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*13th Sunday after Pentecost*



## Ascension Lutheran Church

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### Welcome to Worship...

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.

**Children are always welcome in worship services;  
however please know a nursery space is available for  
parents who need to tend to their little ones**

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### Introduction

*Wisdom prepares a feast, sets her table, and invites all to come and eat her bread and drink her wine. The first chapter of John's gospel owes much to the biblical tradition that imagined Wisdom as existing before anything was created and having a role in the work of creation. Christ, the wisdom of God (1 Cor. 1:24), today invites us to eat his flesh and drink his blood. John's gospel includes no account of the institution of the Lord's supper, but here we can't help hearing Jesus' words as an invitation to the meal of bread and wine we share.*

# Welcome to Worship

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

**All** And also with you.

*Please stand in body or spirit.*

## Kyrie eleison



All  
*Refrain* Ky - ri - e e - lei - son, on our world and on our way.



Ky - ri - e e - lei - son, ev - 'ry day.

*Last time*



1 For peace in the world, for the  
 2 That we may live out your im -  
 3 For peace in our hearts, for  
 4 For your Spir - it to guide; that you



health of the church, for the u - ni - ty of all;  
 passionate re - sponse to the hun - gry and the poor;  
 peace in our homes, for friends and fam - i - ly;  
 cen - ter our lives in the wa - ter and the word;



for this ho - ly house, for all who wor - ship and praise,  
 that we may live out . . . truth and jus - tice and grace,  
 for life and for love, . . . for our work and our play,  
 that you nour - ish our souls . . . with your bo - dy and blood,



let us pray to the Lord, <sub>3</sub> let us pray to the Lord.

*Refrain*

## Confession and Forgiveness

*P* Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God,  
the God of manna,  
the God of miracles,  
the God of mercy.

**All Amen.**

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

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

God, our provider,

**All 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.**

## Prayer for This Day

**P** Ever-loving God, your Son gave himself as living bread for the life of the world.

**All** Open our eyes to see your presence everywhere.

You invite us to dine at Wisdom's feast.

You are the bread that comes from heaven, giving us everlasting life, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

[You may be Seated](#)

## A Reading from Proverbs, the 9<sup>th</sup> chapter

*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.*

<sup>1</sup>Wisdom has built her house,  
she has hewn her seven pillars.

<sup>2</sup>She has slaughtered her animals, she has mixed her wine,  
she has also set her table.

<sup>3</sup>She has sent out her servant-girls, she calls  
from the highest places in the town,

<sup>4</sup>"You that are simple, turn in here!"

To those without sense she says,

<sup>5</sup>"Come, eat of my bread  
and drink of the wine I have mixed.

<sup>6</sup>Lay aside immaturity, and live,  
and walk in the way of insight."

Proverbs 9:1-6

**L** The Word of the Lord,

**All** Thanks be to God!

## A Reading from Ephesians the 5<sup>th</sup> chapter

*True wisdom integrates our new reality in Christ with our Christian fellowship and daily conduct. Because we are filled with the Spirit, Christians regularly rejoice together, give thanks to God for one another, and care for one another. In this way we revere our Lord Jesus Christ.*

<sup>15</sup> Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, <sup>16</sup> making the most of the time, because the days are evil. <sup>17</sup> So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. <sup>18</sup> Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, <sup>19</sup> as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, <sup>20</sup> giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

*Ephesians 5:15-20*

*L* The Word of the Lord,

**All** Thanks be to God!

### Gospel Acclamation

*Please stand in body or spirit.*



Thy Word is a lamp un-to\_\_\_ my feet and a light un-to my path.



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## Gospel Reading

*P* The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 6<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**All** **Glory to you, O Lord.**

*In John's gospel, the feeding of the five thousand leads to extended teaching in which Jesus identifies himself as the true "bread of life." Finally, in these verses, he makes a connection that would not be understood until after his death, in light of the church's celebration of holy communion.*

[Jesus said,] <sup>51</sup>"I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

<sup>52</sup>The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" <sup>53</sup>So Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. <sup>54</sup>Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; <sup>55</sup>for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. <sup>56</sup>Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. <sup>57</sup>Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. <sup>58</sup>This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever."

*John 6:51-58*

*P* The Gospel of our Lord.

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

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## Blessing of the Backpacks

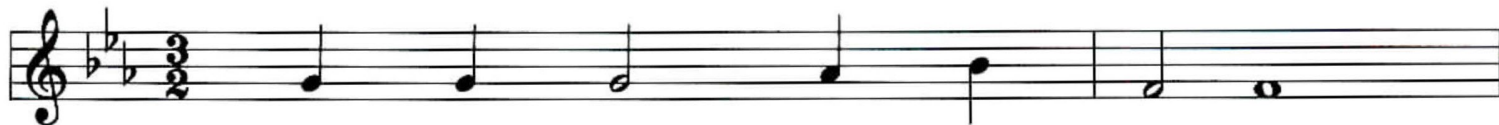
Sermon

**Pr. Debra Jimenez**

# Hymn of the Day

*Please stand in body or spirit.*

## We Shall Rise Again



1. Come to me, all you wea - ry,  
2. Though we walk through the dark - ness,  
4. Do not fear death's do - min - ion,



with your bur - dens and pain.  
e - vil we do not fear.  
look be - yond earth and grave.



