

July 3, 2022

Earthly Stories with Heavenly Meanings:
Whoever Has Ears, Let Them Hear



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HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH
Lake Ronkonkoma, NY
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WELCOME
ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

OPENING SONG Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee,
God of glory, Lord of love;
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before Thee,
Op'ning to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;
Drive the dark of doubt away;
Giver of immortal gladness,
Fill us with the light of day!

All Thy works with joy surround Thee,
Earth and heav'n reflect Thy rays,
Stars and angels sing around Thee,
Center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain,
Flow'ry meadow, flashing sea,
Singing bird and flowing fountain
Call us to rejoice in Thee.

Thou art giving and forgiving,
Ever blessing, ever blest,

Wellspring of the joy of living,
Ocean depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ our Brother,
All who live in love are Thine;
Teach us how to love each other,
Lift us to the joy divine.

GREETING

So deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you have become very dear to us. — *I Thessalonians 2:8*

SONG OF PRAISE Alleluia Give Thanks

Refrain Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord;
alleluia, alleluia, give praise to his name.

Jesus is Lord of all the earth;
He is the king of creation. **Refrain**

Spread the good news o'er all the earth;
Jesus has died and has risen. **Refrain**

We have been crucified with Christ;
now we shall live for ever. **Refrain**

Come let us praise the living God,
Joyfully sing to our Savior. **Refrain**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

FIRST READING (New Living Translation) **Job 22:21-28 NLT**

“Submit to God, and you will have peace; then things will go well for you. Listen to his instructions, and store them in your heart. If you return to the Almighty, you will be restored— so clean up your life. If you give up your lust for money and throw your precious gold into the river, the Almighty himself will be your treasure. He will be your precious silver! “Then you will take delight in the Almighty and look up to God. You will pray to him, and he will hear you, and you will fulfill your vows to him. You will succeed in whatever you choose to do, and light will shine on the road ahead of you.

PSALM

Deep Within

ALL:

Deep with - in I will plant my law,
not on stone, but in your heart.
Fol-low me, I will bring you back, you will
be my own, and I will be your God.

*Cantor: I will give you a new heart, a new spirit within you,
for I will be your strength.*

*Cantor: Seek my face, and see your God,
for I will be your hope.*

*Cantor: Return to me, with all your heart,
And I will bring you back.*

HOLY GOSPEL (New Living Translation) **Matthew 13:10-16 NLT**

His disciples came and asked him, "Why do you use parables when you talk to the people?" He replied, "You are permitted to understand the secrets of the Kingdom of Heaven, but others are not. To those who listen to my teaching, more understanding will be given, and they will have an abundance of knowledge. But for those who are not listening, even what little understanding they have will be taken away from them. That is why I use these parables, For they look, but they don't really see. They hear, but they don't really listen or understand. This fulfills the prophecy of Isaiah that says, 'When you hear what I say, you will not understand. When you see what I do, you will not comprehend. For the hearts of these people are hardened, and their ears cannot hear, and they have closed their eyes— so their eyes cannot see, and their ears cannot hear, and their hearts cannot understand, and they cannot turn to me and let me heal them.' "But blessed are your eyes, because they see; and your ears, because they hear.

SONG OF THE DAY **Jesus, O Living Word of God**

Jesus, O living Word of God,
Wash me and cleanse me with Your blood
So You can speak to me.
Just let me hear Your words of grace,
Just let me see Your radiant face,
Beholding constantly.

Jesus, living Word, My heart thirsts for Thee;
Of Thee I'd eat and drink, Enjoy Thee thoroughly.

Jesus, most precious One to me,
I want to seek You constantly
So you can spread through me.
I would just call upon Your name,
Open to you; I have no shame
Loving You, Jesus Lord.

Jesus, precious One, Be so real to me.
You are all I want; I open wide to Thee.

Jesus, Oh living One in me,
Open my eyes that I might see
All that You are to me.
Just let me enter in Your heart,
Never from You would I depart,
Loving You constantly.

Jesus, living One, Flood me thoroughly;
Take my willing heart And overcome in me.

