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Pentecost 4



“God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good” (Genesis 1:31)

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PRELUDE

GATHERING

GATHERING SONG: ELW 824 "This s My Father's World" (all verses)

This Is My Father's World



1 This is my Fa-ther's world, and to my lis-t'ning ears all
2 This is my Fa-ther's world; the birds their car-ols raise; the
3 This is my Fa-ther's world; oh, let me not for-get that,



na - ture sings, and round me rings the mu - sic of the spheres.
morn - ing light, the lil - y white, de - clare their mak - er's praise.
though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the rul - er yet.



This is my Fa-ther's world; I rest me in the thought of
This is my Fa-ther's world; he shines in all that's fair. In the
This is my Fa-ther's world; why should my heart be sad? The



rocks and trees, of skies and seas; his hand the won - ders wrought.
rus - tling grass I hear him pass; he speaks to me ev-'ry-where.
Lord is king, let heav - en ring; God reigns, let earth be glad!

Text: Maltbie D. Babcock, 1858–1901

Music: TERRA PATRIS, Franklin L. Sheppard, 1852–1930, adapt.



WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

LITANY

P: For the marvelous grace of your Creation, we pour out our thanks to You, our God.

**ALL: We praise you, O Lord
for plants growing in earth and water,
for life inhabiting lakes and seas,
for life creeping in soils and land,
for creatures living in wetlands and waters,
for life flying above earth and sea,
for animals dwelling in woods and fields.**

P: How many and wonderful are your works, our God! In wisdom you have made them all!

ALL: But we confess, dear Lord,

**As creatures privileged with tending and keeping of Your Creation we have abused Your Creation gifts through arrogance, ignorance, and greed.
We confess, Lord, that we often are unaware of how deeply we have hurt Your good earth and its marvelous gifts.**

For our wrongs, Lord, we ask forgiveness. We offer our repentance. We promise to reverence Your Creation as a gracious gift entrusted to us by You, our God. We promise anew to be stewards and not pillagers of what You have entrusted to us. We offer our covenant with creation to pledge our commitment to care for Your good Earth.

P: Creator God,

You have given us every reason to learn and promote this wisdom of lives lived in harmony with Creation. May You daily be present with us, gracing our service, our loving, our striving, through Christ Jesus, our Lord.

ALL: Amen

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: O God, Creator of all things, who blesses seed and makes it to increase and create food for our bodies. Bless and sanctify the bees and other pollinators by Your own deep compassion, that they may abundantly bear fruit for the beauty and adornment of Your temple and Your holy altars, and they may be useful for us, in Christ Jesus our Lord, to Whom be honor and glory forever and ever.

ALL: Amen.

PSALM 103

R: ¹Bless the LORD, O my soul,
and all that is within me, bless his holy name.

**A: ²Bless the LORD, O my soul,
and do not forget all his benefits —**

R: ³who forgives all your iniquity,
who heals all your diseases,

**A: ⁴who redeems your life from the Pit,
who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,**

R: ⁵who satisfies you with good as long as you live
so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

**A: ⁶The LORD works vindication
and justice for all who are oppressed.**

R: ⁷He made known his ways to Moses,
his acts to the people of Israel.

**A: ⁸The LORD is merciful and gracious,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**

R: ⁹He will not always accuse,
nor will he keep his anger forever.

**A: ¹⁰He does not deal with us according to our sins,
nor repay us according to our iniquities.**

R: ¹¹For as the heavens are high above the earth,
so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;

**A: ¹²as far as the east is from the west,
so far he removes our transgressions from us.**

R: ¹³As a father has compassion for his children,
so the LORD has compassion for those who fear him.

**A: ¹⁴For he knows how we were made;
he remembers that we are dust.**

R: ¹⁵As for mortals, their days are like grass;
they flourish like a flower of the field;

**A: ¹⁶for the wind passes over it, and it is gone,
and its place knows it no more.**

R: ¹⁷But the steadfast love of the LORD is from everlasting to everlasting
on those who fear him, and his righteousness to children's children,

**A: ¹⁸to those who keep his covenant
and remember to do his commandments.**

R: ¹⁹The LORD has established his throne in the heavens,
and his kingdom rules over all.


A: ²⁰**Bless the LORD, O you his angels,
you mighty ones who do his bidding, obedient to his spoken word.**

R: ²¹Bless the LORD, all his hosts,
his ministers that do his will.

