

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); Pastor Barbara Johnson (assisting minister); Stewart Herman (lector); The ULCHers – Tim Gustafson, Mark Nelson, Paul Odenbach, Ben Larson (music); Ann Agrimson, Ann Beane, Zach Busch (tech facilitators); Kelly Brooks (greeter)

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

A Wind of Grace

The ULCHers

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, \pm 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. *Silence is kept for reflection.*

Reconciling God,

we confess that we do not trust your abundance, and we deny your presence in ourselves and in other people.
We place our hope in ourselves and rely on our own efforts.
We fail to believe that you provide enough for all.
We abuse your good creation for our own benefit.
We fear difference and do not welcome others as you have welcomed us.
We sin in thought, word, and deed.
By your grace, forgive us; through your love, renew us; and in your Spirit, lead us; so that we may live and serve you in newness of life. Amen.

Beloved,

God's radical abundance is poured out for you,

grace upon grace, and yet more grace.

Your sins are forgiven in the name of + Jesus Christ.

Let us live now in hope.

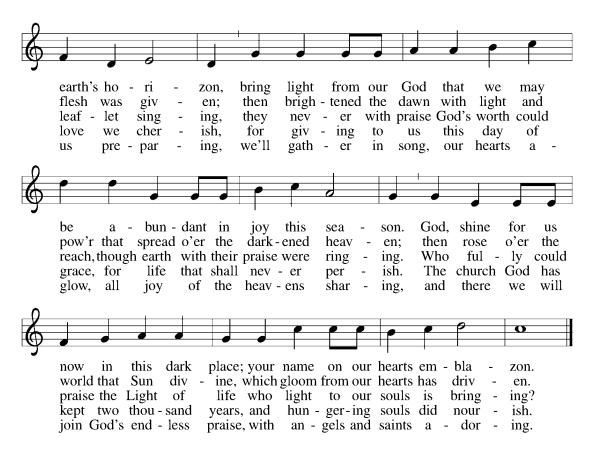
Amen.

OPENING SONG

O Day Full of Grace

st. 1 & 3





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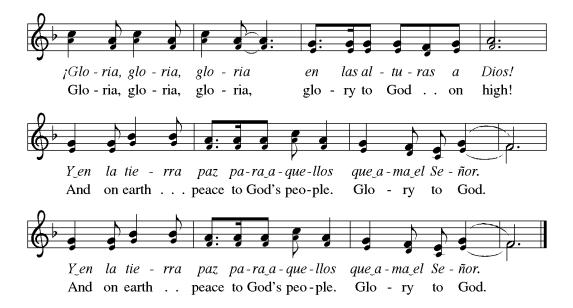
GREETING

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. Beloved and sovereign God, through the death and resurrection of your Son you bring us into your kingdom of justice and mercy. By your Spirit, give us your wisdom, that we may treasure the life that comes from Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

FIRST READING

At Gibeon the Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, "Ask what I should give you." And Solomon said, "You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you; and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love, and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. And now, O Lord my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you 1 Kings 3:5-12

Y allí mismo se le apareció el Señor en un sueño, y le dijo: -Pídeme lo que quieras. Salomón respondió: - Tú trataste con mucho amor a tu siervo David, mi padre, pues se condujo delante de ti con lealtad y justicia, y con un corazón recto. Y, como hoy se puede ver, has reafirmado tu gran amor al concederle que un hijo suyo lo suceda en el trono. »Ahora, Señor mi Dios, me has hecho rey en lugar de mi padre David. No soy más que muchacho, apenas sé cómo un V comportarme. Sin embargo, aquí me tienes, un siervo tuvo en medio del pueblo que has escogido, un pueblo tan numeroso que es imposible contarlo. Yo te ruego que le des a tu

have chosen, a great people, so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil; for who can govern this your great people?"

It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. God said to him, "Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches, or for the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, I now do according to your word. Indeed I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you and no one like you shall arise after you."

