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"Solomon's Evangelical Lutheran Church, following the example of Jesus Christ, seeks to live in the confidence and fullness of God's grace; to preach the Good News boldly and truthfully; to support and serve others in faith; to work in harmony with all creation."

WORSHIP PLAN: INCLEMENT WEATHER

INTRODUCTION AND WELCOME

LIGHT CANDLES: PRELUDE

BRIEF ORDER OF CONFESSION

We take time this morning to name our sins before God and one another and ask forgiveness.

We confess, O God, that we often act as if we know better than you what is right for us. We make decisions without considering your larger purposes. Our own convenience and desires are more important to us than your commands. We go our own way and then blame others for our mistakes. Our inner confusion creates division and brokenness. We hide from you rather than admit our need of you. Help us face our sin and find forgiveness in you.

The One Who Loves Us offers us new life today. Our sins are forgiven. Our lives are cleansed. Our inner nature is renewed. God does not abandon us. Meet the world with the assurance you are loved, valued, and empowered to live as Jesus would have you live, reflecting God's love to the world.

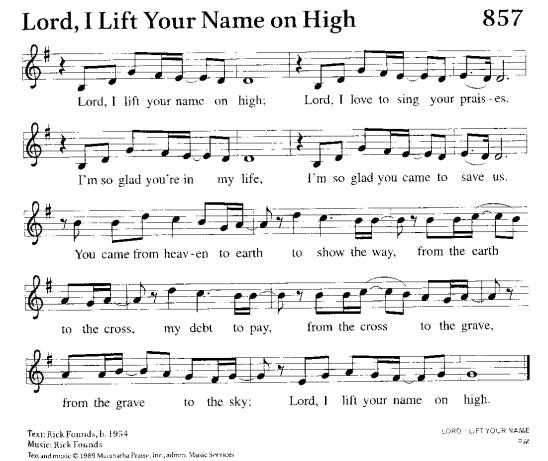
GATHERING HYMN Glorious Things of You Are Spoken (ELW 647) Glorious Things of You Are Spoken



GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

HYMN OF PRAISE Lord, I Lift Your Name on High (ELW 857)



PRAYER OF THE DAY

We pray together:

God of truth, we come longing for the peace that only you can provide. We seem so often to be tossed to and fro, blown about by every wind except that of your own Holy Spirit. Touch and heal our brokenness and lift us out of despair and doubt. Dry the tears of pain and sorrow. Comfort and nourish us with the many blessings of your great love, O God. May we flourish and blossom into the warmth and compassion of your healing love and grace. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC: I will Never Fail You Marty Wenger

FIRST READING: Isaiah 43: 1-3a

A reading from Isaiah.

¹But now thus says the LORD, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine.

- ² When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned,
- and the flame shall not consume you.
- ³ For I am the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Saviour.

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 121

- ¹ I lift up my eyes to the hills—from where will my help come?
- ² My help comes from the LORD, who made heaven and earth.
- ³ He will not let your foot be moved; he who keeps you will not slumber.
- ⁴ He who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.
- ⁵ The LORD is your keeper; the LORD is your shade at your right hand.
- ⁶ The sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night.
- ⁷ The LORD will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life.
- The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in from this time on and for evermore.

SECOND READING: Romans 8: 31-35, 37-39

A reading from Romans.

¹What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? ³²He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? ³³Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. ³⁴Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. ³⁵Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

³⁷No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. ³⁸For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

The Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

GOSPEL: Mark 4:35-41
The holy gospel according to Mark.
Glory to you, O Lord.

35 ... when evening had come, (Jesus) said to them, 'Let us go across to the other side.' ³⁶And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. ³⁷A great gale arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. ³⁸But (Jesus) was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, 'Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?' ³⁹He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, 'Peace! Be still!' Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. ⁴⁰He said to them, 'Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?' ⁴¹And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, 'Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?'

