



Revelation 22:12

Behold, I am coming soon,
and my reward is with me.

June 1, 2025
7th Sunday of Easter/Ascension Sunday
9:45 AM Contemporary Worship Services

ST. TIMOTHY LUTHERAN CHURCH

Welcome in the name of Christ!

We rejoice that you have joined us this morning!!

As they are gathered together and he is about to depart from them, he tells them how his kingdom is to be entered upon, and how he will accomplish its beginning through them.

It shall not be by the help and advice of the officials at Jerusalem, nor with their knowledge. It shall not be with temporal force nor power, but shall be felt solely through the message and commission of the ministry with which he charges them.

-Martin Luther-

(Sermon on Ascension Day)

Ascension of Our Lord

As Jesus was taken up into heaven, his disciples looked on. They had just received final instructions from him, along with clarification of what he had already taught them. They understood a bit better now, having seen all they had seen. For those who believe in Christ, the hope of our calling is centered in his life, death, resurrection, and ascension into heaven. Eternal life awaits us, but for now we work for Christ.

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

* indicates when the congregation is to stand. Anyone wishing to remain seated may do so during any part of the liturgy.

P: Alleluia Christ Is Risen

C: Christ Is Risen indeed, Alleluia

ENTRANCE HYMN

"Come, Ye Sinners"

Words by Joseph Hart
Music by Matthew Smith

C F G C F



1. Come, ye sin - ners, poor and wretch - ed, weak and woun - ded,
2. Come, ye nee - dy, come and wel - come, God's free boun - ty
3. Let not con - science make you ling - er, nor of fit - ness
4. Lo! th'in - car - nate God, as - cend - ed, pleads the mer - it

G F C G



sick and sore; Je - sus, rea - dy, stands to save you,
glor - i - fy: true be - lief and true re - pen - tance,
fond - ly dream; all the fit - ness He re - quir - es
of His blood; ven - ture on Him, ven - ture whol - ly,

F C G G



full of pi - ty joined with pow'r. He is a -
ev - 'ry grace that brings you nigh. With - out mon -
is to feel your need of Him. This He gives
let no oth - er trust in - trude. None but Je -

F G Am



- ble, He is a - ble;
- ey, with - out mon - ey,
you, this He gives you;
- sus, none but Je - sus

G Am C F



He is will - ing; doubt no more.
come to Je - sus Christ and buy
'tis the Spir - it's ris - ing beam.
can do help - less sin - ners good.

***BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P We gather today in the Name of the Father, ✚ and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

P The Lord gives us mercy, wholeness and life.

C **Let us gladly turn to the Lord for our health and salvation.**

P So then let us today ask for our sin to be forgiven and to restore us to peace.

(Silence)

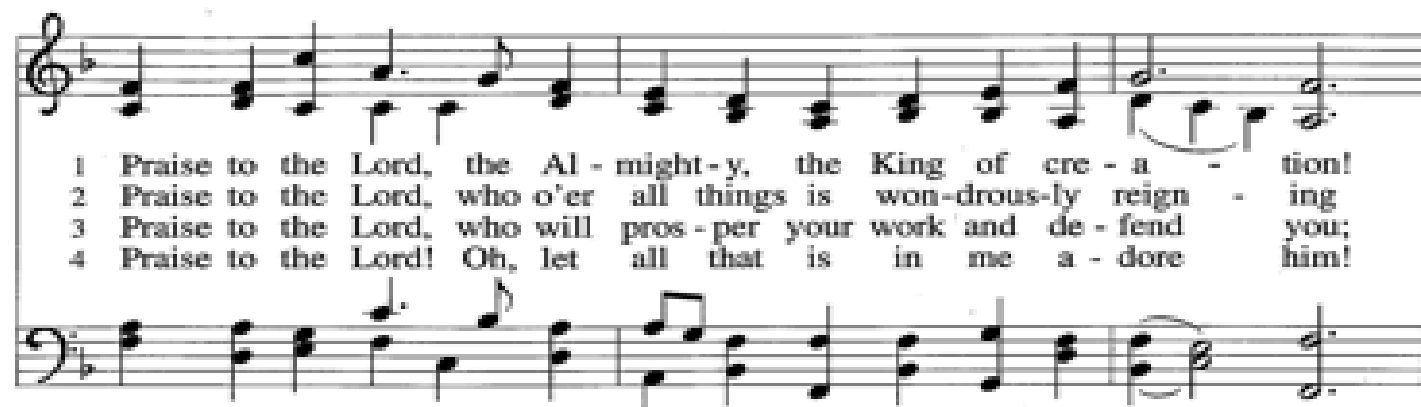
C **Lord, we need your mercy. In this hour, help us to see our sin and pain and pray for a fresh start. Help us to see the shortcomings in our lives and look to You for the answers to our problems. Give us a new vision of what life can be like. Teach us to hope, to love, to give and to have faith. Lord, we need Your mercy.**

