

SNAPSHOT FOR SAINTS

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Empowered by the Holy Spirit, we are compelled to demonstrate compassion to one another and to the world in which we live.

Livestreaming Worship: If you cannot make it to church in person, please feel free to attend virtually using the following link: <https://www.facebook.com/share/1Ba9aL6mDX/>

PRELUDE

CONFESSION

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ~~T~~ one God, who pours love into our hearts and healing upon the earth.

A: Amen.

*P: Confident that God justifies us by grace through faith, let us confess our sin.
Compassionate God,*

A: we confess that we struggle to embody your goodness in the world and in our own hearts. Creation groans from overuse. Jealousy and bitterness strain our relationships. Indifference keeps us from seeking justice. Divisions disrupt your call to show genuine love to others. Turn our hearts back to you. Restore our world and reconcile us to one another. Renew us to live as your holy people, following the way of Jesus Christ.

Amen.

P: Hear this good news:

We have peace with God through ~~T~~ Jesus Christ, in whom there is no condemnation, but only forgiveness and the promise of eternal life. Receive freely this healing gift of grace.

A: Amen



OPENING HYMN

“Take My Life,”

ELW 583

Refrain/Estrillo



To - ma, oh Dios, mi vo - lun - tad, y haz - la tu - ya, na -
Take my life, that I may be con - se - crat - ed, Lord,



da más; to - ma, sí, mi co - ra - zón
to thee; take my mo - ments and my days;

To stanzas *Last time*



y tu tro - no en él ten - drás. ten - drás.
let them flow in cease - less praise. less praise.



1 Que mi vi - da en - te - ra es - té
1 Take my hands and let them move
2 Take my sil - ver and my gold,
3 Take my voice and let me sing
4 Take my will and make it thine;



con - sa - gra - da a ti, Se - ñor;
at the im - pulse of thy love;
not a mite would I with - hold;
al - ways, on - ly for my King;
it shall be no lon - ger mine;



que a mis ma - nos pue - da guiar el im -
take my feet and let them be swift and
take my in - tel - lect and use ev - 'ry
take my lips and let them be filled with
take my heart, it is thine own; it shall

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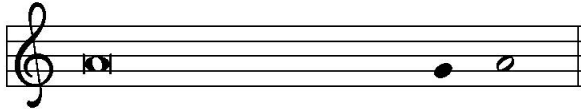
pul - so de tu a - mor.
beau - ti - ful for thee.
pow'r as thou shalt choose.
mes - sag - es from thee.
be thy roy - al throne.

APOSTOLIC GREETING

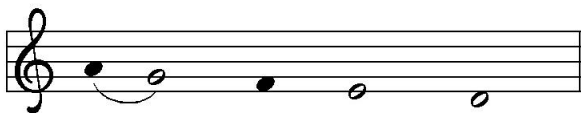
P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

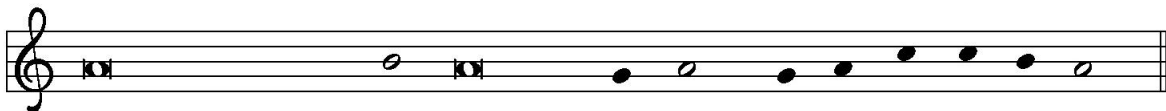
KYRIE



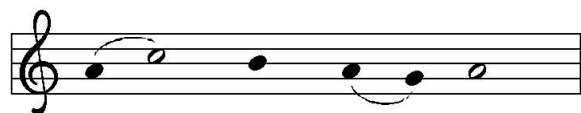
In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



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 mer - cy.

HYMN OF PRAISE “This is the Feast”

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2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the

hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and

might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Final refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain

has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

[Pastor prays]

All: Amen.

SCRIPTURES

JONAH 3:10—4:11

¹⁰ When God saw what [the people of Ninevah] did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them, and he did not do it.

^{4:1} But this was very displeasing to Jonah, and he became angry. ² He prayed to the LORD and said, “O LORD! Is not this what I said while I was still in my own country? That is why I fled to Tarshish at the beginning, for I knew that you are a gracious and merciful God, slow to anger, abounding in steadfast love, and relenting from

punishment. ³ And now, O LORD, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live.” ⁴ And the LORD said, “Is it right for you to be angry?” ⁵ Then Jonah went out of the city and sat down east of the city and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, waiting to see what would become of the city.

⁶ The LORD God appointed a bush and made it come up over Jonah, to give shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort, so Jonah was very happy about the bush. ⁷ But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the bush, so that it withered. ⁸ When the sun rose, God prepared a sultry east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint and asked that he might die. He said, “It is better for me to die than to live.”

