



## Shepherd of the Hill Lutheran Church – ELCA

*"Encouraging faith and proclaiming God's love by Gathering, Growing and Giving."*

6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

Service of the Word

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*NOTE: **Bold text** indicates worshippers' response, and '\*' means please stand as able.*

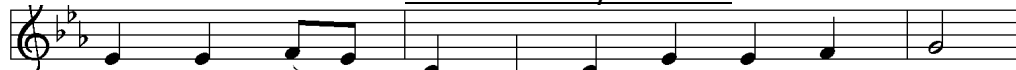
RELUDE

Michelle Young

WELCOME & MINISTRY MESSAGES

### GATHERING

\* # 469 GATHERING HYMN Lord of All Hopefulness



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.

\* GREETING 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.**

\*CALL TO WORSHIP Jesus calls us into his presence. **When we are tired and struggling.** Jesus promises us rest. **We find peace in Jesus' loving arms.**

This is the feast of vic-tory for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,  
 al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. I Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was  
 slain, whose blood set us free to be peo-ple of God.  
 This is the feast of vic-tory for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,  
 al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. II Pow-er, rich-es, wis-dom, and  
 strength, and hon-or, bless-ing, and glo-ry are his.  
 This is the feast of vic-tory for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,  
 al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. I Sing with all the peo-ple of God, and  
 join in the hymn of all cre-a-tion: Bless-ing, hon-or, glo-ry, and  
 might be to God and the Lamb for-ev-er. A-men.  
 This is the feast of vic-tory for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,  
 al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. II For the Lamb who was  
 slain has be-gun his reign. Al-le-lu-ia.  
 This is the feast of vic-tory for our God.  
 Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

\* P: The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

\* PRAYER OF THE DAY P: Let us pray. Loving God, **you sustained the early church in their suffering through hope in the promise of your salvation. Give us this same hope, and walk with us through our own challenges, in Jesus Christ our savior. Amen.** <sup>1</sup>

### GROWING

SUNDAY SCHOOL CHILDREN SING

*The Apostle Paul has the unenviable task of trying to bring together groups of people who have been taught they should be separated, seen as enemies. It is an uphill battle, but one he is completely committed in pursuing because he understands the divine nature of the task. His repeated message is that their faith in Jesus is what connects them, strengthens them, and ultimately unites them to God and one another. Hear within his message the reality we all face, there is suffering in life. But he has Good News about suffering, news of how we are never alone in it, and we can come away from it stronger and more faithful. A reading from Romans, verses from chapters 13 and 15.*

READER 1: <sup>3:28</sup> We firmly believe that a person is made right with God because of their faith. They are not saved by obeying the law. <sup>29</sup> Or is God the God of Jews only? Isn't he also the God of Gentiles? Yes, he is their God too. <sup>30</sup> There is only one God. When those who are circumcised believe in him, he makes them right with himself. Suppose those who are not circumcised believe in him. Then God also will make them right with himself. <sup>31</sup> Does faith make the law useless? Not at all! We agree with the law.

READER 2: <sup>5:1</sup> We have been made right with God because of our faith. Now we have peace with him because of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>2</sup> Through faith in Jesus we have received God's grace. In that grace we stand. We are full of joy because we expect to share in God's glory. <sup>3</sup> And that's not all. We are full of joy even when we suffer. We know that our suffering gives us the strength to go on. <sup>4</sup> The strength to go on produces character. Character produces hope. <sup>5</sup> And hope will never bring us shame. That's because God's love has been poured into our hearts. This happened through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.

READER 1 <sup>6</sup> At just the right time Christ died for ungodly people. He died for us when we had no power of our own. <sup>7</sup> It is unusual for anyone to die for a godly person. Maybe someone would be willing to die for a good person. <sup>8</sup> But here is how God has shown his love for us. While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

READER 2: <sup>9</sup> The blood of Christ has made us right with God. So we are even more sure that Jesus will save us from God's anger. <sup>10</sup> Once we were God's enemies. But we have been brought back to him because his Son has died for us. Now that God has brought us back, we are even more secure. We know that we will be saved because Christ lives. <sup>11</sup> And that is not all. We are full of joy in God because of our Lord Jesus Christ. Because of him, God has brought us back to himself. The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

MESSAGE

Pastor Mary Eide

# HYMN OF THE DAY *All Earth Is Hopeful* Page 6

\*THE APOSTLES' CREED (*professed together*)

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.**





# All Earth Is Hopeful

## Toda la tierra



To - da la tie - rra es - pe - ra al Sal - va - dor  
 1 All earth is hope - ful, the Sav - ior comes at last!  
 2 Peo - ple of Is - rael, you heard the proph - et tell:  
 3 Moun - tains and val - leys will have to be pre - pared;  
 4 We first saw Je - sus a ba - by in a crib.



y el sur - co a - bier - to, la ob - ra del Se - ñor; es el  
 Fur - rows lie o - pen for God's cre - a - tive task: this, the  
 "A vir - gin moth - er will bear Em - man - u - el"; she con -  
 new high - ways o - pened, new pro - to - cols de - clared. Al - most  
 This same Lord Je - sus to - day has come to live in our



mun - do que lu - cha por la li - ber - tad, re -  
 la - bor of peo - ple who strug - gle to see how  
 ceived him, "God with us," our broth - er, whose birth re -  
 here! God is near - ing, in beau - ty and grace! All  
 world; he is pres - ent, in neigh - bors we see our



cla - ma jus - ti - cia y bus - ca la ver - dad. dar - nos li - ber - tad.  
 God's truth and jus - tice set ev - 'ry - bod - y free.  
 stores hope and cour - age to chil - dren of this earth.  
 clear ev - 'ry gate - way, in haste, come out in haste!  
 Je - sus is with us, and ev - er sets us free.

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## Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus



1 Let us ev - er walk with Je - sus, fol - low his ex - am - ple pure,  
2 Let us suf - fer here with Je - sus, and with pa - tience bear our cross.  
3 Let us glad - ly die with Je - sus. Since by death he con - quered death,  
4 Let us al - so live with Je - sus. He has ris - en from the dead



through a world that would de - ceive us and to sin our spir - its lure.  
Joy will fol - low all our sad - ness; where he is there is no loss.  
he will free us from de - struc - tion, give to us im - mor - tal breath.  
that to life we may a - wak - en. Je - sus, you are now our head,



On - ward in his foot - steps tread - ing, trav - 'lers here, our home a - bove,  
Though to - day we sow no laugh - ter, we shall reap ce - les - tial joy:  
Let us mor - ti - fy all pas - sion that would lead us in - to sin;  
we are your own liv - ing mem - bers; where you live, there we shall be



full of faith and hope and love, let us do our Sav - ior's bid - ding.  
all dis - com - forts that an - noy shall give way to mirth here - af - ter.  
and the grave that shuts us in shall but prove the gate of heav - en.  
in your pres - ence con - stant - ly, liv - ing there with you for - ev - er.



Faith - ful Lord, with me a - bide; I shall fol - low where you guide.  
Je - sus, here I share your woe; help me there your joy to know.  
Je - sus, here with you I die, there to live with you on high.  
Je - sus, let me faith - ful be; life e - ter - nal grant to me.

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