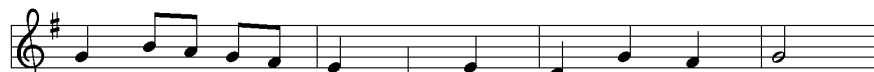
A: ²²**Bless the LORD, all his works,
in all places of his dominion. Bless the LORD, O my soul.**

SONG OF PRAISE: "Let All Things Now Living" (all verses)


Let All Things Now Living



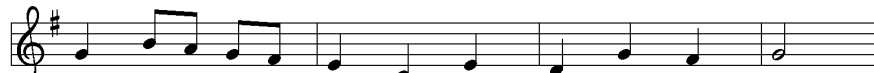
1 Let all things now liv - ing a song of thanks - giv - ing to
2 God rules all the forc - es: the stars in their cours - es and




God the cre - a - tor tri - um - phant - ly raise,
sun in its or - bit o - be - dient - ly shine;



who fash - ioned and made us, pro - tect - ed and stayed us, who
the hills and the moun - tains, the riv - ers and foun - tains, the




still guides us on to the end of our days.
deeps of the o - cean pro - claim God di - vine.



God's ban - ners are o'er us, God's light goes be -
We too should be voic - ing our love and re -



fore us, a pil - lar of fire shin - ing forth in the night,
joic - ing; with glad ad - o - ra - tion a song let us raise



till shad - ows have van - ished and dark - ness is ban - ished, as
till all things now liv - ing u - nite in thanks - giv - ing: "To



for - ward we trav - el from light in - to light.
God in the high - est, ho - san - na and praise!"

Text: Katherine K. Davis, 1892–1980, alt.
Music: THE ASH GROVE, Welsh folk tune
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CREATION CARE TEMPLE TALK: April Tighe, *Pollinators*

READING: Jeremiah 10:1-16

¹Hear the word that the LORD speaks to you, O house of Israel. ²Thus says the LORD:

Do not learn the way of the nations,
or be dismayed at the signs of the heavens;
for the nations are dismayed at them.

³For the customs of the peoples are false:
a tree from the forest is cut down,
and worked with an ax by the hands of an artisan;

⁴people deck it with silver and gold;
they fasten it with hammer and nails
so that it cannot move.

⁵Their idols are like scarecrows in a cucumber field,
and they cannot speak;
they have to be carried,
for they cannot walk.

Do not be afraid of them,
for they cannot do evil,
nor is it in them to do good.

⁶There is none like you, O LORD;
you are great, and your name is great in might.

⁷Who would not fear you, O King of the nations?
For that is your due;
among all the wise ones of the nations
and in all their kingdoms
there is no one like you.

⁸They are both stupid and foolish;
the instruction given by idols
is no better than wood!

⁹Beaten silver is brought from Tarshish,
and gold from Uphaz.
They are the work of the artisan and of the hands of the goldsmith;
their clothing is blue and purple;
they are all the product of skilled workers.

¹⁰But the LORD is the true God;
he is the living God and the everlasting King.
At his wrath the earth quakes,
and the nations cannot endure his indignation.

¹¹Thus shall you say to them: The gods who did not make the heavens and the earth shall perish
from the earth and from under the heavens.

¹²It is he who made the earth by his power,
who established the world by his wisdom,
and by his understanding stretched out the heavens.

¹³When he utters his voice, there is a tumult of waters in the heavens,
and he makes the mist rise from the ends of the earth.

He makes lightnings for the rain,
and he brings out the wind from his storehouses.

¹⁴Everyone is stupid and without knowledge;
goldsmiths are all put to shame by their idols;
for their images are false,
and there is no breath in them.

¹⁵They are worthless, a work of delusion;
at the time of their punishment they shall perish.

¹⁶Not like these is the LORD, the portion of Jacob,
for he is the one who formed all things,
and Israel is the tribe of his inheritance;
the LORD of hosts is his name.

OFFERING

OFFERING SONG:

“Accept, O Lord, the Gifts We Bring” (all verses)

Accept, O Lord, the Gifts We Bring



- 1 Ac - cept, O Lord, the gifts we bring to place up - on your ta - ble.
- 2 The vines were plant - ed, seeds were sown. They grew in your good plea - sure.
- 3 Our hopes and dreams, our toils and cares we lift in prayer be - fore you.

