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EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN WORSHIP

“SERVICE OF THE WORD”

ONLINE WORSHIP VIA YOUTUBE



7TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JULY 19, 2020

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

*The congregation is invited to reply in places where the **bold** print appears.*

PRELUDE: Hymn #720

– Dave Lingensjo

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
whose steadfast love is everlasting,
whose faithfulness endures from generation to generation.

Amen.

Trusting in the mercy of God, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Reconciling God,

we confess that we do not trust your abundance, and we deny your presence in our lives. We place our hope in ourselves and rely on our own efforts.

We fail to believe that you provide enough for all.

We abuse your good creation for our own benefit.

We fear difference and do not welcome others as you have welcomed us.

We sin in thought, word, and deed.

By your grace, forgive us; through your love, renew us; and in your Spirit, lead us; so that we may live and serve you in newness of life. Amen.

Beloved of God, by the radical abundance of divine mercy
we have peace with God through † Christ Jesus, through whom we have obtained
grace upon grace.

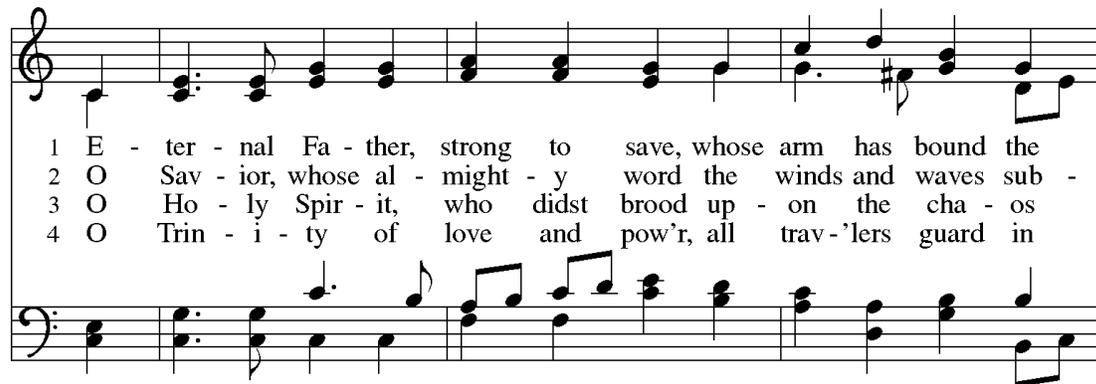
Our sins are forgiven. Let us live now in hope.

For hope does not disappoint, because God's love has been poured into our hearts
through the Holy Spirit.

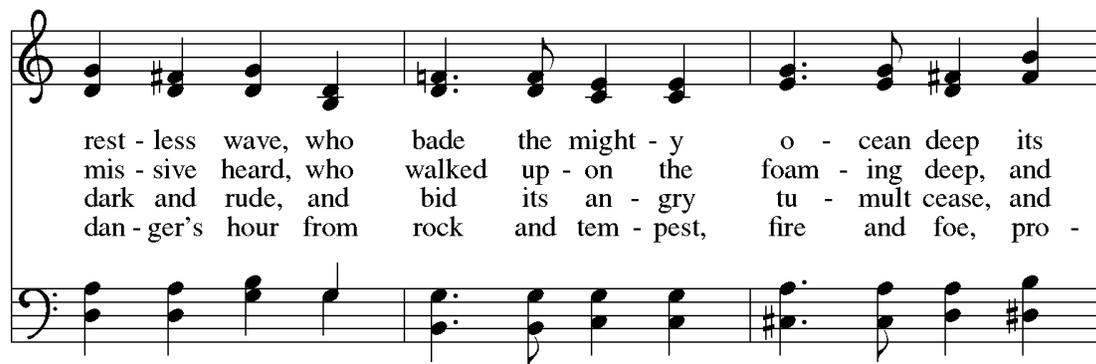
Amen.

