



Ministry Focus: Spiritual Growth

Second Sunday After Pentecost

May 29, 2016

Emanuel Lutheran Church

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Welcome to Emanuel

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WELCOME GUESTS AND VISITORS!

Welcome in the name of Jesus Christ. We are glad that you have come to worship with us. Please help us to know you by filling out a worship attendance form (located in your bulletin) and placing it in the offering plate.

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(Please ask an usher)

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SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

MAY 29, 2016

9:30 AM

PRELUDE

Aria

Paul Manz

WELCOME

Pastor Lyn Crase

OPENING HYMN

Oh Beautiful for Spacious Skies

ELW #888

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God,
abounding in steadfast love toward us,
healing the sick and raising the dead,
showering us with every good gift.

C Amen

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

P Just and gracious God,

C we come to you for healing and life.

Our sins hurt others and diminish us; we confess them to you.

Our lives bear the scars of sin; we bring these also to you.

Show us your mercy, O God.

**Bind up our wounds, forgive us our sins,
and free us to love,**

for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C Amen

P The apostle Paul assures us:
“When we were dead in our trespasses,
God made us alive together with Christ,
nailing the record of our sins to the cross.”
Jesus says to you, ✝ “Your sins are forgiven.”
Be at peace, and tell everyone
how much God has done for you.

C Amen

GREETING

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

C And also with you.

KYRIE



Se - ñor, Se - ñor, ten pie - dad; ten pie - dad de no -
Lord, . . have mer - cy on us; O . . . Lord, have . . .



so - tros. Se - ñor, Se - ñor, ten pie -
mer - cy. Lord, . . have mer - cy on



dad; ten pie - dad de no - so - tros.
us; O . . . Lord, have . . mer - cy.



Cris - to, Cris - to, ten pie - dad; ten pie - dad de no -
Christ, . . have mer - cy on us; O . . . Christ, have . .



so - tros. Cris - to, Cris - to, ten pie -
mer - cy. Christ, . . have mer - cy on



dad; ten pie - dad de no - so - tros.
us; O . . . Christ, have . . mer - cy.



Se - ñor, Se - ñor, ten pie - dad; ten pie - dad de no -
Lord, . . have mer - cy on us; O . . . Lord, have . . .



so - tros. Se - ñor, Se - ñor, ten pie -
mer - cy. Lord, . . have mer - cy on



dad; ten pie - dad de no - so - tros.
us; O . . . Lord, have . . mer - cy.

GLORIA



¡Glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ria en las al - tu - ras a Dios!
Glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ry to God . . on high!



¡Glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ria en las al - tu - ras a Dios!
Glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ry to God . . on high!



Y en la tie - rra paz pa-ra_a-que-llos que_a-ma_el Se - ñor.
And on earth . . . peace to God's peo-ple. Glo - ry to God.



Y en la tie - rra paz pa-ra_a-que-llos que_a-ma_el Se - ñor.
And on earth . . . peace to God's peo-ple. Glo - ry to God.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray together....

C Merciful Lord God, we do not presume to come before you trusting in our own righteousness, but in your great and abundant mercies. Revive our faith, we pray; heal our bodies, and mend our communities, that we may evermore dwell in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

FIRST READING: 1 KINGS 8:22-23, 41-43

King Solomon prays at the dedication of the temple in Jerusalem, built under his direction. Solomon prays that the temple will be a sign of God's presence and power, not only to the Israelites, but to all peoples.

²²Then Solomon stood before the altar of the LORD in the presence of all the assembly of Israel, and spread out his hands to heaven. ²³He said, "O LORD, God of Israel, there is no God like you in heaven above or on earth beneath, keeping covenant and steadfast love for your servants who walk before you with all their heart.

⁴¹"Likewise when a foreigner, who is not of your people Israel, comes from a distant land because of your name ⁴²—for they shall hear of your great name, your mighty hand, and your outstretched arm—when a foreigner comes and prays toward this house, ⁴³then hear in

members of God's family who are with me,

To the churches of Galatia:

³Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, ⁴who gave himself for our sins to set us free from the present evil age, according to the will of our God and Father, ⁵to whom be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

⁶I am astonished that you are so quickly deserting the one who called you in the grace of Christ and are turning to a different gospel—⁷not that there is another gospel, but there are some who are confusing you and want to pervert the gospel of Christ. ⁸But even if we or an angel from heaven should proclaim to you a gospel contrary to what we proclaimed to you, let that one be accursed! ⁹As we have said before, so now I repeat, if anyone proclaims to you a gospel contrary to what you received, let that one be accursed!

