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# **MATTHEW** 28:19

Therefore, go and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit.

# Spirit Worship Holy Spirit @ Home 10:00 A.M.

January 24, 2021 Global Mission Sunday Third Sunday after Epiphany Holy Communion

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# Gathering

### The Holy Spirit gathers us in worship

# Gathering Music: Come to Me

Annual Meeting February 7, 2021 11:00 am on Zoom Center for Faith and Life today at 11:00 am Council Forum with Bob Stevens Rejoicing Spirits Connections today at 2:30 on Zoom For more information on the Lutheran Church of the Holy Spirit visit us at www.lchsemmaus.org

#### Let's Get to Know One Another!

Visiting us for worship today? Interested in learning more about Holy Spirit? Join Pastor Tami on zoom Thursday 2/4/21 @ 7pm (same link as worship service today: 511 504 8051)



#### **Outreach Outlook for January**

6th St. Shelter and Allentown Rescue Mission collections Shelter for Savior appeal \*Please visit Outreach Ministries tab on website for detailed information in our Newsletter\*

# How May we pray for you? Contact one of the Pastors

Fly to A.B.E. will be discussing, Etty Hillesum: A Life Transformed Monday, January 25, 2021 10:00 am on Zoom

# Gathering Music: This Is My Song

# The New Colossus

Readers: Kristen Newill and Mike Berkheimer

Emma Lazarus, poet November 2, 1883 Music: Let Streams of Living Justice

Not like the brazen giant of Greek fame, With conquering limbs astride from land to land; Here at our sea-washed, sunset gates shall stand A mighty woman with a torch, whose flame Is the imprisoned lightning, and her name



This Sonnet was written to raise monies for the construction of a pedestal for the Statue of Liberty.

# The New Colossus (continued)

Mother of Exiles. From her beacon-hand Glows world-wide welcome; her mild eyes command The air-bridged harbor that twin cities frame. "Keep, ancient lands, your storied pomp!" cries she With silent lips. "Give me your tired, your poor, Your huddled masses yearning to breathe free, The wretched refuse of your teeming shore. Send these, the homeless, tempest-tost to me, I lift my lamp beside the golden door!"



# Gathering

#### Welcome & Announcements



# **Confession and Forgiveness**

Dean Black, Reader

Jesus said, "Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest." (Matthew 11:28)

The inscription on our Statue of Liberty reads, "Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to breathe free... Send these the homeless, tempest-tossed to me." (The New Colossus)

Before your people entered the promised land, Moses warned them not to forget that their ancestors were wanderers, and that they must always welcome the stranger. (Deuteronomy 26:5)

## Confession and Forgiveness (continued)

How easily we forget that our ancestors were also wanderers, that they came here from some other place. **How easily we forget to welcome the newcomer.** 

Mary and Joseph knew what it was like to be denied a place to stay in their time of need and your own Son experienced what it was like to be a refugee in Egypt.

The issue of immigration is a complicated. We get discouraged trying to find solutions and fear there is not enough for all who seek safety.

It is so easy to forget that you are a God of solutions and a God of abundance. Forgive our forgettings, Lord.

# **Confession and Forgiveness** (continued)

Hear the word of the Lord,

"Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest." In the name of + Jesus Christ, your forgettings are forgiven and sins which burden you are lifted. Amen.

# Gathering Song: Come, All Ye People

ELW 819

Musical Leadership: Vi Ballard, Lisa Walton, Dave Rishel, Bob Mueller

Verse 1: Come, all you people, come and praise the Most High; come, all you people, come and praise the Most High; come, all you people, come and praise the Most High; come now and worship the Lord.

Verse 2: Come, all you people, come and praise the Savior; come, all you people, come and praise the Savior; come, all you people, come and praise the Savior; come now and worship the Lord.

## Gathering Song (continued)

Verse 3: Come, all you people, come and praise the Spirit; come, all you people, come and praise the Spirit; come, all you people, come and praise the Spirit; come now and worship the Lord.

# Prayer of the Day

Dean Black, Reader

Let us pray.

God of justice and equity, your steadfast love and mighty grace have no limit and your kingdom welcomes all peoples. Improve our vison so that we see your face in those who do not look or speak like us. Stir up in us the spirit of accompaniment and compassion, so we can walk with and help ease the burdens of refugees, immigrants, and all our brothers and sisters of color. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

# Word

### God speaks to us in Bible readings, preaching and song.



# Reading: Isaiah 61:1-3

Contemporary English Version (CEV)

Nora Casciano, Reader

A reading from Isaiah, the 61<sup>st</sup> chapter.

