

# St. John Lutheran Church

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to St. John Lutheran Church and our Contemporary Worship Service. We are so glad you have chosen to join us today and we pray your time with us will fill you with the love our Lord has for you.

Today's service includes the Lord's Supper. If you are a first-time visitor and wish to receive Holy Communion, please speak with one of our Elders or myself prior to service.

May God bless your worship with us today,

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Compelled by the Love of Christ to Live, Learn, Share, and Serve'

Our Vision is to inspire the vibrant experience of Christian faith in our community, to all generations, wherever they may be'

# Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost A Time of Preparation

# Prelude

# "I Speak Jesus"

I just want to speak the Name of Jesus Over ev'ry heart and ev'ry mind 'Cause I know there is peace within Your presence I speak Jesus I just want to speak the Name of Jesus 'Til ev'ry dark addiction starts to break Declaring there is hope and there is freedom I speak Jesus Your Name is power Your Name is healing Your Name is life Break ev'ry stronghold Shine through the shadows Burn like a fire I just want to speak the Name of Jesus Over fear and all anxiety To ev'ry soul held captive by depression I speak Jesus Your Name is power Your Name is healing Your Name is life Break ev'ry stronghold Shine through the shadows Burn like a fire Shout Jesus from the mountains Jesus in the streets Jesus in the darkness over ev'ry enemy Jesus for my fam'ly I speak the holy Name Jesus Your Name is power Your Name is healing Your Name is life Break ev'ry stronghold Shine through the shadows Burn like a fire

I just want to speak the Name of Jesus

#### Over ev'ry heart and ev'ry mind 'Cause I know there is peace within Your presence I speak Jesus

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#### Welcome, Sharing of the Peace and Call To Worship

# **Opening Song**

"The Answer"

So many questions, the world is reaching. So many hurting, so many lost. With all this striving, who can we lean on? Creation's crying out from the dark.

I know the answer to every question, the one solution to every fear. I know my help and where it comes from. Jesus, He is the answer.

He sees our sadness, He feels our sorrow.And in our weakness, He is strong.He holds the weight of all of our failings.Great is our sin, but greater the cross.

I know the answer to every question, the one solution to every fear. I know my help and where it comes from. Jesus, He is the answer.

For every heart that's breaking, for every soul that's shaking, For every sickness there's healing in Your hands. Let every heart awaken, to see it's You who saves us. You are my hope, and the rock on which I stand.

You are the answer to every question, the one solution to every fear. You are my help and where it comes from.

Jesus, You are the answer. Jesus You are the answer.

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#### **Confession and Forgiveness**

#### **Song of Praise**

#### "The Plans"

When I am anxious When I am afraid I take it to God I call on His Name If the mover of mountains Is listening to me Why should I worry Why should I fear anything

For I know the plans He has for me Yes I know the plans He has for me For my good To give me a hope and a future

When I am waiting For His promise to come Sometimes He's silent But I'm never alone He walks in the valley And He quiets the storm He stands in the fire So why should I fear anymore

For I know the plans He has for me Yes I know the plans He has for me For my good To give me a hope and a future For I know the plans He has for me Yes I know He's working everything For my good To give me a hope and a future

All my life All I've seen Your endless love Surrounding me With every breath I will be found by You

If I set sail Or spread my wings And find myself On the farthest sea You're waiting there I will be found by You I will be found by You

For I know the plans He has for me Yes I know the plans He has for me For my good To give me a hope and a future For I know the plans He has for me Yes I know He's working everything For my good To give me a hope and a future

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#### **First Reading**

<sup>6</sup> Then I saw another angel flying directly overhead, with an eternal gospel to proclaim to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people. <sup>7</sup> And he said with a loud voice, "Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come, and worship him who made heaven and earth, the sea and the springs of water."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

#### **G** Thanks be to God.

#### **Second Reading**

<sup>1</sup> God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. <sup>2</sup> Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea, <sup>3</sup> though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble at its swelling. <sup>4</sup> There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High. <sup>5</sup> God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved; God will help her when morning dawns. <sup>6</sup> The nations rage, the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice, the earth melts. <sup>7</sup> The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress. <sup>8</sup> Come, behold the works of the LORD, how he has brought desolations on the earth. <sup>9</sup> He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; he breaks the bow and shatters the spear; he burns the chariots with fire.<sup>10</sup> "Be still, and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!" <sup>11</sup> The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

#### **G** Thanks be to God.

# **Gospel Reading**

<sup>4</sup> "I tell you, my friends, do not fear those who kill the body, and after that have nothing more that they can do. <sup>5</sup> But I will warn you whom to fear: fear him who, after he has killed, has authority to cast into hell. Yes, I tell you, fear him! <sup>6</sup> Are not five sparrows sold for two pennies? And not one of them is forgotten before God. <sup>7</sup> Why, even the hairs of your head are all numbered. Fear not; you are of more value than many sparrows.

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- **G** Thanks be to God.

