

Blessing of the Animals
Festival of Creation
October 4, 2026
10:30 AM



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 with a commitment to racial equity.

Welcome. Peace be with you.

We continue our holy experiment. We're worshipping together in-person and virtually on YouTube. Welcome!

For those worshipping in-person, please remember:

- ❖ **To support the health and wellness of all those among us**, feel welcome to use masks and hand sanitizer, stay current with your vaccinations, and stay home as needed if you are unwell.
- ❖ **We honor one another's boundaries** by asking permission to be in close proximity, and finding alternate ways to greet one another and share the peace (a deep bow, the peace sign, an air hug, etc.). Our risk levels and comfort differ.
- ❖ **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. To get more involved, check out our website: <http://www.ulch.org/> To receive the weekly enews, the Thursday Epistle, contact our church administrator at ulch@ulch.org.
- ❖ **Children are welcome in worship.** Kids, grab your SPARK Story Bibles. Craft tables are available for families at the front of the sanctuary. Note: The nursery is not staffed, but is available for your use. The nursery is on the upper level of the education wing, most easily reached from the doors nearest the baptismal font.
- ❖ **After worship, enjoy the time to linger for conversation** in the lounge, courtyard and patio.

Land Acknowledgment

This Land Acknowledgment, and our response, are both a work in progress. We're actively engaged in a process to move beyond a simple acknowledgment, and toward a more active commitment. Watch for more opportunities for our community.

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.

GATHERING

+ Indicates the assembly stand as able. Assembly parts are marked in **bold**. **SWMN**: Sing of the World Made New
LBW: Lutheran Book of Worship; **ACS**: All Creation Sings; **ELW** refers to the red hymnal, Evangelical Lutheran Worship.

Prelude

God Created Heaven and Earth

arr. Edwin T. Childs (2019)

Using Taiwanese music from ELW 738

Welcome

+ Confession and Forgiveness

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, our hope, our heart, our home. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Everlasting God, the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end,

we confess that we participate in systems that perpetuate oppression and injustice. We are often numb to the pain of the world around us, resistant to change that costs us something, and reluctant to love our neighbors as ourselves. We sin against your good creation, failing to be faithful stewards of the land, the sea, and all their creatures. Make your home among us once more, O God, naming us beloved and opening our hearts to do your will. Amen.

All you saints and sinners, this good news is for you: God knows you, forgives you by the self-giving of † Jesus Christ, and frees you to love the world as you have been loved. Creation's story will not end until mourning, crying, and pain are no more. When everything else changes, God's love is steadfast and sure. Nothing can ever separate you from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. **Amen.**

+ Processional Hymn The Earth Is the Lord's and the Fullness Thereof **SWMN 24**

Text: Carolyn Winfrey Gillette; Music: ST. DENIO, Welsh folk melody

1 "The earth is the Lord's and the full - ness there - of."
2 Your rain - for - ests nur - ture the world that we share;
3 Too of - ten, O God, we a - buse your good earth;
4 May we be good stew - ards of all that you give,

Cre - a - tion re - minds us, O God, of your love.
 your wet - lands give an - i - mals shel - ter and care;
 we fail to re - mem - ber its beau - ty and worth.
 pro - tect - ing cre - a - tion wher - ev - er we live.

By grace we are learn - ing, as year leads to year,
 your cor - al reefs cra - dle the life of the sea.
 We take from cre - a - tion much more than we need,
 May we be a church that re - news and re - stores

we're called to be stew - ards, your care - tak - ers here.
 You've shown us, in love, what your good world can be.
 we threat - en your world through in - dif - ference and greed.
 and lov - ing - ly cares for this earth that is yours.

Pastor Carolyn Winfrey Gillette began writing hymns in 1998 while attending a Presbyterian Church summer conference. She wrote this text, entitled "A hymn for celebrating God's creation and a call to care for it," in 2001.

