



August 18, 2024

10:15 am

**Calvary Lutheran Church
150th Anniversary Celebration and Worship
Rapidan, Minnesota**

Prelude

Welcome

Announcements

Call to Worship ~ Choir

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✚ one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy. **Amen.**

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection

God, our provider, **help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.**

Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, ✚ the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life. **Amen.**

Gathering Hymn: ELW #641 "All Are Welcome"

1. *(All)* **Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live, a place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive. Built of hopes and dreams and visions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the love of Christ shall end divisions;**

Refrain (All): **All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.**

2. *(All)* **Let us build a house where prophets speak, and words are strong and true, where all God's children dare to seek to dream God's reign anew. Here the cross shall stand as witness and as symbol of God's grace; here as one we claim the faith of Jesus; (Refrain)**
3. *(Women)* **Let us build a house where love is found in water, wine and wheat; a banquet hall on holy ground where peace and justice meet. Here the love of God, through Jesus, is revealed in time and space; as we share in Christ the feast that frees us; (Refrain)**
4. *(Men)* **Let us build a house where hands will reach beyond the wood and stone to heal and strengthen, serve and teach, and live the Word they've known. Here the outcast and the stranger bear the image of God's face; Let us bring an end to fear and danger; (Refrain)**
5. *(All)* **Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and visions heard and loved and treasured, taught and claimed as words within the**

Word. Built of tears and cries and laughter, prayers of faith and songs of grace, let this house proclaim from floor to rafter; (Refrain)

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Prayer of the Day

Most High God, whom the heavens cannot contain, we give you thanks for the gifts of those who have built this house of prayer to your glory; we praise you for the fellowship of those who by their use have made it holy; and we pray that all who seek you here may find you and be filled with joy and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Special Music ~ Choir

Readings and Psalm

First Reading: Proverbs 9:1-6

Wisdom is portrayed as a woman who invites people to partake of her banquet. Just as ordinary food is necessary for physical life, Wisdom's food—insight and understanding—is necessary for fullness of life with God. Partaking of Wisdom's banquet is the way to life.

- ¹Wisdom has built her house,
she has hewn her seven pillars.
- ²She has slaughtered her animals, she has mixed her wine,
she has also set her table.
- ³She has sent out her servant-girls, she calls
from the highest places in the town,
- ⁴"You that are simple, turn in here!"
To those without sense she says,
- ⁵"Come, eat of my bread
and drink of the wine I have mixed.
- ⁶Lay aside immaturity, and live,
and walk in the way of insight."

Psalm: Psalm 150:1-6 (read responsively)

Praise God in his sanctuary;

praise him in his mighty heavens!^[a]

**² Praise him for his mighty deeds;
praise him according to his excellent greatness!**

**³ Praise him with trumpet sound;
praise him with lute and harp!**

**⁴ Praise him with tambourine and dance;
praise him with strings and pipe!**

**⁵ Praise him with sounding cymbals;
praise him with loud clashing cymbals!**

**⁶ Let everything that has breath praise the LORD!
Praise the LORD!**

Gospel Acclamation

"Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever" Hebrews 13:8.

The Gospel Lesson this morning is from the book of Psalms, Psalm 100.

Glory to you, O Lord.

A Psalm for giving thanks

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth.

Serve the LORD with gladness! Come into his presence with singing!

Know that the LORD, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name! For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

The Gospel of our Lord, **Praise to you, O Christ**

Sermon ~ Emily Carson

Special Music ~ Choir

Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

Offering

Offering Hymn: ELW #686 "We Give Thee But Thine Own" 1st verse

- 1. We give thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be; all that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.**

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Offering Prayer

Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

Merciful God, receive our prayer.

The 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 thanks and praise.**

Preface

Thanksgiving at the Table

Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Invitation to Communion

Taste and see that the Lord is good. Come to the table and join us for communion. All are invited. We have gluten-free bread, along with wine or juice.

Distribution Hymn: ELW #496 "*One Bread, One Body*"

Refrain: **One Bread, one body, one Lord of all; one cup of blessing which we bless, and we though many through-out the earth, we are one body in this one Lord.**

- 1. Gentile or Jew, servant or free, woman or man, no more. *Refrain***
- 2. Many the fits, many the works, one in the Lord of all. *Refrain***
- 3. Grain for the fields, scattered and grown, gathered to one for all. *Refrain***

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Post-communion Blessing

Prayer after Communion

Blessing

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

Sending Hymn: ELW #574 "Here I Am, Lord"

1. "I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry, All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save. I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright. Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?"

Refrain: Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night. I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

2. "I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne by people's pain. I have wept for love of them. They turn away. I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone. I will speak my word to them Whom shall I send?" *(Refrain)*

3. "I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame. I will set a feast for them. My hand will save. Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied. I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?"
(Refrain)

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Dismissal

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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