



**St. Mark Lutheran**  
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Growing God's Family

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**10:45 a.m. Service**

## **ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**WE GIVE A WARM WELCOME TO THE VISITORS AND GUESTS AMONG US.  
WE PRAY THAT TODAY'S SERVICE IS A BLESSING TO YOU. PLEASE COME AGAIN!**

The **ALTAR FLOWERS** are given to the glory of God.

**INVITATION TO THE LORD'S SUPPER:** We are celebrating the Sacrament of the Altar today. This is The Lord's Table. As a church and body of Christians we believe this:

We will be receiving the true body and blood of Jesus Christ, in, with and under, the bread and wine.

When we receive Jesus' true body and blood, we receive the forgiveness of sins.

By communing together with our Lord and one another, we express a common belief that Jesus is in truth the Son of God, and our Savior; He is present in this Sacrament in a very real way; that Christ's sacrificial death assures us of complete forgiveness of our sins; and that God is strengthening us in this Sacrament to live a life that honors God.

If you share all these convictions, then you are welcome to come and celebrate the blessings of our Altar today. Please note that cups at the center of each tray are "non-alcoholic" wine for those who prefer such for medicinal and personal reasons. Pastor Erler is available before service if you have any questions.

A **NURSERY** with an attendant is available during worship service. You are welcome to use this service. Ask an usher for directions.

### **PRAYERS FOR WORSHIP**

#### **BEFORE WORSHIP**

O Lord, my creator, redeemer, and comforter, as I come to worship You in spirit and in truth, I humbly pray that You would open my heart to the preaching of Your Word so that I may repent of my sins, believe in Jesus Christ as my only Savior, and grow in grace and holiness. Hear me for the sake of His name. Amen.

#### **BEFORE COMMUNING**

Dear Savior, at Your gracious invitation I come to Your table to eat and drink Your holy body and blood. Let me find favor in Your eyes to receive this holy Sacrament in faith for the salvation of my soul and to the glory of Your holy name; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

#### **THANKSGIVING AFTER RECEIVING THE SACRAMENT**

Almighty and everlasting God, I thank and praise You for feeding me the life-giving body and blood of Your Beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send Your Holy Spirit that, having with my mouth received the holy Sacrament, I may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace, the forgiveness of sins, unity with Christ, and life eternal; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

# The Power Of Your Love

Words and Music by  
Geoff Bullock

♩ = 85 VERSE

G D/F# Em<sup>7</sup> Bm<sup>7</sup>



1. Lord I come to You, — let my heart be changed, re - newed; .  
2. Lord un - veil my eyes, — let me see You face to face; —

4 Em<sup>7</sup> D C D<sup>7sus</sup> D<sup>7</sup> Em<sup>7</sup>



— Flow - ing from the grace that I found — in You.  
— The know - ledge of Your love, as You live, — in me.

8 D<sup>7sus</sup> D<sup>7</sup> G D/F# Em<sup>7</sup>



And Lord Ive come to know — the weak - ness - es I  
Lord re - new my mind — as Your will un -

11 Bm<sup>7</sup> Em<sup>7</sup> D C D<sup>7sus</sup> D<sup>7</sup>



see — in me — will be stripped a - way — by the powr of Your love. .  
-folds — in my life, — in liv - ing ev - ry day — by the powr of Your love. .

CHORUS

15 C/G G D/F# Em<sup>7</sup> D C C/E D



Hold me close, — let Your love sur -

19 C/G D G D/F# Em<sup>7</sup> D C C/E D D<sup>7</sup>



-round — me, bring me near, — draw me to Your .

23 G Am<sup>7</sup> G/B F/G G<sup>7</sup> C C/E D



— side. — And as I wait, — Ill rise up like the

27 C/G G D/F# Em<sup>7</sup> D

ea - gle, and I will soar with You, Your spir - it leads me

30 C C/D C/G D 1. G D<sup>sus</sup> D<sup>7</sup> 2. G

on in the powr of Your love.

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*Please stand*

- P** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** **Amen**

### Confession of Sins

- P** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins,
- C** **O Lord, who could stand?**
- P** But with You there is forgiveness;
- C** **therefore You are feared.**
- P** O almighty God, merciful Father,
- C** **I, a poor miserable sinner, confess to You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your punishment now and forever. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor sinful being.**

### Absolution

- P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God to all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** **Amen**

*Please be seated*

# One Day

Words and Music by  
Aaron Shust and Dan Hannon

♩=95

VERSE

G

D

C



1. One day I will leave this bod - y, and  
2. One day death will be a - bol-ished, and

4

G

D



I will get a per - fect one. \_ That day, I will see His  
sin will have its mas - ter - y no more. And I know that we will be as -

