

***Twelfth Sunday of Pentecost
August 11, 2024***

Contemporary Worship

Youth Gathering Sunday



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INTRODUCTION

Every three years, thousands of high school youth and their adult leaders from across the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America gather for a week of faith formation known as the ELCA Youth Gathering. Through days spent in interactive learning, worship, Bible study, service and fellowship, young people grow in faith and are challenged and inspired to live their faith in their daily lives. This year two of Good Shepherd's youth partnered with youth from 4 other local churches to attend. Today, we would like to share some of that event's worship and learning with you.

WELCOME

Please stand

CALL TO WORSHIP

God is our light and our salvation, whom shall we fear?

We are created to be brave.

Christ shines through our unique gifts, giving glory to God.

We are created to be authentic.

The Spirit transforms us through God's Word, renewing Christ's presence among us.

We are created to be free.

God is calling us to lives of justice, following the example of Jesus.

We are created to be disruptive.

Guided by the Spirit, we love others as God loves us.

We are created to be disciples.

GATHERING HYMN What A Beautiful Name

**You were the Word at the beginning
One with God the Lord most high
Your hidden glory in creation
Now revealed in You our Christ**

**What a beautiful Name it is,
what a beautiful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a beautiful Name it is,
nothing compares to this
What a beautiful Name it is,
the Name of Jesus**

**You made a way for us to Heaven.
Jesus You laid Your life down.
My sin was great Your love was greater
What could separate us now?**

**What a wonderful Name it is,
what a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a wonderful Name it is,
nothing compares to this
What a wonderful Name it is,
the Name of Jesus
What a wonderful Name it is,
the Name of Jesus**

Instrumental Break

**Death could not hold You,
the veil tore before You
You silence the boast of sin and grave
The heavens are roaring
the praise of Your glory
For You are raised to life again**

**You have no rival, You have no equal
Now and forever God You reign
Yours is the kingdom,
Yours is the glory
Yours is the Name above all Names**

**What a powerful Name it is,
what a powerful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a powerful Name it is,
nothing can stand against
What a powerful Name it is,
the Name of Jesus**

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the Name of Jesus**

GREETING

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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. Lord God, you remind us that we are not alone in this world. You search us and know us. You invite us to remember that you see us and love us and call us by name. You are our light and salvation, why should we be afraid? You invite us to let our light shine and to use our freedom in you as an opportunity to serve others. You remind us of your example of turning over tables by getting in the way of injustice, oppression, and pain. Create us to be all that you desire for the world that we might follow in the footsteps of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Please sit

FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 6:1-9

¹Now this is the commandment — the statutes and the ordinances — that the LORD your God charged me to teach you to observe in the land that you are about to cross into and occupy, ²so that you and your children and your children's children may fear the LORD your God all the days of your life, and keep all his decrees and his commandments that I am commanding you, so that your days may be long. ³Hear therefore, O Israel, and observe them diligently, so that it may go well with you, and so that you may multiply greatly in a land flowing with milk and honey, as the LORD, the God of your ancestors, has promised you.

⁴Hear, O Israel: The LORD is our God, the LORD alone. ⁵You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might. ⁶Keep these words that I am commanding you today in your heart. ⁷Recite them to your children and talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise. ⁸Bind them as a sign on your hand, fix them as an emblem on your forehead, ⁹and write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: Psalm 139:1-12, 23-24

¹O LORD, you have searched me and known me.

**²You know when I sit down and when I rise up;
you discern my thoughts from far away.**

³You search out my path and my lying down,
and are acquainted with all my ways.

**⁴Even before a word is on my tongue,
O LORD, you know it completely.**

⁵You hem me in, behind and before,
and lay your hand upon me.

**⁶Such knowledge is too wonderful for me;
it is so high that I cannot attain it.**

⁷Where can I go from your spirit?
Or where can I flee from your presence?

**⁸If I ascend to heaven, you are there;
if I make my bed in Sheol, you are there.**

⁹If I take the wings of the morning
and settle at the farthest limits of the sea,

**¹⁰even there your hand shall lead me,
and your right hand shall hold me fast.**

¹¹If I say, "Surely the darkness shall cover me,
and the light around me become night,"

**¹²even the darkness is not dark to you;
the night is as bright as the day,
for darkness is as light to you.**

²³Search me, O God, and know my heart;
test me and know my thoughts.

**²⁴See if there is any wicked way in me,
and lead me in the way everlasting.**

SECOND READING: Galatians 5:1, 13-15

¹For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

¹³For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. ¹⁴For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." ¹⁵If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand

GOSPEL: Matthew 22:36-40

The holy gospel according Matthew. **Glory to You, O Lord!**

³⁶Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest? ³⁷He said to him, " 'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' ³⁸This is the greatest and first commandment. ³⁹And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' ⁴⁰On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets."

