

Elim Lutheran Church

Sunday, April 29, 2018

8:30am Worship



- Everyone is invited to sign in on the clipboard in the pew (members, guests, visitors, everyone!). We use this information to update our attendance records.
- You are invited to join in on all the **bold** text.
- Please check your cell phone before the service begins.



WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please stand as you are able

SHARING OF THE PEACE

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always!

ALL: And also with you.

GATHERING HYMN: WE PRAISE YOU, O GOD

1 We praise you, O God, our re - deem - er, cre - a - tor;
 2 We wor - ship you, God of our fa - thers and mo - thers;
 3 With voic - es u - nit - ed our prais - es we of - fer

in grate - ful de - vo - tion our trib - ute we bring.
 through tri - al and tem - pest our guide you have been.
 and glad - ly our songs of thanks - giv - ing we raise.

We lay it be - fore you; we kneel and a - dore you;
 When per - ils o'er - take us, you will not for - sake us,
 With you, Lord, be - side us, your strong arm will guide us.

we bless your ho - ly name; glad prais - es we sing.
 and with your help, O Lord, our strug - gles we win.
 To you, our great re - deem - er, for - ev - er be praise!

Text: Julia C. Cory, 1882–1963

Music: KREMSER, A. Valerius, *Nederlandsch Gedenckclanck*, 1626

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: For the new life we have in Christ, to God we say,

All: Asante!

Leader: For the grace we have in Christ, to God we say,

All: Asante!

Leader: For the call to serve that we have in Christ, to God we say,

All: Asante!

ALL: GLORY



- 1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:
Son of God and gra - cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;
Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.
Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.
For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Leader: Merciful God,

All: Renew our minds yet again,
that we would discern your loving direction in our lives.
Amen

Please be seated

READING: ROMANS 12:1-21

Reader: A reading from Romans, chapter 12

¹I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. ²Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God — what is good and acceptable and perfect.

³For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. ⁴For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, ⁵so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. ⁶We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ⁷ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; ⁸the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

⁹Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; ¹⁰love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. ¹¹Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. ¹²Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. ¹³Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.

¹⁴Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. ¹⁵Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. ¹⁶Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. ¹⁷Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. ¹⁸If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. ¹⁹Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." ²⁰No, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." ²¹Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Reader: Word of God, word of life.
All: Thanks be to God

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

EXPERIENCES FROM THE TANZANIA MISSION TEAM

("Telling the Story" is recorded most Sundays and is available on our website.)

Please stand as you are able

HYMN OF THE DAY: O CHRIST, YOUR HEART, COMPASSIONATE

1 O Christ, your heart, com - pas - sion - ate, bore ev - 'ry hu - man pain.
2 As once you wel - comed those cast down and healed the sick, the blind,
3 O Christ, cre - ate new hearts in us that beat in time with yours,
4 O Love that made the dis - tant stars, yet marks the spar-row's fall,

Its beat - ing was the pulse of God; its breadth, God's vast do - main.
so may all bruised and bro - ken lives through us your help still find.
that, joined by faith with your great heart, be - come love's o - pen doors.
whose arms stretched wide up - on a cross em - brace and bear us all:

The heart of God, the heart of Christ com-bined in per-fect rhyme
 Lord, join our hearts with those who weep that none may weep a-lone,
 We are your bod-y, ris-en Christ; our hearts, our hands we yield
 come, make your church a ser-vant church that walks your ser-vant ways,
 to write God's love in hu-man deeds, e-ter-ni-ty in time.
 and help us bear an-oth-er's pain as though it were our own.
 that through our life and min-is-try your love may be re-vealed.
 whose deeds of love rise up to you, a sac-ri-fice of praise!

Text: Herman G. Stuempfle Jr., b. 1923

Music: ELLACOMBE, German melody, 18th cent.; adapt. X. L. Hartig, *Melodien zum Mainzer Gesangbuche*, 1833

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PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

After each petition:

Leader: Risen Lord,

All: Hear our prayer.

The prayers conclude:

Leader: We have indeed received grace upon grace from you, loving God.
 Accept these our prayers and use them to transform hearts and
 lives. In Jesus' name,

All: Amen.

Please be seated

OFFERING



Special Music: Chancel Choir - "Who Am I" by Lloyd Larson

Please stand as you are able

OFFERTORY SONG: WE GIVE THEE BUT THINE OWN

1 We give thee but thine own, what - e'er the gift may be;
2 May we thy boun - ties thus as stew - ards true re - ceive,

all that we have is thine a - lone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.
and glad - ly, as thou bless - est us, to thee our first - fruits give.

