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

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PRELUDE

GATHERING

GATHERING SONG: “For The Beauty of the Earth” (all verses)

For the Beauty of the Earth



- 1 For the beau - ty of the earth, for the beau - ty of the skies,
- 2 For the won - der of each hour of the day and of the night,
- 3 For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's de - light,
- 4 For the joy of hu - man love, broth - er, sis - ter, par - ent, child,
- 5 For each per - fect gift of thine, peace on earth and joy in heav'n;



for the love which from our birth o - ver and a - round us lies:
hill and vale and tree and flow'r, sun and moon and stars of light:
for the mys - tic har - mo - ny link - ing sense to sound and sight:
friends on earth and friends a - bove; for all gen - tle thoughts and mild:
for thy - self, best gift di - vine, to our world so free - ly giv'n:

Refrain



Christ, our God, to thee we raise this our sac - ri - fice of praise.

Text: Folliott S. Pierpoint, 1835–1917, alt.
Music: DIX, Conrad Kocher, 1786–1872



WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

LITANY

P: Creator God, whose art and beauty are evident in every molecule of Creation, You made the universe - planets and solar systems, earth-home, plants, creatures - and called it good. You made human life the pinnacle of that work, even choosing to incarnate that work in the Person of Jesus; and giving humanity those great and terrible gifts: dominion and choice.

Receive our confession now.

P: We have regarded your Creation only as a resource to be spent, not as a gift to be stewarded.

**ALL: We have polluted air, water, and land.
We have destroyed ecosystems and species.
We have exploited and razed entire sections of earth.
We have created mountains of unnecessary waste.**

P: We have valued material wealth and convenience above the health of our bodies and those under our care. We have forgotten our own temporality, that other generations will come after us needing a home.

**ALL: We have forgotten that You created life and it is precious.
Where we should have stewarded, we exploited.
Where we should have protected, we left vulnerable.
Where we should have respected, we chose to disregard.**

P: Grant that we may come to a new hope and understanding of Your Creation, our relationship with it, and our role within it.

Grant that we may find ways to participate in its healing and renewal.

Grant that we may become willing to develop new habits and ways of interacting with the world, that consider its beauty and welfare.

Grant that we may re-imagine prosperity, economy, and civilization in light of stewardship of Creation.

Grant that we may more deeply understand Your nature through your Creation.

Grant that we may more deeply understand the interdependence of humanity and earth.

Grant that we may extend the work of Christ on the cross to a creation groaning and waiting expectantly.

Grant that we may have a renewed hope for the future of Creation - redeemed, reconciled, restored to its proper place and function.

ALL: May gratitude and the love of Christ govern our every interaction with humans, creatures, and the earth. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Sovereign of the universe, your first covenant of mercy was with every living creature. When your beloved Son came among us, the waters of the river welcomed him, the heavens opened to greet his arrival, the animals of the wilderness drew near as his companions. With all the world's people, may we who are washed into new life through baptism seek the way of your new creation, the way of justice and care, mercy and peace; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

ALL: Amen.



PSALM 100: A Psalm of Thanksgiving

R: ¹Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth.

A: ²**Worship the LORD with gladness;
come into his presence with singing.**

R: ³Know that the LORD is God.
It is he that made us, and we are his;
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

A: ⁴**Enter his gates with thanksgiving,
and his courts with praise.
Give thanks to him, bless his name.**

R: ⁵For the LORD is good;
his steadfast love endures forever,
and his faithfulness to all generations.

SONG: "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!"

