

Elim Lutheran Church
Sunday, July 19, 2020
Recorded Worship



*"Why
are you
weeping?"*

JOHN 20:15

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP (PSALM 73:23-28)

Leader: Yet I am always with you; you hold me by my right hand

All: You will guide me by your counsel, and afterwards receive me with glory

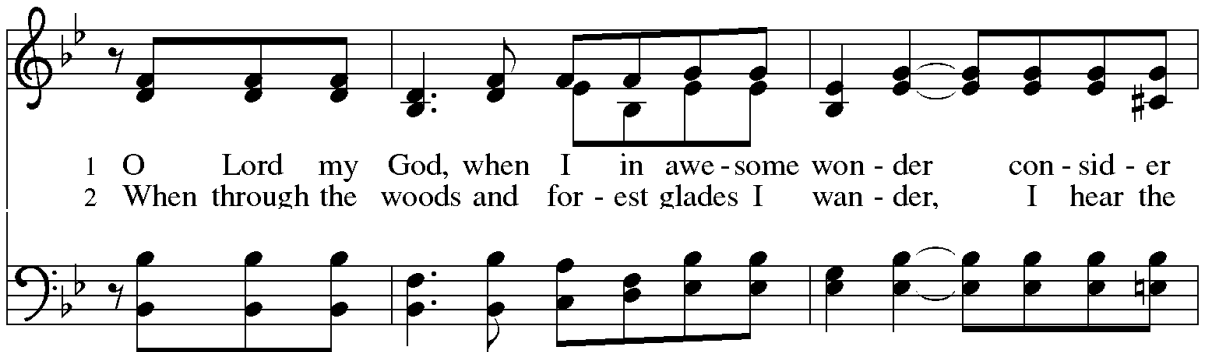
Leader: Whom have I in heaven but you? And having you, I desire nothing upon earth.

All: Though my flesh and my heart should waste away, God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever

Leader: Truly, those who forsake you will perish; you destroy all who are unfaithful.

**All: But it is good for me to be near God;
I have made you my refuge, Lord God, to tell of all your works**

OPENING SONG: HOW GREAT THOU ART



The musical score is written for two staves, Treble and Bass clef, in a 7/8 time signature with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is primarily composed of chords, with some eighth-note runs. The lyrics are provided below the staff.

1 O Lord my God, when I in awe-some won-der con-sid-er
2 When through the woods and for-est glades I wan-der, I hear the

all the works thy hand hath made, I see the stars, I hear the might-y
birds sing sweet-ly in the trees; when I look down from loft - y moun-tain

thun - der, thy pow'r through-out the u - ni - verse dis - played;
gran - deur and hear the brook and feel the gen - tle breeze;

Refrain

Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior God, to thee, how great thou

art! How great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior God, to

thee, how great thou art! How great thou art!

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GREETING

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion
 of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Almighty God,

**All: your Son first entrusted the apostle Mary Magdalene
 with the joyful news of his resurrection.**

**Following the example of her witness,
may we proclaim Christ as our living Lord and one day
see him in glory,**

**for he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.**

Amen.

FIRST READING: RUTH 1:16-18

Leader: A reading from the book of Ruth

¹⁶But Ruth said,

"Do not press me to leave you
or to turn back from following you!

Where you go, I will go;
where you lodge, I will lodge,
your people shall be my people,
and your God my God.

¹⁷Where you die, I will die —
there will I be buried.

May the LORD do thus and so to me,
and more as well,
if even death parts me from you!"

¹⁸When Naomi saw that she was determined to go with her, she said no more to her.

Leader: The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL: JOHN 20:1-2, 11-18

Pastor: The holy gospel according to John

All: Glory to you, O Lord

¹Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. ²So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him."

¹¹Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; ¹²and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. ¹³They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." ¹⁴When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus

standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. ¹⁵Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." ¹⁶Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). ¹⁷Jesus said to her, "Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" ¹⁸Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

Pastor: The gospel of the Lord.

All: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON: PASTOR KATHRYN GULBRANSON

HYMN OF THE DAY: FOR ALL THE FAITHFUL WOMEN



For all the faith - ful wom - en who served in days of old,
We praise the oth - er Mar - y who came at East - er dawn
O God, for saints and ser - vants, those named and those un - known,
All praise to God the Fa - ther! All praise to Christ the Son!



to you shall thanks be giv - en; to all, their stor - y told.
and near the tomb did tar - ry, but found her Lord was gone.
in whom through all the a - ges your light of glo - ry shone,
All praise to God the Spir - it, who binds the church as one!



They served with strength and glad - ness in tasks your wis - dom gave.
As joy - ful - ly she saw him, in res - ur - rec - tion light,
we of - fer glad thanks - giv - ing and fer - vent prayer we raise
With saints who went be - fore us, with saints who wit - ness still,



To you their lives bore wit - ness, pro - claimed your pow'r to save.
may we by faith be - hold him, the day who ends all night.
that, faith - ful in your ser - vice, our lives may sing your praise.
we sing glad al - le - lu - ias and strive to do your will.

