

KING OF KINGS

LUTHERAN CHURCH

May 19, 2024



- **The Spirit who speaks for me**
 - How does that make sense
- What Ever Happened to the Sabbath
 - How is this a Kingdom
 - What's With this Ending
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 - Isn't it too late

Hymn

CW 593

1 Holy Spirit, light divine,
shine upon this heart of mine;
chase the gloom of night away,
turn the darkness into day.

2 Holy Spirit, love divine,
cleanse this guilty heart of mine;
in your mercy pity me,
from sin's bondage set me free.

3 Holy Spirit, joy divine,
cheer this saddened heart of mine;
fill me with your heav'nly peace,
let it grow and still increase.

4 Holy Spirit, pow'r divine,
dwell within this heart of mine;
cast down ev'ry idol throne,
reign supreme and reign alone.

5 Holy Spirit, fill my heart,
cleanse my life in ev'ry part;
your own temple I would be
now and for eternity.

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GATHERING

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

LORD, send out your Spirit
and renew the face of the earth.

How many are your works, LORD!
In wisdom you made them all.

All creatures look to you
to give them their food at the proper time.
When you give it to them, they gather it up;
when you open your hand, they are satisfied with good things.

May the glory of the LORD endure forever;
may the LORD rejoice in his works—
he makes winds his messengers,
flames of fire his servants.
I will sing to the LORD all my life;
I will sing praise to my God as long as I live.

LORD, send out your Spirit
and renew the face of the earth.

Psalm 104

Confession and Forgiveness

1 John 1:5-9

Most gracious God,
I am by nature sinful.

I confess that I have wavered in my faith, at times seeking proof that you have indeed conquered death and the grave.
Open my eyes and ears, my heart and mind, to trust the joyful truth of Easter.

I confess that I have not always forgiven others as completely as you have forgiven me, holding on to hurts and disappointments.
Strengthen my love for my brothers and sisters in the faith.

I confess that I have not boldly proclaimed my faith to the people I meet in my life whether in my community, at work, or at school.
Grant me courage to use the opportunities you provide me so that many may come to faith in our risen Lord.

For the sake of Jesus Christ,
Forgive me, remove the guilt of my sin, and restore joy to my burdened heart.

Jesus Christ has paid the full price for all your sins. He has died in your place. He has risen victoriously from the dead for you. When Jesus appeared to the disciples on Easter evening, he told them, "If you forgive anyone's sins, their sins are forgiven." As a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father, and of the Son †, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord!

1 How deep the Father's love for us,
how vast beyond all measure,
that he should give his only Son
to make a wretch his treasure.
How great the pain of searing loss.
The Father turns his face away
as wounds which mar the Chosen One
bring many sons to glory.

2 Behold the Man upon a cross,
my sin upon his shoulders.
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice
call out among the scoffers.
It was my sin that held him there
until it was accomplished;
his dying breath has brought me life.
I know that it is finished.

3 I will not boast in anything:
no gifts, no pow'r, no wisdom.
But I will boast in Jesus Christ:
his death and resurrection.
Why should I gain from his reward?
I cannot give an answer.
But this I know with all my heart:
his wounds have paid my ransom.

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HEARING

Lesson

Acts 2:1–21

When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.

Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard their own language being spoken. Utterly amazed, they asked: “Aren’t all these who are speaking Galileans? Then how is it that each of us hears them in our native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya near Cyrene; visitors from Rome (both Jews and converts to Judaism); Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues!” Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, “What does this mean?”

Some, however, made fun of them and said, “They have had too much wine.”

Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd:

“Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say. These people are not drunk, as you suppose. It’s only nine in the morning! No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel:

“ ‘In the last days, God says,
I will pour out my Spirit on all people.
Your sons and daughters will prophesy,
your young men will see visions,
your old men will dream dreams.
Even on my servants, both men and women,
I will pour out my Spirit in those days,
and they will prophesy.
I will show wonders in the heavens above
and signs on the earth below,
blood and fire and billows of smoke.
The sun will be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood
before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord.
And everyone who calls
on the name of the Lord will be saved.’

