

LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE CROSS OF VICTORIA

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SEASON OF CREATION - FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 10, 2023 - 10:00 AM
Evangelical Lutheran Worship, *Holy Communion*
Worship in-person and livestream

Loving our neighbours, including the earth, as God loves, gives life and community.

GATHERING

Prelude
Welcome and acknowledgement of lands
Gathering Song *May This Church Be like a Tree* insert assembly – refrain **No. 1042**
Greeting The Grace of Jesus Christ, the love of Creator,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you always.
And also with you.

Kyrie *Lord, have mercy, have mercy upon us. No. 153*
Christ, have mercy, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy, have mercy upon us.

Canticle of Praise *Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest.*
To God be the glory forever. Alleluia, amen.

Prayer of the Day

WORD

Children’s Time
First Reading **Exodus 12:1-14** ...Thanks be to God.
Psalm 149 *Sing the Lord’s praise in the assembly of the faithful.*
Second Reading **Romans 13:8-14** ...Thanks be to God.
Gospel Acclamation *Amen.*
Gospel Reading **Matthew 18:15-20** ...Glory to you, O God.
...Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon
Hymn of the Day *In All Our Grief* **No. 615**
Prayer Verse *We lift this prayer for the wholeness of the earth 3X*
Can you feel it rising in you? **No. 1067**
Prayers of Intercession For the wholeness of the earth; **hear our prayer.**
Peace Sharing The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

MEAL

Offering Song *All Things Bright and Beautiful* - Arnold B. Sherman **Choir Anthem**
Offering prayer
Great Thanksgiving Creator be with you. **And also with you.**
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to God.**
Let us give thanks to God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise. Preface
Holy *Holy, holy, holy, my heart, my heart adores you. No. 473*
My heart is glad to say the words: You are holy, God.

Thanksgiving Prayer
The Lord’s Prayer
Lamb of God **No. 198**
All are welcome at Christ’s table. The wine is served in individual glasses and the common cup.
Red grape juice is in the centre of the trays. Gluten free bread is available by asking the server.
You may commune with bread or wine alone or ask for a blessing.
Those worshipping online are invited to Commune where you are.

Communion Songs *For the Beauty of the Earth* **No. 879**
This Is Christ’s Body insert **No. 967**
Ubi caritas et amor **No. 642**

Prayer

SENDING

Announcements
Blessing
Sending Song *Draw Us in the Spirit’s Tether* **No. 470**
Dismissal ...Thanks be to God!

For those present in-person, please join in a time of hospitality after worship.
Thank you to Barry and Helene Walker for hosting. Thank you to Don and Jan Storch for the flowers.

Worship Assistants

Assisting Minister Tarynn McKenzie
Kantor Nathan McDonald
Musician Karen Johnson-Lefsrud
Choral Scholar Abby Corpus, DJ McGrath
Livestreaming Boston Laferté, Josh Boutin
Communion Ann Baty, Judy Bergbusch
Usher Grant Froyland, Laura Cochrane

You are invited to Holy Communion Worship, Sundays, 10AM PT in-person and online.
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for the Crossroads newsletter, calendar, and events.
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