GATHERING SONG: Hymn #756

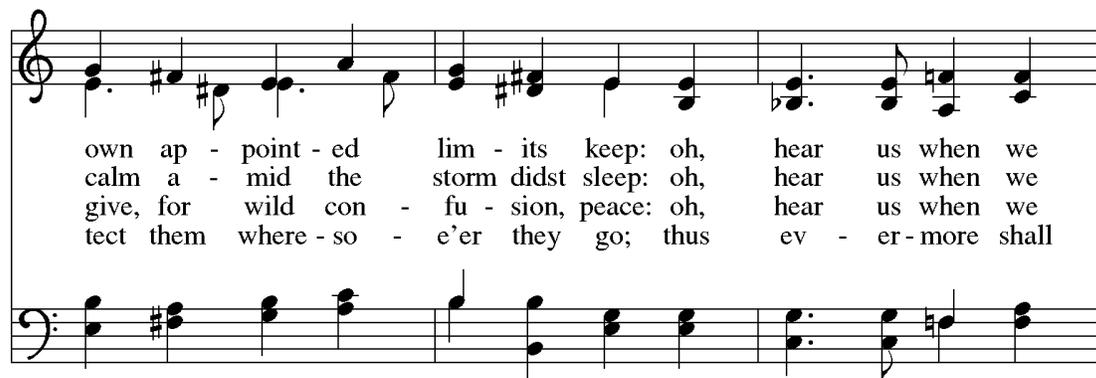
Eternal Father, Strong to Save



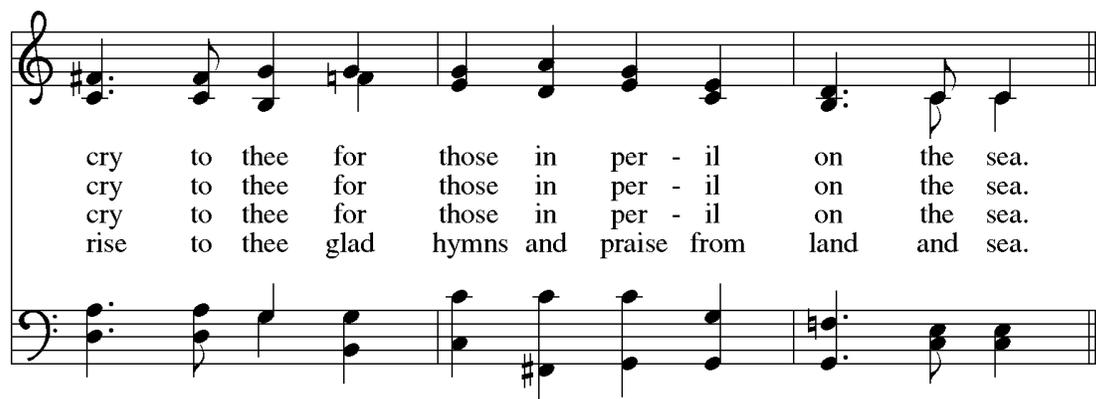
1 E - ter - nal Fa - ther, strong to save, whose arm has bound the
2 O Sav - ior, whose al - might - y word the winds and waves sub -
3 O Ho - ly Spir - it, who didst brood up - on the cha - os
4 O Trin - i - ty of love and pow'r, all trav - 'lers guard in



rest - less wave, who bade the might - y o - cean deep its
mis - sive heard, who walked up - on the foam - ing deep, and
dark and rude, and bid its an - gry tu - mult cease, and
dan - ger's hour from rock and tem - pest, fire and foe, pro -



own ap - point - ed lim - its keep: oh, hear us when we
calm a - mid the storm didst sleep: oh, hear us when we
give, for wild con - fu - sion, peace: oh, hear us when we
tect them where - so - e'er they go; thus ev - er - more shall



cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.
cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.
cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.
rise to thee glad hymns and praise from land and sea.

GREETING

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

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Faithful God, most merciful judge, you care for your children with firmness and compassion. By your Spirit nurture us who live in your kingdom, that we may be rooted in the way of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 44: 6-8

A reading from Isaiah.

⁶Thus says the LORD, the King of Israel,
and his Redeemer, the LORD of hosts:

I am the first and I am the last;
besides me there is no god.

⁷Who is like me? Let them proclaim it,
let them declare and set it forth before me.

Who has announced from of old the things to come?

Let them tell us what is yet to be.

⁸Do not fear, or be afraid;

have I not told you from of old and declared it?

You are my witnesses!

Is there any god besides me?

There is no other rock; I know not one.

