



**Lord of Love's Mission:**

*"Celebrating and sharing God's Love in a welcoming community of faith, while serving others."*  
**Bold type** indicates Congregational responses.

*\* Congregation please stand as you are comfortable*

**Welcome to Lord of Love! We are the body of Christ, and we are not whole without you.**

**Visitors:** We're so glad you're here, and we'd love the opportunity to connect with you! Text WELCOME to 402-493-2946 so we can follow up with you.

**Nursery:** The nursery (just off the Narthex) is open during worship. Please know that children are always welcome in the Sanctuary for worship. Quiet toy bags are available from the ushers.

**Offering:** An offering plate is at the back of the Sanctuary, and gifts may be placed there. Children may put their offering in the noise jar during the offering song.

**Communion:** Everyone is welcome at communion. Gluten-free wafers are available by asking a communion server. In the communion trays, the wine is red and grape juice is white.

**Prelude:** “Sharing Grace upon Grace” .....Written by Simone Weber

## **Welcome/Announcements**

**\*Invocation Song:** “Good Morning Lord” (Beatles Tune: “Eight Days a Week”)

Lyrics: Fritz Wiese

**Hey, dear Lord, good morning. It’s good to be with you. We’re here to sing your praises, give thanks for what you do.**

**In the name of the Father, in the name of the Son, in the name of the Spirit; the Three-in-One. Bless our time together. Send your Spirit near. Help us with our questions, our wrestlings and our fears.**

**Creating Father, Redeeming Son, Guiding Spirit; Almighty One.**

**Blessed be your name, Forever.**

**Open now our hearts, That you may touch and lead our lives.**

**Oh, we love you Jesus. That’s why we’re in this place: to grow within your presence, until it’s face to face. In the name of the Father, in the name of the Son, in the name of the Spirit; the Three-in-One, the Three-in-One, the Three-in-One.**

**\*Confession and Forgiveness Song** (Tune: “Hey, Jude”)

Lyrics: Mike Lisi

**Hey Lord, please hear my prayer. Take my sad song and make it better. I’ve repented and let you into my heart. Now you can start to make it better.**

**Hey Lord, I’m so afraid. I’ve betrayed you. I push away your love. The minute I let you into my heart, then you will start to make it better.**

**And any time I feel the pain, O Lord, refrain. I won’t carry the world upon my shoulders. For you have cast away my sin, I’ve given in. I’ve given my heart, my life, to Jesus. Na na na na, na na na na..**

**Hey Lord, don’t let me down. Now that you’ve found me, I won’t forget you. I’ve repented; I’ve let you into my heart. Now you can start to make it better.**

**Forgive me, Lord, I’m full of sin. Jesus begin. I’m waiting for someone to redeem me. And now I know, Lord, that it’s you. Hey Lord, you’ll do! You’ll turn all the sadness into sunshine. Na na na na, na na na na..**

**Hey, Lord, please hear my prayer. Take my sad song and make it better. I’m forgiven; I’ve let you into my heart. Now you can start to make it better, better, better, better, yeah. Amen. Amen. Amen.**

**God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ Jesus. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ (+) your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.**

**Amen! Amen! Amen! Hey, Lord!**

**\* Kyrie:** *“Shower Your Grace”* (Tune: *“You’ve Got To Hide Your Love Away”*) Lyrics: Fritz Wiese

**Here we stand with hearts in hand beseeching you in prayer. Those lonely and meek, for the troubled who seek, Father, show them your care. For peace in our time, for meaning and rhyme, in our daily lives. That kindness be shown in our homes by children, husbands and wives.**

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**Lord, shower your grace upon our way. Lord, we need your strength to live today.**

**From hostilities that we may be freed, let healing start to stir. Melt cold hearts, provide fresh starts, that Good News will be heard. Those lost in a maze, for those who give praise, may mercy be their gift. That justice may reign, transforming the pain; our hearts to you we lift.**

***\*Prayer of the Day***

Let us pray,

**O God our defender, storms rage around and within us and cause us to be afraid. Rescue your people from despair, deliver your sons and daughters from fear, and preserve us in the faith of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

***Psalm: Psalm 85:8-13***

I will listen to what the LORD God is saying;

for you speak peace to your faithful people and to those who turn their hearts to you.