¹⁰Am I now seeking human approval, or God's approval? Or am I trying to please people? If I were still pleasing people, I would not be a servant of Christ.

¹¹For I want you to know, brothers and sisters, that the gospel that was proclaimed by me is not of human origin; ¹²for I did not receive it from a human source, nor was I taught it, but I received it through a revelation of Jesus Christ.

L The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*i*A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya!
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

*i*A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya!
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

*i*A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya,
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,

a - le - lu - ya! *i*A - le - lu - ya!
al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

P The Gospel according to Luke, Chapter 7

C Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL: LUKE 7:1-10

A Roman centurion stands to lose a highly valued slave. Jewish leaders in Capernaum consider the centurion worthy, but the Gentile declares himself unworthy. In the midst of this tangle of attitudes, the centurion shows his understanding of authority and his testimony that Jesus has it, even authority over illness and death.

¹After Jesus had finished all his sayings in the hearing of the people, he entered Capernaum.

²A centurion there had a slave whom he valued highly, and who was ill and close to death.

³When he heard about Jesus, he sent some Jewish elders to him, asking him to come and heal his slave. ⁴When they came to Jesus, they appealed to him earnestly, saying, “He is worthy of

having you do this for him, ⁵for he loves our people, and it is he who built our synagogue for us.” ⁶And Jesus went with them, but when he was not far from the house, the centurion sent

friends to say to him, “Lord, do not trouble yourself, for I am not worthy to have you come under my roof; ⁷therefore I did not presume to come to you. But only speak the word, and let

my servant be healed. ⁸For I also am a man set under authority, with soldiers under me; and I say to one, ‘Go,’ and he goes, and to another, ‘Come,’ and he comes, and to my slave, ‘Do

this,’ and the slave does it.” ⁹When Jesus heard this he was amazed at him, and turning to the crowd that followed him, he said, “I tell you, not even in Israel have I found such faith.”

¹⁰When those who had been sent returned to the house, they found the slave in good health.

P The gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (REPEATED)

CHILDREN’S TIME

Today we recognize the Ministry of Spiritual Growth

Lois Owen

Special Guest: Elizabeth Greenlee-Harrison, CEO, Interfaith Ministries Modesto

SERMON

SERMON HYMN

Oh, Praise the Gracious Power

ELW #651

All: v. 1, 3, 5, 7; Women: v. 2; Men: v. 4; Organ: v. 6

APOSTLE’S 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**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

A Let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

Response: ... Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

TITHES & OFFERINGS

The offering is an act of worship; a response of gratitude and thankfulness.

OFFERTORY

O Beautiful for Spacious Skies

Carson Cooman

OFFERING PRAYER

A God of mercy and grace,
the eyes of all wait upon you,
and you open your hand in blessing.
Fill us with good things at your table,
that we may come to the help of all in need,
through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and Lord.

C Amen

SHARING THE PEACE

The sharing of peace is an individual and communal act of forgiveness.

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

C And also with you.

Please return to your seats at the signal from the organ and remain standing after the Peace.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

A In recognition of God's forgiveness, mercy and grace let us continue with 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.

PREFACE

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 on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his 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:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



San - to, san - to, san - to, es el Se - ñor,
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God,
Dios del u - ni - ver - so; san - to, es el Se - ñor.
God of might and pow - er; ho - ly is the Lord.
San - to, san - to, san - to, san - to, es el Se - ñor,
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God,
Dios del u - ni - ver - so; san - to, es el Se - ñor.
God of might and pow - er; ho - ly is the Lord.
Ho - san - na en el cie - lo, ho - san - na en la
Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na here on
tie - rra. Ben - di - to el que vie - ne en el
earth. Blest is he who comes in the
nom - bre del Se - ñor. Ho - san - na en el
name . . . of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the
cie - lo, ho - san - na en la tie - rra. Ben -
high - est, ho - san - na here on earth.
di - to el que vie - ne en el nom - bre del Se - ñor.
Blest is he who comes in the name . . . of the Lord.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