+ Greeting

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

+ Prayer of the Day

O God, in whom we live and move and have our being, in Christ you created the worlds, and your Spirit breathes life into the universe. We praise you for your wondrous creation. Bless us and all your handiwork with your infinite light, and direct our lives to the care of this good earth, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

WORD

Children's Message

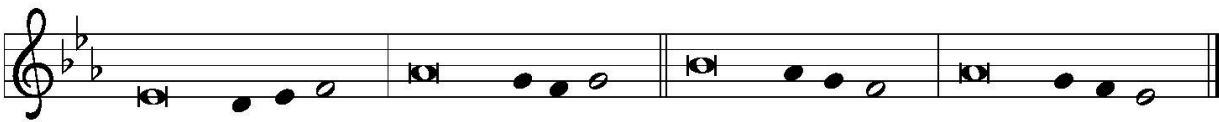
Psalm 148

Refrain Music: Carl Schalk

Refrain (*1st time choir sings, all repeat and sing thereafter*)



Choir sings the plain text, all sing the bold text



- ¹ Hallelujah! Praise the LORD¹ from the heavens;
praise God¹ in the heights.
² Praise the LORD,¹ all you angels;
sing praise, all you¹ hosts of heaven.
³ **Praise the LORD,¹ sun and moon;**
sing praise, all you¹ shining stars.
⁴ **Praise the LORD, heav-¹ en of heavens,**
and you waters a-¹ bove the heavens.
⁵ **Let them praise the name¹ of the LORD,**
who commanded, and they¹ were created,
⁶ **who made them stand fast forev-¹ er and ever,**
giving them a law that shall not¹ pass away.

REFRAIN

- ⁷ Praise GOD¹ from the earth,
you sea monsters¹ and all deeps;
⁸ fire and hail,¹ snow and fog,
tempestuous wind, do-¹ ing God's will;
⁹ **mountains¹ and all hills,**
fruit trees¹ and all cedars;
¹⁰ **wild beasts¹ and all cattle,**
creeping things and¹ flying birds;
¹¹ sovereigns of the earth¹ and all peoples,
princes and all rulers¹ of the world;
¹² young¹ men and maidens,
old and¹ young together.

- ¹ Aleluya! Alaben al SEÑOR desde los cielos,
alábenlo desde las alturas.
² Alábenlo, todos sus ángeles,
alábenlo, todos sus ejércitos.
³ Alábenlo, sol y luna,
alábenlo, estrellas luminosas.
⁴ Alábenlo ustedes, altísimos cielos,
y ustedes, las aguas que están sobre los cielos.
⁵ Sea alabado el nombre del SEÑOR,
porque él dio una orden y todo fue creado.
⁶ Todo quedó afirmado para siempre;
emitió un estatuto que no será abolido.
⁷ Alaben al SEÑOR desde la tierra
los grandes animales marinos y las profundidades
del mar,
⁸ el rayo y el granizo, la nieve y la neblina,
el viento tempestuoso que obedece su palabra,
⁹ los montes y todas las colinas,
los árboles frutales y todos los cedros,
¹⁰ los animales salvajes y los domésticos,
los reptiles y las aves,
¹¹ los reyes de la tierra y todas las naciones,
los príncipes y los gobernantes de la tierra,
¹² los jóvenes y las jóvenes,
los ancianos y los niños.

¹³Let them praise the name ¹ of the LORD,
 whose name only is exalted, whose splendor is
 over ¹ earth and heaven.
¹⁴GOD has raised up strength for the people and praise
 for all ¹ faithful servants,
 the children of Israel, a people who are near the
 LORD. ¹ Hallelujah! REFRAIN

¹³ Alaben el nombre del SEÑOR,
 porque solo su nombre es exaltado;
 su esplendor está por encima de la tierra y de los
 cielos.¹⁴ ¡Él ha dado poder a su pueblo!
 ¡A él sea la alabanza de todos sus fieles,
 de los hijos de Israel, su pueblo cercano! ¡Aleluya!

Reading - Acts 17:22a,24-28

Then Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said,
 “Athenians, I see how extremely spiritual you are in every
 way. The God who made the world and everything in it,
 he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in
 shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by human
 hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself
 gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. From
 one ancestor he made all peoples to inhabit the whole
 earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the
 boundaries of the places where they would live, so that
 they would search for God and perhaps fumble about for
 him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each
 one of us. For ‘In him we live and move and have our
 being’; as even some of your own poets have said,
 ‘For we, too, are his offspring.’