Revelation 14:6-7

Psalm 46:1-11

Luke 12:4-7

## **Children's Message**

## **Message Song**

# "Whom Shall I Fear"

You hear me when I call You are my morning song Though darkness fills the night It cannot hide the light Whom shall I fear You crush the enemy underneath my feet You are my sword and shield Though troubles linger still Whom shall I fear

I know Who goes before me I know Who stands behind The God of angel armies is always by my side The One who reigns forever He is a friend of mine The God of angel armies is always by my side

My strength is in Your name For You alone can save You will deliver me Yours is the victory Whom shall I fear Whom shall I fear

I know Who goes before me I know Who stands behind The God of angel armies is always by my side The One who reigns forever He is a friend of mine The God of angel armies is always by my side

> And nothing formed against me shall stand You hold the whole world in Your hands I'm holding on to Your promises You are faithful You are faithful

Nothing formed against me shall stand You hold the whole world in Your hands I'm holding on to Your promises You are faithful You are faithful You are faithful I know Who goes before me I know Who stands behind The God of angel armies is always by my side The One who reigns forever He is a friend of mine The God of angel armies is always by my side I know Who goes before me I know Who stands behind The God of angel armies is always by my side The One who reigns forever He is a friend of mine The God of angel armies is always by my side The God of angel armies is always by my side CCLI Song # 6440288 Chris Tomlin | Ed Cash | Scott Cash © 2012 Capitol CMG Paragon For use solely with the SongSelect® Terms of Use. All rights reserved. www.ccli.com CCLI License # 2801469

#### Message

# "Faithful Feelings - Afraid"

# Offering

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#### **Prayer of the Church**

#### Lord's Prayer

C 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.

# Sacrament

# The Words of Our Lord

#### **Distribution of the Holy Sacrament**

The Lord gave this Holy Sacrament to His Church so that His followers might receive His love and forgiveness in a visible, tangible way. When the Church celebrates this Sacrament, believers are also making a public declaration of their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ (1 Cor.11:26). Holy Communion is offered every Sunday at St. John Lutheran, but because it is possible to receive the Lord's Supper to one's detriment (1 Cor. 11:27-29), we ask all who wish to partake of it to examine themselves as follows:

- 1. Do I believe that I am a sinner and therefore deserve God's punishment?
- 2. Am I truly sorry that by my sins I have offended God?
- 3. Do I believe that God accepts the death of Jesus as payment for my sins and therefore forgives my sins for Jesus' sake alone and not because of any goodness or effort on my part?
- 4. Do I intend, with the help of the Holy Spirit, to turn from my sins?
- 5. Do I seek to forgive others as God has forgiven me?
- 6. Do I believe Christ's own Word that His body and blood are truly given and received in and with the bread and wine (Matt. 26:26-28)?

If you have been baptized into the Christian faith and can answer "**yes**" to the above questions, you are invited to receive Holy Communion with the assurance of all the blessings Scripture promises.

#### **Distribution Song**

# "Trust in God"

Blessed assurance Jesus is mine He's been my fourth man in the fire Time after time Born of His Spirit Washed in His blood And what He did for me on Calvary Is more than enough

I trust in God My Savior The One who will never fail He will never fail I trust in God My Savior The One who will never fail He will never fail

Perfect submission All is at rest I know the author of tomorrow Has ordered my steps So this is my story And this is my song I'm praising my risen King and Savior All the day long

I trust in God My Savior The One who will never fail He will never fail I trust in God My Savior The One who will never fail He will never fail

I sought the Lord and He heard and He answered I sought the Lord and He heard and He answered I sought the Lord and He heard and He answered That's why I trust Him That's why I trust Him I sought the Lord and He heard and He answered I sought the Lord and He heard and He answered I sought the Lord and He heard and He answered That's why I trust Him That's why I trust In God

My Savior The One who will never fail He will never fail I trust in God My Savior The One who will never fail He will never fail

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# Blessing

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and T give you peace.

C Amen.

# **Sending Song**

# "All the People Said 'Amen'"

You are not alone if you are lonely. When you feel afraid, you're not the only. We are all the same, in need of mercy, to be forgiven and be free. It's all you got to lean on, but thank God, it's all you need. And all the people said, "Amen!" whoa, and all the people said, "Amen!" Give thanks to the Lord for His love never ends! And all the people said, "Amen!" If you're rich or poor, well, it don't matter. Weak or strong, you know, love is what we're after. We're all broken, but we're all in this together. God knows we stumble and we fall, and He so loved the world, He sent His son to save us all.

> And all the people said, "Amen!" whoa, and all the people said, "Amen!"

Give thanks to the Lord for His love never ends! And all the people said, "Amen!"

Blessed are the poor in spirit who are torn apart. Blessed are the persecuted and the pure in heart. Blessed are the people hungry for another start, for theirs is the kingdom, the kingdom of God.

And all the people said, "Amen!" whoa, and all the people said, "Amen!" Give thanks to the Lord for His love never ends! And all the people said, "Amen!" And all the people said, "Amen!"

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#### Sermon Notes

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