P Our God has heard the cries and felt your pain and has had mercy on us. God has seen our need and provided for our salvation; seen our condition and provided the solution; seen our heart and given us a Savior. Through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, our sin is no longer the weight that holds us down. We are free to live in victory, free from the sin of our self-deceit and free from Satan's power. Praise God for our goodness found alone in Jesus Christ.

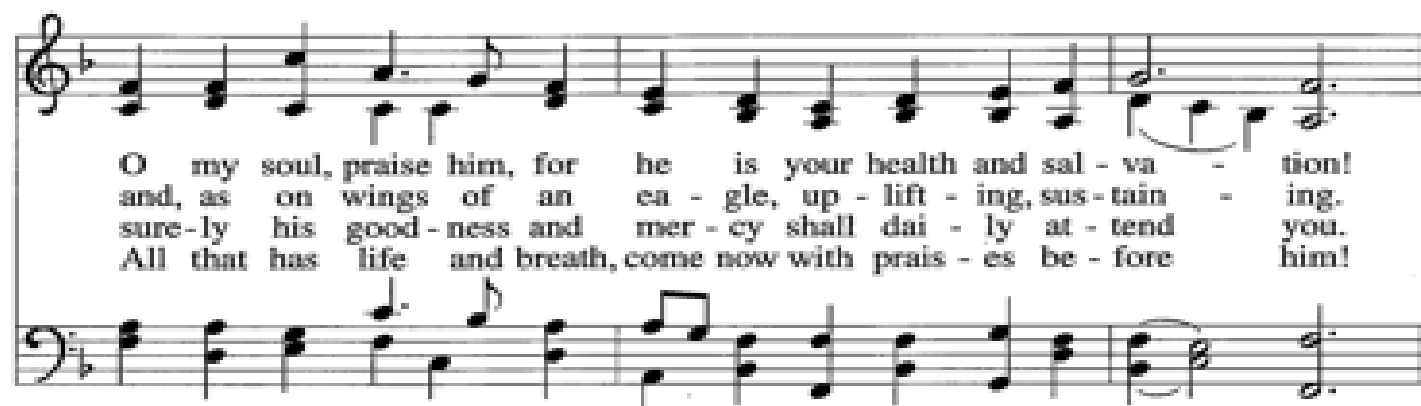
C **Amen.**

*SONG OF PRAISE

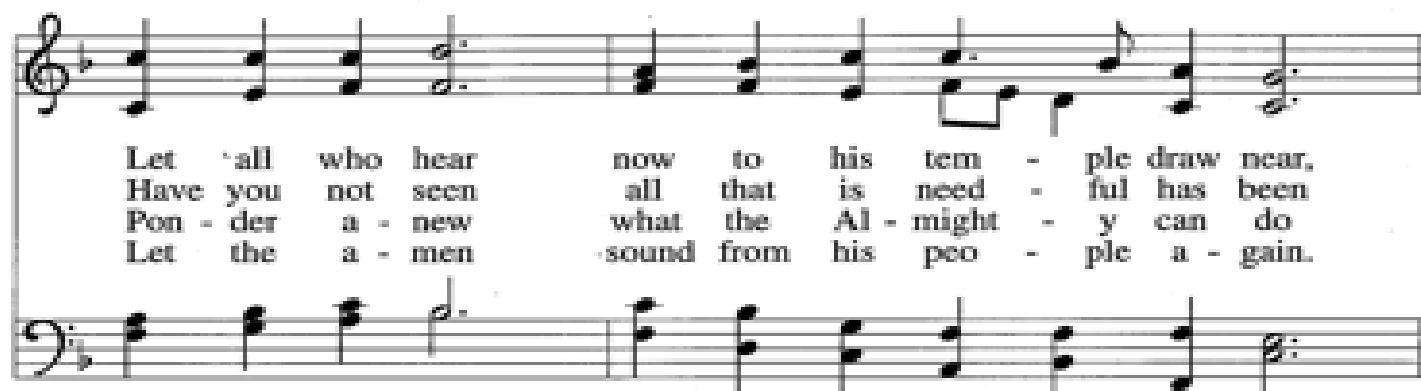
"Praise the Lord, the Almighty



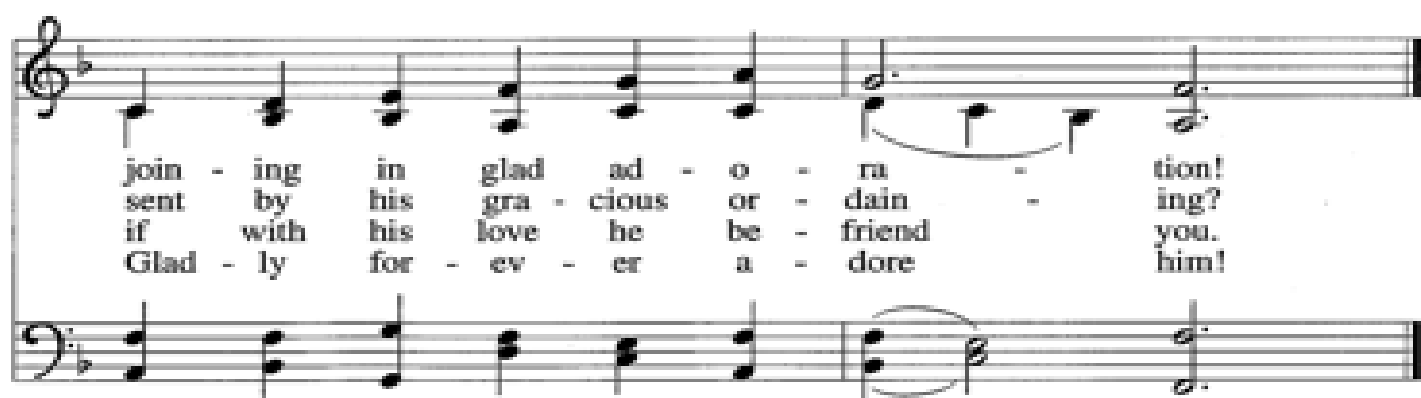
1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre - a - tion!
 2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is won-drous-ly reign - ing
 3 Praise to the Lord, who will pros-per your work and de-fend you;
 4 Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me a-dore him!



O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and sal - va - tion!
 and, as on wings of an ea - gle, up - lift - ing, sus-tain - ing.
 sure-ly his good-ness and mer-cy shall dai - ly at-tend you.
 All that has life and breath, come now with prais - es be-fore him!



Let 'all who hear now to his tem - ple draw near,
 Have you not seen all that is need - ful has been
 Pon - der a - new what the Al - might - y can do
 Let the a - men sound from his peo - ple a - gain.



join - ing in glad ad - o - ra - tion!
 sent by his gra - cious or - dain - ing?
 if with his love he be - friend you.
 Glad - ly for - ev - er a - dore him!

Text: Joachim Neander, 1650-1690; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827-1878, alt.
 Music: Erneuerten Gesangbuch, Part II, Stralsund, 1665

LOBE DEN HERREN
 14 14 4 7 8

