





Holy Spirit Lutheran Church

Compassionate. Challenging. Inclusive.

Holy Spirit Lutheran Church is on the ancestral homelands of the Coast Salish peoples, and we give thanks for their presence here since time immemorial. We recognize and honor all our Indigenous siblings who have and continue to call this land their home.

Welcome to Holy Spirit Lutheran Church! Our mission is to **proclaim and embody the compassionate, challenging, and inclusive love of God revealed in Jesus Christ.** Your age, race, sexual orientation, gender identity, abilities, doubts and questions are all part of your story as a beloved child of God, and your whole self is welcome and affirmed here.

If you are a first-time visitor, welcome! We hope you will fill out a Welcome Card from your seat and drop it in the offering plate when it comes around - we'd love to get to know you! You are also welcome to communion today.

Live streaming and recording occur at our 9:30 am service. Those who worship online enjoy seeing people in the sanctuary, so if you are comfortable being on camera, please sit in the chairs to the right of the altar or close to the piano.

The assisted listening system in our sanctuary is compatible with personal hearing aids with the setting "T". Portable receivers and headsets are available from an usher.

Children are always welcome in worship. Children's bulletins are available from the ushers. Activities for kids are located on the bookshelf located at the back of the sanctuary. Please return items after the service. Childcare is also available at the 9:30 am and 11:00 am services in our nursery. The nursery is designed for children ages 4 and younger – follow the overhead sign in the narthex that directs you to the hallway towards the nursery (on the right).

Sunday School for kids aged 3 through 6th grade occurs during our 9:30 am service, and all are welcome. As Sunday School takes place throughout the building, look in the announcements or ask an usher or staff person where to find your child's class.

This worship bulletin is intended to be used at all three services today. Please leave it on your seat after the 8:00 and 9:30 worship. Large print bulletins are available from the ushers. Feel free to take home the announcement inserts for your personal use.

As we begin worship, we kindly ask that you please silence your cell phone.



Prelude

Arief Abraham, piano

Welcome and Announcements

Gathering Song

Gather Us In

Please stand as you are able.



1 Here in this place the new light is stream-ing, now is the dark - ness
 2 We are the young, our lives are a mys - t'ry, we are the old who
 3 Here we will take the wine and the wa - ter, here we will take the
 4 Not in the dark of build-ings con - fin - ing, not in some heav - en,



van - ished a - way; see in this space our fears and our dream-ings
 yearn for your face; we have been sung through - out all of his - t'ry,
 bread of new birth, here you shall call your sons and your daugh - ters,
 light years a - way— here in this place the new light is shin - ing,



brought here to you in the light of this day.
 called to be light to the whole hu - man race.
 call us a - new to be salt for the earth.
 now is the king - dom, and now is the day.



Gath - er us in, the lost and for - sak - en, gath - er us in, the
 Gath - er us in, the rich and the haugh - ty, gath - er us in, the
 Give us to drink the wine of com - pas - sion, give us to eat the
 Gath - er us in and hold us for - ev - er, gath - er us in and



blind and the lame; call to us now, and we shall a - wak - en,
 proud and the strong; give us a heart, so meek and so low - ly,
 bread that is you; nour - ish us well, and teach us to fash - ion
 make us your own; gath - er us in, all peo - ples to - geth - er,



we shall a - rise at the sound of our name.
 give us the cour - age to en - ter the
 lives that are ho - ly and hearts that are true.
 fire . . . of love in our flesh and our bone.

Easter Proclamation

Christ is risen! Alleluia!

He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Gathering Praises

Please stand as you are able.

Leader: O God, o - pen my lips,

ALL: and my mouth shall de - clare your praise.

Leader: Glo - ry be to God, our Cre - a - tor,

Glo - ry be to Je - sus the Christ, Glo - ry

be to the Spir - it, now and for

ev - er, A - men.

Leader: Give glory to God, our light and our life

ALL: Come, O come, let us wor - ship.

Refrain



ALL: Come, O come, let us sing to God,



let us shout with joy to our sav - ing Rock;



Come, en - ter in with our songs of praise,



Come, en - ter in with thanks - giv - ing.

Verses



1. You are a great and a won - drous God,
2. Come, let us wor - ship and, bow - ing low,
3. O that to - day you would hear God's voice,



cup - ping in your hands all the depths of earth.
kneel be - fore the One who has made us all.
"Hard - en not your hearts as in days of old.



You made the hills and the moun - tains high,
You are the God whom we call our own,
There in the des - ert you test - ed me,

(to refrain)



You made the seas and the dry land.
We are the flock that you shep - herd.
Doubt - ing al - though I had saved you."

Prayer of the Day

God be with you.

And also with you.

O God, you give us your Son as the vine apart from whom we cannot live. Nourish our life in his resurrection, that we may bear the fruit of love and know the fullness of your joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Let's all be seated.