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CREATION CARE TEMPLE TALK: Karen Baker “Organic Farming”

PSALM 104: Joy in Creation

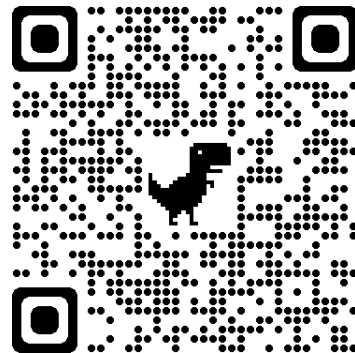
¹Bless the LORD, O my soul.
O LORD my God, you are very great.
You are clothed with honor and majesty,
²wrapped in light as with a garment.
You stretch out the heavens like a tent,
³you set the beams of your chambers on the waters,
you make the clouds your chariot,
you ride on the wings of the wind,
⁴you make the winds your messengers,
fire and flame your ministers.
⁵You set the earth on its foundations,
so that it shall never be shaken.
⁶You cover it with the deep as with a garment;
the waters stood above the mountains.
⁷At your rebuke they flee;
at the sound of your thunder they take to flight.
⁸They rose up to the mountains, ran down to the valleys
to the place that you appointed for them.
⁹You set a boundary that they may not pass,
so that they might not again cover the earth.
¹⁰You make springs gush forth in the valleys;
they flow between the hills,
¹¹giving drink to every wild animal;
the wild asses quench their thirst.
¹²By the streams the birds of the air have their habitation;
they sing among the branches.
¹³From your lofty abode you water the mountains;
the earth is satisfied with the fruit of your work.
¹⁴You cause the grass to grow for the cattle,
and plants for people to use,
to bring forth food from the earth,
¹⁵and wine to gladden the human heart,
oil to make the face shine,
and bread to strengthen the human heart.
¹⁶The trees of the LORD are watered abundantly,
the cedars of Lebanon that he planted.
¹⁷In them the birds build their nests;
the stork has its home in the fir trees.

¹⁸The high mountains are for the wild goats;
the rocks are a refuge for the coneys.
¹⁹You have made the moon to mark the seasons;
the sun knows its time for setting.
²⁰You make darkness, and it is night,
when all the animals of the forest come creeping out.
²¹The young lions roar for their prey,
seeking their food from God.
²²When the sun rises, they withdraw
and lie down in their dens.
²³People go out to their work
and to their labor until the evening.
²⁴O LORD, how manifold are your works!
In wisdom you have made them all;
the earth is full of your creatures.
²⁵Yonder is the sea, great and wide,
creeping things innumerable are there,
living things both small and great.
²⁶There go the ships,
and Leviathan that you formed to sport in it.
²⁷These all look to you
to give them their food in due season;
²⁸when you give to them, they gather it up;
when you open your hand, they are filled with good things.
²⁹When you hide your face, they are dismayed;
when you take away their breath, they die
and return to their dust.
³⁰When you send forth your spirit, they are created;
and you renew the face of the ground.
³¹May the glory of the LORD endure forever;
may the LORD rejoice in his works —
³²who looks on the earth and it trembles,
who touches the mountains and they smoke.
³³I will sing to the LORD as long as I live;
I will sing praise to my God while I have being.
³⁴May my meditation be pleasing to him,
for I rejoice in the LORD.
³⁵Let sinners be consumed from the earth,
and let the wicked be no more.
Bless the LORD, O my soul.
Praise the LORD!

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

P: Let us pray. Heavenly Father, creator of the universe. We offer our tithes and gifts to you in thanks for all you have provided. We praise you for your creation, for keeping us and all things in your care, and for all the blessings of life. Above all we thank you for your immeasurable love in redeeming the world by our Lord Jesus Christ, for the means of grace, and for the hope of eternal life. And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies that with thankful hearts we praise you, not only with our lips but in our lives, by giving ourselves to your service and by sharing your gifts. In the name of Jesus, we pray.

A: Amen

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE: Pastor Sue Olson

SONG: "I'm Gonna Sing, Sing, Sing"

I'm gonna sing, sing, sing;
I'm gonna shout, shout, shout;
I'm gonna sing; I'm gonna shout;
Praise the Lord.

When those gates swing open side,
I'm gonna sit by Jesus' side,
I'm gonna sing;
I'm gonna shout:
Praise the Lord.

MESSAGE: Pastor Sue Olson "Do You Care?"



SONG OF THE DAY: “This Is 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.



