## St. Paul's Lutheran Church Worship Sunday, June 20, 2021 – 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude - Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling, setting by Paul Manz

#### **GATHERING**

We gather in the name of the Father ₱ and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Let us confess our sin.

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

#### Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the  $\Xi$  Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

#### **Gathering Hymn - Eternal Father Strong to Save**

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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.

#### **KYRIE**

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

#### Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

#### Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

#### Lord, have mercy.

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

#### Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Amen.

#### THIS IS THE FEAST

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.

Power and riches and wisdom and strength, and honor and blessing and glory are his.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.

Sing with all the people of God and join in the hymn of all creation:

Blessing and honor and glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.

This is the feast of victory for our God for the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia. Alleluia.

The Lord be with you **And also with you** Let us pray

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God of creation, eternal majesty, you preside over land and sea, sunshine and storm. By your strength pilot us, by your power preserve us, by your wisdom instruct us, and by your hand protect us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

#### WORD

#### Children's Message

## First Reading: Job 38:1-11

At the end of the book of Job, after Job and his companions have argued about the cause of the great suffering Job endures, God finally speaks. These verses begin that speech, which is a grand vision of creation, describing God's ordering of the cosmos and inviting Job to marvel at its beauty.

<sup>1</sup>The LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind:

<sup>2</sup>"Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge?

<sup>3</sup>Gird up your loins like a man,

I will question you, and you shall declare to me.

4"Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth?

Tell me, if you have understanding.

<sup>5</sup>Who determined its measurements—surely you know!

Or who stretched the line upon it?

<sup>6</sup>On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone

when the morning stars sang together and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy?

8"Or who shut in the sea with doors when it burst out from the womb?—

<sup>9</sup>when I made the clouds its garment, and thick darkness its swaddling band,

<sup>10</sup>and prescribed bounds for it, and set bars and doors,

<sup>11</sup>and said, 'Thus far shall you come, and no farther,

and here shall your proud waves be stopped'?"

## Psalm: Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32

Refrain



Give thanks to the LORD, for the LORD is good,

for God's mercy en- | dures forever.

## <sup>2</sup>Let the redeemed of the | LORD proclaim

## that God redeemed them from the hand of the foe,

<sup>3</sup>gathering them in | from the lands;

from the east and from the west, from the north and | from the south.

<sup>23</sup>Some went down to the | sea in ships,

plying their trade in deep waters. Refrain

<sup>24</sup>They beheld the works of the LORD,

God's wonderful works in the deep.

<sup>25</sup>Then God spoke, and a stormy wind arose, which tossed high the waves of the sea.

<sup>26</sup>They mounted up to the heavens and descended to the depths;

their souls melted away in their peril.

<sup>27</sup>They staggered and | reeled like drunkards,

and all their skill was of no avail.

<sup>28</sup>Then in their trouble they cried <sup>1</sup> to the LORD, and you delivered them from <sup>1</sup> their distress.

<sup>29</sup>You stilled the storm to a whisper and silenced the waves of the sea. *Refrain* 

<sup>30</sup>Then were they glad when it grew calm,

when you guided them to the harbor they desired.

<sup>31</sup>Let them give thanks to you, LORD, for your | steadfast love and your wonderful works | for all people.

<sup>32</sup>Let them exalt you in the assembly of the people; in the council of the elders, let them sing hallelujah! *Refrain* 

## **Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 6:1-13**

Paul and his fellow workers experience great hardships and even rejection while carrying out their missionary work. Nevertheless, Paul continuously proclaims that God has not rejected us but is graciously working for our salvation.

<sup>1</sup>As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. <sup>2</sup>For he says,

"At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you."

See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! <sup>3</sup>We are putting no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, <sup>4</sup>but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, <sup>5</sup>beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; <sup>6</sup>by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, <sup>7</sup>truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; <sup>8</sup>in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; <sup>9</sup>as

unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see—we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; <sup>10</sup>as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

<sup>11</sup>We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you. <sup>12</sup>There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours. <sup>13</sup>In return—I speak as to children—open wide your hearts also.

## **Gospel Acclamation**

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

## **Gospel: Mark 4:35-41**

Jesus' calming of the storm on the sea reveals his power over evil, since the sea represents evil and chaos. The boat on the sea is a symbol of the church and invites us to trust God amid life's turbulence.

