently waiting for rescuing yet oppressed we press painstakingly through the aching pain we're plagued with! Chasing the same worthless circle is draining, frustrating—

It's not just complaining when there's hyperventilation,

When our lungs are simply stretching, straining for the breath to sustain them, We care less about reparations and systemic reformation when the birth pangs of death are banging at our chest the only help thy really helps is direct resuscitation!

Hold On Chorus

I'm too tired to sleep. My eyes are cried out, They're too dry to weep. More of my strength seems to die every week And I wanna scream every time that I speak. But we gotta Hold On...

Hold On Chorus

Hold on my people, hold on Be strong my people, be strong Keep on my people, keep on It won't be long until our kingdom comes Hold on my people, hold on Be strong my people, be strong Keep on my people, keep on It won't be long until our freedom comes

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, whose steadfast love is everlasting, whose faithfulness endures from generation to generation. **Amen.**

Trusting in the mercy of God, let us confess our sin.

Reconciling God, we thank you for making one human family of all the peoples of the earth and for creating the wonderful diversity of all the cultures. Enrich our lives by ever-widening circles of communion with one another. We confess our failures to love and seek justice; we confess the sin of racism.

Silence is kept for reflection.

We have assigned the notion of race to human beings created in God's own divine image. We have judged God's beautiful diversity by our flawed and artificial standards. We cry out to you. Forgive us, O God.

We have accepted practices in our church and society that privilege whiteness over diversity and equity. We have been complicit in how racism continues to exclude and harm people of color.

We cry out to you. Forgive us, O God.

We have been silent and apathetic in the face of racial intolerance and bigotry, both overt and subtle, public and private.

We cry out to you. Forgive us, O God.

Take away the arrogance and hatred that infect our hearts; empower us to speak boldly for justice and truth; and help us to find that unity that is the fruit of righteousness **We cry out to you, Grant us courage, Grant us wisdom, Grant us love.**

God, who is rich in mercy, loves us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that you might walk in newness of life. Amen.

OPENING SONG

Oh, I Woke Up This Morning

Oh I woke up this morning with my mind, and it was stayed, stayed on Jesus, woke up this morning with my mind, and it was stayed, stayed on Jesus, woke up this morning with my mind, and it was stayed, stayed on Jesus, hallelu, hallelu, hallelujah.

Can't hate your neighbor in your mind, when you keep it stayed, stayed on Jesus, Can't hate your neighbor in your mind, when you keep it stayed, stayed on Jesus, Can't hate your neighbor in your mind, when you keep it stayed, stayed on Jesus, hallelu, hallelu, hallelujah.

Makes you love ev'rybody with your mind, when you keep it stayed, stayed on Jesus, love ev'rybody with your mind, when you keep it stayed, stayed on Jesus, love ev'rybody with your mind, when you keep it stayed, stayed on Jesus, hallelu, hallelu, hallelujah.

GREETING

The grace of the Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

HYMN OF PRAISE

sung in English or Spanish





PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. You are great, O God, and greatly to be praised. You have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you. Grant that we may believe in you, call upon you, know you, and serve you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Word

FIRST READING

Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem! Lo, your king comes to you; triumphant and victorious is he, humble and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and he shall command peace to the nations; his dominion shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth. As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit.

Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.** Zechariah 9:9-12

¡Alégrate mucho, hija de Sión! ¡Grita de alegría, hija de Jerusalén! Mira, tu rey viene hacia ti, justo, Salvador y humilde. Viene montado en un asno, en un pollino, cría de asna. Destruirá los carros de Efraín y los caballos de Jerusalén. Quebrará el arco de combate y proclamará paz a las naciones. Su dominio se extenderá de mar a mar, ¡desde el río Éufrates hasta los confines de la tierra! En cuanto a ti, por la sangre de mi pacto contigo libraré de la cisterna seca a tus cautivos.

Vuelvan a su fortaleza, cautivos de la esperanza, pues hoy mismo les hago saber que les devolveré el doble.

Palabra de Dios, palabra de vida. Demos gracias a Dios.

