

Welcome to Glory Lutheran Church

SEASON OF CREATION

A HOME FOR ALL?

Renewing the *Oikos* of God.



October 3, 2021

Welcome Back to Glory Lutheran Church

After many months of worshiping at a physical distance, it is wonderful to be together again in God's house. Some are unable to be here, some continue to worship remotely in their homes with us. We welcome everyone, including those who are watching the live-stream or the recording. Let us pray for the health of this family of faith, the church catholic, the world and all creation.

Reaching Up... Reaching Out... Reaching In...

Prelude Music

Welcome

We gather in the name of God, Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer of the Earth and all its creatures!

Praise be to the Holy Trinity! God is sound and life, Creator of the Universe, Source of all life, whom the angels sing; wondrous Light of all mysteries known or unknown to humankind, and life that lives in all. (Hildegard of Bingen, 13th Century)

Psalmody

L: How lovely is your dwelling place,
O Lord of hosts!

C: The Earth is the Lord's and all that is in it!

L: My soul longs, indeed it faints
for the courts of the Lord;
my heart and my flesh sing for joy
to the living God.

C: The Earth is the Lord's and all that is in it!

L: Even the sparrow finds a home,
and the swallow a nest for herself,
where she may lay her young,
at your altars, O Lord of hosts,
Happy are those who live in your house,
ever singing your praise.

C: The Earth is the Lord's and all that is in it!

L: As they go through the valley of Baca,
the valley of tears,
they make it a place of springs;
the early rain also covers it with pools.

O Lord of hosts,
happy is everyone who trusts in you.

C: The Earth is the Lord's and all that is in it!

(adapted from Psalm 84 and 24)

Gathering Song - Morning Has Broken

sing verses 1 & 3



1 Morn - ing has bro - ken like the first morn - ing; black - bird has
2 Sweet the rain's new fall, sun - lit from heav - en, like the first
3 Mine is the sun - light! Mine is the morn - ing, born of the



spo - ken like the first bird. Praise for the sing - ing! Praise for the
dew - fall on the first grass. Praise for the sweet - ness of the wet
one light E - den saw play! Praise with e - la - tion, praise ev - 'ry



morn - ing! Praise for them, spring - ing fresh from the Word!
gar - den, sprung in com - plete - ness where God's feet pass.
morn - ing, God's re - cre - a - tion of the new day!

Text: Eleanor Farjeon, 1881-1965

Music: Gaelic tune; arr. hymnal version

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Thanksgiving for the Earth

L: Creator, the strength of all creatures, we honor you. Listen to the thoughts of your people.

We honour your Spirit who renews the world and calls us to care for your creation to the East, to the South, to the West and to the North.

We live by the ways you have entrusted to us within the circle of life. Come Great Spirit as we gather in your name.

(We turn our bodies to the Four Directions as we pray the following prayers. Begin by turning toward the East and continue to turn, with each prayer, in a clockwise direction)

We face East:

L: In the East, the place of dawning
seekers see a new day born.
Life within and life around us
Shines with glory every morn.
And we pray:

C: Come Holy Spirit, Come

We turn to the South:

L: In the South, the place of growing
There is wisdom in the earth.
Both the painful song of dying
And the joyful song of birth.
And we pray:

C: Come Holy Spirit, Come

We turn to the West:

L: In the West, the place of seeing
Comes a vision fair and bright
Jesus Christ, God's Son incarnate
Stays with us throughout the night.
And we pray:

C: Come Holy Spirit, Come

We turn to the North:

L: In the North, the place of cleansing
There is ice and snow and rain.
Sins are gone, and Christ embraces
Every creature's joy and pain.
And we pray:

C: Come Holy Spirit, Come

Hymn of Praise - For the Beauty of the Earth

sing verses 1 & 2

1 For the beau - ty of the earth, for the beau - ty of the skies,
 3 For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's de - light,
 4 For the joy of hu - man love, broth - er, sis - ter, par - ent, child,
 5 For each per - fect gift of thine, peace on earth and joy in heav'n;

for the love which from our birth o - ver and a - round us lies:
 for the mys - tic har - mo - ny link - ing sense to sound and sight:
 friends on earth and friends a - bove; for all gen - tle thoughts and mild:
 for thy - self, best gift di - vine, to our world so free - ly giv'n:

Refrain

Christ, our God, to thee we raise this our sac - ri - fice of praise.

