

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 with a commitment to racial equity.

Welcome. Peace be with you.

We continue our experiment of returning to worshipping together while also offering a virtual option on Zoom and YouTube. Welcome to all who are joining us in worship!

For those worshipping in-person, please remember:

- * Masks are required indoors. They are optional outdoors when distance can be kept.
- * We honor one another's boundaries by keeping distance and finding alternate ways to greet one another and share the peace (a deep bow, the peace sign, an air hug, etc.). We know that while some are fully vaccinated, children and others are not.
- Our COVID-19 Preparedness Plan is available here: http://www.ulch.org/ulch-response-to-covid-19
- In our service today, we will share Holy Communion. Ushers will direct you.
- * If you are new to the community and wish to speak with a Pastor or be included in our communication and activities, fill out the blue slip in the pew rack and give it to an usher. We'll follow up. It's also just fine to be anonymous.
- Children are welcome in worship. Kids, grab your SPARK Story Bibles. Craft tables are available for families.
- * After worship, take time for fellowship and conversation outdoors. The courtyard and patios are great spots to linger and connect!

Today's Worship Leaders

Pastor Jen Nagel (presiding minister); Rev. Erik Strand (preaching minister); Chantal Branker (assisting minister); Ben Larson, Katie Hale, Micki Kruse (musicians); Eric Ringham (lector); Jan Sanden, Bill Sanden, Elise Carlson (communion servers); Beth Kautz, Nick Peterson (tech facilitators); Ann Agrimson (Zoom facilitator); Ruth Hedman (altar guild); Ken and Elaine Sarkela, Don and Meri Hauge, Karen Westwood (greeters); Karen Jorstad, Karen Westwood, Ron Sorensen (ushers); Karilyn Alexander, Phoebe Worthington (communion clean-up)

gathering

We gather for worship on the land of our Creator. Many of us and our church building dwell in 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.

+ Indicates the assembly stand as able. Assembly parts are marked in **bold**.

Prelude

Welcome

+ Confession and Forgiveness

whose teaching is life, whose presence is sure, and whose love is endless. Amen.

Let us confess our sins to the one who welcomes us with an open heart.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God our comforter,

like lost sheep, we have gone astray.

We gaze upon abundance and see scarcity.

We turn our faces away from injustice and oppression.

We exploit the earth with our apathy and greed.

Free us from our sin, gracious God.

Listen when we call out to you for help.

Lead us by your love to love our neighbors as ourselves. Amen.

All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. By the gift of grace and in the name of \oplus Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Live in love. Amen.

+ Opening Hymn

O Christ, Your Heart, Compassionate

ELW 722, Stanzas 1, 3, 4



- Christ, your heart, com pas sion ate, bore ev 'ry hu man pain. once you wel-comed those cast down and healed the sick, the blind,
- hearts in us that beat in time with yours,
- Christ, cre ate new Love that made the dis - tant stars, yet marks the spar-row's fall,



Its beat - ing was the pulse of God; its breadth, God's vast do - main. so may all bruised and bro-ken lives through us your help still find. that, joined by faith with your great heart, be - come love's o - pen doors. whose arms stretched wide up - on a cross em - brace and bear us all:



The heart of God, the heart of Christ com-bined in per-fect rhyme Lord, join our hearts with those who weep that none may weep a - lone, We are your bod - y, ris - en Christ; our hearts, our hands we yield come, make your church a ser - vant church that walks your ser-vant ways,



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+ Greeting and Prayer of the Day

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

And also with you.

Let us pray. Eternal light,

shine in our hearts. Eternal wisdom, scatter the darkness of our ignorance. Eternal compassion, have mercy on us. Turn us to seek your face, and enable us to reflect your goodness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

word

Children's Message

Reading - Jeremiah 31:7–9

Thus says the Lord:
Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob,
and raise shouts for the chief of the nations;
proclaim, give praise, and say,
"Save, O Lord, your people,
the remnant of Israel."

«Canten jubilosos en honor de Jacob; griten de alegría por la mejor de las naciones. Hagan oír sus alabanzas y clamen: "¡Salva, Señor, a tu pueblo; salva al remanente de Israel!" Yo los traeré del país del norte; See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north,

and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth,

among them the blind and the lame,

those with child and those in labor, together; a great company, they shall return here.