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P Almighty God, we believe that your Son, Jesus Christ, has ascended into the heavens to sit at your right hand. Grant that our hearts and minds may be directed there, as well, to dwell in him each day, through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

GOD SPEAKS TO HIS PEOPLE

FIRST READING

Acts 1:1-11

A Reading from Acts

¹In the first book, O Theophilus, I have dealt with all that Jesus began to do and teach, ²until the day when he was taken up, after he had given commands through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. ³He presented himself alive to them after his suffering by many proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. ⁴And while staying with them he ordered them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the promise of the Father, which, he said, "you heard from me; ⁵for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now." ⁶So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?" ⁷He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons that the Father has fixed by his own authority. ⁸But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."

Continued

⁹And when he had said these things, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. ¹⁰And while they were gazing into heaven as he went, behold, two men stood by them in white robes, ¹¹and said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.”

Lesson Response

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Psalm 47 (ESV)* Read responsively by whole verse

¹Clap your hands, all peoples! Shout to God with loud songs of joy!

²For the LORD, the Most High, is to be feared, a great king over all the earth.

³He subdued peoples under us, and nations under our feet.

⁴He chose our heritage for us, the pride of Jacob whom he loves.

⁵God has gone up with a shout, the LORD with the sound of a trumpet.

⁶Sing praises to God, sing praises! Sing praises to our King, sing praises!

