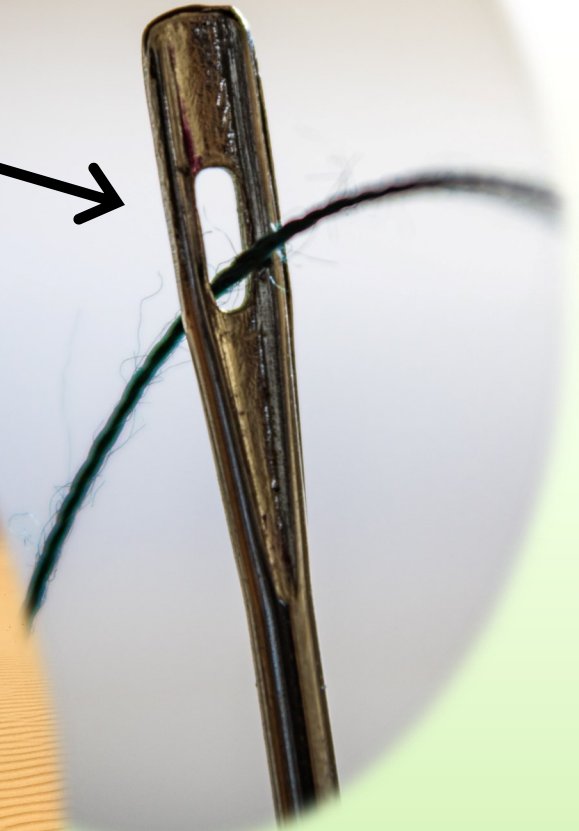


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## *All are welcome!*

Welcome to all God's guests, including those who call themselves "members" of this church named Ascension Lutheran Church more than 50 years ago.

A special welcome to guests who are here for the first time or who call yourselves "visitors" among the people of this community. It is at God's invitation, through worship, the Holy Spirit calls each of us to come to a place of **community, communion and commitment**. Each of us brings a different lens to worship, and yet, in a worshiping community, these differences become celebrations of diversity.

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### *Introduction*

*The rich man who comes to ask Jesus what he should do to inherit eternal life is a good man, sincere in his asking. Mark's gospel is alone in saying that Jesus looked on him and loved him. Out of love, not as judgment, Jesus offers him an open door to life: sell all you own and give it to the poor. Our culture bombards us with the message that we will find life by consuming. Our assemblies counter this message with the invitation to find life by divesting for the sake of the other.*

# Welcome to Worship

## Confession and Forgiveness

Please stand in body or spirit.

*P* Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God,  
whose teaching is life,  
whose presence is sure,  
and whose love is endless.

**All Amen**

*P* Let us confess our sins to the one who welcomes us with an open heart.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

God our comforter,

**All like lost sheep, we have gone astray.**

**We gaze upon abundance and see scarcity.**

**We turn our faces away from injustice and oppression.**

**We exploit the earth with our apathy and greed.**

**Free us from our sin, gracious God.**

**Listen when we call out to you for help.**

**Lead us by your love to love our neighbors as ourselves.**

**Amen.**

*P* All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.

By the gift of grace in ✝ Christ Jesus, God makes you righteous.

Receive with glad hearts the forgiveness of all your sins.

**All Amen.**

## *Kyrie and Hymn of Praise*

*P* Kyrie eleison

**All** Lord, have mercy.

*P* Christe eleison:

**All** Christ, have mercy.

*P* Kyrie eleison:

**All** Lord, have mercy.

*Refrain*

**Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest;  
glory to God, glory to God, and peace to God's people on earth.**

**1. Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father:**

**We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. *Refrain***

**2. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us.**

**You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer. *Refrain***

**3. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen. *Ending***

*Ending*

**Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest;  
glory to God, glory to God, and peace to God's people on earth,  
and peace to God's people on earth.**

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## *The Greeting*

*P* The Lord be with you.

**All** And also with you.



## *Prayer of the Day*

P Almighty and ever-living God,

**All increase in us your gift of faith, that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to what lies ahead, we may follow the way of your commandments and receive the crown of everlasting joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

**Amen.**

[You may be Seated](#)

## *A Reading from Amos, the 5<sup>th</sup> chapter*

*Amos was a herdsman by profession and a prophet by God's call. During a time of great prosperity in the northern kingdom of Israel, the prophet speaks to the wealthy upper class. He warns his listeners that fulfilling God's demand for justice brings blessing, while corruption and oppression incur God's wrath.*

<sup>6</sup> Seek the LORD and live, or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire, and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it.

<sup>7</sup> Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood,  
and bring righteousness to the ground!

<sup>10</sup> They hate the one who reproves in the gate,  
and they abhor the one who speaks the truth.

<sup>11</sup> Therefore because you trample on the poor  
and take from them levies of grain, you have built houses of hewn stone,  
but you shall not live in them;

you have planted pleasant vineyards, but you shall not drink their wine.

<sup>12</sup> For I know how many are your transgressions,  
and how great are your sins—you who afflict the righteous, who take a  
bribe, and push aside the needy in the gate.

<sup>13</sup> Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time; for it is an evil time.

<sup>14</sup> Seek good and not evil, that you may live;  
and so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with you, just as you have said.

