

# Morning Prayer & Praise

## Ponder Anew

Friday, May 30th at 9:30am

Trinity Lutheran Church, Lansdale

2025 Synod Assembly, Southeastern Pennsylvania Synod, ELCA

### PRELUDE

#### **GATHERING SONG:** King of Glory

Yes, the world  
Will bow down and say You are God  
Every man  
Will bow down and say You are King  
So let's start right now  
Why would we wait

King of Glory, fill this place  
We just wanna be with You  
Just wanna be with You  
King of Glory, fill this place  
Just wanna be with You  
Just wanna be with You

Yes, the world  
Will bow down and say You are God  
Every man  
Will bow down and say You are King  
So let's start right now  
Why would we wait  
We can praise you now  
In victory

King of Glory, fill this place  
We just wanna be with You  
Just wanna be with You  
King of Glory, fill this place  
Just wanna be with You  
Just wanna be with You

So we'll sing Hallelujah  
Till You come again  
And we'll dance in Your presence  
Till You come again

I'll just sing Hallelujah  
Till You come again  
And I'll dance in Your presence  
Till You come again

We will sing Hallelujah  
Till You come again  
Yes we'll dance in Your presence  
Till You come again

We will sing Hallelujah  
Till You come again  
And we'll dance in Your presence  
Dance in Your presence  
Dance in Your presence  
Dance in Your presence

King of Glory, fill this place  
Just wanna be with You  
Just wanna be with You  
King of Glory, fill this place  
Just wanna be with You  
Just wanna be with You

King of Glory, fill this place  
King of Glory, fill this place  
King of Glory, fill this place  
King of Healing, fill this place  
King of my peace, fill this place  
King of my joy, fill this place  
You hold the power  
King of Power, King of Glory  
King of Glory, King of Glory

And I'll dance in Your presence  
Dance in Your presence  
Dance in Your presence  
Dance in Your presence  
Dance in Your presence  
Dance in Your presence  
Dance in Your presence  
Dance in Your presence  
Sing Hallelujah  
Sing Hallelujah  
Sing Hallelujah  
Sing Hallelujah  
Sing Hallelujah  
Sing Hallelujah  
Sing Hallelujah

King of Glory, fill this place  
Just wanna be with You  
Just wanna be with You

#### **DIALOG AND DOXOLOGY:**

Lord, open my lips.

**and my mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen. Alleluia!**

Alleluia, Christ is risen. **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia.**  
**Come let us worship and praise.**

#### **SONG OF PRAISE:** *Blessed Be Your Name*

Blessed be Your name  
In the land that is plentiful  
Where Your streams of abundance flow  
Blessed be Your name

[Verse 2]

Blessed be Your name  
When I'm found in the desert place  
Though I walk through the wilderness  
Blessed be Your name

[Pre-Chorus]

Every blessing You pour out  
I'll turn back to praise  
When the darkness closes in, Lord  
Still I will say

[Chorus]

Blessed be the name of the Lord  
Blessed be Your name  
Blessed be the name of the Lord  
Blessed be Your glorious name

[Verse 3]

Blessed be Your name  
When the sun's shining down on me  
When the world's all as it should be  
Blessed be Your name

[Verse 4]

Blessed be Your name  
On the road marked with suffering  
Though there's pain in the offering  
Blessed be Your name

[Pre-Chorus]

Every blessing You pour out  
I'll turn back to praise  
And when the darkness closes in, Lord  
Still I will say

[Chorus]

Blessed be the name of the Lord  
Blessed be Your name  
Blessed be the name of the Lord  
Blessed be Your glorious name, oh  
Blessed be the name of the Lord  
Blessed be Your name  
Blessed be the name of the Lord  
Blessed be Your glorious name, oh

[Bridge]

You give and take away

You give and take away

My heart will choose to say

Lord, blessed be Your name

You give and take away

You give and take away

My heart will choose to say

Lord, blessed be Your name (Blessed be Your name)

You give and take away

You give and take away (Oh, blessed be Your name)

My heart will choose to say (Oh)

Lord, blessed be Your name (Oh)

[Chorus]

Blessed be the name of the Lord

Blessed be Your name (I found a way to say)

Blessed be the name of the Lord

Blessed be Your glorious name (Oh)

[Post-Chorus]

Blessed be the name of the Lord

From the rising of the sun to the setting of the same

Blessed be the name of the Lord

Blessed be Your glorious name

**READING:** 2 Corinthians 5:14-21

A reading from Second Corinthians:

<sup>14</sup> For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. <sup>15</sup> And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them.