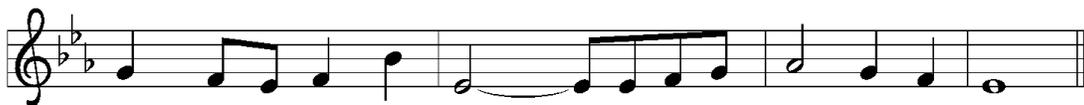
Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

A time of silence follows the reading.

PSALM: Psalm 86: 11-17

Refrain:



Teach me your way, O LORD, and I will walk in your truth.

Psalm 86:11

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¹¹Teach me your way, O LORD, and I will walk | in your truth;
give me an undivided heart to re- | vere your name.

¹²**I will thank you, O Lord my God, with | all my heart,
and glorify your name for- | evermore. R**

¹³For great is your | love toward me;
you have delivered me from the | pit of death.

¹⁴**The arrogant rise up against me, O God, and a band of violent people |
seeks my life;
they have not set you be- | fore their eyes.**

¹⁵But you, O Lord, are gracious and full | of compassion,
slow to anger, and full of kind- | ness and truth.

¹⁶**Turn to me and have mer- | cy on me;
give your strength to your servant, and save the child | of your handmaid.**

¹⁷**Show me a sign of your favor, so that those who hate me may see it and be |
put to shame;
because you, LORD, have helped me and com- | forted me. R**

A time of silence follows the psalm.

SECOND READING: Romans 8: 12-25

A reading from Romans.

¹²So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh—¹³for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, “Abba! Father!” ¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

¹⁸I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. ¹⁹For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; ²⁰for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope ²¹that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. ²²We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; ²³and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. ²⁴For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? ²⁵But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

A time of silence follows the reading.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia. The word is very | near to you;* it is in your mouth and | in your heart.

Alleluia. (Deut. 30:14)

GOSPEL: Matthew 13: 24-30, 36-43

The holy gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

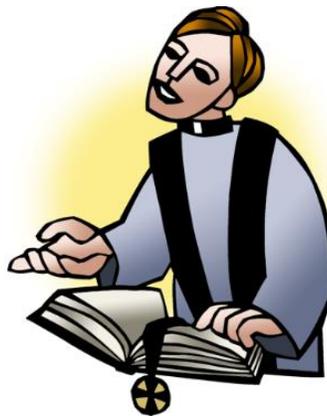
²⁴[Jesus] put before [the crowds] another parable: “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field;²⁵ but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away.²⁶ So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well.²⁷ And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, ‘Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?’²⁸ He answered, ‘An enemy has done this.’ The slaves said to him, ‘Then do you want us to go and gather them?’²⁹ But he replied, ‘No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them.³⁰ Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.’ ”

³⁶Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, “Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.”³⁷ He answered, “The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man;³⁸ the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one,³⁹ and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels.⁴⁰ Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age.⁴¹ The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers,⁴² and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.⁴³ Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!”

The gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON – *Rev. Chad R. Adamik*

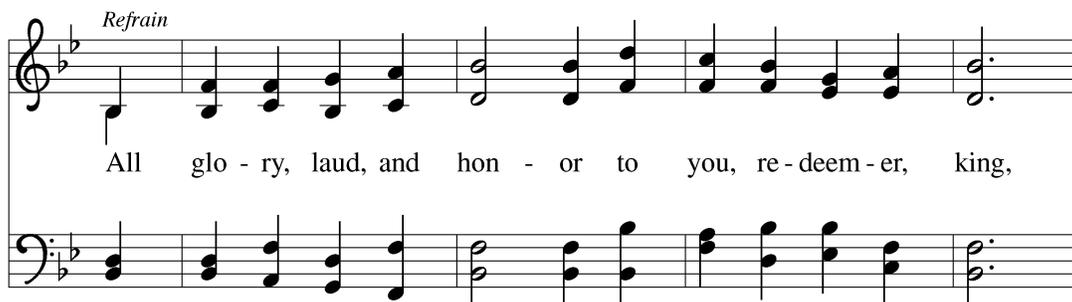
A time of silence follows the sermon.