7

C

G



glo - ry shin - ing like the noon - day sun. \_ One  
-ton-ished at all that our Cre - a - tor has in store. One

10

D

C



day I'll take a walk \_\_\_\_\_ with Je - sus. He  
day we will meet \_\_\_\_\_ our Sav - ior, and

12

G

D



might ex-plain the mys - ter - ies \_ of life. Some say, "I just can't be - lieve .  
He will give each one \_ of us \_ a stone en - graved with our names up - on \_

2nd time to Coda ♪

PRE-CHORUS 1

15

C

Am



\_ it." But I know that one day: We will gath - er at the crys - tal throne.  
\_ it

18

G/B

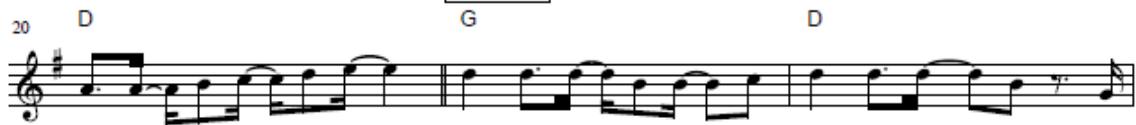
C



All these years: we're fin - 'ly home. I can ac - tually see \_ His face, and

CHORUS

20 D G D



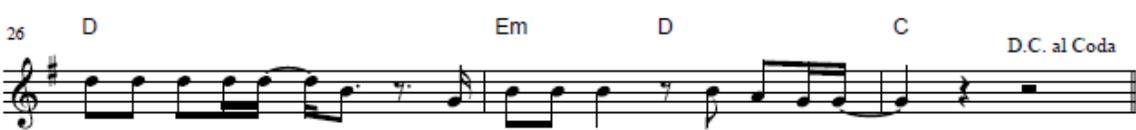
all I can do is say, "Ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord Al - might - y, Who

23 Em D C G



was and is and is to come." We lay our crowns be - fore You, ev - ry

26 D Em D C D.C. al Coda



heart and soul a - dore You, the God of gods, Al - might - y One.

♠ Coda

PRE-CHORUS 2

29 C Am



"Known by God a - lone." We'll gath - er at the crys - tal throne.

31 G/B C



All these years: we're fin - 'ly home. I can ac - tually see His face. I And

33 1. G/B 2. D



nev - er thought I'd see the day that we'd all I can do is say,

CHORUS

35 G D Em D



"Ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord Al - might - y, Who was and is and is to come."

38 C G D

41 Em D 1. C 2. C

ENDING

44 Em D C

46 Em D C G F G

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Thus says the LORD:

“Keep justice, and do righteousness,  
for soon my salvation will come,  
and my deliverance be revealed.

“And the foreigners who join themselves to the LORD,  
to minister to him, to love the name of the LORD,  
and to be his servants,  
everyone who keeps the Sabbath and does not profane it,  
and holds fast my covenant—  
these I will bring to my holy mountain,  
and make them joyful in my house of prayer;  
their burnt offerings and their sacrifices  
will be accepted on my altar;  
for my house shall be called a house of prayer  
for all peoples.”

The Lord GOD,  
who gathers the outcasts of Israel, declares,  
“I will gather yet others to him  
besides those already gathered.”

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

**Gradual**

*Psalms 34:9, 19, alt.*

Fear the LORD, you his saints,  
**for those who fear him lack nothing!**  
Many are the afflictions of the righteous,  
**but the LORD delivers him out of them all.**

## Epistle

Romans 11:1–2a, 13–15, 28–32

I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! For I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew. Do you not know what the Scripture says of Elijah, how he appeals to God against Israel?

Now I am speaking to you Gentiles. Inasmuch then as I am an apostle to the Gentiles, I magnify my ministry in order somehow to make my fellow Jews jealous, and thus save some of them. For if their rejection means the reconciliation of the world, what will their acceptance mean but life from the dead?

As regards the gospel, they are enemies of God for your sake. But as regards election, they are beloved for the sake of their forefathers. For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. Just as you were at one time disobedient to God but now have received mercy because of their disobedience,

1so they too have now been disobedient in order that by the mercy shown to you they also may now receive mercy.

For God has consigned all to disobedience, that he may have mercy on all.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand*

## Holy Gospel

Matthew 15:21–28

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fifteenth chapter.