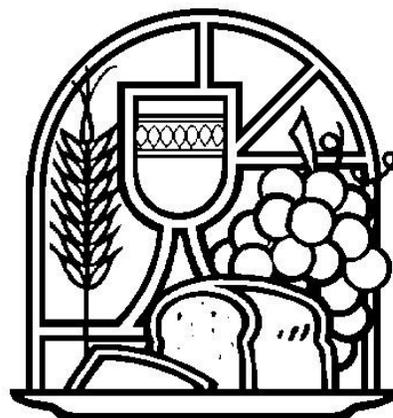
Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

C Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.

C Amen



THE LORD'S PRAYER

P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

ICET

Setting by David Haas

Our Fa-ther in heav-en, hal-low-ed be your
name, your king-dom come, your will be done on
earth as in heav - en. Give us to-day our
dai - ly bread. For - give us our sins as we for-give
those who sin a - gainst us. Save us from the
time of trial and de - liv - er us from e - vil, for the
king - dom, the pow'r and the glo - ry are yours,
now and for ev - er.

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INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P Christ invites you to a place of honor at this banquet.
Welcome to the feast.

We practice continuous communion at the altar rail. All are welcome.

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.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

Lord of All Nations, Grant Me Grace
Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service
Word of God, Come Down to Earth

ELW #716
ELW #712
ELW #510

COMMUNION BLESSING

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
C Amen

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A O God, as a mother comforts her child,
so you comfort your people,
carrying us in your arms
and satisfying us with this food and drink,
the body and blood of Christ.
Send us now as your disciples,
announcing peace and proclaiming
that the reign of God has come near;
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen

SENDING OF COMMUNION MINISTERS

Home Communion Minister(s) come(s) forward.

P Let us pray,

C O God of tender compassion, as you healed the sick and welcomed the stranger, bless those who leave this assembly to share the gifts of this table with our sisters and brothers who are homebound. May they be sustained by the love and prayers of this community, and by the Bread of life that satisfies all hunger, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

BLESSING

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy.
The Lord look upon you with favor
and ✠ give you peace.

C Amen

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING HYMN

Jesus Shall Reign

ELW #434

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Proclaim the good news.

C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Carillon Toccata

Douglas E. Wagner

THOSE WHO SERVED US TODAY

Presiding Minister Pastor Lyn Crase
Assisting Minister Emily Cline
Acolyte..... Fanney Bjargardottir
Ministers of the Word Peter Cline, Zach Cline
Communion Assistant..... Hailey Rios
Home Communion Recipient Kay Altmas
Usher/Greeter Alora Skustad, Hailey Rios
Altar Care..... Lois Silva

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Announcements

Please use your “soft” voice during and following the Prelude, as others may be in prayer and meditation. Thank you.



The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of John Sample by his family.



Choir Rehearsals will resume in August.

Text Study meets Tuesdays at noon in Katie’s Room. All are welcome. Be sure to bring a sack lunch.

Thursday Morning Bible Study meets in Katie’s Room at 9:30 am. **This study concluded on May 26 and will not meet during June.**

If you like to cook—men & women—join us during July. For 4 weeks we will study “Foods of the Bible,” meeting in Augustana Hall at 9:30 am

On-Going Adult Education

Sunday evenings once a month from 5:30—7:00 pm (will meet in Katie’s room). “The Screwtape Letters. concludes on **June 26**. A new study opens in September.

2nd Sunday of each month will be a time of Healing Prayer during communion.

Upcoming family BBQ 6/5, following our church service. Hot dogs and buns furnished by the Fellowship ministry. Please bring a salad or dessert. Come and celebrate our graduates, the beginning of summer, and a much needed rest for our teachers.

Synod Assembly June 3-5, 2016 Pastor Lyn, Jim & Paula Barton, Jeri Johnson and Susan McCready will attend the Sierra Pacific Synod Assembly in Reno, NV. Please keep Bishop Eaton, Bishop Holmerud and the Assembly in your prayers.