SONG OF THE DAY: Hymn #344

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

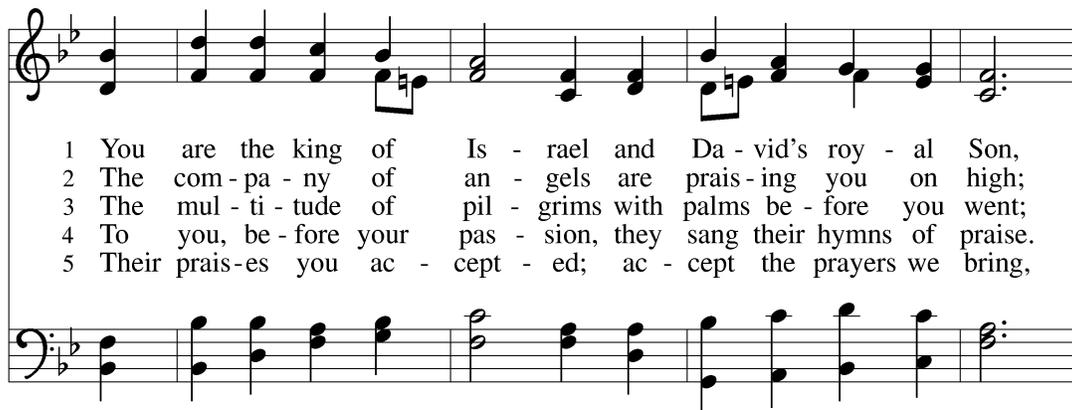
Refrain



All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to you, re - deem - er, king,

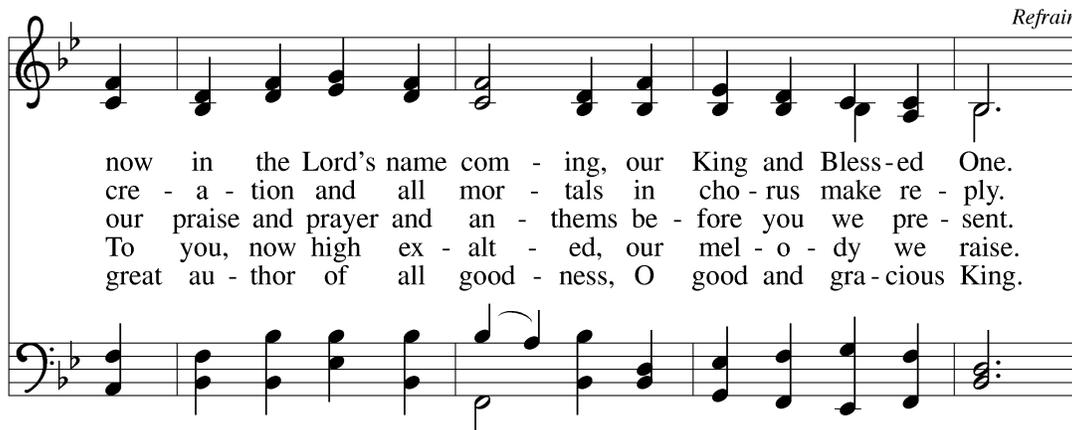


to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring.



1 You are the king of Is - rael and Da - vid's roy - al Son,
2 The com - pa - ny of an - gels are prais - ing you on high;
3 The mul - ti - tude of pil - grims with palms be - fore you went;
4 To you, be - fore your pas - sion, they sang their hymns of praise.
5 Their prais - es you ac - cept - ed; ac - cept the prayers we bring,

Refrain



now in the Lord's name com - ing, our King and Bless - ed One.
cre - a - tion and all mor - tals in cho - rus make re - ply.
our praise and prayer and an - thems be - fore you we pre - sent.
To you, now high ex - alt - ed, our mel - o - dy we raise.
great au - thor of all good - ness, O good and gra - cious King.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Confident of your care and helped by the Holy Spirit, we pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need. *(Brief Silence)*

God of the harvest, you sow the good seed of the gospel of Jesus Christ into your field. Help your church throughout the world to be both diligent and patient, full of resolve and gentleness, that our witness may be faithful to your intentions. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

God of all space and time, your whole creation groans in labor pains, awaiting the gift of new birth. Renew the earth, sky, and sea, so that all your creation experiences freedom from the bondage of decay. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