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

siervo discernimiento para gobernar a tu pueblo y para distinguir entre el bien y el mal. De lo contrario, ¿quién podrá gobernar a este gran pueblo tuyo?»

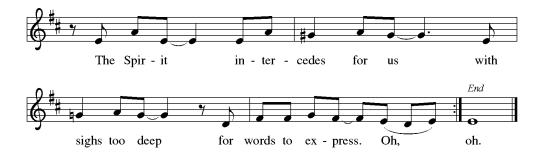
Al Señor le agradó que Salomón hubiera hecho esa petición, de modo que le dijo: —Como has pedido esto, y no larga vida ni riquezas para ti, ni has pedido la muerte de tus enemigos, sino discernimiento para administrar justicia, voy a concederte lo que has pedido. Te daré un corazón sabio y prudente, como nadie antes de ti lo ha tenido ni lo tendrá después.

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

Romans (Romanos) 8:26-39 (adapted)

SECOND READING

The reading incorporates this sung refrain as marked.



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The Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because Así mismo, en nuestra debilidad el Espíritu acude a ayudarnos. No sabemos qué pedir, pero el Espíritu mismo intercede por nosotros con gemidos que no pueden expresarse con palabras. Y Dios, que examina los corazones, the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

Refrain

We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to God's purpose. For those whom God foreknew God also predestined to be conformed to the image of the Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. And those whom God predestined God also called; and those whom God called God also justified; and those whom God justified God also glorified.

Refrain

What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? God who did not withhold the Son, but gave him up for all of us, will God not with him also give us everything else? Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered."

Refrain

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that 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 sabe cuál es la intención del Espíritu, porque el Espíritu intercede por los creyentes conforme a la voluntad de Dios.

Estribillo

Ahora bien, sabemos que Dios dispone todas las cosas para el bien de quienes lo aman, los que han sido llamados de acuerdo con su propósito. Porque a los que Dios conoció de antemano, también los predestinó a ser transformados según la imagen de su Hijo, para que él sea el primogénito entre muchos hermanos. A los que predestinó, también los llamó; a los que llamó, también los justificó; y a los que justificó, también los glorificó.

Estribillo

¿Qué diremos frente a esto? Si Dios está de nuestra parte, ¿quién puede estar en contra nuestra? El que no escatimó ni a su propio Hijo, sino que lo entregó por todos nosotros, ¿cómo no habrá de darnos generosamente, junto con él, todas las cosas? ¿Quién acusará a los que Dios ha escogido? Dios es el que justifica. ¿Quién condenará? Cristo Jesús es el que murió, e incluso resucitó, y está a la derecha de Dios e intercede por nosotros. ¿Quién nos apartará del amor de Cristo? ¿La tribulación, o la angustia, la persecución, el hambre, la indigencia, el peligro, o la violencia? Así está escrito: «Por tu causa siempre nos llevan a la muerte; nos tratan como a ovejas para el matadero!»

Estribillo

Sin embargo, en todo esto somos más que vencedores por medio de aquel que nos amó. Pues estoy convencido de que ni la muerte ni la vida, ni los ángeles ni los demonios, ni lo presente ni lo por venir, ni los poderes, ni lo alto separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.** ni lo profundo, ni cosa alguna en toda la creación podrá apartarnos del amor que Dios nos ha manifestado en Cristo Jesús nuestro Señor.

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



GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

GOSPEL READING

Matthew (Mateo) 13:31-33, 44-52

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

[Jesus] put before [the crowds] another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches."

He told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened." Les contó otra parábola: «El reino de los cielos es como un grano de mostaza que un hombre sembró en su campo. Aunque es la más pequeña de todas las semillas, cuando crece es la más grande de las hortalizas y se convierte en árbol, de modo que vienen las aves y anidan en sus ramas».

Les contó otra parábola más: «El reino de los cielos es como la levadura que una mujer tomó y mezcló en una gran cantidad de harina, hasta que fermentó toda la masa».

"The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.