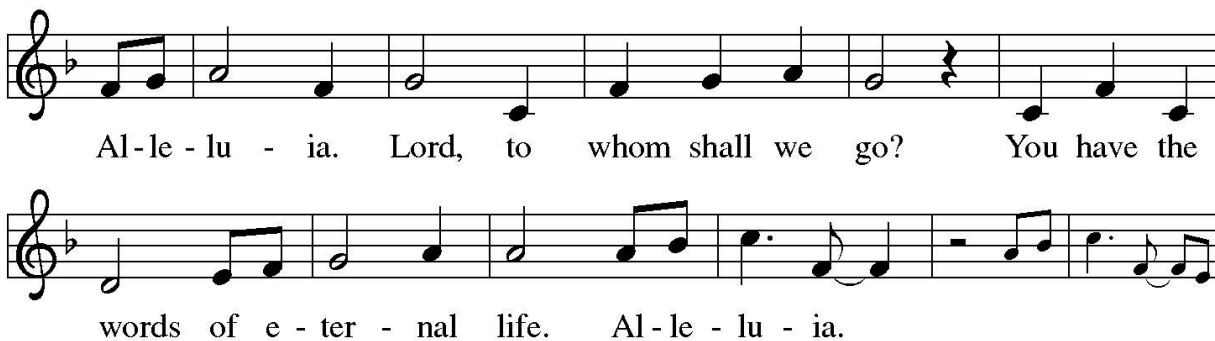
Pablo se puso en medio del Areópago y tomó la palabra:
 —¡Ciudadanos atenienses! Observo que ustedes son
 sumamente religiosos en todo lo que hacen. »El Dios que
 hizo el mundo y todo lo que hay en él es Señor del cielo y
 de la tierra. No vive en templos contruidos por hombres,
 ni se deja servir por manos humanas, como si necesitara de
 algo. Por el contrario, él es quien da a todos la vida, el
 aliento y todas las cosas. De un solo hombre hizo todas las
 naciones para que habitaran toda la tierra; y determinó los
 períodos de su historia y las fronteras de sus territorios.
 Esto lo hizo Dios para que todos lo busquen y, aunque sea
 a tientas, lo encuentren. En verdad, él no está lejos de
 ninguno de nosotros, “puesto que en él vivimos, nos
 movemos y existimos”. Como algunos de sus propios
 poetas han dicho: “De él somos descendientes”.

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

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

+ Gospel Acclamation

ELW Setting 8 (by Robin Cain)





+ Gospel Reading - Matthew 21:23-32

The gospel according to Matthew, the twenty-first chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

When [Jesus] entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching and said, "By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?" Jesus said to them, "I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?" And they argued with one another, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say to us, 'Why, then, did you not believe him?' But if we say, 'Of human origin,' we are afraid of the crowd, for all regard John as a prophet." So they answered Jesus, "We do not know." And he said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.

"What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, 'Son, go and work in the vineyard today.' He answered, 'I will not,' but later he changed his mind and went. The father went to the second and said the same, and he answered, 'I go, sir,' but he did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father?" They said, "The first." Jesus said to them, "Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness, and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him, and even after you saw it you did not change your minds and believe him."

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Jesús entró en el Templo y, mientras enseñaba, se acercaron los jefes de los sacerdotes y los líderes religiosos del pueblo. —¿Con qué autoridad haces esto? —lo interrogaron—. ¿Quién te dio esa autoridad? Él respondió:—Yo también voy a hacerles una pregunta. Si me la contestan, les diré con qué autoridad hago esto. El bautismo de Juan, ¿de dónde procedía? ¿Del cielo o de los hombres? Ellos comenzaron a discutir entre sí: «Si respondemos "del cielo", nos dirá "entonces, ¿por qué no le creyeron?". Pero si decimos "de los hombres", tememos al pueblo, porque todos consideran que Juan era un profeta». Así que respondieron a Jesús:—No lo sabemos.—Pues yo tampoco les voy a decir con qué autoridad hago esto —dijo Jesús. »¿Qué les parece? —continuó Jesús—. Había un hombre que tenía dos hijos. Se dirigió al primero y dijo: "Hijo, ve a trabajar hoy en el viñedo". "No quiero", contestó, pero después se arrepintió y fue. Luego, el padre se dirigió al otro hijo y le pidió lo mismo. Este contestó: "Sí, señor"; pero no fue. ¿Cuál de los dos hizo lo que su padre quería?».—El primero —contestaron ellos. Jesús dijo:—Les aseguro que los recaudadores de impuestos y las prostitutas van delante de ustedes en el reino de Dios. Porque Juan vino a señalarles el camino de la justicia y no le creyeron, pero los recaudadores de impuestos y las prostitutas sí creyeron en él. Incluso después de ver esto, ustedes no se arrepintieron para creerle.