Take my yoke on your shoul - ders and  
You are walk - ing be - side us with your  
See the bright - ness of Je - sus shin - ing



learn from me:  
rod and your staff.  
out to light our way.



I am gen - tle and hum - ble,  
On - ly good - ness and kind - ness  
Lov - ing Fa - ther and Spir - it,



and your soul will find rest,  
fol - low us all our lives.  
lov - ing Je - sus the Son,





For my yoke is eas - y and my  
 We shall dwell in the Lord's house for so  
 All God's peo - ple to - geth - er, we shall



bur - den is light.  
 man - y years to come!  
 live on as one! We shall



rise a - gain on the last day with the faith - ful, rich and



poor. Com - ing to the house of Lord Je - sus, we will



find an o - pen door there, we will find an o - pen



door.

Text: Matthew 11:29-30, Psalm 23, John 11, 2 Timothy 2; Jeremy Young, b.1948  
 Tune: RESURRECTION; Irregular with refrain; Jeremy Young, b.1948  
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## Apostles' Creed

**P** Let us join together with the saints across the ages confessing 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.**

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## Prayers of The People

**WA** 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.



O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer: when I call, an - swer me.



O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer: come and lis - ten to me.

(each prayer petition ends with)

**WA:** Merciful God,

**All:** receive our prayer.

## Passing of the Peace

Please stand in body or spirit.

**P** Jesus Christ become peace with you.

**All** And also with you.

## Offertory

You may be Seated



What have we to of - fer? What have we to share?



Coins from the cof - fer, hearts filled with care.



God will not fal - ter; so let us dare



lay it at the al - tar there.

## 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.**

## Holy Communion

*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.

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

*Please stand in body or spirit.*

*P* God in Community, Holy and One,  
we lift our prayers to you, saying ...

*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* Christ has set the table with more than enough for all.  
Come!

Note: the communion cups on the periphery of the tray contain red wine while the cups in the center contain white grape juice.

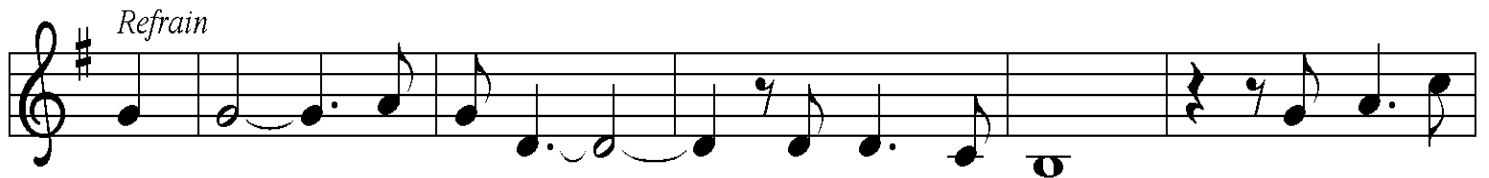
*Gluten Free wafers available –ask the communion attendant*

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for all people  
for the forgiveness of sin



**All are Welcome!**

# One Bread, One Body



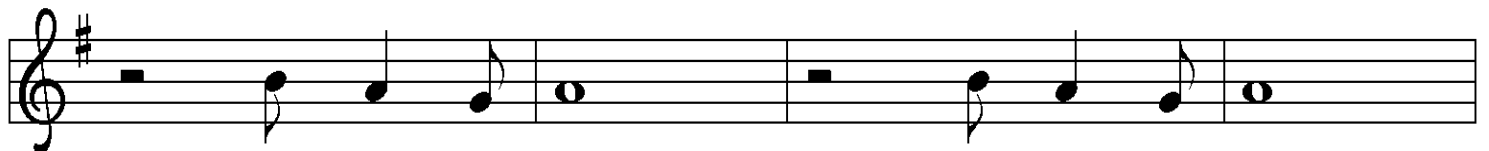
One bread, one bod-y, one Lord of all; one cup of



bless-ing which we bless, and we, though man-y



through-out the earth, we are one bod - y in this one Lord.



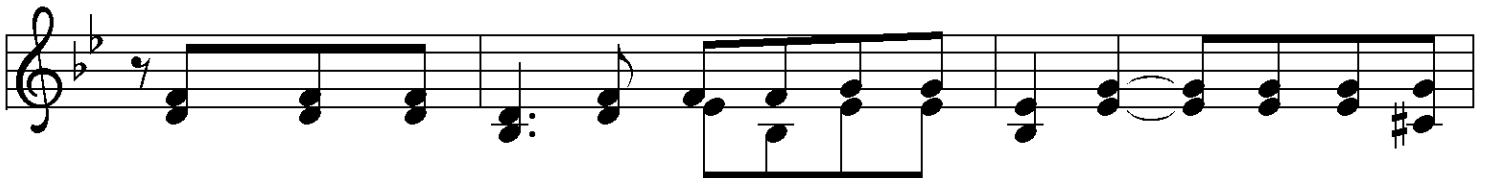
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2	Man - y	the	gifts,	man - y	the	works,
3	Grain for	the	fields,	scat - tered	and	grown,



wom - an	or	man,	no	more.
one in	the	Lord	of	all.
gath - ered	to	one	for	all.