God of the nations, teach us your ways, that we may walk in your truth. Mend the fabric of the human family, now torn apart by our fearful and warring ways. Guide us by your mercy, grace, and steadfast love. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

God of hope, you accompany those who suffer and are near to the brokenhearted. Open our hearts to your children who are lonely and abandoned, who feel trapped by despair, and all who suffer in any way *(especially those we now name...)*. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

God of the seasons, in the midst of summer, give us refreshment, renewal, and new opportunities. We pray for the safety of those who travel. We pray for those who cannot take the rest they need. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

God of life, those who have died in you shine like the sun in your endless kingdom. We remember with thanksgiving the saints of all times and places and saints close to us. Gather us with them on the day of salvation. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

In the certain hope that nothing can separate us from your love, we offer these prayers to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.
And with you, too.



CANTICLE OF THANKSGIVING:

**Salvation belongs to our God
and to Christ the Lamb forever and ever.**

**Great and wonderful are your deeds,
O God of the universe;**

**just and true are your ways,
O Ruler of all the nations.**

**Who can fail to honor you, Lord,
and sing the glory of your name?**

**Salvation belongs to our God
and to Christ the Lamb forever and ever.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,
and blessed is the one**

whose name is the Word of God.

All praise and thanks to you, holy God!

**Salvation belongs to our God
and to Christ the Lamb forever and ever.**



THANKSGIVING FOR THE WORD

Let us pray.

Praise and thanks to you, holy God, for by your Word you made all things: you spoke light into darkness, called forth beauty from chaos, and brought life into being. For your Word of life, O God,
we give you thanks and praise.

By your Word you called your people Israel to tell of your wonderful gifts: freedom from captivity, water on the desert journey, a pathway home from exile, wisdom for life with you. For your Word of life, O God,
we give you thanks and praise.

Through Jesus, your Word made flesh, you speak to us and call us to witness: forgiveness through the cross, life to those entombed by death, the way of your self-giving love. For your Word of life, O God,
we give you thanks and praise.

Send your Spirit of truth, O God; rekindle your gifts within us: renew our faith, increase our hope, and deepen our love, for the sake of a world in need. Faithful to your Word, O God, draw near to all who call on you; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever.
Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER:

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

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.

SENDING

God sends us forth in the service of others.

BLESSING

The God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus.

Amen.

The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The God of all grace ☩ bless you now and forever.

Amen.

SENDING

People of God, we have been given a mission:

“St. Paul’s Lutheran Family lifts high the cross to proclaim the good news of God’s love to all people.”

People of God, we have been given a vision:

“The vision of St. Paul’s Lutheran Family is to seek God’s path for our lives and the life of the church and to compassionately lead, serve, and share Jesus Christ with the community and world.”

People of God, we have much work to do:

“For every house is built by someone, but the builder of all things is God”
(Hebrews 3:4)

SENDING SONG: Hymn #705

God of Grace and God of Glory

1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, on your peo - ple
2 Lo! The hosts of e - vil round us scorn the Christ, as -
3 Cure your chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness; bend our pride to
4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils

pour your pow'r; crown your an - cient chur - ch's sto - ry;
sail his ways! From the fears that long have bound us
your con - trol; shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness,
we de - plore; let the gift of your sal - va - tion

bring its bud to glo - rious flow'r. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age
free our hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age
rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
be our glo - ry ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,

for the fac - ing of this hour, for the fac - ing of this hour.
for the liv - ing of these days, for the liv - ing of these days.
lest we miss your king - dom's goal, lest we miss your king - dom's goal.
serv - ing you whom we a - dore, serv - ing you whom we a - dore.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace! Share the good news!

Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE: Hymn #774 'What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine!'

What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine *Leaning on the Everlasting Arms*



1 What a fel - low-ship, what a joy di - vine, lean - ing on the ev - er -
2 Oh, how sweet to walk in this pil - grim way, lean - ing on the ev - er -
3 What have I to dread, what have I to fear, lean - ing on the ev - er -



last - ing arms; what a bless - ed - ness, what a peace is mine,
last - ing arms; oh, how bright the path grows from day to day,
last - ing arms? I have bless - ed peace with my Lord so near,



lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms.
lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms.
lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms.