<sup>35</sup>When evening had come, [Jesus said to the disciples,] "Let us go across to the other side." <sup>36</sup>And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. <sup>37</sup>A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. <sup>38</sup>But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" <sup>39</sup>He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. <sup>40</sup>He said to them, "Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?" <sup>41</sup>And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?"

#### Sermon

Hymn of the Day - Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me

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#### **APOSTLES' CREED**

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,

and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

#### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

The prayers are prepared locally for each occasion. The following examples may be adapted or used as appropriate.

Let us come before the triune God in prayer.

## A brief silence.

Holy God, you gather your people from east and west, north and south. We pray for the mission of the church throughout the world, that your steadfast love may be made known to all peoples. Lord, in your mercy,

## hear our prayer.

You laid the foundations of the earth and the waters are the womb of creation. The morning stars sing your name and all creation shouts for joy. We pray for your blessed creation, that it may continue to flourish and magnify your glory. Lord, in your mercy,

## hear our prayer.

You keep watch over all nations. We pray for countries experiencing violence, hunger, and unrest (*especially*). Guide worldwide and local community organizations in their efforts to establish safety and justice. Lord, in your mercy,

## hear our prayer.

You are close to the brokenhearted and near to those in distress. We pray for those who are experiencing oppression. Liberate us from the systems and chains that bind us. Remove the barriers that separate us from one another. Lord, in your mercy,

#### hear our prayer.

You dwell with us in this faith community. We pray for our leaders and elders (*especially*). Grant them knowledge, patience, and kindness, that through their leadership you may be exalted in this assembly. Lord, in your mercy,

#### hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

You tend to the needs of your people, even the sighs of our hearts. Hear those who cry out to you in distress. Restore to wholeness all who are in any need this day (*especially*) Barbara, Jan, Johanna, Tony, JoAnn, Leon, Janet, Joyce, Ida, Phyllis, Leslie, Bob, Ellie, Fran, Gus, James and Cassandra, Sue, Barbara, David, Codell, Ted, Naomi, and others we may name aloud or quietly. Lord, in your mercy,

#### hear our prayer.

Your love endures in all situations. On this Father's Day, we pray for those who are fathers or wish to be fathers, for those with broken or strained relationships, for those who are missing their fathers, and for fathers who have lost children. Bless and strengthen them. Lord, in your mercy,

#### hear our prayer.

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

Amen.

#### **PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

#### **MEAL**

#### **Offering**

Offertory - Holy God, We Praise Your Name, setting by Paul Manz

#### Offertory - Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful

Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing.

Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown,

that we may be fed with the bread of life.

Gather the hopes and the dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer now.

Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

## Offering Prayer

## P Let us pray.

God of abundance, we bring before you the precious fruits of your creation, and with them our very lives. Teach us patience and hope as we care for all those in need until the coming of your Son, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

#### **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

#### Dialogue

The Lord be with you.

#### And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

#### We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

## It is right to give our thanks and praise.

#### **Preface**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,

that we should at all times and in all places

give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,

through our Savior Jesus Christ;

who on this day overcame death and the grave,

and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

And so, with all the choirs of angels,

with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,

we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

#### **Holy Holy Holy**

Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of powe'r and might; Heav'n and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all. In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.

#### LORD'S PRAYER

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.

Come to the banquet for all is ready.

#### LAMB OF GOD

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

#### Hymn during Communion - When Peace Like a River

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Post Communion Blessing

May the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, bless you now and forever.

#### **Post Communion Canticle**

Thankful hearts and voices raise; tell ev'ryone what God has done.

Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and bear Christ's holy name.

Send us with your promises and lead your people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia. Alleluia.

#### **Prayer after Communion**

God of the welcome table, in this meal we have feasted on your goodness and have been united by your presence among us. Empower us to go forth sustained by these gifts so that we may share your neighborly love with all, through Jesus Christ, the giver of abundant life.

Amen.

## **Blessing**

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

Amen.

## Sending Hymn - My Life Flows on in Endless Song

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Postlude - Come, Holy Ghost, Our Souls Inspire, setting by Paul Manz

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**The Altar Flowers** are given to the Glory of God.

**You are invited to sign up for altar flowers** by stopping by the credenza in the atrium under the monitor. In the double-stacked box are the sign up sheets in the top, with the forms and envelopes in the bottom. Sign up for your date(s) and then complete the forms/envelopes and return **at least** one week before your selected date(s). Any number of people may sign up for flowers each week. Donation cost is \$30.