⁹ But God said to Jonah, “Is it right for you to be angry about the bush?” And he said, “Yes, angry enough to die.” ¹⁰ Then the LORD said, “You are concerned about the bush, for which you did not labor and which you did not grow; it came into being in a night and perished in a night. ¹¹ And should I not be concerned about Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand persons who do not know their right hand from their left and also many animals?”

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

PHILIPPIANS 1:21-30

²¹ For to me, living is Christ and dying is gain. ²² If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me, yet I cannot say which I will choose. ²³ I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better, ²⁴ but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. ²⁵ Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, ²⁶ so that, by my presence again with you, your boast might abound in Christ Jesus because of me.

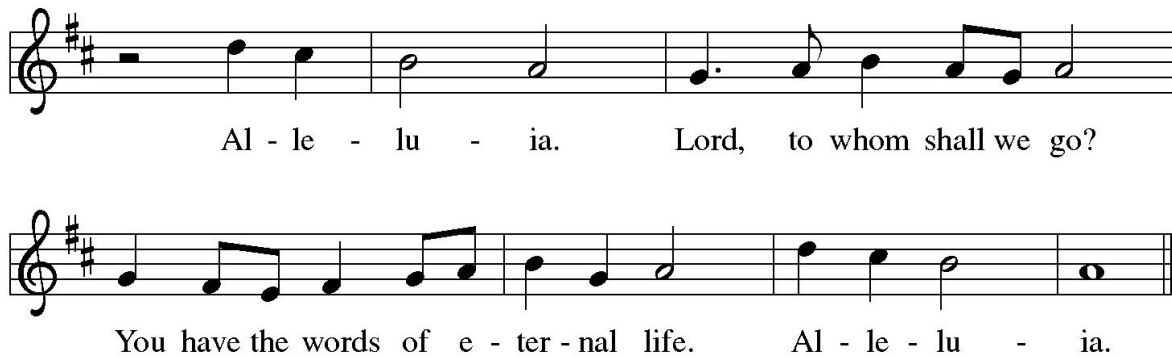
²⁷ Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel ²⁸ and in no way frightened by those opposing you. For them, this is evidence of their destruction but of your salvation. And this is God’s doing. ²⁹ For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ but of suffering for him as well, ³⁰ since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

P: Please stand for the reading of the Gospel.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



P: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew 20:1-16.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

MATTHEW 20:1-16

[Jesus said to the disciples:] ¹ “The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. ² After agreeing with the laborers for a denarius for the day, he sent them into his vineyard. ³ When he went out about nine o’clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace, ⁴ and he said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.’ So they went. ⁵ When he went out again about noon and about three o’clock, he did the same. ⁶ And about five o’clock he went out and found others standing around, and he said to them, ‘Why are you standing here idle all day?’ ⁷ They said to him, ‘Because no one has hired us.’ He said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard.’ ⁸ When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, ‘Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.’ ⁹ When those hired about five o’clock came, each of them received a denarius. ¹⁰ Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received a denarius. ¹¹ And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, ¹² saying, ‘These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.’ ¹³ But he replied to one of them, ‘Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for a denarius? ¹⁴ Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. ¹⁵ Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?’ ¹⁶ So the last will be first, and the first will be last.”

P: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY “There is a wideness in God's Mercy” ELW 587



1 There's a wide-ness in God's mer - cy, like the wide - ness of the sea;
2 There is wel - come for the sin - ner, and a prom - ised grace made good;
3 For the love of God is broad - er than the mea - sures of our mind;
4 'Tis not all we owe to Je - sus; it is some - thing more than all:



there's a kind - ness in God's jus - tice which is more than lib - er - ty.
there is mer - cy with the Sav - ior; there is heal - ing in his blood.
and the heart of the E - ter - nal is most won - der - ful - ly kind.
great - er good be - cause of e - vil, larg - er mer - cy through the fall.



There is no place where earth's sor - rows are more felt than up in heav'n.
There is grace e - nough for thou - sands of new worlds as great as this;
But we make this love too nar - row by false lim - its of our own;
Make our love, O God, more faith - ful; let us take you at your word,



There is no place where earth's fail - ings have such kind - ly judg - ment giv'n.
there is room for fresh cre - a - tions in that up - per home of bliss.
and we mag - ni - fy its strict - ness with a zeal God will not own.
and our lives will be thanks - giv - ing for the good - ness of the Lord.

APOSTLE'S 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 power of 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,**

cont'd →

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

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

L: With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus,
let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.
[Leader will Pray]

L: Lord in your Mercy

C: Hear our Prayer.