<sup>16</sup> From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. <sup>17</sup> So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! <sup>18</sup> All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; <sup>19</sup> that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation

to us. <sup>20</sup> So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. <sup>21</sup> For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

*Concluding:* Here ends the reading. We have been born anew  
**through the living and abiding word of God.**

**GOSPEL CANTICLE:** Song of Zechariah - *Blessed Be the God of Israel*

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1 Blessed be the God of Is - rael, who comes to set us free,  
2 Now from the house of Da - vid a child of grace has come,  
3 On all by death im - pris - oned the sun be - gins to rise,



who vis - its and re - deems us, and grants us lib - er - ty.  
a Sav - ior who will lead us to our e - ter - nal home.  
the dawn - ing of for - give - ness up - on the sin - ner's eyes,



The proph - ets spoke of mer - cy, of free - dom and re - lease;  
Be - fore him goes the her - ald, fore - run - ner in the way,  
to guide the feet of pil - grims a - long the paths of peace;



God shall ful - fill the prom - ise to bring our peo - ple peace.  
the proph - et of sal - va - tion, the har - bin - ger of day.  
oh, bless our God and Sav - ior with songs that nev - er cease!

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## PRAYERS

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

*A brief silence for prayer follows each petition.*

Mighty God of mercy, we thank you for the resurrection dawn, bringing the glory of our risen Lord who makes every day new.

Especially we thank you—

for the sustaining goodness of your creation . . .

for the new creation in Christ and all gifts of healing and forgiveness . . .

for the gifts of relationship with others . . .

for the communion of faith in your church . . .

*Other thanksgivings may be added.*

Merciful God of might, renew this weary world, heal the hurts of all your children, and bring about your peace for all in Christ Jesus, the living Lord.

Especially we pray—

for those who govern nations of the world . . .

for the people in countries ravaged by strife or warfare . . .

for all who work for peace and international harmony . . .

for all who strive to save the earth from carelessness and destruction . . .

for the church of Jesus Christ in every land . . .

*Other intercessions may be added.*

*One or more of the following prayers and other appropriate prayers may be used.*

O God, you have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

**Our Father in heaven,**  
    **hallowed be your name,**  
    **your kingdom come,**  
    **your will be done,**  
        **on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins**  
    **as we forgive those**  
        **who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial**  
    **and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,**  
    **and the glory are yours,**  
    **now and forever. Amen.**

## THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!**

In the name of ✝ the One  
who was, who is, and who is to come.

**Amen.**

Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection,  
and called to live the baptized life,  
let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

*Water may be poured before or during the thanksgiving.*

Holy God,  
we give you thanks for the waters of baptism,  
waters that make a people your own,  
that restore to wholeness,  
and empower us to be witnesses in your name.  
Baptized into you, O Living One,  
**make us one as you are one.**

We give you thanks for the waters of baptism,  
waters that strengthen believers  
and give new life to beloved servants of your church;  
waters that extend your boundless love  
and cross barriers of our own making.  
Baptized into you, O Living One,  
**make us one as you are one.**

We give you thanks for the waters of baptism,  
waters that open the hearts of believers  
and give a voice in the night to those in captivity;  
waters that set your people on a new path,  
rejoicing in the Spirit's power.  
Baptized into you, O Living One,  
**make us one as you are one.**

Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One,  
that our every day is shaped by these waters  
that give us our very lives in you.  
We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen One.  
**Amen.**

**SENDING SONG:** *Lead with Love*

[Chorus:]  
You gotta put one foot in front of the other  
And lead with love  
Put one foot in front of the other  
And lead with love.  
(repeat all 4 lines)

[Verses, call and response:]  
Don't give up hope  
You're not alone  
Don't you give up  
Keep movin' on [Chorus]

Lift up your eyes  
Don't you despair  
Look up ahead  
The path is there [Chorus]

I know you're scared  
And I'm scared too  
But here I am  
Right next to you [Last chorus: repeat last line two more times]

## PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you all. **And also with you.**  
Let us share a sign of peace with one another.

## POSTLUDE

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### Serving in the Service

<b>Presiding</b>	The Rev. Linda Manson <i>Co-Director for Evangelical Mission and Diversity, Equity, &amp; Inclusion, Southeastern Pennsylvania Synod</i>
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# Order for the Opening of Assembly

As in one body we have many members,  
**so we, who are many, are one body in Christ.**

Where two or three are gathered in my name, says the Lord,  
**I am there among them.**

Live a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called,  
with all humility and gentleness,  
making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit  
in the bond of peace.  
**Let us pursue what makes for justice and peace,  
and for mutual up-building.**

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

O God, you open the hearts of your faithful people by sending into us your Holy Spirit. Direct us by the light of that Spirit, that we may have a right judgment in all things and rejoice at all times in your peace, through Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.  
**Amen.**

I declare this assembly to be in session  
in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**