With weeping they shall come,

and with consolations I will lead them back,

I will let them walk by brooks of water,

in a straight path in which they shall not stumble;

for I have become a father to Israel,

and Ephraim is my firstborn.

Word of God, Word of life.

Thanks be to God.

los reuniré de los confines de la tierra. ¡Volverá una gran multitud! Entre ellos vendrán ciegos y cojos, embarazadas y parturientas.

Entre llantos vendrán,

y entre consuelos los conduciré.

Los guiaré a corrientes de agua por un camino llano en el que no tropezarán.

Yo soy el padre de Israel; mi primogénito es Efraín.

Palabra de Dios, palabra de vida.

Demos gracias a Dios.

Psalmody - Psalm 126

The cantors sing the refrain; the assembly repeats it. The cantors chant the verses, with the assembly repeating the refrain where indicated.



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When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion,

then were we like those who dream.

Then was our mouth filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts of joy. **REFRAIN**

Then they said among the nations, "The Lord has done great things for them."

The Lord has done great things for us

and we are glad indeed.

Restore our fortunes, O Lord,

like the watercourses of the Negeb. **REFRAIN**

Those who sowed with tears

will reap with songs of joy.

Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed,

will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves. REFRAIN

+ Gospel Acclamation





+ Gospel Reading - Mark 10:46-52

The holy gospel according to Mark, the tenth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

As [Jesus] and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" Jesus stood still and said, "Call him here." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; get up, he is calling you." So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said to him, "My teacher, let me see again." Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Después llegaron a Jericó. Más tarde, salió Jesús de la ciudad acompañado de sus discípulos y de una gran multitud. Un mendigo ciego llamado Bartimeo (el hijo de Timeo) estaba sentado junto al camino. Al oír que el que venía era Jesús de Nazaret, se puso a gritar:

—¡Jesús, Hijo de David, ten compasión de mí!

Muchos lo reprendían para que se callara, pero él se puso a gritar aún más:

—¡Hijo de David, ten compasión de mí! esús se detuvo y dijo:

—Llámenlo.

Así que llamaron al ciego.

—¡Ánimo! —le dijeron—. ¡Levántate! Te llama.

Él, arrojando la capa, dio un salto y se acercó a Jesús.

—¿Qué quieres que haga por ti? —le preguntó.

-Rabí, quiero ver - respondió el ciego.

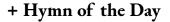
—Puedes irte —le dijo Jesús—; tu fe te ha sanado.

Al momento recobró la vista y empezó a seguir a Jesús por el camino.

El Evangelio del Señor.

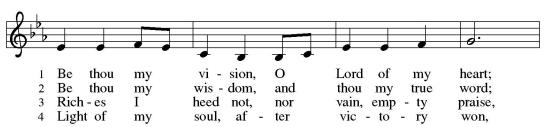
Alabanza a ti, oh Cristo!

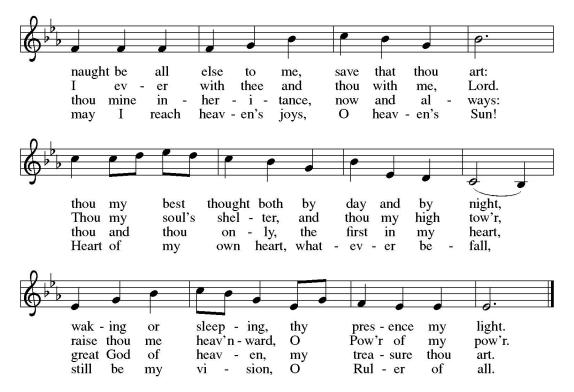
Sermon - Rev. Erik Strand



Be Thou My Vision

ELW 793





Text: Irish, 8th cent.; vers. Eleanor H. Hull, 1860–1935, alt.; tr. Mary E. Byrne, 1880–1931 Music: SLANE, Irish traditional

+ Affirmation of Faith

Prayer to the Trinity, Brian Wren

Living Love, beginning and end, giver of food and drink, clothing and warmth, love and hope: life in all its goodness we praise and adore you.

Jesus, wisdom and word; lover of outcasts, friend of the poor; one of us yet one with God; crucified and risen: life in the midst of death — we praise and adore you.

Holy Spirit, storm and breath of love; bridge-builder, eye-opener, waker of the oppressed, unseen and unexpected, untameable energy of life — we praise and adore you.