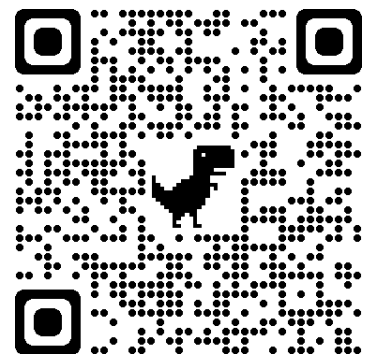


We do not wor - ship as we ought but on - ly as we're a - ble.
What once was com - mon, dail - y food be - comes a ho - ly trea - sure.
Lord, by your grace now come to us, as hum - bly we a - dore you.

Text: Beth Bergeron Folkemer, b. 1957
Music: BARBARA ALLEN, English folk tune
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OFFERING PRAYER



CHILDREN'S MESSAGE: Pastor Sue Olson

MESSAGE: Pastor Sue Olson "Ask the Bees"

SONG OF THE DAY: "All Creatures, Worship God Most High" (1-4)

All Creatures, Worship God Most High!



- 1 All crea-tures, wor-ship God most high! Sound ev - 'ry voice in earth and
- 2 Sing, broth - er wind; with clouds and rain you grow the gifts of fruit and
- 3 Sing, broth - er fire, so mirth-ful, strong; drive far the shad-ows, join the
- 4 All who for love of God for - give, all who in pain or sor - row



- sky: Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Sing, broth - er sun, in splen-dor
grain: Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Dear sis - ter wa - ter, use - ful,
throng: Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Dear moth - er earth, so rich in
grieve: Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Christ bears your bur-dens and your



- bright; sing, sis - ter moon and stars of night:
clear, make mu - sic for your Lord to hear: Al-le - lu - ia, al-le -
care, praise God in col - ors bright and rare:
fears; still make your song a - mid the tears:



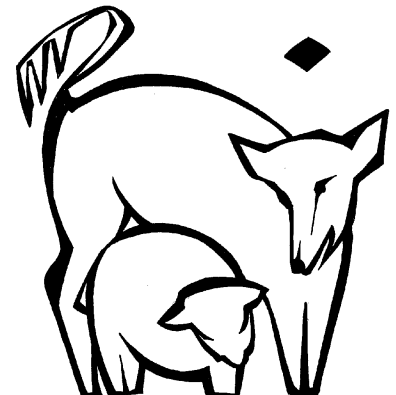
- lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia!

- 5 And you, most gentle sister death,
waiting to hush our final breath:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Since Christ our light has pierced your gloom,
fair is the night that leads us home.
Alleluia.

- 6 O sisters, brothers, take your part,
and worship God with humble heart:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
All creatures, bless the Father, Son,
and Holy Spirit, Three in One:
Alleluia.

Text: Francis of Assisi, 1182–1226; tr. composite
Music: LASST UNS ERFREUEN, *Geistliche Kirchengesänge*, Köln, 1623
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STATEMENT OF FAITH

P: We believe in God who creates all things to live in harmony and who cares for all creation as our perfect, loving parent.

**ALL: Heaven and Earth, Sea and Sky,
Sun and Moon, Fish and Birds,
Mountains and Valleys, Forests and Deserts,
All animals great and small, all human beings.**

P: We believe in Jesus Christ, Son of the Living God,

**ALL: Who came to reveal the depth of God's love for all creation,
and teach us to live under God's reign of justice, mercy, and compassion.
Who suffered death on the cross to save creation from oppression, violence, and
hatred, and free us from brokenness, sin, and self-conceit.
Who raises us with him into new life
to experience joy, peace, and unity with God and all creation.**

P: We believe in the Holy Spirit,
Who calls, equips, empowers, and helps us

**ALL: to reject hatred, oppression, and violence against anyone,
and to extend justice and mercy, love and compassion
to all created things – Earth, Creatures, and Humans – regardless of how similar or
different we are from one another.**

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER (Please stand as you are able)

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**A: 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.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

P: Let us come before the triune God in prayer.

Lord, in your mercy

A: Hear our prayer.

P: We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your abiding grace.

A: Amen.



BLESSING

L: The God of all creation:

Of flowers and trees, of butterflies and bees, of squirrels and mountain lions, bless you, keep you, and strengthen you for the work of loving all Creation.