After warning of God's judgment, predicting a period of destruction and exile, the prophet Isaiah sounds a note of hope. Eight centuries later, Jesus quoted these very words to define his ministry when he preached at his hometown synagogue in Nazareth.

The Spirit of the Lord God has taken control of me! The Lord has chosen and sent me to tell the oppressed the good news, to heal the brokenhearted, and to announce freedom for prisoners and captives.

# Reading (continued)

This is the year

when the Lord God will show kindness to us and punish our enemies. The Lord has sent me to comfort those who mourn, especially in Jerusalem. The Lord sent me to give them flowers in place of their sorrow, olive oil in place of tears, and joyous praise in place of broken hearts.

They will be called "Trees of Justice," planted by the Lord to honor God's name.

Word of God, Word of Life. Thanks be to God!

# Second Reading: Psalm 146

Dianne Fox, Reader

Contemporary English Version (CEV)

Shout praises to the Lord! With all that I am, I will shout God's praises. I will sing and praise the Lord God for as long as I live.

You can't depend on anyone, not even a great leader. Once they die and are buried, that will be the end of all their plans, but the Lord God of Jacob blesses everyone who trusts and depends on him.

God made heaven and earth; God created the sea and everything else.

# Second Reading (continued)

God always keeps promises, giving justice to the poor and food to the hungry. The Lord sets prisoners free, heals blind eyes, and gives a helping hand to everyone who falls.

## Second Reading (continued)

The Lord loves good people and looks after strangers; God defends the rights of orphans and widows, but frustrates the plans of the wicked.

The Lord God of Zion will rule forever! Let all people shout praises to the Lord!

Word of God, Word of Life. Thanks be to God!

# Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46

Charlotte Gross, Reader

New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

The Good News from Matthew, the 25<sup>th</sup> chapter. **Open our hearts**, Lord.

"When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left.

Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.'



Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?'



And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.'

Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.'

Then they also will answer, **'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?** 

Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.'

And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

This is the Good News! Thanks be to God! Hallelujah!
#### Message

Global Mission Team Interview by Ruth Doty with Decontee Krayee.



Word in Song: Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love Musical Leadership: Vi Ballard, Lisa Walton, Dave Rishel, Bob Mueller

Refrain: Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love, show us how to serve the neighbors we have from you.

Verse 1: Kneels at the feet of his friends, silently washes their feet, master who acts as a slave to them. Refrain

Verse 2: Neighbors are wealthy and poor, varied in color and race, neighbors are near us and far away. Refrain



#### Word in Song (continued)

Verse 3: These are the ones we will serve, these are the ones we will love; all these are neighbors to us and you. Refrain

Refrain: Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love, show us how to serve the neighbors we have from you.

Verse 4: Kneel at the feet of our friends, silently washing their feet: this is the way we will live with you. Refrain



## Affirmation

Charlotte Gross, Reader

Let us affirm our Christian faith in this creed from Scotland's Iona community:

We believe in Jesus Christ, Son of the one God, maker and sustainer of earth, sea, and sky.

Born of Mary's womb, faithful to the God of Abraham and Sarah, Jesus healed the sick, served the poor, and proclaimed heaven on earth.



#### Affirmation (continued)

Condemned by the religious, crucified by the state, he died but transformed even death and rose to life everlasting. He blessed the disciples with his Holy Spirit and sent them forth, east and west, north and south.

We commit ourselves to Jesus. Yes, we commit ourselves to Jesus, to one another as brothers and sisters, and to Jesus' mission in the world in the grace and through the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

#### Prayers of the People

Rick Doty, Assisting Minister

Let us pray for the global mission of the church, and for all people according to their needs.

(Pause for individual prayer after each group is named...)

Let us pray for all who believe in Jesus, wherever they may live.... Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer** 

Let us pray for creation. . . . Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer**.

Let us pray for our community, our nation and our world.... Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer**.

#### Prayers of the People (continued)

Let us pray for those who are homeless and those fleeing disaster and violence.... Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer**.

Let us pray for anyone who is hurting, and for those who work to help them.... Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer**.

Let us pray for an end to the pandemic, for those infected and their families, and for all who grieve the death of loved ones to Covid-19.... Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer**.

#### Prayers of the People (continued)

Let us thank God for the saints who have gone before us.... Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer**.

Into your hands, O Lord, we place all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

## Respond to God's Gifts



During this period of remote church services, we have many ways to give.