Holy Trinity, forever one, whose nature is community; source of all sharing, in whom we love, and meet, and know our neighbour: life in all its fullness, making all things new: we praise and adore you.

+ Prayers of the People

Following each petition:

God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

+ Sharing the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

La paz de Cristo sea siempre con ustedes.

And also with you.

Y también contigo.

All are invited to share the peace of Christ using these or similar words "Peace be with you" or "La paz del Señor."

meal

Offertory

I Shall Not Want

Rachel P. Mohlman

Katie Hale, Micki Kruse, Vocalists

Thank you for your continued generosity! In-person offerings can be left in the offering plate by the communion table.

All offerings can be sent electronically or by mail. Find more information on the last page of the bulletin.

+ Offertory Prayer

Let us pray. God of abundance,

you cause streams to break forth in the desert and manna to rain from the heavens. Accept the gifts you have first given us. Unite them with the offering of our lives to nourish the world you love so dearly; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

+ The Great Thanksgiving

God be with you.

And also with you.

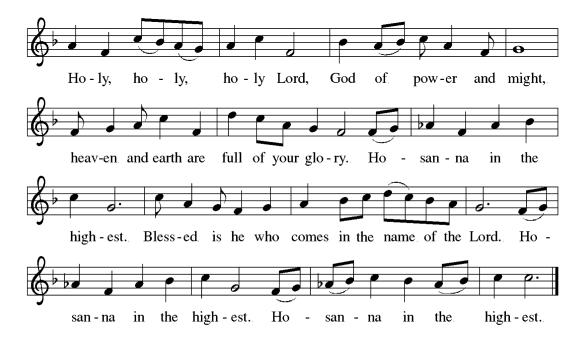
Lift up your hearts.

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 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 and blessing, we are strengthened in faith and in life. All are welcome to commune.

If you are at home and 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 are at home on your own...

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."

If you are worshipping in-person today...

We invite you to come forward to receive the elements and hear the words of promise, or to receive a blessing. There are two options for communing today: Some may choose to come forward to a station on either side, pick up the elements and

hear the promises of grace. Others may choose to kneel or stand around the communion rail, keeping distance, picking up the elements and hearing the promises. A blessing is always an option. Simply indicate this to the server and they will offer a blessing.



Text: Rolf Vegdahl, b. 1955, based on Romans 14:8, Psalm 103

Music: IF WE LIVE, Rolf Vegdahl Music © 2009, 2016 Augsburg Fortress

+ 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. Lord of life,

in the gift of your body and blood you turn the crumbs of our faith into a feast of salvation. Send us forth into the world with shouts of joy, bearing witness to the abundance of your love in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

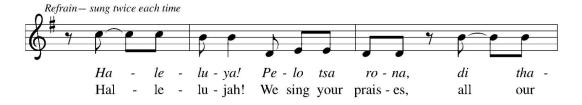
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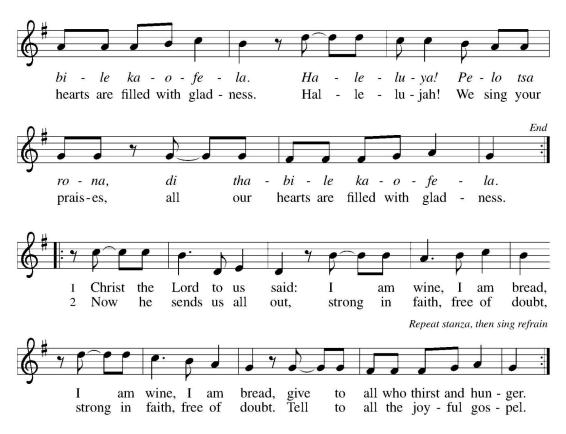
Announcements

+ Closing Hymn

Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises

ELW 535





Text: South African; tr. Freedom Is Coming, 1984 Music: HALELUYA! PELO TSA RONA, South African Tr. © 1984 Utryck, admin. Walton Music Corp.

+ Blessing

People of God, you are Christ's body, bringing new life to a suffering world. The holy Trinity, + one God, bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

+ Dismissal

Go in peace. Live the Good News.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Iris and Linnea Yager will be baptized after worship today—all are welcome to participate in the baptism, at noon in the courtyard. Iris and Linnea are children of Kjerstin and Shane Yager. Their baptismal sponsors are Karin and Picho Garduño, Ginger Klick, and Rod Prahl.

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