

Augustana
where Lutherans and Anglicans worship together
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Welcome to worship. ...

Thanks: *just like on a Sunday morning when we worship together there are many who make it possible for us to worship together. Look at the end of the video for all those names.*

GREETING

As we begin our time of worship we ask that the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with us.

GATHERING SONG

Glory to God in the highest and peace to God's people on earth

Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory

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 on the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer. 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.

CHILDREN'S TIME

Immediately

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Lord Jesus Christ, with those you called by the lakeside, may we follow you, proclaiming the reign of God, and sharing your mission to bring good news to all; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

READING: Jonah 3:1-5

3 The word of the LORD came to Jonah a second time, saying, ²“Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you.” ³So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a

three days' walk across. ⁴ Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's walk. And he cried out, "Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!" ⁵ And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth.

¹⁰ When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

Word of God, Word of life **Thanks be to God**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia. Lord to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia.

GOSPEL

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark 1:14-20

Glory to you O Lord

¹⁴ Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news^[a] of God,^[b] ¹⁵ and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near;^[c] repent, and believe in the good news."^[d]

¹⁶ As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. ¹⁷ And Jesus said to them, "Follow me and I will make you fish for people." ¹⁸ And immediately they left their nets and followed him. ¹⁹ As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. ²⁰ Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

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

MEDITATION

An ELCIC Bishop or Assistant

HYMN #720

WE ARE CALLED, Vs. 1, 2, 3

Come! live in the light!
 Shine with the joy and the love of the Lord!
 We are called to be light for the kingdom,
 to live in the freedom of the city of God!

Refrain:

We are called to act with justice,
 We are called to love tenderly;
 We are called to serve one another, to walk humbly with God.

Come! Open your heart!
 Show your mercy to all those in fear!
 We are called to be hope for the hopeless,
 so hatred and blindness will be no more! (Refrain)

Sing! Sing a new song!
 Sing of that great day when all will be one!
 God will reign, and we'll walk with each other
 as sisters and brothers united in love. (Refrain)

CONFESSION OF SIN AND ABSOLUTION

Blessed be the Trinity + one God, who was in the beginning, who makes a dwelling among us, who covers us with justice and mercy. Amen.

Let us confess our sin: God of goodness and lovingkindness,

We confess that we have sinned against you and our neighbors. We have turned away from your invitation to new life. We have turned away from the lowly and downtrodden. In your abundant mercy, forgive us our sins, those we know and those known only to you, for the sake of the one who came to live among us, Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

Hear the good news of peace and salvation! God forgives us all our sins, not through our own work, but through + Jesus Christ, made known to all people. With all who come to the manger rejoice in this amazing gift of grace. **AMEN.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Let us join hearts and voices together in prayer. Each short prayer will end with the words “Let us pray” and you can make the prayer your own by responding “**Have mercy, O God.**”

Guided by Christ made known to the nations, let us offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all people in need.

A brief silence.

For the church throughout the world, for pastors and teachers, for deacons and deaconesses, and for musicians and servers, that all proclaim the good news of God’s reconciling love;

Let us pray . . . **Have mercy, O God.**

For skies and seas, for birds and fish, for favourable weather and clean water, and for the wellbeing of creation, that God raise up advocates and scientists to guide our care for all the earth;

Let us pray . . . **Have mercy, O God.**

For our communities, our leaders, and ourselves that, when shown our wrong would, like Nineveh, repent and change our direction.

Let us pray . . . **Have mercy, O God.**

For those who provide leadership in our cities and around the world. We pray especially for our brothers and sisters in the United States and Uganda that there would be a peaceful completion of their national elections. We pray also for non-profit and nongovernmental organizations, for planning commissions and advocates for the homeless that God would inspire all people in the just use of wealth.

Let us pray . . . **Have mercy, O God.**

For those who are sick, distressed, or grieving; for the outcast and all who await relief especially Elsie, Audrey, Orville and Carol, Bruce, Gloria, Logan, William, Marcus, Bishop Gomez, Brodie, Karin, Anthony, Robert, Curtis, Linda, Marci, Gayle, Evelyn, Lisa, Danielle, Inger, Anne Jane, Deanna, Ron, Marlene, Martha, and all those we name aloud or in the silence of our hearts(*a pause to offer time to name others*).

In the midst of suffering may God's peace and mercy surround them;

Let us pray . . . **Have mercy, O God.**

Compassionate God, we pray for all who live in vulnerable circumstances: the homeless, the unemployed and under employed, those living in outbreak in care homes, correctional facilities, and prisons. We pray for safety for the Alhamad – Wahid family, the Iqbal family and all refugees living in precarious situations.

Let us pray . . . **Have mercy, O God.**

We pray for all people who care for others in our community and around the world. Especially we pray for health care workers, caregivers, essential workers, and those who are undertaking the immense task of vaccinating our province, country, and the world. Fill them with compassion and give them the strength and energy to continue their work.

Let us pray . . . **Have mercy, O God.**

We pray for international seminary student Tewodros Gebrehiwot and his family as they prepare to move to Saskatoon in the near future. Be with them as they travel and as they adjust to quarantine and winter in Canada.

Let us pray . . . **Have mercy, O God.**

In thanksgiving for our ancestors in the faith whose lives serve as an example of gospel living, that they point us to salvation through Christ;

Let us pray . . . **Have mercy, O God.**

Merciful God, hear the prayers of your people, spoken or silent for the sake of the one who dwells among us, your Son, Jesus Christ our Saviour.

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

Knowing how God loves us as a Mother and a Father we pray in the words Jesus taught us:

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
 your kingdom come, your will be done,
 on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

God the Creator strengthen you

Jesus the beloved fill you

And the Holy Spirit the comforter keep you in peace. **AMEN**

God in peace. Be the light of Christ.

THANKS BE TO GOD

SENDING SONG #866 WE ARE MARCHING IN THE LIGHT (vs. 1, 2, 4)

We are marching in the light of God,
 We are marching in the light of God.
 We are marching in the light of God,
 We are marching in the light of God.
 We are marching, (marching)
 We are marching, oh-oo
 We are marching in the light of God.
 We are marching, (marching)
 We are marching, oh-oo
 We are marching in the light of God.

We are dancing in the light of God,
 We are dancing in the light of God.
 We are dancing in the light of God,
 We are dancing in the light of God.
 We are dancing, (dancing)
 We are dancing, oh-oo.

We are dancing in the light of God.
 We are dancing, (dancing)
 We are dancing, oh-oo
 We are dancing in the light of God.

We are singing in the light of God,
 We are singing in the light of God.
 We are singing in the light of God,
 We are singing in the light of God.
 We are singing, (singing)
 We are singing, oh-oo.
 We are singing in the light of God.
 We are singing, (singing)
 We are singing, oh-oo
 We are singing in the light of God.

THANKS

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