**Prayer of the Church** (Members): Barbara Hadden, Jan Franzen, Johanna Nikitscher, Tony Perrotte, JoAnn and Leon Bowman, Janet Ravert, Joyce Veazey, Ida Elliott, Phyllis Jenkins, Leslie Johnson, Bob and Ellie DeVries, Gus Holshouser, James and Cassandra Wagner, Sue Dahl, Barbara Shade, David Dahl, Codell Jones, Ted Dominick, Naomi Watson

# **Prayer List Changes** – If you have names to **add, or delete at any time,** email staff, or call the office.

Prayer of the Church (Friends): Kay Matthews [Tony's mother], Robert Meissner [Tony's uncle], and Dian and Gina Piazza [friends] (by Tony and Penni Perrotte); Laura Williams (friend of Amanda Anderson), Bill Lopatta (uncle of Amanda Anderson), Jane L (friend of Robin Winfree), Tim and Sue Williams (friends of the Foremans), Phillip Idom & Warner Ettinger (friends of the Perrotte's), Pamela Kildahl (sister of Wendy Waugh), Sara Russell (sister of Anna Snyder), Susan Freeman, her husband Don and daughter Emma (by Joan Pepper), Sayge Lindsay (grandson of Alta Lindsay), Lydia Taylor (cousin of Bee Ellertson), Susan Roberts (friend of Kathy Anderson), Donore Lantz (friend of Judy Schlegel), MJ Chevalier (sister of Marcy Brown), Roketta Hudgins (mother of Greg Hudgins), Gay Reed (friend of Robin Winfree), Sally Midyette (mother of Kathy Anderson), Jacki and Steven and daughters (friends of Joan Pepper), Zach Maier (cousin of Kathy Anderson), Lois Horn (friend of Penni Perrotte), Staci Dominick (daughter-in-law of Ted and Diana Dominick), Marti Casalino (friend of Marcia Redman), David Deardorff (cousin of Marlene Coulter), Virginia Hinshaw (great-grandmother of Kayden and Hunter Hinshaw), Michelle Meadors, Gad Kainer, Peggy Stevens (by John and Linda Foreman), Eric Tabert (nephew of Deb Tabert), Dean Greg Jones of Duke Divinity, Chuck Noll (friend of the Waugh's), Armenia and Artsakh (friends of Judy Schlegel), William and Barbara Wilson (parents of Bill Wilson), Marjorie Bower (daughter of Doug and Fran Whitfield), Linda Leslie (mother of Sean Slane), Paul DeVries (brother of Bob DeVries),

Twila Dahl (sister-in-law of Bill Dahl and Martha Dahl), Gini Rinkus (friend of the Dominicks), Don Weaver (cousin of Marlene Coulter), Jim Allen (family member of Ted and Diana Dominick), Sara (sister of Marlene Coulter), Farmer family (cousins of Marlene Coulter), Betty Sue Dickerson and son Barry Dickerson (friends of the church), Elaine Williamson (sister-in-law of Greg and Jeanna Hudgins), Mike Winfree (brother-in-law of Robin Winfree), Clarence Schulze (father of Sharon Schulze)

#### St. Paul's In-Person Worship and Building Guidelines

The Reopening Task Force met and reviewed the rules announced by our governor and the CDC.

- We have increased the number of people in the sanctuary and Trinity Hall to 100 each and Jackie Nappi will begin live music on the Organ.
- We will still wear masks in worship in an effort to offer some protection from disease.
- All areas of the church are purified with IWave technology which eliminates up to 97% of all virus and bacteria particles.
- We will allow singing and humming while masked.
- Committees are encouraged to begin meeting in person or a combination of in person and zoom.
   Contact the church office to reserve space.
- We will continue for the next 30 days (through June) to limit outside groups from meeting in the church building.
- In order to be able to offer in person worship we continue to need assistance on Sunday morning.
   Here is the sign up sheet for help needed:
   https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0944A4A72FA5F58-sunday1
- We have added a slot on the sign-up for Altar Guild as we need help with setting up and cleaning up the altar.
- We are also looking for people to help with the new video and sound equipment.
   Contact Curtis Chi or Tim Hoke if you would like to be trained.