*Refrain*

# How Great Thou Art



1 O Lord my God, when I in awe-some won - der con - sid - er  
 2 When through the woods and for - est glades I wan - der, I hear the  
 3 But when I think that God, his Son not spar - ing, sent him to  
 4 When Christ shall come, with shout of ac - cla - ma - tion, and take me



all the works thy hand hath made, I see the stars, I hear the might-y  
 birds sing sweet-ly in the trees; when I look down from loft - y moun-tain  
 die, I scarce can take it in, that on the cross my bur - den glad - ly  
 home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in hum - ble ad - o -



thun - der, thy pow'r through-out the u - ni - verse dis - played;  
 gran - deur and hear the brook and feel the gen - tle breeze;  
 bear - ing he bled and died to take a - way my sin;  
 ra - tion and there pro - claim, "My God, how great thou art!"

## *Refrain*



Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior God, to thee, how great thou



art! How great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior God, to



thee, how great thou art! How great thou art!

## Post Communion Blessing and Prayer

*Please stand in body or spirit.*

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

**All Amen**

*P* Let us pray,  
Jesus, Bread of life,

**All we have received from your table more than we could ever ask.  
As you have nourished us in this meal,  
now strengthen us to love the world with your own life.  
In your name we pray. Amen**

*You may be Seated*

## Stewardship of Life & Ministry Announcements

### Benediction

*Please stand in body or spirit.*

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

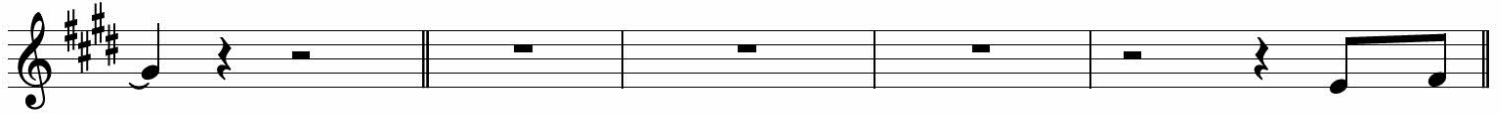
**All Amen.**



# Sending Song

## Everywhere I Go

Words and Music by  
Jason Ingram, Paul Mabury  
and Tim Timmons



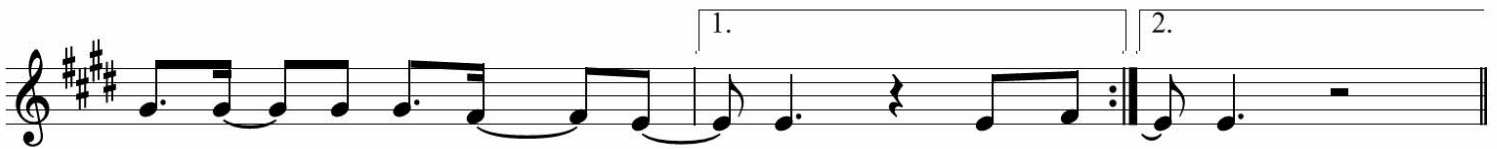
1. There's a  
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fu - ture \_ that runs through \_ my \_ veins. There's a fu - ture \_ that runs through \_ my \_



\_\_\_ name. Yes, as I run \_ this race, I \_\_\_ am cheered by \_\_\_ the saints. There's a  
\_\_\_ veins. And there's noth - ing \_ on earth that \_ could stand in \_\_\_ the way. There's a



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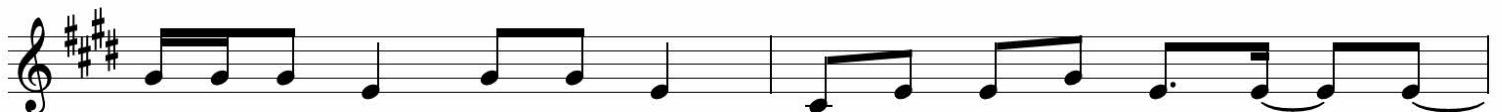
### CHORUS



Ev - 'ry - where I go on this road, high and low, where I go, I go with \_ You. \_



So I won't be a - fraid,



this is my hope come what may. Where I go, I go with \_ You. \_



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Readings for next Sunday,  
August 25<sup>th</sup>  
14<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

<b>First Reading:</b>	Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18
<b>Psalm:</b>	Psalm 34:15-22
<b>Second Reading:</b>	Ephesians 6:10-20
<b>Gospel:</b>	John 6:56-69

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