Text: William W. How, 1823–1897, alt.

Music: HEATH, L. Mason and G. Webb, *Cantica Lauda*, 1850

OFFERING PRAYER

Leader: In you

All: we live and move and have our being, O God.

We can do nothing without you.

Even these gifts we offer were first granted to us
through your grace and generosity.

Accept them for the sake of your gospel and the work
still carried out by your faithful around the globe.

In Jesus' name, Amen.

DIALOGUE

Leader: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

All: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

PREFACE

Pastor: It is our...

...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

ALL: HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and
might, heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the
high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est!

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

**All: 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**

Please be seated

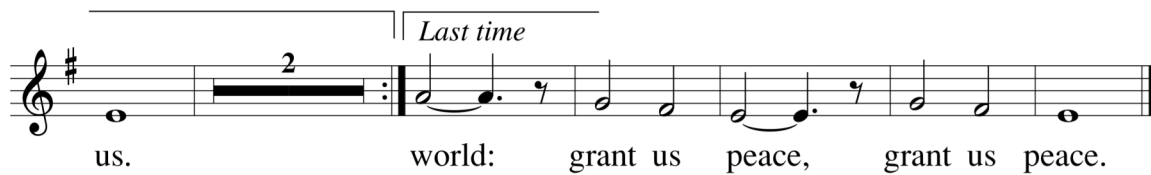
COMMUNION

Jesus welcomes everyone to his table and so we offer to everyone, without exception, to share in Holy Communion. If you would like to receive communion with us today, please come forward and hold out your hands. If you would like a gluten-free wafer, please let the server know. When you receive the bread you may dip it in the red wine or white grape juice. If you would like to receive a blessing instead, please leave your hands folded in front of you. If you are a visitor and would feel more comfortable, you are welcome to remain seated.

ALL: LAMB OF GOD



1. *Lamb of God,
2. Prince of Peace, you take a-way the sins of the world: have mer-cy on
3. Bread of Life,



* "Lamb of God" is sung the first and last times.

Music: *Mass of Remembrance*, Marty Haugen, © 1987, GIA Publications, Inc.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION: LET US BREAK BREAD TOGETHER

1 Let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees;
 2 Let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees;
 3 Let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees;

let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees.
 let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees.
 let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees.

Refrain

When I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris - ing
 sun, O Lord, have mer - cy on me.

Please stand as you are able

BLESSING

Response after blessing: Amen

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Leader: O God,

**All: We give you thanks that you have set before us this feast,
the body and blood of your Son.
By your Spirit strengthen us to serve all in need
and to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

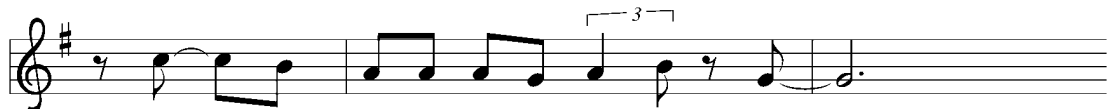
SENDING SONG: WE ARE MARCHING IN THE LIGHT OF GOD



1 *Si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos', si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha -*
 2 We are march - ing in the light of God, we are march - ing in the



nyen' kwen - khos'. *Si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos',*
 light of God. We are march - ing in the light of God,



si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.
 we are march - ing in the light of God.



Si - ya - ham - ba (*ham - ba, si - ya - ham - ba*) *oo*
 We are march - ing (march - ing, we are march - ing) *oo*



si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.
 we are march - ing in the light of God.

Si - ya - ham - ba (ham - ba, si - ya - ham - ba) oo
We are march - ing (march - ing, we are march - ing) oo

si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos' .
we are march - ing in the light of God.

Additional stanzas ad lib.:

- 3 We are singing ...
- 4 We are praying ...
- 5 We are marching ...

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Music: SIYAHAMBA, South African traditional

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SENDING

Assistant: Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

NEXT WEEK:

Sunday, May 6, 2018

Theme: Mexico Team Reflections

Scripture: Ephesians 2:11-22

TODAY'S WORSHIP HELPERS

Christina Bojsen-Moller	Bulletin Folder
Don Bent.....	Bread Baker
Dolores Frey McCloud	Acolyte
Don Bent, George Matt	Ushers
Cathy Dickson, Carol Mayo	Sacristan/Communion Servers
Jan Moffet.....	Coffee Set-up Host 7:45-8:30
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OPEN	Sound Tech
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