#### In-Person Worship Zoom information: Topic: Sunday Morning Worship

Time: at 9:30 am - worship begins at 10:00 am

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88584944760?pwd=YTZISFp3NVg2Z09GV0JpOEhObER5Zz09

Meeting ID: 885 8494 4760 Passcode: 435920

Dial by your location

+1 301 715 8592 US (Washington DC)

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Meeting ID: 885 8494 4760 Passcode: 435920

Find your local number: https://us02web.zoom.us/u/kbCjEelyDd

**Here is a listing of the Sign-Up Genius links** we are presently using to accomplish our many needed tasks. Please fill in as you are able. You can bookmark these sites to make it easier to return to them.

- ◆ Devotions <a href="https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c044eabad28a3fd0-daily1">https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c044eabad28a3fd0-daily1</a>
  Please send your devotions to Pastor Scott at <a href="mailto:pastor@stpaulsdurham.org">pastor@stpaulsdurham.org</a>
- ◆ Sunday Morning 10:00 AM Worship https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0944a4a72fa5f58-sunday1 Tasks include setting up, lector, worship assistant, sound, video, etc.

#### Region 9 ELCA Archivist at St. Paul's

Former Vicar Anna Carter made arrangements for the Archivist from the Region 9 ELCA Archives to come to St. Paul's and do a workshop. So, Shannon Smith will join us on Saturday morning, July 17 at 9:00 am until noon. We will talk about the kinds of material that we should be saving, the best ways to save our recorded history and review our current Archives files. All are welcome to attend. Even if you want to learn how to preserve your family history, this is a great opportunity to learn. Please let Pastor Scott know if you plan to attend.

#### **Join the Coffee Hour on Mondays** on Zoom from 10-11. Here is the info:

Topic: Coffee Hour, Time: 10:00-11:00 am on Mondays

Join Zoom Meeting: https://zoom.us/j/91351103753?pwd=WVVCRlgrSUhhLzJWN3pPYnlyL25LZz09

Meeting ID: 913 5110 3753 - Password: 292680

**Articles and information for the July issue of Cross Connections** are due to Susan Esposito by Monday, June 21. You may drop in her mailbox, or email her at <a href="mailto:admin@stpaulsdurham.org">admin@stpaulsdurham.org</a>. "Holy Folders" will meet on Friday, June 25 at 11:00 am to prepare the newsletter for the post office mailing.

#### St. Paul's Golf Group

First outing was fun however not many people came out but I know that was on short notice so this time I'd give you all some advanced notice. The group's next outing at The Crossings will be on Monday, June 21st @ 2:30 PM. If anyone is interested in playing please let me know at Wrpusak@ aol.com or by phone at 919-219-4090. It would be great to know who would be interested in playing by the 18th so I can give the Course a couple days heads up.

Again, the cost is \$29.00 for Green Fees and a donation of \$10.00 for Camp Agape as well. The goal is to reach our goal of \$150.00 to sponsor a hole first and then all proceeds will go directly to Camp Agape. If all else fails it's a great afternoon out with friends and enjoying each others fellowship out on the golf course. I played terribly back on the 17th but couldn't ask for a better day to be outside and enjoying time with my friend Billie.

Thanks again and I hope to hear from you.

Warren Pusak

Friends of St. Paul's Golf Group

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#### **2022 National Youth Gathering**

Calling all students that will be rising 9th grade students through graduating seniors in the year 2022. The youth gathering will be in Minneapolis, MN. Youth will gather with approximately 30,000 other Lutheran youth from across the country. What we need at church is a full list of all students who meet the above criteria. We will then host a meeting with families and youth during August. We will work to raise funds to cover the trip but there will be some cost to families. We have about \$7000 already in an account for this trip. I don't have a per person cost yet, but last time we asked parents to cover 1/3 of the cost (approximately \$500) and we raised the additional 2/3 (\$1000). We were also able to offer full scholarships based on need. Please let us know if your child is eligible. Pastor Scott

## Saturday, July 24 – VBS Day at St. Paul's

Begins at 9:00 am, Lunch at noon

We will have a fun time learning about Noah and the Ark, animals, rainbows, and God's promises.

Plans for our VBS Day are shaping up and here is how you can be involved:

- □ **Volunteer** your time and talents to help that day or some set-up time previous to the 24th.
- Register your children **NOW** so we can be sure to include them in this wonderful day.

We hope to be mostly outside on our grounds for singing, crafting, puppetry, play acting, learning about nature, hearing stories, and having a good time.