Lord I want You to have Your way,
Save me from being Satan's prey,
I am believing You.
All I can give to You, my Lord,
Is my whole being, love outpoured;
Lord, I belong to You.

Jesus, faithful God, Gain us through and through;
Use us thoroughly To see Your purpose through.

WORD OF GOD FOR TODAY

Rev. Claudia D. Raggie

FOR YOUR NOTES

SONG OF PREPARATION

Halle, Halle, Halle

Halle, halle, halle lu jah!
Halle, halle, halle lu jah!
Halle, halle, halle lu jah!
Hallelujah, hallelujah!

THE CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

LORD'S PRAYER

DISTRIBUTION

COMMUNION SONGS

We Sing Praises

We sing praises to Your name, O Lord,
Praises to Your name, O Lord,
For Your name is great and greatly to be praised.

We sing praises to Your name, O Lord,
Praises to Your name, O Lord,
For Your name is great and greatly to be praised.

We give glory to Your name, O Lord,
Glory to Your name, O Lord,
For Your name is great and greatly to be praised.

CHORAL RESPONSE

Bow the Knee

Worship Leader Singers/Choir

PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

We give glory to Your name, O Lord,
Glory to Your name, O Lord,
For Your name is great and greatly to be praised.

Who You Say I Am

Who am I that the highest King
Would welcome me?
I was lost but He brought me in
Oh His love for me Oh His love for me

Who the Son sets free Oh is free indeed
I'm a child of God Yes I am

Free at last, He has ransomed me
His grace runs deep
While I was a slave to sin
Jesus died for me Yes He died for me

Who the Son sets free Oh is free indeed
I'm a child of God Yes I am
In my Father's house There's a place for me
I'm a child of God Yes I am

I am chosen Not forsaken I am who You say I am
You are for me Not against me
I am who You say I am

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You are for me Not against me
I am who You say I am I am who You say I am

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King of Kings

In the darkness we were waiting
Without hope, without light
'Til from Heaven You came running
There was mercy in Your eyes
To fulfill the law and prophets
To a virgin came the word
From a throne of endless glory
To a cradle in the dirt

Praise the Father, praise the Son
Praise the Spirit, three in one
God of glory, Majesty
Praise forever to the King of Kings

To reveal the kingdom coming
And to reconcile the lost
To redeem the whole creation
You did not despise the cross
For even in your suffering
You saw to the other side
Knowing this was our salvation
Jesus for our sake you died

Praise the Father, praise the Son
Praise the Spirit, three in one
God of glory, Majesty
Praise forever to the King of Kings

And the morning that You rose
All of Heaven held its breath
'Til that stone was moved for good
For the Lamb had conquered death

And the dead rose from their tombs
And the angels stood in awe
For the souls of all who'd come
To the Father are restored

And the church of Christ was born
Then the Spirit lit the flame
Now this gospel truth of old
Shall not kneel, shall not faint
By His blood and in His name
In His freedom I am free
For the love of Jesus Christ
Who has resurrected me

Praise the Father, praise the Son
Praise the Spirit, three in one
God of glory, Majesty
Praise forever to the King of Kings
Praise forever to the King of Kings

CONCLUDING PRAYER

BLESSING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

CLOSING SONG Because He Lives - Amen

I believe in the Son I believe in the risen One
I believe I overcome By the power of His blood

Amen, amen, I'm alive, I'm alive Because He lives
Amen, amen, Let my song join the one that never ends
Because He lives

I was dead in the grave I was covered in sin and shame
I heard mercy call my name He rolled the stone away

Amen, amen, I'm alive, I'm alive Because He lives
Amen, amen, Let my song join the one that never ends
Because He lives

Because He lives, I can face tomorrow
Because He lives, every fear is gone
I know He holds my life, my future, in His hands

Amen, amen. I'm alive, I'm alive Because He lives
Amen, amen, Let my song join the one that never ends

Amen, amen, I'm alive, I'm alive Because He lives
Amen, amen, Let my song join the one that never ends
Because He lives, Because He lives

DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace, serve the Lord

R: Thanks be to God