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WELCOME

P In the name of the Father and of the ✝ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

SONG Firm Foundation

**Jesus, You're my firm foundation, I know I can stand secure.
Jesus, You're my firm foundation; I put my hope in Your holy Word.
I put my hope in Your holy Word.**

**Jesus, You're my firm foundation, I know I can stand secure.
Jesus, You're my firm foundation; I put my hope in Your holy Word.
I put my hope in Your holy Word.**

<i>Men: I have a living hope,</i>	<i>Women: I have a living hope,</i>
<i>Men: I have a future,</i>	<i>Women: I have a future,</i>
<i>Men: God has a plan for me,</i>	<i>Women: God has a plan for me,</i>
<i>Men: Of this I'm sure,</i>	<i>Women: Of this I'm sure.</i>

**Jesus, You're my firm foundation, I know I can stand secure.
Jesus, You're my firm foundation; I put my hope in Your holy Word.
I put my hope in Your holy Word.**

<i>Men: Your Word is faithful</i>	<i>Women: Your Word is faithful,</i>
<i>Men: Mighty in power,</i>	<i>Women: Mighty in power,</i>
<i>Men: God will deliver me,</i>	<i>Women: God will deliver me,</i>
<i>Men: Of this I'm sure,</i>	<i>Women: Of this I'm sure.</i>

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SONG Holy Is The Lord

We stand and lift up our hands, For the joy of the Lord is our strength. We bow down, and worship Him now. How great, how awesome is He. And together we sing, Ev'ryone sing.

**Holy is the Lord, God Almighty. The earth is filled with His glory. (Repeat)
The earth is filled with His glory.**

We stand and lift up our hands, For the joy of the Lord is our strength. We bow down, and worship Him now. How great, how awesome is He. And together we sing, Ev'ryone sing.

**Holy is the Lord, God Almighty. The earth is filled with His glory. (Repeat)
The earth is filled with His glory.**

**It is rising up all around, It's the anthem of the Lord's renown. (Repeat 4x)
And together we sing, Ev'ryone sing.**

**Holy is the Lord, God Almighty. The earth is filled with His glory. (Repeat)
The earth is filled with His glory. (Repeat 3x)**

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ANCIENT WORDS OF THE PROPHETS, APOSTLES AND THE CHRIST

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 26:8-15

SECOND READING

Philippians 3:17-4:1

THIRD READING

Luke 13:31-35

FEEDING OF THE LAMBS (CHILDREN'S MESSAGE)

SONG Heal Our Land

You take our lives Flawed yet beautiful, Restore refine Lord You're merciful, Redeem revive

Chorus:

***Spirit of God Breathe on Your church
Pour out Your presence Speak through Your word, We pray in ev'ry***

nation Christ be known Our hope and salvation Christ alone

New pow'r new wine As divisions fall. One church one Bride Jesus Lord of all, With one voice we cry.

Chorus

So God we pray to You Humble ourselves again Lord would You hear our cry Lord will You heal our land. That ev'ry eye will see That ev'ry heart will know.

The One who took our sin The One who died and rose. *(Repeat)*

And when Your kingdom comes, And when at last You call, We'll rise to worship You alone

Spirit of God Breathe on Your church Pour out Your presence Speak through Your word, We pray in ev'ry nation Christ be known Our hope and salvation Christ alone *(Repeat)*

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MESSAGE

“CITIZENSHIP THAT LASTS!”

Philippians 3:17-4:1

WE CONFESS OUR FAITH IN GOD – FATHER, SON, AND HOLY SPIRIT *The Nicene Creed*

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and

ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Please be seated

OFFERING

***Biblical Principles of Christian Stewardship #3
First Fruits Giving – Proverbs 3:9-10***

*Honor the LORD with your possessions, And with the firstfruits of all your increase
So your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will overflow with new wine.*

SONG DURING THE COLLECTION OF OFFERINGS

And That My Soul Knows Very Well

**You make Your face to shine on me
And that my soul knows very well
You lift me up I'm cleansed and free
And that my soul knows very well**

Chorus 2x

**When mountains fall I'll stand
By the power of Your hand
And in Your heart of hearts I'll dwell
And that my soul knows very well**

**Joy and strength each day I'll find
And that my soul knows very well
Forgiveness hope I know is mine
And that my soul knows very well**

Chorus 2x

**When mountains fall I'll stand,
By the power of Your hand
And in Your heart of hearts I'll dwell
And that my soul knows very well *(Repeat 3x)***

WE PRAY

PRAYER OF THE DAY

ALL: O God, You see that of ourselves we have no strength to come to You. By Your mighty power and glorious grace, gather us into Your presence and shield us from all adversities that may happen to the body and from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

*Each petition ends with
to which you are invited to respond*

P "Lord, in Your mercy,"
C "hear our prayer."