If you have an old unused pair of prescription glasses and don't know what to do with them, bring them to church with you and place them in the labeled box in the Narthex. The glasses will be given to an optometrist who will repurpose them through the Lion's Club. Any questions, please see Susan Hall.

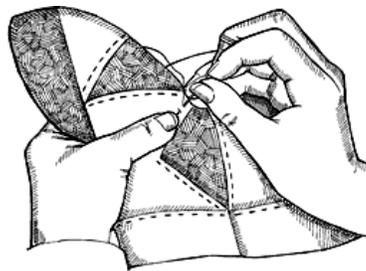
Summer Movie Nights at ELC - June 19 ★ July 17 ★ August 21 at 5:30 pm

Bring your own picnic. Popcorn & games will be provided by Youth Group. Stay tuned for movie titles. Hope to see you there!

Pentecost Liturgical Art

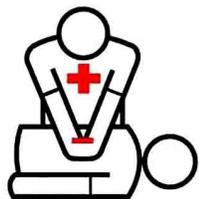
The red and orange fabric runners that hang above our heads in the sanctuary were first created and hung in the church for Pentecost in 2013. They are meant to symbolize the tongues of fire which appeared above the heads of the people to foretell the good news being spread to all nations. The fire symbolized the power and zeal given to those who obeyed Christ in taking the gospel to the ends of the earth.

"Mission Quilt Project": Thank you for the generous donations of fabric for mission quilts. We are currently making quilt top kits to get out to you to sew. We are still accepting donations of fabric, so if you have some to donate we are happy to accept it! According to Lutheran World Relief, "in addition to



being a cozy, clean new bed cover the quilts are also used as: A baby carrier, tied around a mother's back; a market display, spread on the ground and piled with vegetables; a sack for transporting goods to market; a sunshade; a shawl; most importantly a constant reminder that someone, far away, cares a lot."

Thank you, your Outreach Team

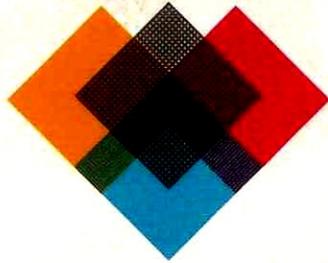


Anthony Pino, RN, a new member, is offering CPR training and certification as well as AED Training at a significantly reduced cost to the church.

*There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex or see Anthony if you have questions. The class is June 25th, 9:00am-12:30pm. **If there are more than 12 signing up, a second class will be offered.***

Cost is \$45.00. \$40.00 of the cost will go towards the purchase of an AED (Automatic External Defibrillator); \$5.00 for the CPR card. Anthony is donating his time and other costs to the church as a gift to this congregation.





PARENTING CONFERENCE

Getting to the  of Parenting

*God has chosen **YOU** as a primary instrument in the shaping of your child's soul.*

Children are a gift from the Lord.
Psalm 127:3

JULY 8
7:00PM-9:15PM

JULY 9
9:00AM-12:15PM

*in the **BVG** Worship Center*

\$15 registration (*\$20 July 6 or later*)
per person

\$10 per family for childcare
(*space limited*)

Getting to the Heart of Parenting teaches principles of grace for children ages **0-5, 6-12,** and **13-18.**

Join pastor, author and international conference speaker **Paul David Tripp,** as he shares a biblical view of parenting.

Register today!
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WEEKLY CALENDAR

MON 30	TUE 31	WED 1	THUR 2	FRI 3	SAT 4	SUN 5
MEMORIAL DAY OFFICE CLOSED		7:00 am Men's Bible Study @ Mimi's		OFFICE CLOSED		9:30 am Worship Service 10:30 am BBQ Potluck
	12:00 pm Lectionary Study					1:00 pm Celebration of Life for Fr. Norman
7:30 pm Women's Bible Study @ B. Schroeder's	7:30 pm Gospel Mission Ministry			SPS Assembly Reno, NV June 3-5	SPS Assembly Reno, NV June 3-5	SPS Assembly Reno, NV June 3-5