**Truly, your salvation is very near to those who fear you,  
that your glory may dwell in our land.**

Steadfast love and faithfulness have met together;  
righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

**Faithfulness shall spring up from the earth,  
and righteousness shall look down from heaven.**

The LORD will indeed grant prosperity,  
and our land will yield its increase.

**Righteousness shall go before the LORD  
and shall prepare for God a pathway.**

***Special Music: “How Beautiful” (Duet- Matt and Simone Weber) Written by Twila Paris***

**Second Reading: Romans 10:5-15**

L: Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that “the person who does these things will live by them.” But the righteousness that comes from faith says, “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’ ” (that is, to bring Christ down) “or ‘Who will descend into the abyss?’ ” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say?

“The word is near you,  
in your mouth and in your heart”

(that is, the word of faith that we proclaim), because if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart, leading to righteousness, and one confesses with the mouth, leading to salvation. The scripture says, “No one who believes in him will be put to shame.” For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For “everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!”

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

**\*Gospel Acclamation: “Words of Life”** (Tune: “Ob-La-Di, Ob-La-Da”) Lyrics Fritz Wiese

Jesus was with His disciples when they asked, “Lord, where shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.” For happiness and joy these words we need to know.

**Allelu! Allelu! Alleluia! Blessed are those who hear God’s Word. Allelu! Allelu! Alleluia! Blessed are those who hear God’s Word.**

When it seems you have all the answers, or when you feel you haven’t got a clue, turn to what will prove a steady dancer. The Bible shows God’s love and grace always come through.

**Allelu! Allelu! Alleluia! Blessed are those who hear God’s Word. Allelu! Allelu! Alleluia! Blessed are those who hear God’s Word. If you want true life, then act upon God’s Word.**

**\*Gospel: Matthew 14:22-33**

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 14<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus] made the disciples get into a boat and go on ahead to the other side [of the Sea of Galilee,] while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, “It is a ghost!” And they cried out in fear. But immediately

Jesus spoke to them and said, “Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid.”

Peter answered him, “Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.” He said, “Come.” So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and, beginning to sink, he cried out, “Lord, save me!” Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, “You of little faith, why did you doubt?” When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, “Truly you are the Son of God.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Children’s Sermon “Walking on Water”* ..... Simone Weber

**Message:** Table Grace Mission Impact.....Matt and Simone Weber

**Hymn of the Day:** “How Will We Rise” .....written by Simone Weber

**Chorus:**

**How will we rise,**

**Amid the cries**

**Of injustice in our world? (repeat)**

**Vs. 1**

Heart hand and voice (echo)    We have a choice (echo)

Standing as one.        Hand in hand

Body and soul (echo)    together we're whole (echo)

Grace is a gift,        throughout the land.

**Chorus:**

**How will we rise,**

**Amid the cries**

**Of injustice in our world? (repeat)**

**Vs. 2**

Step out in faith (echo)        courage to face (echo)

Paths on the way    to glory

Lifting up high (echo)        voices that cry (echo)

Eager to tell    the story (echo)

**Chorus:**

**How will we rise,**

**Amid the cries**

**Of injustice in our world? (repeat)**

**Vs. 3**

Listen for Love (echo)        From heaven above (echo)

Paving new paths    unventured

Empowered by grace (echo)        ready to face

Journeys ahead    together (echo)

**Chorus:** (Repeat 3 times)

**How will we rise,**

**Amid the cries**

**Of injustice in our world? (repeat)**

*\*The Apostles' Creed*

*Rev. Kim McSheehy*

L: God has made us his people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

**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.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

**He descended into hell.**

**On the third day he rose again.**

**He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again 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.**

*\*Prayers of the People*

*Rev. Kim McSheehy*

With bold trust in God's unfailing provision, we pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

*A brief silence.*

We pray for the servants of your gospel in every place, that your word may be heard. Where your voice is scorned and your people persecuted, strengthen the church in its faithful witness. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

For this world you have created, that all life may flourish. Preserve biodiversity in all its variety and help ecosystems to survive the extremes of a changing climate. Move our hearts with compassion to join in this work. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