PASSING THE PEACE

P: The peace of the Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

OFFERING

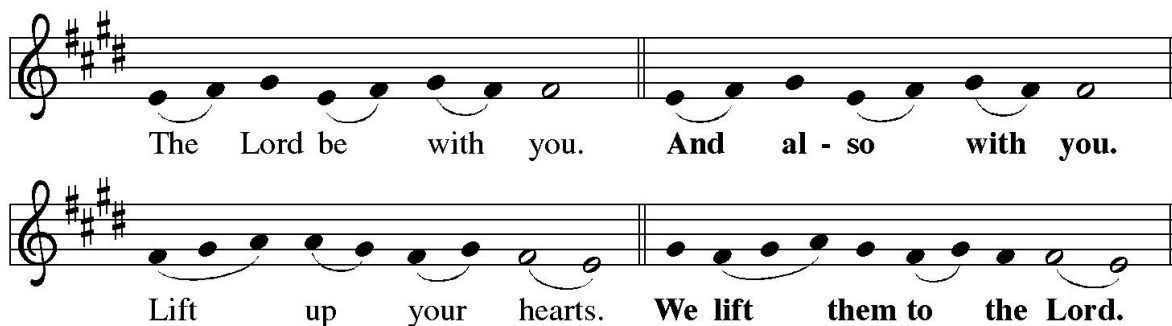


We pass the offering plate as an act of worship, showing our commitment to Christ and His Church. Envelopes are available if you need them.

You may use this square graphic, which is called a QR code to give digitally. If you scan it with the camera on your phone, it will open a link to our Tithe.ly offering page. By clicking that link, you can make a gift to any fund listed on that page, including General Offering for ongoing ministry needs (the dinosaur is just for fun).

HOLY COMMUNION

GREAT THANKSGIVING



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, ...

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

SANCTUS

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r 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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

DISTRIBUTION AT THE RAIL

THE LORD'S SUPPER (Holy Communion), is a gift of grace and open to all. Jesus said "Come, all of you..." and everyone is invited to receive. Children who come to the table with hands extended will also be communed. The inner circle of individual cups in each tray contains juice for those who prefer an alternative to wine, and the bread is gluten free.



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the



sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

COMMUNION HYMN

“Now we Join in celebration”

ELW 462



- 1 Now we join in cel - e - bra - tion at our Sav - ior's in - vi - ta - tion,
- 2 Lord, as round this feast we gath - er, fill our hearts with ho - ly rap - ture!
- 3 Lord, we share in this com - mu - nion as one fam - 'ly of God's chil - dren,



dressed no more in spir - it som - ber, clothed in - stead in joy and won - der;
For this bread and cup of bless - ing are for us the sure pos - sess - ing
rec - on - ciled through you, our broth - er, one in you with God our Fa - ther.



for the Lord of all ex - is - tence, put - ting off di - vine tran - scen - dence,
of your lov - ing deed on Cal - v'ry, of your liv - ing self, our vic - t'ry,
Give us grace to live for oth - ers, serv - ing all, both friends and strang - ers,



stoops a - gain in love to meet us, with his ver - y life to feed us.
pledge of your un - fail - ing pres - ence, fore - taste here of heav'n - ly glad - ness.
seek - ing jus - tice, love, and mer - cy till you come in fi - nal glo - ry.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: Blessed are you,

C: O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

BENEDICTION

SENDING HYMN

“Lord of All Hopefulness”

ELW 765



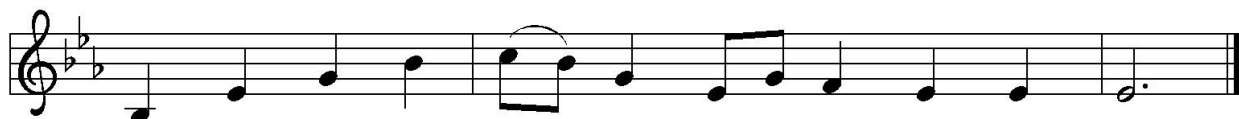
1 Lord of all hope - ful - ness, Lord of all joy,
2 Lord of all ea - ger - ness, Lord of all faith,
3 Lord of all kind - li - ness, Lord of all grace,
4 Lord of all gen - tle - ness, Lord of all calm,



whose trust, ev - er child - like, no cares could de - stroy:
whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe:
your hands swift to wel - come, your arms to em - brace:
whose voice is con - tent - ment, whose pres - ence is balm:



be there at our wak - ing, and give us, we pray,
be there at our la - bors, and give us, we pray,
be there at our hom - ing, and give us, we pray,
be there at our sleep - ing, and give us, we pray,



your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.
your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.
your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.
your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DISMISSAL

P: Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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PRAYER REQUESTS

Pray for all of our friends, both far and near, who are dealing with cancer; for healing for those afflicted and for comfort for their loved ones and caregivers.

- Pat's friends Shelley and Stacie
- Marlo Black, Jamie S.'s sister

Pray for comfort, peace, and the hope of the resurrection for all who have lost loved ones.

Please pray for our home-based members for their health and peace: **Cheri S., Carol K., Doris N., Betty B., Marilyn C., and Carolyn C.**

Prayer Requests can be submitted by calling (253-852-4884) or emailing the church office (aslcauburn@comcast.net)

If you would like a prayer request to go out via our email prayer chain, please get it to Debbie McDaniel (253-886-2449).