<sup>15</sup> Hate evil and love good, and establish justice in the gate;

it may be that the LORD, the God of hosts,  
will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

*Amos 5:6-7, 10-15*

L The Word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God!**

*A Reading from Hebrews, the 4<sup>th</sup> chapter*

*We cannot hide our thoughts, desires, and actions from God, to whom we are completely accountable. Nevertheless, Jesus understands our human weakness and temptations, because he also experienced them. Therefore we can approach the throne of grace to receive divine mercy from Christ.*

<sup>12</sup>Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. <sup>13</sup>And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

<sup>14</sup>Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. <sup>15</sup>For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin.

<sup>16</sup>Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

*Hebrews 4:12-16*

L The Word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God!**

*Gospel Acclamation*

*Please stand in body or spirit.*

♪ ♪ Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path. ♪ ♪  
Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

## Gospel Reading

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 10<sup>th</sup> chapter.

### All Glory to you, O Lord.

*Jesus has been teaching his disciples about what is most valued in God's eyes. Now, a conversation with a rich man brings his message home to the disciples in a way that is surprising but unforgettable.*

<sup>17</sup>As [Jesus] was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" <sup>18</sup>Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. <sup>19</sup>You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.' " <sup>20</sup>He said to him, "Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth." <sup>21</sup>Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, "You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." <sup>22</sup>When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

<sup>23</sup>Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" <sup>24</sup>And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! <sup>25</sup>It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." <sup>26</sup>They were greatly astounded and said to one another, "Then who can be saved?" <sup>27</sup>Jesus looked at them and said, "For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible."

<sup>28</sup>Peter began to say to him, "Look, we have left everything and followed you." <sup>29</sup>Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, <sup>30</sup>who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. <sup>31</sup>But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first."

*P* The Gospel of our Lord.

**All Praise to you, O Christ.**

*You may be Seated*

*Sermon*

*Pr. Debra Jimenez*

*Hymn of the Day*

*Please stand in body or spirit.*

## **More Love, More Power**

*Chorus*

**More love, More power, More of You in my life.  
More love, More power, More of You in my life.**

*Verse 1*

And I will worship You with all of my heart  
And I will worship You with all of my mind  
And I will worship You with all of my strength  
For You are my Lord *chorus*

*Verse 2*

And I will seek Your face with all of my heart  
And I will seek Your face with all of my mind  
And I will seek Your face with all of my strength  
For You are my Lord *chorus*

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*You may be Seated*

*Apostles' Creed*

*P* Joining with the saints across the ages, let us confess our faith with the words of the 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.**

### *Prayers of Intercession*

**L** Made children and heirs of God's promise, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

♪ ♪ Change my heart oh God, make it ever true ♪ ♪  
Change my heart oh God, may I be like You.

*(each prayer petition ends with)*

**L:** Lord, in your mercy,      **All:** You hear our prayer.

### *Sharing the Peace*

*In our continued physical distancing out of love for the health of one another, we will share the peace of our risen Lord by "speaking" that peace through sign language.*

**P** Christ become peace with you.

**All** And also with you.

## Offering

*While we still will not physically pass the offering plates we will continue to have the plates available at the entrance to receive your offerings and will lift them up in thanksgiving before the throne of grace.*

♪ ♪ Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One, ♪ ♪  
give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ, his Son.

And now let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am rich,"  
because of what the Lord has done for us. Give thanks!

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## Offertory Prayer

*P* God of abundance, you cause streams to break forth in the desert  
and manna to rain from the heavens.

**All** **Accept the gifts you have first given us.**  
**Unite them with the offering of our lives**  
**to nourish the world you love so dearly;**  
**through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## The Great Thanksgiving and Words of Institution

*P* The Lord be with you

**All** **And also with you.**

*P* Lift up your hearts.

**All** **We lift them to the Lord.**

*P* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All** **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

*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.

*P* 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.

### *The Lord's Prayer*

*P* Make us bold, O merciful God, to address you as our Abba as we pray:

**All** 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.

### *The Invitation*

*P* All who hunger and thirst, come. The table is ready.

### *Sharing the Meal*

*P* The body of Christ broken for you.

**All** Amen

*P* The blood of Christ shed for you.

**All** Amen

### *Post Communion Blessing*

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

**All** Amen

## *Stewardship of Life & Ministry Announcements*

## Benediction

Please stand as you are able.

*P* People of God, you are Christ's body,  
bringing new life to a suffering world.

The holy Trinity, ✝ one God, bless you now and forever.

**All Amen.**

## Sending Song

### Great is the Lord

#### Verse

Great is the Lord, He is holy and just,  
By His power we trust in His love.  
Great is the Lord, He is faithful and true,  
By His mercy He proves He is love.

#### Chorus

Great is the Lord, and worthy of glory.  
Great is the Lord, and worthy of praise.  
Great is the Lord,  
Now, lift up your voice! Now, lift up your voice!  
Great is the Lord! *(2nd time to ending)*

#### Ending

Great are You Lord!

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## Dismissal

*P* <sup>16</sup>Rejoice always, <sup>17</sup>pray without ceasing, <sup>18</sup>give thanks in all  
circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

*1 Thessalonians 5:16-1*

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

**All Thanks be to God.**

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