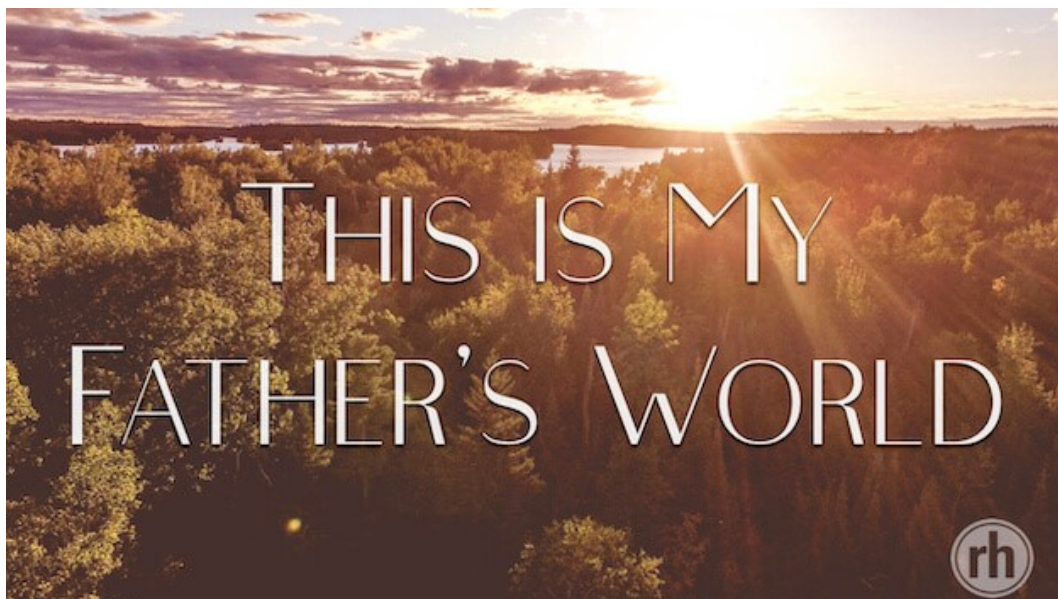
This is my Fa-ther's world; I rest me in the thought of
This is my Fa-ther's world; he shines in all that's fair. In the
This is my Fa-ther's world; why should my heart be sad? The



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.



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.



BLESSING

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

A: **Amen.**

SENDING SONG: “Let All Things Now Living” (all verses)

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DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

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 in the narthex. Many hands make light work! We need some additional volunteers for upcoming weeks, sign up today!

Fellowship Café

What are participants saying about it? "It's a support group for me," says Wayne Olson. Gerald Anderson says "It's a lot of fun, good fellowship—especially after this covid thing." Every Tuesday, 9:30-Noon in Fellowship Hall or outside, come join us!. The coffee is on, bring your own treat and maybe a project you're working on.



June 8th at 10:30 am Sunshine Circle will be meeting to work on getting the kitchen cleaned up! We will also have our regular meeting at 1:00 pm. Come for the meeting, come early, come for the company! Lets get things cleaned up at LLLC!

DON'T FORGET TO SIGN UP FOR VBS! June 14-18th from 9:00 am-12:00 pm. Grades 6-12 help out in the morning and stick around for a fun afternoon activity! Contact Shawna for more information!

ESTATE SALE Margaret McBride and Barry Smith will be having an estate sale June 10-12 from 9:00 am-4:00 pm. Come and see what treasures they are parting with!

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. Let's work together toward a bountiful harvest later this summer/fall.

New hymnals are here! We will be working on preparing name plates before we get them in the pews. We are still collecting donations, check kiosk for the form!

Mission Team today at 10:15 am
Youth & Education tomorrow 7:00 pm ZOOM

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, 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, Karen Baker's niece Angie Bentley, Sharon Stanius' sister-in-law Jackie Englund, Lisa Gustafson's friend Brenda, Lynn Ulwelling, Ted Erickson, Sharon Sudeith's Brother in Law, Richard Bourque, Sharon Sudeith's sister Brenda Corrigan, Ron Selix, Linda Mikush, Marvel Dahl, Mike Hanson's cousin Angie, John Hass' cousin Paige Sundeen.