**Everyone** is invited to the picnic lunch – church members, friends, neighbors – served outside. After lunch, there will be a special event inside Trinity Hall – everyone is invited to enjoy the magic and laughter of **Happy Dan: The Magic Man**.

Let us know if you can help, or attend, or help set up or clean up the event. Contact Susan Esposito (admin@stpaulsdurham.org) ASAP!!!

**The Thursday Morning Bible Study** will be on vacation the rest of the summer. It will return in September.

**Croasdaile Worship** will be on the fourth Thursday of the month at 2:00 pm. Next date is June 24.



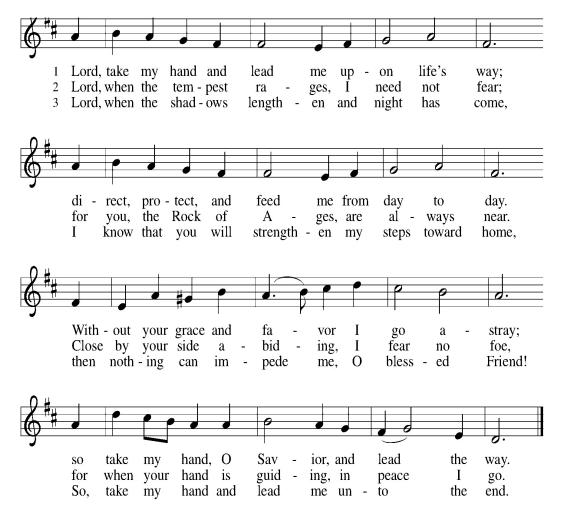
**Be Kind T-shirts and Yard Signs** are still available and are still free. T-shirt sizes are S, M, L, XL, and a few XXL and XXXL. Donations are accepted to cover the cost of having them made. T-shirts \$7.50, yard signs with stands \$10.00. Just email me what you want and your address and I will deliver. Delivery is easiest for me. rev.wendywaugh@gmail.com.

## Gathering Hymn - Eternal Father Strong to Save

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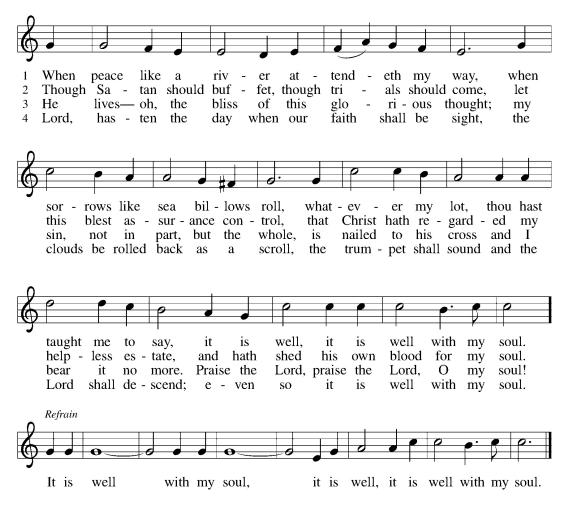


Text: William Whiting, 1825–1878, alt. Music: MELITA, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876



Text: Julie von Hausmann, 1825–1901; tr. *Lutheran Book of Worship* Music: SO NIMM DENN MEINE HÄNDE, Friedrich Silcher, 1789–1860 Text © 1978 *Lutheran Book of Worship*, admin. Augsburg Fortress

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Text: Horatio G. Spafford, 1828–1888 Music: VILLA DU HAVRE, Philip P. Bliss, 1838–1876



- 1 My life flows on in end less song; a bove earth's lam-en ta tion,
- 2 Through all the tu-mult and the strife, I hear that mu-sic ring-ing.
- 3 What though my joys and com-forts die? The Lord my Sav-ior liv eth.
- 4 The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a foun-tain ev-er spring-ing!



I catch the sweet, though far-off hymn that hails a new cre - a - tion. It finds an ech - o in my soul. How can I keep from sing-ing? What though the dark - ness gath-er round? Songs in the night he giv - eth. All things are mine since I am his! How can I keep from sing-ing?



No storm can shake my in-most calm while to that Rock I'm cling-ing.



Since Christ is Lord of heav-en and earth,how can I keep from sing-ing?

Text: Robert Lowry, 1826-1899

Music: HOW CAN I KEEP FROM SINGING, Robert Lowry, alt.