In the name of the + Triune God.

A: Amen

SENDING SONG: ELW 838 “Beautiful Savior” (all verses)

Beautiful Savior



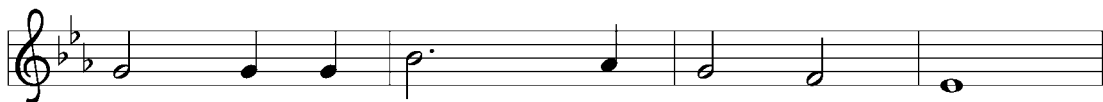
1 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, King of cre - a - tion,
2 Fair are the mead - ows, fair are the wood - lands,
3 Fair is the sun - shine, fair is the moon - light,
4 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, Lord of the na - tions,



Son of God and Son of Man!
robed in flow'rs of bloom - ing spring;
bright the spar - kling stars on high;
Son of God and Son of Man!



Tru - ly I'd love thee, tru - ly I'd serve thee,
Je - sus is fair - er, Je - sus is pur - er,
Je - sus shines bright - er, Je - sus shines pur - er,
Glo - ry and hon - or, praise, ad - o - ra - tion,



light of my soul, my joy, my crown.
he makes our sor - rowing spir - it sing.
than all the an - gels in the sky.
now and for - ev - er - more be thine!

Text: *Gesangbuch*, Münster, 1677; tr. Joseph A. Seiss, 1823–1904
Music: SCHÖNSTER HERR JESU, Silesian folk tune, 19th cent.

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Care for Creation.

A: Thanks be to God.



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Ushers, Readers, Greeters, Coffee Fellowship Hosts: you are awesome and we so appreciate your help! Please be sure to let your fellow Long Lake Church family know how easy it is. The sign-up sheet is on the Welcome Desk. Many hands make light work! We need some additional volunteers for upcoming weeks, sign up today!

Food Truck Fellowship planning is moving ahead full steam! This year's Food Truck Fellowship will take place on Thursday, August 19th! We have many trucks confirmed, including the same trucks we had last year plus a taco truck and a pizza truck! We will continue to update you with details!



COMMUNITY GARDEN

Now that the Community Garden is planted help is needed with tending and weeding. Youth who need service hours for Confirmation, this is perfect for you, but all ages are welcome! Any questions please contact Marcy Stoeckel at 651-338-8986.

YOU ARE INVITED Jen's daughter, Mia, will be having a graduation party next Saturday, June 26 from 1:00 pm-4:00 pm. 23144 Guarani St. NW St. Francis, MN 55070.

Please continue to pray for Shawna Berg and the whole Berg family as they continue to deal with Shawna's illness and hospitalization.



HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

Mission Quilting will begin meeting again in September! There are quilt kits at church for anyone who would like to sew a quilt top and bring it back this fall. This is such a great mission outreach program for Long Lake, contact Connie Anderson at 763-444-4118 if you have any questions!

Stewardship Meeting today at 10:15 am

Food Truck Fellowship Meeting Wednesday at 6:45 pm, following service

Fellowship Café Tuesday 9:30-Noon

PRAYER CONCERNS (Let us know how we can pray for you)

Pray for healing for: Dale Strike, Larry Oliver, Diane Englund, Sharon Johnson, Marsha Weidner, Donnie Weidner, Marcy Stoeckel's niece Erin, Karen Baker's mom Floy, Dave and Mel Ringstad's friend Sue, Ron Selix's sister Donna, Becky Agranoff's uncle Del, Shawna's dad Mike and son Sam, Claudia Hanson's friend Beth, Gary Grell's brother Dave, Kent and Joanne Eittreim's friends Scott and Katie, Carol Vogtlin's husband Jim, Kate Allison, Colleen Evenson, Chris Rowe's brother Bob, Ron Selix, Linda Mikush, Marvel Dahl, Karen Baker's niece Angie Bentley, Sharon Stanius' sister-in-law Jackie Englund, Lisa Gustafson's friend Brenda, and husband Aaron, Lynn Ullwelling, Ted Erickson, John Hass' cousin Paige Sundeen, Neisha Monroe, Julie Nielsen's cousin LaVerne and niece Rochelle, Shawna Berg, Aaron Gustafson, Odin Olson