⁷For God is the King of all the earth; sing praises with a psalm!

⁸God reigns over the nations; God sits on his holy throne.

⁹The princes of the peoples gather as the people of the God of Abraham. For the shields of the earth belong to God; he is highly exalted!

*The Book of Common Prayer verse numbers for this psalm are different from the numbering in the ESV.

SECOND READING

Ephesians 1:15-23

A Reading from Ephesians

¹⁵For this reason, because I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, ¹⁶I do not cease to give thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers, ¹⁷that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of him, ¹⁸having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, ¹⁹and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the working of his great might ²⁰that he worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, ²¹far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come. ²²And he put all things under his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, ²³which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Lesson Response

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA CANON



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

***THE HOLY GOSPEL**

Luke 24:44-53

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-fourth chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

⁴⁴Then {Jesus} said to {his disciples}, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled." ⁴⁵Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, ⁴⁶and said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, ⁴⁷and that repentance for the forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things. ⁴⁹And behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high." ⁵⁰And he led them out as far as Bethany, and lifting up his hands he blessed them. ⁵¹While he blessed them, he parted from them and was carried up into heaven. ⁵²And they worshiped him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy, ⁵³and were continually in the temple blessing God.

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

REPEAT - ALLELUIA CANON

Pray and Play (during 9:45 am service)

SERMON

*HYMN OF THE DAY

"How Great Is Our God"

Words and Music by
Chris Tomlin, Jesse Reeves
and Ed Cash

♩ = 76

VERSE

C

Am⁷



1. The splen - dor of ____ the King, ____ clothed in maj - es - ty; ____
(2. And) age to age ____ He stands, ____ and time is in ____ His hands; .

4

F²



— Let all the earth re - joice, ____ all the earth re - joice. ____ He wraps .
— Be - gin - ning and ____ the End, ____ Be - gin - ning and ____ the End. ____ The God -

7

C

Am⁷



— Him - self ____ in light, ____ and dark - ness tries ____ to hide, ____
— head, three ____ in one, ____ Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son, ____

10

F²



— and trem - bles at ____ His voice, ____ and trem - bles at ____ His voice. ____ How great -
— the Li - on and ____ the Lamb, ____ the Li - on and ____ the Lamb. ____

13

CHORUS

C

Am⁷



— is our God! ____ Sing with me: ____ How great is our God! .

16

Fmaj⁷

G

C²

Fine



— And all ____ will see how great, how great ____ is our God! ____

***APOSTLE'S CREED**

**C 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**

*CALL TO PRAYER

"Come Holy Spirit"

Words and Music by
Malcolm Fletcher

$\text{♩} = 78$

E \flat B \flat /D Cm 7 E \flat /B \flat A \flat^2 A \flat /B \flat E \flat A \flat /B \flat

Come, Ho - ly Spir - it, fall a-fresh on me. ____

5 E \flat B \flat /D Cm 7 E \flat /B \flat A \flat F/A A \flat /B \flat B \flat

Fill me with Your pow - er, sat - is - fy my needs. ____

9 Gm 7 A \flat maj 7 Gm 7

On - ly You can make ____ me whole, ____ give me strength to make .

12 A \flat maj 7 A \flat m 6 E \flat B \flat /D

____ me grow. ____ Come, Ho - ly Spir -

14 Cm 7 E \flat /B \flat A \flat^2 A \flat /B \flat E \flat

- it, fall a - fresh on me. ____

CCLI Song # 189535

© 1986, 1994 Universal Music - Brentwood Benson Publishing

For use solely with the SongSelect® Terms of Use. All rights reserved. www.ccli.com

CCLI License # 606317

*THE PRAYERS

- A Let us pray... (The assisting minister ends each petition with "*Set our minds on heavenly things*". The congregation responds with "*Fill us with your joy.*")
- P Into your hands, Father, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C Amen.

***PEACE**

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.** (*Worshippers, please respect the social-distancing preferences of those who remain seated during the sharing of the peace.*)

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

***GOD COMES TO HIS PEOPLE IN HOLY COMMUNION**

P Let us offer these gifts to the Lord.

C **As signs of His love for us.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord at all times and in all places.

C **For through these gifts He comes to feed us.**

P Let us bless God's Holy name, blessed be the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

C **And rejoice in his presence.**

P Let us come to the table with joy for God loves us.

C **For we come as God's invited guests.**

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER AND WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth.

In mercy for our fallen world you gave your only Son, that all those who believe in him should not perish, but have eternal life.