Musical Offering

9:30, 11:00

Now the Green Blade Riseth
music by John Carter

Chancel Choir

First Reading

Acts 8:26-40

Led by the Spirit, Philip encounters an Ethiopian official who is returning to his African home after having been to Jerusalem to worship. Philip uses their encounter to proclaim the gospel to him. Upon coming to faith in Jesus, he is baptized by Philip.

²⁶An angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." (This is a wilderness road.) ²⁷So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship ²⁸and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. ²⁹Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over to this chariot and join it." ³⁰So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" ³¹He replied, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. ³²Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this:

"Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter,
and like a lamb silent before its shearer,
so he does not open his mouth.

³³In his humiliation justice was denied him.
Who can describe his generation?
For his life is taken away from the earth."

³⁴The eunuch asked Philip, "About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" ³⁵Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. ³⁶As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?" ³⁸He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. ³⁹When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. ⁴⁰But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

Ancient Word, Resurrected Wisdom.

Thanks be to God!

Psalm

Psalm 22:25-31

²⁵From you comes my praise in the great assembly;
I will perform my vows in the sight of those who fear the LORD.

²⁶**The poor shall eat and be satisfied,
Let those who seek the LORD give praise! May your hearts live forever!**

²⁷All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD;
all the families of nations shall bow before God.

²⁸**For dominion belongs to the LORD,
who rules over the nations.**

²⁹Indeed, all who sleep in the earth shall bow down in worship;
all who go down to the dust, though they be dead, shall kneel before the LORD.

³⁰**Their descendants shall serve the LORD,
whom they shall proclaim to generations to come.**

³¹They shall proclaim God's deliverance to a people yet unborn,
saying to them, "The LORD has acted!"

Second Reading

1 John 4:7-21

We love God and others because God first loved us. We cannot say we love God, whom we have not seen, while hating fellow Christians, whom we regularly see. Love toward God is to be matched by love toward others because the essence of God is love.

⁷Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. ⁸Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. ⁹God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. ¹⁰In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. ¹¹Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. ¹²No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us.

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¹³By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. ¹⁴And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. ¹⁵God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. ¹⁶So we have known and believe the love that God has for us.

God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. ¹⁷Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as he is, so are we in this world. ¹⁸There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. ¹⁹We love because he first loved us. ²⁰Those who say, "I love God," and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. ²¹The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

Ancient Word, Resurrected Wisdom.

Thanks be to God!

11:00

Children's Message

Greeting of the Gospel

Canticle of Zachary

Please stand as you are able to greet the reading of the Gospel.



Now bless the God of Is - ra - el, Who
comes in love and pow'r, Who rais - es from the
roy - al house De - liv - 'rance in this hour. Through
ho - ly proph - ets God has sworn To free us from a -
larm, To save us from the
heav - y hand Of all who wish us harm.

On the night of his arrest, Jesus taught his disciples about the relationship they would have with him. Those who abide in his word and love bear fruit, for apart from him, they can do nothing.

[Jesus said:] ¹"I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. ²He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. ³You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. ⁴Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. ⁵I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. ⁶Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. ⁷If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. ⁸My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Let's all be seated.

Sermon

Pastor Gina Herman



1 We know that Christ is raised and dies no more.
 2 We share by wa - ter in his sav - ing death.
 3 God's ho - ly splen - dor clothes the Son with life.
 4 A new cre - a - tion comes to life and grows



Em - braced by death, he broke its fear - ful hold,
 Re - born, we share with him an Eas - ter life,
 The Spir - it's fis - sion shakes the church of God.
 as Christ's new bod - y takes on flesh and blood.



and our de - spair he turned to blaz - ing joy.
 as liv - ing mem - bers of our Sav - ior Christ.
 Bap - tized, we live with God the Three in One.
 The u - ni - verse re - stored and whole will sing:



Hal - le - lu - jah!

Creed

Together, let's affirm our trust in God using the words of the creed.

We have faith in God who lives among us.

We are not alone, we live in God's world.

We believe in God:

**who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh,
 to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit.**

We trust in God.

We are called to be the Church:

**to celebrate God’s presence, to live with respect in creation,
to love and serve others, to seek peace and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope.**

In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone.

Thanks be to God!

Prayers of the People

Rejoicing that Jesus is risen and love has triumphed over fear, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need of good news, saying:

God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Our communal prayers begin with a short time of silence and then petitions for the world, the church, and people and places in particular need. You will also be invited to name, in speech or silence, the prayers you carry with you.

Into your hands, most merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abiding love; through Jesus Christ, our resurrected and living Lord.

Amen.



Sharing the Peace

The peace of God be always with you.

And also with you.

Bearing in mind the personal comfort of those around you, please share a friendly sign of God's peace and reconciliation with others and then be seated.