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

Music: KUORTANE, Finnish folk tune

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NICENE CREED

We believe in one God,

the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,

the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,

of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;

he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,*
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

LEADER: We pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

A brief silence.

LEADER: God of surprises, you call us in so many ways to follow you. Empower us with faith, like Ruth and Mary had, to have the courage to step into the future, trusting that you will guide us. Lord, in your mercy,

ALL: hear our prayer.

LEADER: God of all space and time, your whole creation groans in labor pains, awaiting the gift of new birth. Renew the earth, sky, and sea, so that all your creation experiences freedom from the bondage of decay. Lord, in your mercy,

ALL: hear our prayer.

LEADER: God of the nations, teach us your ways, that we may walk in your truth. Mend the fabric of the human family, now torn apart by our fearful and warring ways. Guide us by your mercy, grace, and steadfast love. Lord, in your mercy,

ALL: hear our prayer.

LEADER: God of hope, you accompany those who suffer and are near to the brokenhearted. Open our hearts to your children who are lonely and abandoned, who feel trapped by despair, and all who suffer in any way, especially Bob, Dave, Lou, Roger, Audrey, Kevin, Nam Sun, Phil, Lauren, Karin, Robin, Ruth, Mercedes, Sue, Sigrun, Shirley, Gene, Nancy, Christina, Irene, Diane, Pat, Elinor, Dorine, Richard, those battling the coronavirus and those we name silently and aloud (*brief silence*). May they know that their lives are in your ever-healing hands. Lord, in your mercy,

ALL: hear our prayer.

LEADER: God of life, those who have died in you shine like the sun in your endless kingdom. We remember with thanksgiving the saints of all times and places and saints close to us especially, Eric Westby, son of Brede and Shelley Westby who passed away on July 7, and Mary Duerre, long time member who passed away on Thursday. Gather us with them on the day of salvation. Lord, in your mercy,

ALL: hear our prayer.

LEADER: O God, bless all those celebrating birthdays, anniversaries and celebrations of all kinds, this week. Fill our hearts with love and acceptance. Lord, in your mercy,

ALL: hear our prayer.

The prayers conclude:

LEADER: In the certain hope that nothing can separate us from your love, we offer these prayers to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

ALL: Amen.

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**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

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

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

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven 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.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER AND WORDS OF INSTITUTION

SPECIAL MUSIC: Kevin Hart - *“Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus”*

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

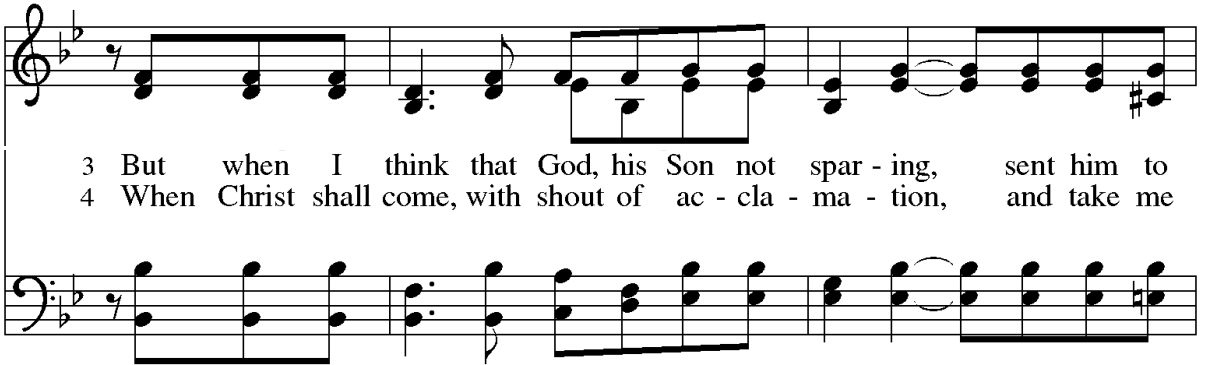
Pastor: God of the welcome table,

All: 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

Response after blessing: Amen

SENDING SONG: HOW GREAT THOU ART



3 But when I think that God, his Son not spar - ing, sent him to
4 When Christ shall come, with shout of ac - cla - ma - tion, and take me



die, I scarce can take it in, that on the cross my bur - den glad - ly
home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in hum - ble ad - o -

bear - ing he bled and died to take a - way my sin;
ra - tion and there pro - claim, "My God, how great thou art!"

Refrain

Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior God, to thee, how great thou

art! How great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior God, to

thee, how great thou art! How great thou art!

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'How Great Thou Art'. It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature is one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is written in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics are printed below the treble staff. The music features a mix of eighth and quarter notes, with some measures containing beamed eighth notes and others with longer note values.

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SENDING

Leader: Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Next Week: Sunday, July 26, 2020

Theme: Paul urged forgiveness and also reconciliation as tools toward healing the Corinthian Christian community.

Read Ahead: 2 Corinthians 2:1-10; Matthew 18:21-22



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