THIS WEEK IN WORSHIP

Serving this Sunday:	
<u>Communion Host</u> : Kris F.	<u>Lay Minister</u> : Margaret M.
<u>Hospitality</u> : Anet F.	<u>Safety/Security</u> : TBA
<u>Snacks</u> : Kris F. + GF	<u>Camera Operator</u> : Debi D.
<u>Offering Counters</u> (Tues. Sep. 22): Dave and Kris	

Birthdays

Sep 3 – Betty B.	Sep 14 – Garry R.	Sep 19 – Sandra H.
Sep 7 – Donna T.	Sep 18 – Myra G.	
Sep 8 – Vicki Jo F.	Sep 18 – Laurie Z.	

Anniversaries

Sep 1 – Diane and Dave M.	Sep 5 – Bob and Kathy M
Sep 10 – Beth and Mark L.	Sep 19 – Lola and Mark K.

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

Bible Study meets every **Wednesday at 10:00 AM in the Narthex**. All are welcome.

Book Club meets every **Tuesday at 10:00 AM**.

Please contact Debi D. if you'd like more information

Fun Faith & Fellowship

TOMORROW Sept 21, Monday we will visit Exquisite Creatures

This trip involves a lot of walking. There is little seating in the exhibit, which we will visit for 1.5-2 hours. If you have a walker with a seat, bring it! Will take the light rail from Star Lake Station to downtown Seattle, then walk 1/2 mile from Second Avenue to the exhibit, located at 900 Alaskan Way, across from the Coleman Ferry Dock. Walk the reverse coming home, back up to Second Avenue.

Meet at the church at 9:30 am to carpool to the light rail station.

For anyone wishing to drive, there do appear to be a couple of parking lots within a few blocks of the exhibit.

TICKETS: Please purchase your ticket online. This exhibit has a "timed entry". Please buy a ticket for 11am. (\$30 Senior/\$34 Adult)

Google: Exquisite Creatures Seattle or contact Karen for assistance!

Lunch to follow, around 1 pm, as usual!

Invitation from Melanie H. The ELCA Grand Canyon Synod Hunger Leaders Network announces their regular meeting on **Tuesday, 9/29/26, from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. (AZ time)**- an action packed meeting via zoom with the theme “*Mercy and Compassion Merging for Hunger Justice.*” Featured guests include Bishop Deborah Hutterer (Grand Canyon Synod), Bishop Jeff Johnson (Sierra Pacific Synod), Milt Liu (President and CEO of St. Mary’s Foodbank), and The Rev. Steve Holm, Ret. Please join us via **Zoom: 874 3817 1116**. We meet the last Tuesday of every month at this link. All are welcome!

Ministry of the Arts:

Quilting group Meets Wednesdays after Bible study. Contact Karen B (253-508-1181) or Margaret M. (253-258-1807) about location each week. We are currently working on full size quilts, sewing blocks together for 60"x80" quilts. We have great fabric and would welcome any sewers, cutters, ironers, or tyers to join our fun!! You can even sew at home!!

Knitting/Crocheting: We have patterns for prayer shawls and hats (for next winter's unhoused folks). We would welcome donations of yarn. Please contact Clara K. (206-249-8555-land line) for further information.

Homeless Care and Support

Cold, wet weather is quickly upon us and for those this ministry serves, donations of warm clothing, blankets, hand warmers, hats and gloves are so appreciated.

If you are cleaning out closets and want to donate newly washed, gently used men's or women's winter items, please consider this ministry. Call or text me if you have questions.

Peace, Debbie Mc

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS BENEVOLENCE

Our 3rd quarter (July -Sep) Community Connections Benevolence is **Bread for the World**. According to their website:

Bread for the World is a Christian advocacy organization urging U.S. decision makers to do all they can to pursue a world without hunger. Our mission is to educate and equip people to advocate for policies and programs that can help end hunger in the U.S. and around the world.

Food banks are also essential – but we focus on advocacy. Why? Because federal nutrition programs provide roughly 10 times as much food assistance as private churches and charities combined. With the stroke of a pen, our government leaders have the power to create policies and programs that impact millions of people at once.

You can donate on Sunday morning (just make a note on your envelope that you are giving specifically to this), or you can make a donation using Tithe.ly on ASLcauburn.com. Find the link under the “Donate” tab.

Church “Office” Hours

Pastor John and the Office Administrator, Ann, will begin having “office” hours at the church on **Tuesdays: Ann from ~9am-12pm, and John from 10am-1pm** so if you have questions to ask or things to discuss, you can stop in for a face-to-face meeting. Otherwise, our staff is currently working from home. Feel free to email any questions to the church at aslcauburn@comcast.net .

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