- 1. Give by Text (610-981-1312),
- 2. Enroll in Simply Giving
- 3. Mail a check to the church office, 3461 Cedar Crest Blvd., Emmaus, PA 18049
- 4. Visit <u>lchsemmaus.org/stewardship/</u>, then clicking on: <u>Give now on-line</u>

5. Download our mobile giving app by searching for "Give+" in either the Apple App Store or Google Play Store. Once you have downloaded the app, search on "Lutheran Church of The Holy Spirit". You can immediately donate or choose to set up an account.

Additional information is available on the Stewardship section of the church's website.

## Dedication to Offerings Received by the Shelter for the Savior Appeal

Let us pray.

God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. Receive our offerings and use them for people's wellbeing in the world you so love. Use our special donations gathered in this appeal to help disabled and injured children recover and gain new possibilities for life through the healing ministry at The Plaster House, part of Arusha Lutheran Medical Center in Tanzania. We pray in Jesus' name. **Amen.** 

## Musical Offering In These Times

Text and Music by Marty Haugen

Musical Leadership: Vi Ballard, Lisa Walton, Dave Rishel, Bob Mueller

In these times, when thousands flee in desperate fear, cast adrift, and wondering paths unknown, leaving home and risking all to find no welcome here – melt our hearts and teach us mercy in these times.

 God's own Son had no place he could lay his head and he died rejected and despised.
In the ones who have no home and all who mourn their dead, can we see the face of Jesus in these times? In these times.....

#### Musical Offering (continued)

3. In these times may we, who once were strangers here, welcome Christ, the stranger at our door.With a love that dares to trust, and faith that quenches fear, let us make a home of welcome in these times.Let us make a home of welcome in these times.



## Meal

#### In word and meal, God's grace feeds us.



## Holy Communion

You may prepare your communion table at home now. Following the Words of Institution, the Lord's Prayer and Communion Invitation, the presiding minister will say the words first.

While inspirational communion music is played, you may share in the sacrament. There will be a slide with the words to say during communion.



#### Word in Meal

We praise you, O God, for your everlasting love. You created an abundant and self-renewing earth and called us to be co-workers with you in caring for creation and all of your children.

When we continued to forget your abundance and your command to love and welcome the stranger, your own Son left his home, took on human flesh and became one of us.

He knew what it was like to be rejected and to be abandoned in his deepest suffering.

## Words of Institution

#### Word in Meal (continued)

We remember that Jesus loved every child of earth; we remember, too, that you did not abandon him in the grave; and so, we proclaim the mystery of our faith: **Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.** 

Send, we pray, your Holy Spirit, the life-giver. Unite us with all who share this feast, and nurture us to become what you have made us -your beloved people, the body of your Son, the temple of your Spirit.

To you, O source of life and fountain of all good, we give our thanks and praise, now and forever. **Amen** 

#### Lord's Prayer

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

## Invitation to Communion

Here is bread; here is wine; here is Jesus. Come and be fed.

#### Communion

The presiding minister will say the words first. While inspirational communion music is played, you may share in communion. The body of Christ given for you. The blood of Christ shed for you. + A Blessing, "You are a loved child of God."

Song: Dona nobis pacem



# God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.



## **Prayer after Communion**

Rick Doty, Assisting Minister

Let us pray.

O Generous One, as you have welcomed us at table and nourished our bodies and spirits through this gift of yourself, send us now to invite, welcome and give of ourselves to others, that together we might enjoy the fullness of life that you offer. Help us to see the face of Jesus in anyone in need. Amen.

## Blessing As You Go on Your Way

John Ylvisaker

Musical Leadership: Rick and Ruth Doty

As you go on your way, may Christ go with you. May he go before you to show you the way; may he go behind you to encourage you, beside you to befriend you, above you to watch over, within you to give you peace.



## Sending Song: Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises

Musical Leadership: Vi Ballard, Lisa Walton, Dave Rishel, Bob Mueller

Refrain: Hallelujah! We sing your praises, all our hearts are filled with gladness. Hallelujah! We sing your praises, all our hearts are filled with gladness. Repeat

Verse 1: Christ the Lord to us said: I am wine, I am bread, I am wine, I am bread, give to all who thirst and hunger. Repeat then Refrain

Verse 2: Now he sends us all out, strong in faith, free of doubt, strong in faith, free of doubt. Tell to all the joyful gospel. Repeat then Refrain

### Dismissal

#### Go in peace. Welcome the stranger. Thanks be to God.



#### Special Thanks to our Global Mission Team:

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Communion Song

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<u>Blessing</u>

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