P O Lord, remembering all Your goodness and praying the promises of Your Word, we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray to Your merciful care; through Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God and one Lord, now and forevermore.

C Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

C 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.

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

The Sacrament Of The Altar is celebrated Sunday in the confidence that our Lord gives us His very body and blood to eat and drink “in,” “with” and “under” the bread and wine for the forgiveness of our sins and the strengthening of our union with Him and one another. As baptized Lutherans of the Missouri Synod, we trust His words, repent of all sin and by this act proclaim His death until He returns.

Since this act is a confession of our faith, anyone who is not yet instructed, in doubt, or comes from a different Christian tradition or confession and yet desires to receive the Sacrament, is asked first to speak with the Pastor or Deacon. Peace and Joy!

Reminders For Those Coming To The Lord's Table...

1. Those not yet receiving the Sacrament (both Children and Adults) are encouraged to approach the Lord's Table, kneeling and then crossing their arms to receive a blessing.
2. The cups in the center of the individual tray (containing the amber color liquid) are alcohol free.
3. The distribution will be at the Communion Rail. The Common Cup or the Individual Cup is offered in this service. If a communicant receives the individual cup, he/she is asked to hold the empty glass in such a way that it is visible to the one offering the common cup.
4. Gluten-free hosts (wafers) are available upon request.

CONFESSION OF OUR SINS AND JESUS' FORGIVENESS

P Answer me when I call, O God of my righteousness!

C You have given me relief when I was in distress. Be gracious to me and hear my prayer!

P Lord God, our Father, hear the silent prayers of Your gathered children.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P Lord God, our Father, hear the spoken prayers of Your gathered children

C We have turned away from You when we should be turning toward You. Forgive us, heavenly Father. We have run from You when we should be running to You. Have mercy upon us, Lord Jesus. We have rejected Your grace when we should be receiving it. Cleanse us of our sin, Spirit of truth. Draw us again to the cross, where You died for us, so that we be gathered into Your presence and covered with Your forgiveness. Amen.

ABSOLUTION

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

JESUS' WORDS (OF INSTITUTION)

SONGS DURING COMMUNION

Jesus, Only Jesus

Who has the power to raise the dead
Who can save us from our sin
He is our hope our righteousness
Jesus only Jesus
Who can make the blind to see
Who holds the keys that set us free
He paid it all to bring us peace
Jesus only Jesus

Chorus

Holy King Almighty Lord
Saints and angels all adore
I join with them and bow before
Jesus only Jesus

Who can command the highest praise
Who has the name above all names
You stand alone I stand amazed
Jesus only Jesus

Chorus 2x

You will command the highest praise
Yours is the Name above all names
You stand alone I stand amazed
Jesus only Jesus
Jesus only Jesus

Chorus

You will command the highest praise
Yours is the Name above all names
You stand alone I stand amazed
Jesus only Jesus (*Repeat*)
Jesus only Jesus, Jesus only Jesus

CLOSING PRAYER

C We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through the good and gracious gift of Your Son's body and blood. We humbly ask You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through this gift in faith toward You and in enthusiastic love toward one another. We pray this through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

GOD'S BLESSING

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

C Amen.

MATTERS OF IMPORTANCE

Closing Song

Holy Is Our God

**Lift up His Name within the sanctuary
Lift up His Name among the people who are gathered
Here to sing His praise Who are gathered here to sing His praise**

**Holy is our God Holy is Your Name
Mighty are Your works and deeds
And wondrous are Your ways
All that You have made
Shall return and give You glory, Lord**

**The earth the sky the sea and all within them
This universe beyond the sight of mortal men
All subject to His reign All creation subject to His reign**

**Holy is our God Holy is Your Name
Mighty are Your works and deeds
And wondrous are Your ways
All that You have made
Shall return and give You glory, Lord**

**The great I Am no end and no beginning
You were and are and evermore You shall be
All my days are in Your hands All my days are in Your hands**

**Holy is our God Holy is Your Name
Mighty are Your works and deeds
And wondrous are Your ways
All that You have made
Shall return and give You glory**

**Holy is our God Holy is Your Name
Mighty are Your works and deeds
And wondrous are Your ways
All that You have made
Shall return and give You glory
Give You glory Give You glory, Lord
We give You glory, Lord We give You glory**

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