SECOND READING

I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. For I know

Romans 7:15-25a

No entiendo lo que me pasa, pues no hago lo que quiero, sino lo que aborrezco. Ahora bien, si hago lo que no quiero, estoy de acuerdo en que la ley es buena; pero, en ese caso, ya no soy yo quien lo lleva a cabo, sino el pecado que habita

that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, with my mind I am a slave to the law of God, but with my flesh I am a slave to the law of sin.

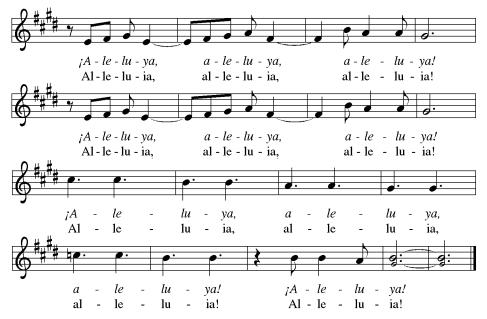
Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

en mí. Yo sé que en mí, es decir, en mi naturaleza pecaminosa, nada bueno habita. Aunque deseo hacer lo bueno, no soy capaz de hacerlo. De hecho, no hago el bien que quiero, sino el mal que no quiero. Y, si hago lo que no quiero, ya no soy yo quien lo hace, sino el pecado que habita en mí.

Así que descubro esta ley: que, cuando quiero hacer el bien, me acompaña el mal. Porque en lo íntimo de mi ser me deleito en la ley de Dios; pero me doy cuenta de que en los miembros de mi cuerpo hay otra ley, que es la ley del pecado. Esta ley lucha contra la ley de mi mente, y me tiene cautivo. ¡Soy un pobre miserable! ¿Quién me librará de este cuerpo mortal? ¡Gracias a Dios por medio de Jesucristo nuestro Señor!

En conclusión, con la mente yo mismo me someto a la ley de Dios, pero mi naturaleza pecaminosa está sujeta a la ley del pecado.

Palabra de Dios, palabra de vida. Demos gracias a Dios.



GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

+GOSPEL READING

The holy gospel according to Matthew, the eleventh chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

"But to what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another, 'We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.' For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon'; the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds."

At that time Jesus said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. "Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

The gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ. SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

Verse 1 Precious Lord, take my hand Lead me on, let me stand I am tired, I am weak, I am worn. Through the storm, through the night, Lead me on to the light, Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

»¿Con qué puedo comparar a esta generación? Se parece a los niños sentados en la plaza que gritan a los demás: »"Tocamos la flauta, y ustedes no bailaron; Cantamos por los muertos, y ustedes no lloraron". »Porque vino Juan, que no comía ni bebía, y ellos dicen: "Tiene un demonio". Vino el Hijo del hombre, que come y bebe, y dicen: "Este es un glotón y un borracho, amigo de recaudadores de impuestos y de pecadores". Pero la sabiduría queda demostrada por sus hechos».

En aquel tiempo Jesús dijo: «Te alabo, Padre, Señor del cielo y de la tierra, porque habiendo escondido estas cosas de los sabios e instruidos, se las has revelado a los que son como niños. Sí, Padre, porque esa fue tu buena voluntad. »Mi Padre me ha entregado todas las cosas. Nadie conoce al Hijo sino el Padre, y nadie conoce al Padre sino el Hijo y aquel a quien el Hijo quiera revelarlo. »Vengan a mí todos ustedes que están cansados y agobiados, y yo les daré descanso. Carguen con mi yugo y aprendan de mí, pues yo soy apacible y humilde de corazón, y encontrarán descanso para su alma. Porque mi yugo es suave y mi carga es liviana».

El Evangelio del Señor. Alabanza a ti, oh Cristo!

Rev. Kelly Chatman

Precious Lord, Take My Hand

Verse 2 When my way grows drear, precious Lord, linger near, When my life is almost gone, Hear my cry, hear my call, Hold my hand lest I fall Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home

Verse 3 When the darkness appears and the night draws near, And the day is past and gone, At the river I stand, Guide my feet, hold my hand Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

STATEMENT OF FAITH

The Lord is gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

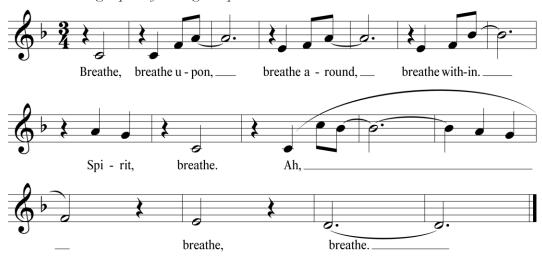
Lord, you are good to all, and your compassion is over all your works. All your works shall praise you, O Lord, and your faithful ones shall bless you. They shall tell of the glory of your kingdom and speak of your power, that all people may know of your power and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; your dominion endures throughout all ages. You, Lord, are faithful in all your words, and loving in all your works.