Refrain



Lean - ing, lean - ing, safe and se - cure from all a - larms;



lean - ing, lean - ing, lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms.

Text: Elisha A. Hoffman, 1839–1929
Music: SHOWALTER, Anthony J. Showalter, 1858–1924

ANNOUNCEMENTS



ATTENDANCE

06/27/2020: Drive-in 23 & 06/28/2020: Drive-in 31
07/04/2020: Drive-in 15 & 07/05/2020: Drive-in 26
07/11/2020: Drive-in 26 & 07/12/2020: Drive-in 34

OFFERINGS

06/27/2020 & 06/28/2020: \$1,614.04
07/04/2020 & 07/05/2020: \$5,214.75
07/11/2020 & 07/12/2020: \$2,084.00

Offering amounts include budgetary receipts.

CONTRIBUTIONS

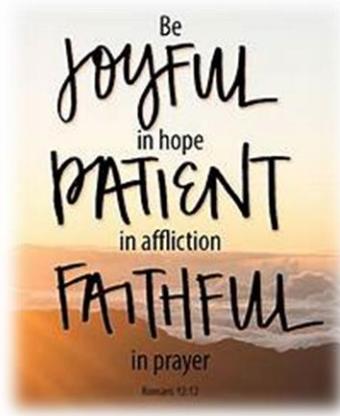
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Thank You for your Support!!



You are in Our Prayers

SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES

Brandon Luterick, Heather Joyner (Johnson), Peter Elverum, Sarah McGee, Olivia Lesperance, and John Duffy (nephew of Sharon and Tom Gesick), Matthew Russell (nephew of Judy McPhail), and Justin Snowden.

FIREFIGHTERS/PEACE OFFICERS

Andy Steyn, Brian Hillenbrand, Tina Sherman, Mark Dickens, John Gould, and Jason Wildblood.

PRAYERS FOR HEALING

Wayne Opperman, recovery from hip replacement surgery, Nikki Rohrs, recovery from knee replacement surgery, James Wilson, Hannelore Hanke, Frank Bartlett, Renee Woslum, Glenn Laursen, Edward Yoho, Madelene Yoho, Fern Yoho, Maxine McGregor (Madelene's sister), DeWayne Evans, Lynn Gross, Evelyn Luterick, Sarah Jevne, Doug Thunder, Pat Thunder, recovery from hip surgery, Delores Sherman, Peggy Truttman, Norman Brewer (Mary DeFelice's brother), Katherine, cancer (Susie Anderson's sister), Holly and Trevis (Requested by Deon Ferguson, a friend of St. Paul's), and Hank Doll, triple by-pass surgery (son-in-law of Ruth Fitzgerald), Ryan Lynch, diagnosed with lymphoma (Godson of Peg and John Bradtke), and a special prayer for all the victims of COVID-19. *Please pray this pandemic will end soon!*

CONTINUING PRAYERS FOR

Frank and Shirley Bartlett, Bev Gutzman, and Sandy Danforth, Carol Kalleres, continued health issues, Bev Steinert, continued eye-health issues; James Wilson, continued health issues; Dwight and Susan Holmquist and family, healing; Mary Ann Adamik, healing; Ellen Harrell, medical issues; Betty Razor, healing; Debbie Revelle, healing from severe heart and lung disease; Maxine Bowton, Harold Nolte, Karen (Hone) Nolte, and Diana Johns.

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN FAMILY CALENDER

THIS WEEKEND

07/18 & 07/19 Seventh Sunday after Pentecost
Worship via YouTube Video
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCujH57tQGEsCKJhKyE8q2Lg>

7/22 Midweek Prayer Service 12:00 pm via YouTube

NEXT SUNDAY

7/26 Eighth Sunday after Pentecost
Worship via YouTube Video
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCujH57tQGEsCKJhKyE8q2Lg>

SATURDAY

7/18
Drive-in Worship
7:00 pm in St. Paul's parking lot
Greeter – Kathy Edwards
Counters – Judy McPhail and Jay Olshen



SUNDAY

7/19
Drive-in Worship
9:00 am in St. Paul's parking lot
Greeter – Linda Thronson
Counters – David Harrell and Carol Arneson



Visitors please note: When inside St. Paul's, masks will be required. Thank you!