We give thanks to you for the salvation you have prepared for us through Jesus Christ.

Send now your Holy Spirit into our hearts and upon these gifts of bread and wine, that we may receive our Lord with a living faith as he comes to us in his holy supper.

C **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

P In the night in which he was betrayed our Lord Jesus took bread,
And gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

C **Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor
and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.**

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray, saying:

C **Our Father, who art in heaven...**

***INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

P Come to the table of Christ where the feast of life is spread.

C **Thanks be to God.**

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

As Lutheran Christians, we believe Christ is truly present within our gathering, and the taking of bread and wine is for forgiveness, life and salvation. On behalf of Christ, we invite all who are baptized and believe in Jesus Christ to join us in His Holy Supper. Children or any visitor who have not made their first communion may come forward to the Altar for a blessing. If you are allergic to bread or wine, you may fully participate by taking either one or the other. White grape juice is offered in prefilled cups. Gluten free wafer upon request.

Anyone not able to come forward to partake please notify an usher and Pastor will come to commune you.

There is a name _ I love to hear, I love to sing _ Its worth. _ It
 It tells me of _ a Sav- ior's love, who died to set _ me free. _ It
 It tells of one _ whose lov - ing heart can feel my deep - est woe, _ who

sounds like mu _ sic in my ears, the sweet _ est name I know.
 tells me of _ his pre - cious blood, the sin - _ners' per -fect plea.
 in each sor - row bears a part that none _ can bear be - low.

O how I love Je - sus! O how I love Je - sus! _ O how I love Je -

sus, be - cause _ he first loved me.

Text: Frederick Whitfield, 1855

Music: "How I Love Jesus", trad. American, arr. J.Y. © 2002 John C. Yivisaker

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

"Come, Share the Lord"

Refrain



1. We gath - er here in Je - sus' name,
2. He - joins us here, he breaks the bread,
3. We'll gath - er soon where an - gels sing;



his love is burn - ing in our hearts like liv - ing flame;
the Lord who pours the cup is ris - en from the dead;
we'll see the glo - ry of our Lord and com - ing King;



for through the lov - ing Son the Fa - ther makes us one:
the one we love the most is now our gra - cious host;
now we an - ti - ci - pate the feast for which we wait:



Come, take the bread, come, drink the wine, come, share the Lord.
Come, take the bread, come, drink the wine, come, share the Lord.
Come, take the bread, come, drink the wine, come, share the Lord.



1. No one is a stran - ger here, ev - ery - one be - longs;
2. We are now a fam - i - ly of which the Lord is head;



find - ing our for - give - ness here, we in turn for - give all wrongs.
though un - seen he meets us here in the break - ing of the bread.

***GOD SENDS HIS PEOPLE INTO THE WORLD**

P The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you
and keep you in His grace.

C Amen

A Let us pray. O God for whom we wait, in this meal you give us a
foretaste of that day when the hungry will be fed with good things.
Send us forth to make known your deeds and to proclaim the greatness
of your name; Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.
In the name of the Father, and of the ✙ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen

** Extinguish the candles*

*DISMISSAL SONG

"Blessed Be Your Name"

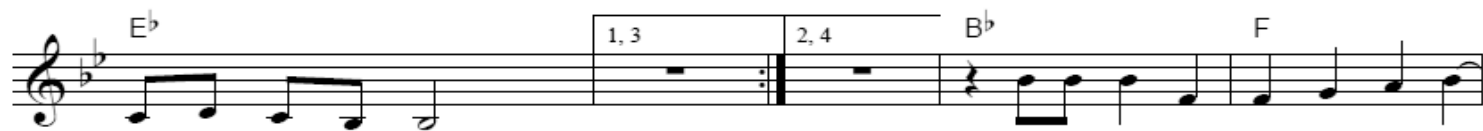
Matt Redman & Beth Redman



1. Bless - ed be___ Your name___ in the land that___ is plen-
2. Bless - ed be___ Your name___ when I'm found in___ the des -
3. Bless - ed be___ Your name___ when the sun's shin - ing down
4. Bless - ed be___ Your name___ on the road marked with suf -



- ti - ful,___ where Your streams of___ a - bun - dance flow,___ bless -
 - ert place,___ though I walk through the wil - der - ness,___ bless -
 ___ on me,___ when the world's "all___ as it___ should be,"___ bless -
 - fer - ing,___ though there's pain in___ the of - fer - ing,___ bless -