El Evangelio del Señor.

Alabanza a ti, oh Cristo!

Sermon - Rev. William Beckstrand

+ Hymn of the Day

Before the Dawn of Humankind



1. Be - fore__ the dawn of hu - man - kind there stretched a cease-less span
2. When you__ raised hu - mans from the dust and named our sa - cred worth,
3. The whales that moan with - in the deep, the wolves that howl in dens,
4. Our lives__ then join cre - a - tion's praise when we, with craft and care,
5. We praise you, Ar - ti - san of space and Ar - chi - tect of time,



where life was mold-ed and re - fined to your re - demp - tive plan. __
we en - tered in__ a sa - cred trust to hal - low mo - ther earth.
the wil - low trees that rise and weep from swamp - y for - est fens; __
use wood and stone and skill to raise a ho - ly house of prayer.
who drafts each line and crafts each trace of ev' - ry - thing sub - lime. __



And ev' - ry rock and tree that stood with craig or branch - es raised
For na - ture wor - shipped well be - fore our sto - ry came a - long,
all crea - tures are u - nique - ly skilled, from sky to o - cean floor,
A space well built, a home well made and fit - ted to its place,
And all the beau - ty that en - dures a - mid the raft of wrong,



re - vealed a world al - rea - dy good, a God al - rea - dy praised.
we're not the first ones to a - dore; we on - ly join the song.
to find or fash - ion, birth or build a tem - ple to a - dore.
in - vites your beau - ty__ to in - vade, and draw us back to grace.
is one more sum - mons that en - sures we join cre - a - tion's song.

Text: David Bjorlin, b.1984
Tune: William Beckstrand, b.1962

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+ Prayers of the People

Following each petition: God of Grace, 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

Prayer of St. Francis

William Beckstrand (© 2012)

Hope Choir; Todd Hesla, soloist

Anon. French text, 1912

Lord, make us an instrument of your peace. Where there is hatred, let us sow love. Where there is injury, let us sow pardon. Where there is discord, let us sow union. Where there is doubt, let us sow faith. Where there is despair, let us sow hope. Where there is darkness, let us sow light. Where there is sadness, let us sow joy.

Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled, as to console; to be understood, as to understand; to be loved, as to love. For it is in giving that we receive. It is in pardoning that we are pardoned, and it is in dying, that we are born to eternal life.

As an act of gratitude and participation in God's work among us, we offer our gifts. Thank you for supporting the ministry we share together through your gifts of time, talent, and treasure. Financial offerings may be made online, via the QR code at the rear of the bulletin, by mail, or in the offering plate during Communion.

+ Offertory Prayer

God of creation, you send rain and the earth springs forth abundantly. All blessings are from you; make us generous with what we have. Use our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts in service to you and in love to our neighbors, today and always. **Amen.**

+The Great Thanksgiving

God be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to our God.