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

REFLECTION

Please stand

Who You Say I Am

**Who am I that the highest King, would
welcome me
I was lost but He brought me in, Oh His
love for me
Oh His love for me**

**Who the Son sets free, oh is free
indeed
I'm a child of God, yes I am**

**Free at last he has ransomed me, His
grace runs deep
While I was a slave to sin, Jesus died for
me
Yes He died for me**

**Who the Son sets free, oh is free
indeed
I'm a child of God, Yes I am
In my Father's house, there's a place
for me
I'm a child of God, yes I am**

**[BRIDGE 2X]
I am chosen not forsaken
I am who You say I am
You are for me not against me
I am who You say I am**

I am who You say I am

**Who the Son sets free, oh is free
indeed
I'm a child of God, Yes I am
In my Father's house, there's a place
for me
I'm a child of God, yes I am**

**In my Father's house, there's a place
for me
I'm a child of God, yes I am**

**[BRIDGE 3X]
I am chosen not forsaken
I am who You say I am
You are for me not against me
I am who You say I am**

**Oh I am who You say I am
Yes I am who You say I am**

**Who the Son sets free, oh is free
indeed
I'm a child of God, Yes I am
In my Father's house, there's a place
for me
I'm a child of God, yes I am**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Calling on the spirit of Wisdom to guide our hearts and our minds, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

Reignite the prayer of the church. By your Spirit, root your church around the globe in prayer and spiritual practices. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

We rely on the goodness of your creation in everything we do. We pray for trees that offer shade and for our fellow creatures that depend on the trees for shelter and food. Sustain the work of all who advocate for forests and wilderness areas. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Guide our leaders and nations with a spirit of justice and mercy. Let no evil come out of our mouths, but rather let us extend grace. We pray for our enemies. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Sustain feeding ministries and organizations such as ELCA World Hunger and our local food pantries. We work and pray for a day when hunger is no more. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

We pray for this congregation and for all who are gathered. Be present among anyone who cannot be with us today. Be with all who are hurting, grieving, or ill. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Here other intercessions may be offered.

We remember the saints who have gone before us in faith. Trusting in the promise of the resurrection, we find hope in your communion of saints of all times and all places. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

We lift up these prayers to you, gracious God. Receive them into your holy keeping.
Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

OFFERING

CHOIR MUSIC

Holy Spirit (You Are Welcome Here)

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin; who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy Is The Lord

Holy is the Lord God Almighty

The earth is filled with His glory

Holy is the Lord God Almighty

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THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit let us pray as Jesus taught us:

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Taste and see that the Lord is good.

Please sit

LAMB OF GOD



Cor - de - ro de Dios, tú que qui-tas el pe-ca-do del mun-do;
O Lamb of . . God, you . . take a-way the sin of the world; . .



ten pie-dad de no - so-tros, ten pie-dad de no - so-tros.
have . . mer-cy up - on us, have . . mer-cy up - on us.



Cor-de - ro de Dios, tú que qui-tas el pe-ca-do del mun-do;
O Lamb of . . God, you . . take a-way the sin of the world; . .



ten pie-dad de no - so-tros, ten pie-dad de no - so-tros.
have . . mer-cy up - on us, have . . mer-cy up - on us.



Cor-de - ro de Dios, tú que qui-tas el pe-ca-do del mun-do;
O Lamb of . . God, you . . take a-way the sin of the world; . .



da - nos tu paz, da - nos tu paz.
grant us your peace, grant us your peace.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

SENDING OF COMMUNION

Gracious God, when your Son Jesus gathered a crowd and blessed the loaves and fish, all ate and were filled. And still there was more. In your love and care, extend this meal to all who will come after to receive it. Give us all the comfort of your abiding presence and the courage to be the body of our Lord, Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. **Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FAMILY TIME

BLESSING

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, ✝ be upon you now and forever. **Amen.**

Please stand

SENDING HYMN - *Every Praise*

**Every praise is to our God.
Every word of worship with one accord
Every praise every praise is to our God.**

**Sing hallelujah to our God
Glory hallelujah is due our God
Every praise every praise is to our God.**

**Every praise is to our God.
Every word of worship with one accord
Every praise every praise is to our God.**

**Sing hallelujah to our God
Glory hallelujah is due our God
Every praise every praise is to our God.**

**God my Savior
God my Healer
God my Deliverer
Yes He is, yes He is**

**God my Savior
God my Healer
God my Deliverer
Yes He is, yes He is**

**God my Savior
God my Healer
God my Deliverer
Yes He is, yes He is
Yes He is, yes He is**

**Every praise is to our God.
Every word of worship with one accord
Every praise every praise is to our God.**

**Sing hallelujah to our God
Glory hallelujah is due our God
Every praise every praise
Every praise every praise
Every praise every praise
is to our God.**

DISMISSAL

**Go in peace, nurturing lives for following Christ.
Thanks be to God!**

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"What A Beautiful Name"
"Who You Say I Am"
"Every Praise"

Please join us for coffee and donuts next Sunday, August 18, 2024



Next Sunday, Thrivent, along with our gardeners, will be sponsoring coffee and donuts following the church service. This coffee is be sponsored to let you know about a need that the church has. The gardeners are in need of a new riding lawn mower. They will be sharing information regarding the need at this time. Please plan to stop by and talk to Gus Dueben or Mac Mackey, and enjoy fellowship, coffee and donuts!



Our Stewardship

For the month ending June 2024

	Church	Little Lambs
Needed monthly	\$ 28,324.92	\$ 54,174.25
Giving/Income for the month	10,093.89	58,871.73
Monthly Expenses	\$ 25,378.27	\$ 67,158.62
Giving/Income YTD	87,964.26	442,253.68
Expenses YTD	157,558.00	405,137.39
Estimated Cost for Roof and Renovations		\$ 150,000.00
Total Paid Out for Roof and Renovations so far		\$ 123,494.00
Contributions towards Roof and Renovations		\$ 25,563.02

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