-ed be Your name._____
 -ed be Your name._____
 -ed be Your name._____
 -ed be Your name._____
 Ev-'ry bless-ing You pour out I'll



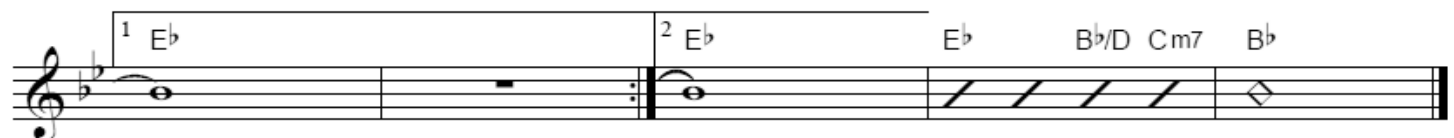
___ turn back to praise. When the dark-ness clos - es in Lord, still I will



say, "Bless-ed be the name of___ the___ Lord,___ bless-ed be Your name.



Bless-ed be the name of___ the___ Lord,___ bless-ed be Your glo - ri - ous name."



*DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Share the good news.
C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

PLEASE NOTE:

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

JUNE 8, 2025

(FOLLOWING THE LATE WORSHIP SERVICE)

The Congregational meeting is scheduled for next **Sunday, June 8th**. All members are encouraged to attend. Voting members are confirmed members who have communed and made a contribution of record during the current or prior calendar year. Members of this congregation who have satisfied these basic standards shall have the privilege of voice and vote at the meeting.



Worship Servers	June 1, 2025		June 8, 2025	
	8:00 AM	9:45 AM	8:00 AM	9:45 AM
Assisting Minister	Greg Kincaid	Jennifer Conrad	Chappy Wagoner	Jennifer Conrad
Lector	Michelle Elliott	Micah Keller	Christine & John Brye	Eric Brown
Ushers	Elliott Family	Charles Boyle Dick Himler	Tom & Cindy Kachel	Bill Brown Chuck Irvin
Greeters	Shannon Kincaid		Ross Flint Gary Bender	
Chairs		Kaitlyn & Micah Keller		Doug Irvin Scott Bechard
Sound		Doug Irvin Dick Himler		Bill Brown
Acolytes		None Needed		None Needed
Altar Guild *Bread Maker		Dee Titus *Chuck Irvin		Pat Douty *Chuck Irvin
Building Security	Jerry Bruns Carolyn Irvin	Jerry Bruns Carolyn Irvin	Jerry Bruns Carolyn Irvin	Jerry Bruns Carolyn Irvin

St. Timothy
Lutheran Church
4200 Carlisle Pike
Camp Hill, PA 17011
(717) 737-5243
Office Hours: 8:00 am – Noon, M-T
Church Email: secretary@sttim.com
Website: www.sttim.com

The Rev. Roger G. Keller, Pastor
Pastor's Cell: (724) 713-0549 Email:prkeller@sttim.com
Maria Cabezas, Office Mgr./Admin. Asst.
Gina Kerchner, Music Ministry Coordinator
Ann Bechard, Dir. of Family Discipleship.
Rebecca Tartline, Dir. of Preschool
Al Kerchner, Treasurer
Will Harmon, Financial Secretary
Bonnie Harris, Assistant Financial Secretary

Lessons for June 8, 2025	First Lesson Psalm Second Lesson Gospel Lesson	Genesis 11:1-9 Psalm 143 Acts 2:1-21 John 14:23-31
-------------------------------------	---	---



Live-streaming continues at both the 8:00 am and 10:30 am worship services. If you would prefer not to be filmed when you come forward for communion, remain in the pew and communion will be delivered to you.



If you have any questions, please ask an Usher, the Pastor, or any of the church members for assistance. We will be glad to answer as best we can! May God bless and inspire you today! *A Gentle Reminder: Please place all cell phones on vibrate mode during the service.*

Acknowledgements

Liturgical text and music reprinted from Lutheran Book of Worship © 1978. Used by permission of Augsburg Fortress under license SB158969. All rights reserved. Communion liturgical text and music reprinted by permission from 'A Little Book of Canons' by Rod L. Ronneberg, STS, © 1997 and © 2010, American Lutheran Publicity Bureau. All rights reserved. Prayers used by permission from 'Prayers of the People' by Richard F. Bansemer, © 2013, American Lutheran Publicity Bureau. All rights reserved. Scripture, creeds and lectionary reprinted by permission as Sola Online Worship eResource Site subscriber, Sola Publishing © 2019. All rights reserved.