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Date	Presiding Minister	Assistant Minister	Lectors	Communion Assist	Acolyte	Usher Greeter	Altar Care
June 5 Pentecost 3	Pastor Roger Lee	Kathleen Reuter	M Epting Z Cline		Emma Hoover	Smith/Knoll	Van Diepen/ Kroeze
June 12 Pentecost 4	Pastor Lyn Crase	Paula Barton	M Dieterich S Wilke	Marilyn Rowland	Chris Schmidt	Owen Family	Van Diepen/ Kroeze
June 19 Pentecost 4	Pastor Lyn Crase	Mike Epting	P Kroeze S Hall	Paula Kroeze	Kailyn Knoll	Clarke/Hall	Van Diepen/ Kroeze

WEEKLY BIBLE READINGS

June 5 Pentecost 3	June 12 Pentecost 4	June 19 Pentecost 5
1 Kings 17:17-24 Psalm 30 Galatians 1:11-24 Luke 7:11-17	2 Samuel 11:26--12:10, 13-15 Psalm 32 Galatians 2:15-21 Luke 7:36--8:3	Isaiah 65:1-9 Psalm 22:19-28 Galatians 3:23-29 Luke 8:26-39



We would like to update the Prayer Requests. Please be sure to contact the church office by telephone or email and let Paula know who should remain on the list and who can be removed.

Thank you!

New Prayer Requests: Sheila Barton (Jim’s mom) - undergoing chemo until August; Dwight Langhoff—healing & recovery; Azaria Martinez—health (Marquez); Adrienne—health (Nelson); Joy Dillard—healing of body & spirit (Scott); Long life for Lena Shirley’s children & grandchildren and safe travels for Lena

Sympathy is expressed to Lois Silva and family for the loss of her niece, Robin Peterson on May 18. Please keep them in your prayers.

Our Members: Drew Shank; Ben Knoll; Lori Knoll; Carolyn Crenwelge; Bob Dailey; Kelly Dailey; Gary Knoll; Bill Fox; Tom Watkins; Elaine Urch; Jill Klenz; Virginia Dall; Keith Thurston

Our Homebound Members: Florence Broden, Kay Altmas, Esther Johnson, Shelda Fritts, Alma Johnson

Our Family: Betty Hopkins (Wilke); Joyce & Manuel Dillard (Scott); Laurie Spinuzzi (Silva); Cindy Johnson; Ian McKenzie (Schmidt)

Our Friends: Mark, Matthew & Amanda (Scott); Roger Warner (Schmidt); Dan Hinshaw

We Pray for Peace in the Middle East, and for all those serving in our armed forces.

T/Sgt. Ryan Dangerfield, USAF in Ramstein AB, Germany and **SSgt. Joey Sabel, USMC** in Kaneohe Marine Corps Base, Hawaii (Marilyn & Chuck Rowland’s grandson & grandson-in-law); **Capt. Tim Kramer** (Megan Armes’ brother) will be in Kuwait through June of 2016; **Ryan Powell** (grandson of Yvonne Troedson) USN, Connecticut; **Chad Vander Veen** (friend of Susan Hall), US Army in Kuwait.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

God of Israel, there is no one like you in heaven above or on earth beneath. Keep covenant with your church, and build us up as your people. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Creator God, we ascribe to you glory and strength. We praise you for the glory of your creation, and ask that you strengthen us to keep it and tend it as a gift and trust. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Ruler of the nations, you have brought together people from many lands. Give us grace to receive foreigners with hospitality, to be good guests in foreign lands, and to accompany one other in faith. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Healing God, we pray for all those who need to be made whole. We pray especially for Give us faith to trust that you are the presence that gives life. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Gracious God, we remember today those who laid down their lives for others. Give us the strength to live together as a faith community in humility and gentleness of spirit, maintaining the bond of peace. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

We pray for your healing touch on those we name before you now, aloud or in silence (Pause for silence.) Hear us, O God.
hear our prayer.