For leaders of towns, states, nations, and organizations, and all who are in positions of authority, that they lead with justice and integrity. Teach us to respond with Christlike mercy to all who are afraid or in danger. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

For all who struggle amid the storms of life, that they find peace and hope in your loving presence. Comfort any who are lonely and grieving and all who suffer especially those on our prayer list and those whose names we lift up to you. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

For this congregation and its ministries, that they reflect your love and life amid a turbulent world. Guide council members, elders, and other church leaders with your still, calm voice. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

We give thanks for the faithful who have gone before us. Guide us in our earthly journey, that we may one day join them in your eternal kingdom. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

Receive our prayers and answer, O God, as you have promised. All this we ask in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

**\*Peace**

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

*Please share signs of peace with one another.*

*Please be seated*

**Offering Song: “Fight of My Life”**

*By Rend Collective*

*Gifts may be placed in the offering plates located in the back of the sanctuary or given electronically at [www.lord-of-love.org](http://www.lord-of-love.org). **One plate is designated for Table Grace offerings and one is for Lord of Love regular offerings.** Children may come forward to put their offering in the noise jar during this song.*

**\*Offertory Song: “All My Living” (Tune: “All My Loving”)**

Lyrics: Fritz Wiese

How can I measure, the bounteous treasure, the gifts God’s entrusted to me, to use and enjoy but to also employ that God’s will around me be done?

**All my living, let it be for you. That’s why I’m giving these gifts now to you.**

**For the stars, woods and streams, possibilities and dreams, I thank you for my daily bread. Now through all of my friendships and words that come from my lips, I’ll act so that others are fed.**

**All my living, let it be for you. That’s why I’m giving these gifts now for you, these gifts now for you, these gifts now for you.**

***\*Offertory Prayer***

Let us pray.

**Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: ourselves, our time and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

***\*Communion Song*** (Tune: “*Let it Be*”)

Lyric: Fritz Wiese

On the night our Savior was betrayed, he took the bread and then he prayed, “This is now my body. Take and eat.” After supper he took the cup, giving thanks he held it up, “this wine is now my blood. Take and drink.”

**“Remember me,” Jesus said, “In the wine, through the bread. This meal of love I give you. Remember me.”**

This meal is our new covenant, Christ’s summary of what he meant. United in his body, you and me. Black or white, young or old, if your heart is open or still cold, forgiveness now is given, for you and me.

**“Remember me,” Jesus said, “In the wine, through the bread. This meal of love I give you. Remember me.”**

So as we celebrate Christ’s meal we proclaim the cross that heals; our sins upon his shoulders at Calvary. For the bonds of death God devastates. Christ’s resurrection liberates. To the banquet now He calls us, you and me.

**“Remember me,” Jesus said, “In the wine, through the bread. This meal of love I give you. Remember me.” “Remember me,” Jesus said, “In the wine, through the bread. This meal of love I give you. Remember me.”**

***\*The Lord’s Prayer***

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**Our Father which 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil: for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

***Invitation to the Lord’s Table***

Come, taste and see that the Lord is good. All are welcome at the table of our Lord.

***Distribution Special Music: “Crowded Table”***

*Written by Highwoman*

**\*Benediction**

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.  
**Amen.**

**\*Sending Song:** *"Go now in peace"* (Tune: *"Yellow Submarine"*)                      Lyrics: Fritz Wiese  
Go now in peace into the world. Share with others what we've heard: That Jesus died, but now  
he lives. Life in his kingdom to you he gives.

**Go now in peace to serve the Lord as friends, wherever your road bends, until the story  
ends. Go now in peace to serve the Lord as friends, wherever your road bends, until the  
story ends.**

**Thank you, Lord, for this time. Your light of grace we'll try to shine. Give away as we've  
received. Serving others in their need.**

**Go now in peace to serve the Lord as friends, wherever your road bends, until the story  
ends. Go now in peace to serve the Lord as friends, wherever your road bends, until the  
story ends. Go now in peace to serve the Lord as friends, wherever your road bends, until  
the story ends. Go now in peace to serve the Lord as friends, wherever your road bends,  
until the story ends.**

**\*Dismissal**

L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

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