"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

"Have you understood all this?" They answered, "Yes." And he said to them, "Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old."

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

»El reino de los cielos es como un tesoro escondido en un campo. Cuando un hombre lo descubrió, lo volvió a esconder, y lleno de alegría fue y vendió todo lo que tenía y compró ese campo.

»También se parece el reino de los cielos a un comerciante que andaba buscando perlas finas. Cuando encontró una de gran valor, fue y vendió todo lo que tenía y la compró.

»También se parece el reino de los cielos a una red echada al lago, que recoge peces de toda clase. Cuando se llena, los pescadores la sacan a la orilla, se sientan y recogen en canastas los peces buenos, y desechan los malos. Así será al fin del mundo. Vendrán los ángeles y apartarán de los justos a los malvados, y los arrojarán al horno encendido, donde habrá llanto y rechinar de dientes.

-¿Han entendido todo esto? —les preguntó Jesús. —Sí —respondieron ellos. Entonces concluyó Jesús: —Todo maestro de la ley que ha sido instruido acerca del reino de los cielos es como el dueño de una casa, que de lo que tiene guardado saca tesoros nuevos y viejos.

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

Pastor Jen Nagel

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

You are the Seed

The leader sings the verses. The assembly joins on the refrain printed below.

You are the seed that will grow a new sprout; you're a star that will shine in the night; you are the yeast and a small grain of salt, a beacon to glow in the dark. You are the dawn that bring a new day; you're the wheat that will bear golden grain; you are a sting and a soft, gentle touch, to witness wherever you go. **Refrain**



Text: Cesáreo Gabaraín, 1936-1901; tr. Baquel Gutiérrez, Achon, b. 1927 and Skinner Chávez-Melo, 1944-1992, alt. ID Y ENSEÑAD-

You are the flame that will lighten the dark, so resplendent with hope, faith and love; you are the shepherds to lead the whole world to waters and pastures of peace. "You are the friends that I chose for myself, you're the word that I want to proclaim. You are the new reign of God built on rock, Where justice and truth are at home." **Refrain**

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

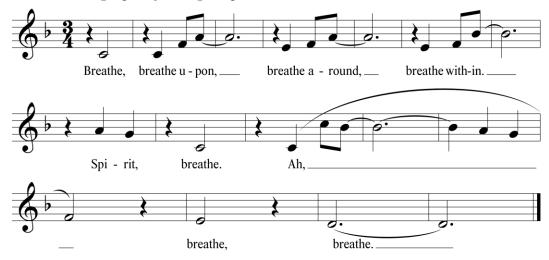
With the whole church we affirm that we are made in God's image, befriended by Christ, empowered by the Spirit.

With people everywhere we affirm God's goodness at the heart of humanity Planted more deeply than all that is wrong.

With all creation we celebrate the miracle and wonder of life, the unfolding purposes of God for ever at work in ourselves and the world.

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. **And also with you.**

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

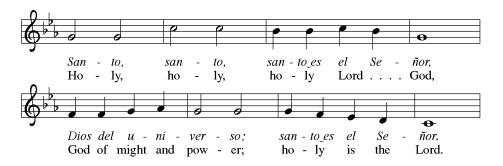
Thank you for your continued generosity. Offerings can be sent electronically or by mail. Information on the last page of the bulletin.

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 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 deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen. 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.

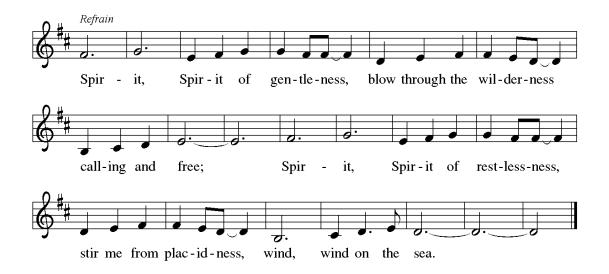
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING HYMN

Spirit of Gentleness

st. 1 & 4





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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.**

DISMISSAL

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

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