Offering

We invite you to contribute to our shared mission and ministry. Scan the QR code to reach the Giving page on our website.



Musical Offering

8:00, 11:00

The Lord's Prayer
arranged by Arief Abraham

Arief Abraham, piano

9:30

Celtic Laud
music by Craig Courtney

Chancel Choir
Cathy Dunlop, flute

Offertory

In the Morning I Will Sing

Please stand as you are able. All sing the refrain twice.

In the morn-ing I will sing, I will
sing glad songs to you, I will sing glad songs of praise to
you. I will sing glad songs of praise to
you.

The musical notation is written on a single treble clef staff in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It begins with a 4-measure rest, followed by a melody of quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are placed below the notes. The piece concludes with a final whole note on the word 'you' and a double bar line.

Offertory Prayer

God of life,

**you give us these gifts of the earth,
these resources of our life and our labor.**

**Take them, offered in great thanksgiving,
and use them to set a table
that will heal the whole creation;
through Jesus Christ,
our Savior and Lord.**

Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

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 God thanks and praise.

Words of Institution

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.

The Lord's Prayer

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus teaches us:

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.

Let's all be seated.

Communion Distribution

All are welcome to God's meal, where ordinary bread and wine become extraordinary, filled with Christ's presence. Ushers will direct you to one of the stations in front. Communion will be by intinction. You will receive a wafer, which you may dip into the chalice with wine, or with juice, then eat. Wafers in the small bowl on the side of the plate are gluten free. If you avoid gluten, please take one for yourself. If you would prefer not to receive communion, please feel free to remain seated or come forward for a blessing. Please indicate your desire for a blessing by crossing your arms. Children are welcome to receive communion or a blessing.

Music During Communion

9:30

The Lord's Prayer
arranged by Arief Abraham

Arief Abraham, piano

11:00

Go Light Your World
music by Chris Rice

Paul Jeganathan, soloist



Prayer Following Communion

Please stand as you are able.

Gracious God, in you we live and move and have our being.

With your word and this meal of grace, you have nourished our life together.

Strengthen us to show your love and serve the world in Jesus' name.

Amen.

Benediction

Leader: ALL:

May God bless and keep us. A -

Leader:

men. May God's face ev - er shine up - on us.

ALL: Leader:

A - men. May God grant us peace for all our

ALL:

days. A - men.

Sending Hymn

Let All Things Now Living



1 Let all things now liv - ing a song of thanks - giv - ing to
2 God rules all the forc - es: the stars in their cours-es and



God the cre - a - tor tri - um - phant - ly raise,
sun in its or - bit o - be - dient - ly shine;



who fash - ioned and made us, pro - tect - ed and stayed us, who
the hills and the moun - tains, the riv - ers and foun - tains, the



still guides us on to the end of our days.
deeps of the o - cean pro - claim God di - vine.



God's ban - ners are o'er us, God's light goes be -
We too should be voic - ing our love and re -



fore us, a pil - lar of fire shin - ing forth in the night,
joic - ing; with glad ad - o - ra - tion a song let us raise



till shad - ows have van - ished and dark - ness is ban - ished, as
till all things now liv - ing u - nite in thanks - giv - ing: "To



for - ward we trav - el from light in - to light.
God in the high - est, ho - san - na and praise!"

Dismissal

Christ is risen! Alleluia!

He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Go in peace. Share the good news.

Thanks be to God.

Choral Benediction

9:30

A Blessing of Light
music by Joseph Martin

Chancel Choir

Postlude

Arief Abraham, piano

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SERVING TODAY – April 28			
	8:00	9:30	11:00
ACOLYTES	n/a	Molly Fiegenschuh	Aiden Stewart
ASSISTING MINISTER	Ilene Hamilton	Dave Papenhausen	Nathan Aldan III
GREETERS	Nancy Swanson	Michael and Jennifer Lally	Maryrose Henebry Cathy Dunlop
USHERS	Roseanne Hoxie	Michael and Suzanne Fiegenschuh	Jennifer Williams Rosemary Dunkle
A/V TECHNICIAN		Danielle Dadashi	Heath Stewart
COMMUNION SET UP/ CLEAN UP	Kathy Doran	n/a	Cathy Dunlop

SERVING NEXT SUNDAY – May 5			
	8:00	9:30	11:00
ACOLYTES	n/a	Sam Hail	Louisa Higson
ASSISTING MINISTER	Nancy Swanson	4th, 5th, 6th graders	Grace Hanson
GREETERS	Kathy Doran	Chris Cole Mallory Dehbod	Stuart and Diane Campbell
USHERS	Roseanne Hoxie	4th, 5th, 6th graders	Maryrose Henebry Jeff Reeder
A/V TECHNICIAN	Zander Cole	Aiden Stewart	Zander Cole
COMMUNION SET UP/ CLEAN UP	Kathy Doran	n/a	Cathy Dunlop