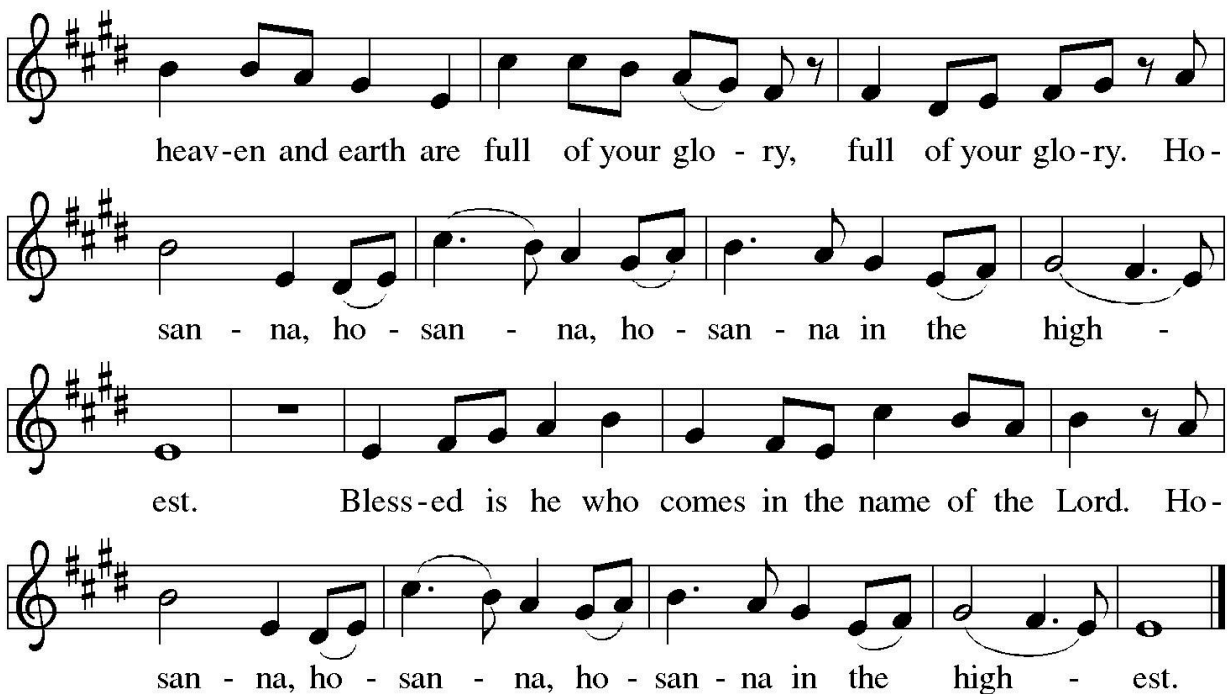
Let us give thanks to our gracious God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right.... we join their unending hymn:

+ Sanctus

ELW Setting 8 (by Jay Beech)





+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 voluntad en 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 worshiping in-person today... We invite you to come forward to receive the elements and hear the words of promise, or to receive a blessing. Following the direction of the ushers, come forward: pick up a cup, gather around the

table, receive the bread (gluten free is available), receive either the red wine or white grape juice in your cup, place your used cup in the basket. Children of all ages are welcome to partake at Holy Communion.

If you seek healing prayers today... A healing minister is available during Holy Communion this morning. If you'd like prayers for healing for yourself, for those you love, or for other situations, you are invited to come to one of the healing ministers. You can ask for specific prayers or simply ask them to pray with you...and they will.

If you are so inclined during this time... You may dip into the baptismal waters and remember the promises, light candles for situations around the world and close to home or add a prayer to the prayer wall. All prayer slips remain anonymous. Periodically throughout the year, prayers are removed from the wall, blessed during worship, and burned in our courtyard fireplace as a sign of releasing our burdens and entrusting our concerns to God's care.

Music During Communion Above the Moon Earth Rises Text: Thomas Troeger; Music: Irish folk tune

The musical score is written for a four-part vocal choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor 1, Tenor 2) in 4/4 time. The melody is an Irish folk tune. The lyrics are as follows:

1 A - bove the moon earth ris - es, a sun - lit moss - y stone,
2 The moss - y stone is griev - ing, its tears are bit - ter rain,
3 O lis - ten to the sigh - ing of wa - ter, sky and land,
4 A death if hearts now hard - en, a birth if we re - pent

a gar - den that God priz - es where life has rich - ly grown,
the gar - den is un - leaf - ing and all its har - vests wane,
and hear the Spir - it cry - ing the fu - ture is at hand:
and tend and keep the gar - den as God has al - ways meant:

an em - er - ald se - lect - ed for us to guard with care,
the em - er - ald is cloud - ed, its lus - ter dims and fades,
the moss and gar - den thin - ning por - tend a death or birth,
to sow with - out a - bus - ing the soil where life is grown,

an isle in space pro - tect - ed by one thin reef of air.
the isle of life is shroud - ed in thick and stag - nant haze.
the end or new be - gin - ning for all that lives on earth.
to reap with-out our bruis - ing this sun - lit moss - y stone.