The word of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ!**

SERMON

SERMON HYMN It Is Well with My Soul (ELW 785) When Peace, like a River It Is Well with My Soul







Text: Horatio G. Spafford, 1828–1888

Music: VILLA DU HAVRE, Philip P. Bliss, 1838–1876

CREED

We profess our common faith using the Apostle's Creed I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.*

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

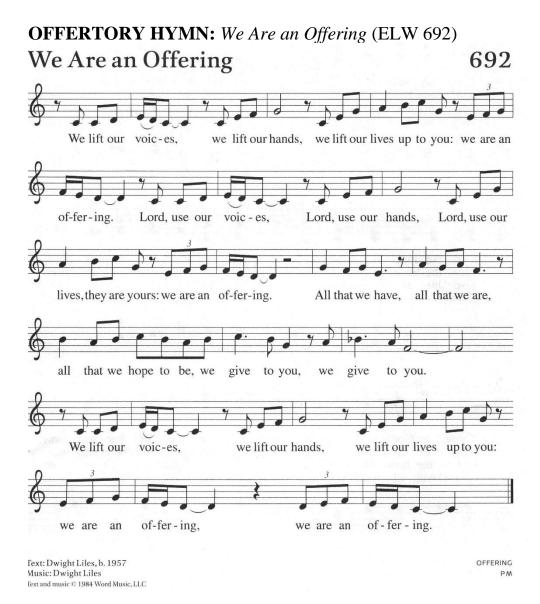
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH: Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer!

SIGN OF CHRIST'S PEACE

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



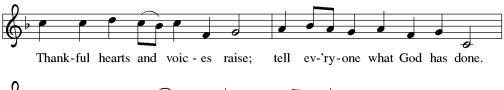
OFFERTORY PRAYER

Everything we have, do and are is a gift from God. God invites us to use our gifts of time, talent, money, and other blessings to love others. We join God in the work of healing our broken world through our donations to Solomon's. You may mail your contribution to the church office or bring it next Sunday.

We offer not only our money, time and talent but our very selves, surrendering our lives to the One Who Loves Us.

We pray together: We are grateful, gracious God, for the gift of belonging to you. We see the hurts, the poverty, the injustice, and the violence that mars your world, and we know that your heart is broken. We thank you for the high calling to care, respond and give to meet the needs and ease the suffering of people you love so much. We pray that our offerings will be useful to fulfill the mission of your church. Amen.

CANTICLE OF THANKSGIVING Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise (ELW 204) Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise





Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.







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THANKSGIVING FOR THE WORD

Let us pray

Praise and thanks to you, holy God, for by your Word you made all things: you spoke light into darkness, called forth beauty from chaos, and brought life into being. For your Word of life, O God,

we give you thanks and praise.

By your Word you called your people Israel to tell of your wonderful gifts: freedom from captivity, water on the desert journey, a pathway home from exile, wisdom for life with you. For your Word of life, O God,

we give you thanks and praise.

Through Jesus, your Word made flesh, you speak to us and call us to witness: forgiveness through the cross, life to those entombed by death, the way of your self-giving love. For your Word of life, O God,

we give you thanks and praise.

Send your Spirit of truth, O God; rekindle your gifts within us: renew our faith, increase our hope, and deepen our love, for the sake of a world in need. Faithful to your Word, O God, draw near to all who call on you; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever.

Amen.

Lord's Prayer

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, we pray the prayer Our Savior taught 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.

BENEDICTION

As we conclude our worship, remember this: You have nothing to fear. For God has created you and shaped you. God has chosen you, named and claimed you a child of the Most High. When you face stormy seas, God will be there. When it seems as though you're walking through fire, God will be there. So go with joy and confidence, knowing that the loving presence of God goes with you.

God bless you in the name of the Father, the Son (+) and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

SENDING HYMN Go, My Children, with My Blessing (ELW 543) Go, My Children, with My Blessing



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SENDING FOR SERVICE

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord and one another. Reflect God's love to those you meet this week. **Thanks be to God!**

MEDITATIVE PRAYER: Extinguish Candles