O God, you have called the saints your own. Gather us (*with the hymnwriter Jiří Tranovský*) into your kingdom, in the promise of life forever with you. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting your promise to hear us; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

ENTRANCE HYMN #888

O Beautiful for Spacious Skies



1 O beau - ti - ful for spa - cious skies, for am - ber waves of grain,
2 O beau - ti - ful for he - roes proved in lib - er - at - ing strife,
3 O beau - ti - ful for pa - triot dream that sees be - yond the years



for pur - ple moun-tain maj - es - ties a - bove the fruit-ed plain:
who more than self their coun-try loved, and mer - cy more than life:
thine al - a - bas - ter cit - ies gleam, un - dimmed by hu - man tears:



A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God shed his grace on thee,
A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! May God thy gold re - fine,
A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God mend thine ev - 'ry flaw,

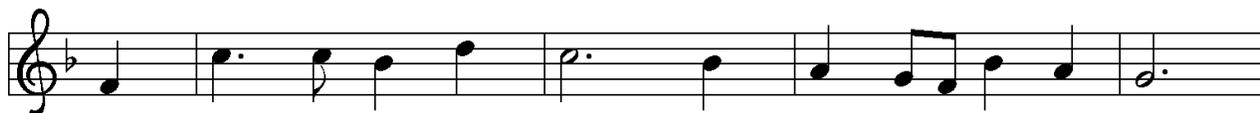


and crown thy good with broth - er - hood from sea to shin - ing sea.
till all suc - cess be no - ble - ness, and ev - 'ry gain di - vine.
con - firm thy soul in self - con - trol, thy lib - er - ty in law.

Text: Katherine L. Bates, 1859–1929
Music: MATERNA, Samuel A. Ward, 1848–1903

SERMON HYMN #651

Oh, Praise the Gracious Power



- 1 Oh, praise the gra - cious pow'r that tum - bles walls of fear
2 Oh, praise per - sis - tent truth that o - pens fist - ed minds
3 Oh, praise in - clu - sive love, en - cir - cling ev - 'ry race,
4 Oh, praise the word of faith that claims us as God's own,
5 Oh, praise the tide of grace that laps at ev - 'ry shore



and gath - ers in one house of faith all strang - ers far and near:
and eas - es from their anx - ious clutch the prej - u - dice that blinds:
ob - liv - i - ous to gen - der, wealth, to so - cial rank or place:
a liv - ing tem - ple built on Christ, our rock and cor - ner - stone:
with vi - sions of a world at peace, no lon - ger bled by war:

Refrain



We praise you, Christ! Your cross has made us one!

- 6 Oh, praise the pow'r, the truth,
the love, the word, the tide.
Yet more than these, oh, praise their source,
praise Christ the crucified: *Refrain*
- 7 Oh, praise the living Christ
with faith's bright songful voice!
Announce the gospel to the world
and with these words rejoice: *Refrain*

Text: Thomas H. Troeger, b. 1945

Music: CHRISTPRAISE RAY, Carol Doran, b. 1936

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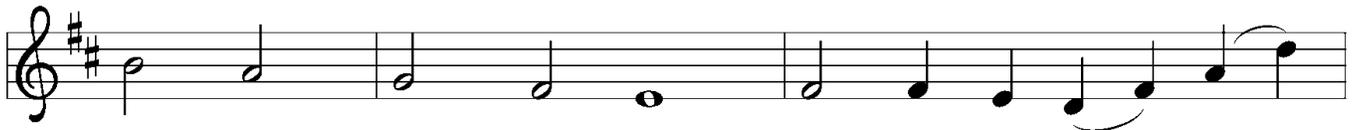
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SENDING HYMN #434

Jesus Shall Reign



1 Je - sus shall reign wher - e'er the sun does its suc -
2 To him shall end - less prayer be made, and prais - es
3 Peo - ple and realms of ev - 'ry tongue dwell on his
4 Bless - ings a - bound wher - e'er he reigns: the pris - 'ners
5 Let ev - 'ry crea - ture rise and bring pe - cu - liar



ces - sive jour - neys run; his king - dom stretch from
throng to crown his head; his name like sweet per -
love with sweet - est song; and in - fant voic - es
leap to lose their chains, the wea - ry find e -
hon - ors to our king; an - gels de - scend with



shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.
fume shall rise with ev - 'ry morn - ing sac - ri - fice.
shall pro - claim their ear - ly bless - ings on his name.
ter - nal rest, and all who suf - fer want are blest.
songs a - gain, and earth re - peat the loud a - men.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674-1748, alt.

Music: DUKE STREET, attr. John Hatton, d. 1793