As Rivers Flow From a Distant Spring

ACS 1046

1 As riv - ers flow from a dis - tant spring
2 As trees rise up from the for - est floor
3 As woods make shel - ter with - in its shade
4 So let us praise you, Cre - a - tor God,

to quench our thirst and feed the earth,
by roots that feed each limb a - bove,
for beasts to feed and birds to nest,
for worlds that wit - ness to your care,

so let our lives flow from you, our Source,
so let our lives rise in praise to you,
so let our lives be a shel - tered space,
that show your pres - ence in ev - 'ry place,

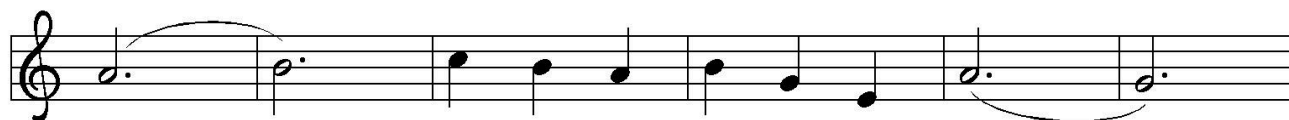
to coun - ter death and nur - ture birth.
from hearts we root in your deep love.
a ref - uge for the worn to rest.
your glo - ry shin - ing ev - 'ry - where.

God of the Sparrow

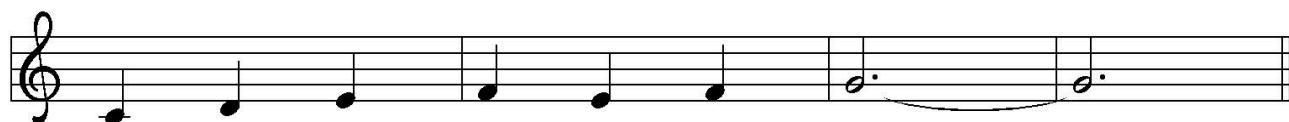
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1 God of the spar - row God of the whale God of the swirl - ing
 2 God of the earth - quake God of the storm God of the trum - pet
 3 God of the rain - bow God of the cross God of the emp - ty
 4 God of the hun - gry God of the sick God of the prod - i -



stars How does the crea - ture say Awe
 blast How does the crea - ture cry Woe
 grave How does the crea - ture say Grace
 gal How does the crea - ture say Care



How does the crea - ture say Praise
 How does the crea - ture cry Save
 How does the crea - ture say Thanks
 How does the crea - ture say Life

5 God of the neighbor
 God of the foe
 God of the pruning hook
 How does the creature say Love
 How does the creature say Peace

6 God of the ages
 God near at hand
 God of the loving heart
 How do your children say Joy
 How do your children say Home

Text: Jaroslav J. Vajda, b. 1919

Music: ROEDER, Carl F. Schalk, b. 1929

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+ Table Blessing

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

+ Prayer after Communion

Sustaining God, with this bread and cup, you nourish us with mercy and abundant life. By your Spirit, send us from this table to serve a needy world. Make us living signs of your liberation, healing, and love, following the way of Jesus, in whose name we pray. **Amen.**