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

Jesus went away from there and withdrew to the district of Tyre and Sidon. And behold, a Canaanite woman from that region came out and was crying, "Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David; my daughter is severely oppressed by a demon." But he did not answer her a word. And his disciples came and begged him, saying, "Send her away, for she is crying out after us." He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." And he answered, "It is not right to take the children's bread and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." Then Jesus answered her, "O woman, great is your faith! Be it done for you as you desire." And her daughter was healed instantly.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

## Nicene Creed

**☩ I believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth  
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father,  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.  
He suffered and was buried.  
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures  
and ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of the Father.  
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,  
whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,  
who spoke by the prophets.  
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life ☩ of the world to come. Amen.**

*Please be seated*

# Give Us Clean Hands

Words and Music by  
Charlie Hall

♩-75

**VERSE**

D A D/F# G

We bow our hearts, we bend our knees; Oh Spir - it, come make us hum -

4 D G/A D A D/F# G

-ble. We turn our eyes from e - vil things; Oh Lord, we cast down our i -

**CHORUS**

8 D A

-dols. Give us clean \_ hands, \_ give us pure \_ hearts; \_ Let us

11 Bm A G D

not lift our souls \_ to an - oth - er \_ Give us clean \_ hands, \_ give us pure \_ hearts; .

14 A Bm A G

\_ Let us not lift our souls \_ to an - oth - er. And oh God, let us be \_

17 D A Bm A

\_ a gen - er - a - tion that seeks, \_ that seeks Your face, \_ oh \_ God \_ of Ja -

20 G D A

- cob; \_ And oh God, let us be \_ a gen - er - a - tion that seeks, \_ that seeks Your face. .

23 Bm A G D

\_ oh \_ God \_ of Ja - cob. \_

## Sermon

*Please stand*

### Prayer of the Church

The Pastor will end each petition with the phrase, "Lord in Your Mercy".  
The congregation will respond "**Hear our Prayer**".

### Prayer of Thanksgiving

**P** Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

## Lord's Prayer

**☒ 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.**

## Words of Institution

*Please be seated*

Please note:

**St. Mark Lutheran Church is a congregation and a body of Christians believing firmly God's Word which says that in Holy Communion we truly and really receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus as we receive the earthly elements of bread and wine.**

His body and blood are not symbolically present or spiritually received, but real and tangible in the bread and wine, with the bread and wine, under the bread and wine by the authority of Jesus' words, and given to us as His pledge of love and forgiveness.

**Holy Communion is a gift of God intended for those who have been baptized and confirmed in the Christian Faith.** Within our Lutheran Church, we ask that a confirmation be done according to our Lutheran understanding. It is imperative, according to 1 Corinthians 11:27-29, for a communicant to spiritually examine himself before coming to the Lord's Table.

**A brief examination would include answering "Yes" to the following five questions:**

Do you believe that you are a sinner by nature and by choice?

Are you truly sorry for your sins?

Do you believe Jesus Christ is your Lord and Savior from sin Who graciously forgives your sins?

Do you intend, by the power of the Holy Spirit to make the needed changes in your sinful life?

Do you believe you receive the true body and blood of Jesus in, with, and under the bread and wine?

## Distribution

*Please stand*

## Post-Communion Collect

**P** Let us pray...Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the Day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C Amen**

## Benediction

**A** Let us bless the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

**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  $\text{✠}$  give you peace.

**C Amen**

# He Reigns

Words and Music by  
Peter Furler and Steve Taylor

♩=94

## VERSE

D



1. It's the song of the re - deemed  
(2. Let it) rise a - bove the four winds,

2

A/C#

E



ris - ing from the Af - ri - can plain. It's the  
caught up in the heav - en - ly sound. Let prais - es ech - o from the

5

D

A/C#

E



song of the for - giv - en down - ing out the Am - a - zon rain.  
tow - ers of ca - the - drals to the faith - ful gath - ered un - der - ground.

8

D

A/C#



The song of A - sian be - liev - ers filled with God's ho - ly fire.  
Of all the songs sung from the dawn of cre - a - tion, some were meant to per - sist.

11

E

D



It's ev - 'ry tribe, ev - 'ry tongue, ev - 'ry na - tion; A  
Of all the bells rung from a thou - sand stee - ples,

14

A/C#

E



love song born of a grate - ful choir. It's all God's chil - dren sing - ing:  
none rings tru - er than this:

## CHORUS

17

D

A

E



"Glo - ry, glo - ry, hal - le - lu - jah! He reigns, He reigns!"

20 D A

It's all God's chil-dren sing-ing, "Glo - ry, glo - ry, hal - le - lu - jah! He reigns, .

23 E BRIDGE A/E

He reigns." 1. 2. Let it And all the pow - ers of dark - ness

27 D/F# E

trem - ble at what they've just heard, 'cause all the

30 A/E D/F# E

pow - ers of dark - ness can't drown out a sin - gle word.

**CHORUS**

33 D A

It's all God's chil-dren sing-ing: "Glo - ry, glo - ry, hal - le - lu - jah! He reigns, .

36 E

He reigns!" It's all God's chil - dren sing - ing,

38 D A E

"Glo - ry, glo - ry, hal - le - lu - jah! He reigns. —

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