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# Holy Communion & Celebrating Jay!



**SUNDAY, JULY 18TH**  
**1:30-2:30 PM**



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# WELCOME

## Prelude

### Call to Worship

P: We gather as God's beloved children –

**C: However glad we are, however out of sorts we are.**

P: We come together as a people whom Jesus calls into community –

**C: So this becomes a place where all are welcome.**

P: We have come to give thanks, to pray, to be with each other –

**C: Let us worship God.**

## WORD

### Psalm 23

<sup>1</sup>The LORD is my shepherd;

I shall not be in want.

<sup>2</sup>**The LORD makes me lie down in green pastures  
and leads me beside still waters.**

<sup>3</sup>You restore my soul, O LORD,

and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake.

<sup>4</sup>**Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear  
no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**

<sup>5</sup>You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;  
you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

<sup>6</sup>**Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,  
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.**

## BLESSING

Jay is finishing their 2020-2021 service year with the Lutheran Volunteer Corps (LVC) serving at Luther Place and with the Steinbruck Center. Originally from New Jersey, Jay graduated from Caldwell University with a Bachelor's degree in Psychology and Sociology. They are passionate about service and social justice and will begin earning a Masters in Social Work at Rutgers next month.

## AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe that God creates all things, renews all things, and celebrates all things. We believe Earth is a sanctuary, a sacred planet filled with God's presence, a home for us to share with our kin. We believe that God became flesh and blood, became a part of Earth, a human being called Jesus Christ, who lived and breathed and spoke among us, suffered and died on a cross, for all human beings and for all creation. We believe that the risen Jesus is the Christ at the core of creation reconciling all things to God, renewing all creation, and filling the universe. We believe the Spirit renews life in creation, groans in empathy with a suffering creation, and waits with us for the rebirth of creation. We believe that with Christ we will rise, and with Christ we will celebrate a new creation.

## MEAL

### The Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you

**C: And also with you**

P: Lift up your hearts

**C: We lift them to the Lord**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

**C: It is right to give our thanks and praise**

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,

that we should at all times and in all places

give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,

through our Savior Jesus Christ;

who overcame death and the grave,

and by the glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

And so, with all the choirs of angels,

with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,

we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

# Sanctus: ELW 525



Du är he - lig, du är hel. Du är all - tid myck-et mer  
You are ho - ly, you are whole. You are al - ways ev - er more



än vi nån - sin kan för - stå, du är nä - ra än - då.  
than we ev - er un - der - stand. You are al - ways at hand.



Väl - sig - nad va - re du som kom - mer hit just nu,  
Bless - ed are you com - ing near. Bless - ed are you com - ing here



väl - sig - na - de vår jord, blir till bröd på vår jord.  
to your church in wine and bread, raised from soil, raised from dead.



Du är he - lig, du är hel - het,  
You are ho - ly, you are whole - ness,



du är när - het he - la kos - mos lo - var dig!  
you are pres - ent. Let the cos - mos praise you, Lord!



Ho - si - an - na, ho - si - an - na,  
Sing ho - san - na in the high - est!



ho - si - an - na, ho - si - an - na vår Gud.  
Sing ho - san - na! Sing ho - san - na to our God!

## **Thanksgiving at the Table**

In the night before Christ died for us, our Lord Jesus gathered with faltering friends for a meal that tasted of freedom.

Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to them, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, Jesus took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

At this table make us your body. Form us to be a people of justice and peace. Fill us with gratitude and generosity that we may bear the fruit of love in word and deed. Come, Holy Spirit.

**Come, Holy Spirit.**

Nourish our bodies so that we may be fed. Teach us to see You, Christ, in those around us. As we prepare this table for you, we prepare our hearts for your presence. Come, Holy Spirit.

**Come, Holy Spirit.**

## **Maori version of the Lord's Prayer**

**Eternal Spirit, Earth-maker, Pain bearer, Life-giver,  
Source of all that is and that shall be,  
Father and Mother of us all,  
Loving God, in whom is heaven:**

**The hallowing of your name echo through the universe;  
The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world;  
Your heavenly will be done by all created beings;  
Your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustain our hope  
and come on earth.**

**With the bread we need for today, feed us.**

**In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.**

**In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.**

**From trial too great to endure, spare us.**

**From the grip of all that is evil, free us.**

**For you reign in the glory of the power that is love, now and forever.**

**Amen.**

## \*Agnus Dei: ELW 341 Now Behold the Lamb



1 Now be - hold the Lamb, the pre - cious Lamb of God, who  
2 Ho - ly is the Lamb, the pre - cious Lamb of God. Why  
3 Thank you for the Lamb, the pre - cious Lamb of God. Be -



bore all my sin, that I may live a - gain: the pre-cious Lamb of God.  
you love me so, Lord, I shall nev - er know; the pre-cious Lamb of God.  
cause of your grace I can fin - ish the race; the pre-cious Lamb of God.

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### Communion:

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

### Prayer after Communion

Jesus, Bread of life,

we have received from your table

more than we could ever ask.

As you have nourished us in this meal,

now strengthen us to love the world with your own life.

In your name we pray.

**C: Amen.**

### Table Blessing

P: The Creator of all keep you all the days of your life.

The hand of God protect you;

the holy angels accompany you;

and the blessing of God, who creates, redeems and heals ✠

be with you now and forever..

**C: Amen.**

## SENDING

### Dismissal

Beloved, go in peace.

Work for justice,  
encounter God in all you see,  
and know you are LOVED!

**C: Thanks be to God!**

### Postlude

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## Weekly Offerings

### **Adult Spiritual Formation, Sundays, 9:15am**

Email [justinfitch@lutherplace.org](mailto:justinfitch@lutherplace.org) for the Zoom link or more information

### **Sunday Liturgy at 10:30am**

Join us each week on Facebook Live at [facebook.com/lutherplace/live](https://facebook.com/lutherplace/live)

### **Sunday Bedtime Story and Prayer Practice**

Posted each week on Facebook and Instagram

### **Compline, Thursday-Saturday, 9pm**

Hosted by Pr. Karen on Facebook Live and in-person outside LP on Saturdays

### **Liturgy at Home with Pastor Karen, Friday afternoons on Facebook Live**

### **Saturday School on Facebook Live, 10am**

## Upcoming Events

### **Saturday, August 14, 7:30-9:30pm**

We invite 20s/30s for a time of fellowship, to welcome incoming LVC volunteers, and to Saturday Night Compline beginning at 9pm

### **Sunday, August 15, 1:30pm**

Outdoor Service of Holy Communion & Blessing of New Pride/BLM Banners

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