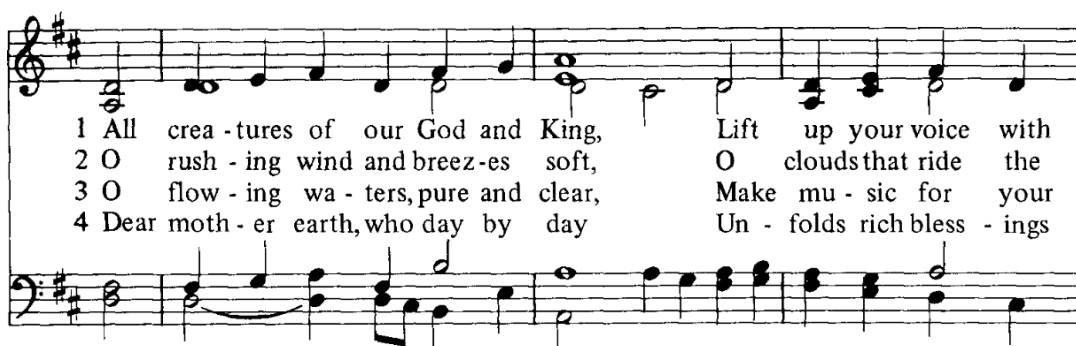
+Announcements

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+Sending Hymn

All Creatures of Our God and King

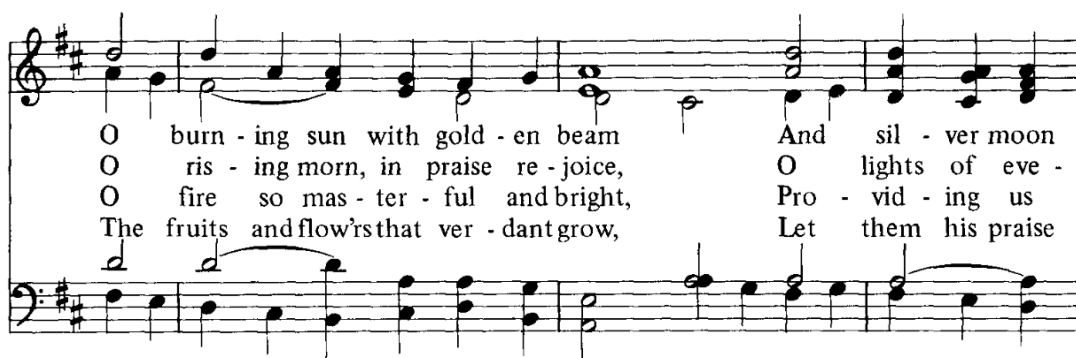
Text: Francis of Assisi



1 All crea - tures of our God and King, Lift up your voice with
2 O rush - ing wind and breez-es soft, O clouds that ride the
3 O flow - ing wa - ters, pure and clear, Make mu - sic for your
4 Dear moth - er earth, who day by day Un - folds rich bless - ings



us and sing: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
winds a - loft: Oh, . . praise him! Al - le - lu - ia!
Lord to hear. Oh, . . praise him! Al - le - lu - ia!
on our way, Oh, . . praise him! Al - le - lu - ia!



O burn - ing sun with gold - en beam And sil - ver moon
O ris - ing morn, in praise re - joice, O lights of eve -
O fire so mas - ter - ful and bright, Pro - vid - ing us
The fruits and flow'rs that ver - dant grow, Let them his praise

Refrain

with soft - er gleam:
ning, find a voice.
with warmth and light,
a - bun - dant show.

Oh, praise him! Oh, praise him!

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

+Blessing

God our Mother root you deep in grace. God our Neighbor stand with you in strength. God our Nourishment sustain you in hope and bless you unto evergreen life. **Amen.**

+Dismissal

Go forth with joy, loving God and serving neighbors. **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Earth and All Stars

arr. Wayne Wold (2003)

This short piece serves as a transition to the animal blessing that will happen next, in the courtyard

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Today’s Worship Leaders

Pastor Amanda Simons, Pastor Maria Anderson-Lippert (presiding minister); Kirsten Mebust (assisting minister); Hope Choir, Paul Stever (musicians); Ann Agrimson, Bruce Eldevik, Karilyn Alexander, John Beane (communion servers); Sharlene Hensrud (lector); Addison Gillette (worship tech facilitator); Kenneth Sarkela (greeter); Scott Hvizdos, Michael Kneer, Uli Koester (ushers); Juna Evans, Liv Evans (acolytes); Shelly Parry (worship prep); Bruce Eldevik, Rosalie Eldevik (communion clean-up); Pastor Maria Anderson-Lippert, Jason Lukis (healing prayer)

Hope Choir: Wednesdays, 7:00-8:30pm

Hope Handbells: Wednesday, October 7 from 6-6:55pm

Weekly choir rehearsals have resumed on Wednesday nights. All are welcome! If you haven’t sung with us recently or if you are interested in bells (meeting about once a month) or other music programming, please reach out to Paul (pauls@ulch.org).

North Star Sustainable Living Festival
Saturday, October 10 9:00 am - 6:30 pm at Hope

You're invited to a fun, education-filled community day centered on sustainable living, renewable energy solutions, and environmental stewardship. Presented by Sunny Day Earth Solutions and co-sponsored by the East Bank Neighborhood Partnerships and University Lutheran Church of Hope.

Sunday, October 11 9:30am Forum: Sharing Cancer Perspectives

October is breast cancer awareness month. Through a panel of Hope members, various perspectives of cancer will be explored, including those who have experienced cancer, those who are caregivers to cancer victims, and those who minister to cancer patients and their families.

FRESHLY BAKED BREAD IS BACK TODAY!

After a season of pizza events, the Baking Hope group will switch to baking bread in the outdoor oven starting the first weekend of October. The scrumptious loaves and scones will be ready for you in the lounge on Sunday, October 4, between 9:15am and 12:30pm. Samples will be available. Free will offering accepted. Thank you for joining in this community of Hope activity.