Hymn

CW 484 sts. 1–4

1 Oh, that I had a thousand voices
to praise my God with thousand tongues!
My heart, which in the Lord rejoices,
would then proclaim in grateful songs
to all, wherever I might be,
what great things God has done for me.

2 Dear Father, endless praise I render
for soul and body, nobly joined;
I praise you, guardian kind and tender,
for all the daily joys I find
so richly spread on ev'ry side
and freely for my use supplied.

3 I praise you, Savior, whose compassion
has brought you down to ransom me.
Your pitying heart sought my salvation;
you bore the cross triumphantly,
brought me from bondage full release,
made me your own, and gave me peace.

4 Glory and praise, still onward reaching,
be yours, O Spirit of all grace,
whose holy pow'r and faithful teaching
give me among your saints a place.
Whatever good by me is done
is worked by grace divine alone.

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Gospel and Sermon

John 15:26, 27

“When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father—the Spirit of truth who goes out from the Father—he will testify about me.
And you also must testify, for you have been with me from the beginning.

Confession: The Third Article

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

What does this mean?

I believe that I cannot by my own thinking or choosing believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to him.

But the Holy Spirit has called me by the gospel, enlightened me with his gifts, sanctified and kept me in the true faith. In the same way he calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian Church on earth, and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith.

In this Christian Church he daily and fully forgives all sins to me and all believers. On the Last Day he will raise me and all the dead and give eternal life to me and all believers in Christ.

This is most certainly true.

Offering

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Prayer

Please share any prayer requests with Pastor Doebler. These can be prayers that can be included here as a congregation, or they can simply be added to his private prayer list during the upcoming week.

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.

RECEIVING

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Words of Institution

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my + body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my + blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.
Amen.

Distribution

King of Kings Lutheran Church observes the biblical practice of member communion (this has also been called close communion). If you are currently not a member of our congregation, we kindly ask that you speak with our pastor before communing. We look forward to talking about this very important issue with you!

Communion Hymn

CW 662

Draw near, draw near! Take the body of your Lord.
Draw near, draw near! Drink the blood for you outpoured!

1 Draw near and take the body of your Lord,
and drink the holy blood for you outpoured.
Saved by his body and his holy blood,
with souls refreshed we give our thanks to God.
Draw near, draw near! Take the body of your Lord.
Draw near, draw near! Drink the blood for you outpoured!

2 Christ our Redeemer, God's eternal Son,
has by his cross and blood the vict'ry won.
He gave his life for greatest and for least,
himself the offering and himself the priest.
Draw near, draw near! Take the body of your Lord.
Draw near, draw near! Drink the blood for you outpoured!

3 Let us approach with faithful hearts sincere
and take the pledges of salvation here.
Christ, who in this life all the saints defends,
gives all believers life that never ends.
Draw near, draw near! Take the body of your Lord.
Draw near, draw near! Drink the blood for you outpoured!

4 With heav'nly bread he makes the hungry whole,
gives living waters to the thirsting soul.
Lord of the nations, to whom all must bow,
in this great feast of love be with us now.
Draw near, draw near! Take the body of your Lord.
Draw near, draw near! Drink the blood for you outpoured!

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The true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you to life everlasting. Go † in peace.

Amen.

Hymn

CW 834

1 Still, my soul, be still and do not fear
 though winds of change may rage tomorrow.
God is at your side; no longer dread
 the fires of unexpected sorrow.
God, you are my God, and I will
 trust in you and not be shaken.
Lord of peace, renew a steadfast spirit within me
 to rest in you alone, to rest in you alone.

2 Still, my soul, be still; do not be moved
 by lesser lights and fleeting shadows.
Hold on to his ways with shield of faith
 against temptation's flaming arrows.
God, you are my God, and I will
 trust in you and not be shaken.
Lord of peace, renew a steadfast spirit within me
 to rest in you alone, to rest in you alone.

3 Still, my soul, be still; do not forsake
 the truth you learned in the beginning.
Wait upon the Lord and hope will rise
 as stars appear when day is dimming.
God, you are my God, and I will
 trust in you and not be shaken.
Lord of peace, renew a steadfast spirit within me
 to rest in you alone, to rest in you alone.

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Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look on you with favor and † give you peace.
Amen.

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