The Lord upholds all those who fall and lifts up those who are bowed down. Psalm 145:8-14

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

During our prayers, we will be including prayers you've added in the comments section of the livestream and on Zoom. Sung response following each petition:



PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.La pazAnd also with you.Y tam

La paz de Cristo sea siempre con ustedes. **Y también contigo.**

All are invited to share the peace of Christ in whatever way is comfortable, using these or similar words "Peace be with you" or "La paz del Señor"

Meal

OFFERING

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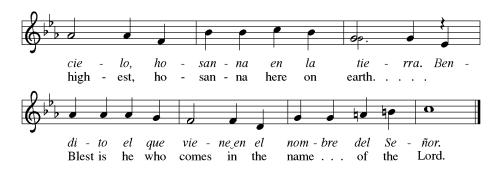
THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

As we prepare for the Sacrament of Holy Communion, we welcome you to place the bread and wine or grape juice near you. Exceptional times like global pandemics call for exceptional measures. This is not our normal practice and yet our congregation's staff and leadership have discerned that we will share Holy Communion and our Minneapolis Area Synod Bishop, Ann Svennungsen, has made space for this. Through the power of the Holy Spirit and the edge-less table of Christ, your table is a part of Christ's. God be with you. And also with you. Lift up your hearts. We lift them to our God. Let us give thanks to our gracious God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:





EUCHARISTIC PRAYER AND WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Creator, Our Mother, 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. Creador nuestro, Madre nuestra, Padre nuestro que estás en el cielo, santificado sea tu nombre. Venga tu reino. Hágase tu voluntaden la tierra como en el cielo. Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día. Perdona nuestras ofensas como también nosotros perdonamos a los que nos ofenden. No nos dejes caer en tentación y líbranos del mal. Porque tuyo es el reino, tuyo es el poder y tuya es la gloria, ahora y siempre. Amén

HOLY COMMUNION

We believe that Jesus Christ is present in Holy Communion with gifts of forgiveness, life and salvation. All who hunger for the presence of Christ in their life are invited to partake. By our participation in this meal, we are strengthened in faith and in life. All are welcome to commune.

If you are sitting with others, when sharing the bread with someone, say to them: "This is the body of Christ, given for you." When sharing the wine or grape juice, say, "This is the blood of Christ, shed for you." If you aren't with others, today, hear the voice of the pastor naming these promises of grace and life for you. If you'd prefer a blessing, hear these promises: "You are a beloved child of God. May God strengthen you with grace through Christ for all we face today."



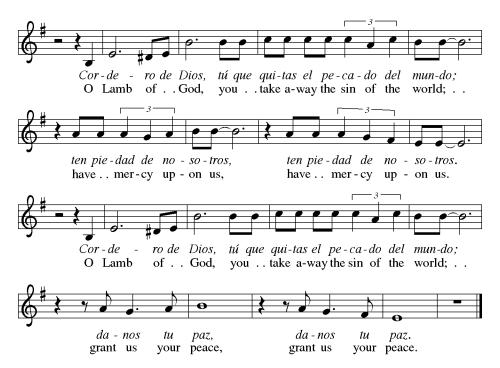


TABLE BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace. Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray. God of the welcome table, in this meal we have feasted on your goodness and have been united by your presence among us. Empower us to go forth sustained by these gifts so that we may share your abundant love with all, and work side by side for justice through Jesus Christ. Amen.

Sending

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GODSPEED FOR SONYA FLATEN

CLOSING HYMN





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BLESSING

Neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus. God, the creator, + Jesus, the Christ, and the Holy Spirit, the comforter, bless you and keep you in eternal love. **Amen.**

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Go in peace. Christ is with you. Thanks be to God.

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