Text: Follitt S. Pierpoint, 1835-1917, alt.
 Music: Conrad Kocher, 1786-1872

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First Lesson: Genesis 2: 18-24
L: Word of God, Word of Life. C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 8

- L: O Lord, our Sovereign,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!
You have set your glory above the heavens.
- C: Out of the mouths of babes and infants
you have founded a bulwark because of your foes,
to silence the enemy and the avenger.**
- L: When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers,
the moon and the stars that you have established
- C: what are human beings that you are mindful of them,
mortals that you care for them?**
- L: Yet you have made them a little lower than God,
and crowned them with glory and honor.
- C: You have given them dominion over the works of
your hands;
you have put all things under their feet,**
- L: all sheep and oxen,
and also the beasts of the field,
- C: the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea,
whatever passes along the paths of the seas.**
- L: O Lord, our Sovereign,
C: how majestic is your name in all the earth!

Second Lesson: Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12

L: Word of God, Word of Life. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation

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

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The image shows two staves of musical notation for the Gospel Acclamation. Both staves are in the key of A major (indicated by three sharps: F#, C#, G#) and use a treble clef. The melody is a simple, rhythmic line with a mix of quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics 'Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.' are written below the notes on both staves.

Gospel Lesson: Mark 10:2-16

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

P: The Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

Children's Time
Song - He's Got the Whole World

SERMON

Hymn of the Day - Light Dawns on a Weary World
sing verses 1, 3



1 Light dawns on a wea - ry world when eyes be - gin to
2 Love grows in a wea - ry world when hun - gry hearts find
3 Hope blooms in a wea - ry world when crea - tures, once for -



see all peo - ple's dig - ni - ty. Light dawns on a
bread and chil - dren's dreams are fed. Love grows in a
lorn, find wil - der - ness re - born. Hope blooms in a



wea - ry world: the prom - ised day of jus - tice comes.
wea - ry world: the prom - ised feast of plen - ty comes.
wea - ry world: the prom - ised green of E - den comes.

Refrain



The trees shall clap their hands; the dry lands, gush with springs;



the hills and moun - tains shall break forth with sing - ing!



We shall go out in joy, and be led forth in peace,



as all the world in won - der ech - oes sha - lom.

Text: Mary Louise Bringle, b. 1953

Music: William P. Rowan, b. 1951

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TEMPLE OF PEACE

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Profession of Faith

- L: We belong to the Creator in whose image we are all made.
- C: In God we are breathing, in God we are living, in God we share the life of all creation.**
- L: We belong to Jesus Christ, the true icon of God and of humanity.
- C: In him God is breathing, in him God is living, through him we are reconciled.**
- L: We belong to the Holy Spirit, who gives us new life and strengthens our faith.
- C: In the Spirit love is breathing, in the Spirit truth is living, the breath of God always moves us.**
- L: We belong to the Holy Trinity, who is one in all and Three-in-One.
- C: In God we are all made, in Christ we are all saved, in the Spirit we are all united.**
- L: Together, we belong to the Earth, our common home.
- C: The Earth that is the Lord's, and all that is in it.**

Offering

*We will not be passing the offering plate;
as you leave, you may place your offering onto the
plate located at the back of the church.*

Offertory Prayer

God of abundance, you cause streams to break forth in the desert and manna to rain from the heavens. Accept the gifts you have first given us. Unite them with the offering of our lives to nourish the world you love so dearly; through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. **Amen.**

Prayers

Prayer Response:

P: Lord, in your mercy, **C:** hear our prayer.

The 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**

BENEDICTION

May God who established the dance of creation,
Who marvelled at the lilies of the field,
Who transforms chaos to order,
Lead us to transform our lives
and the Church To reflect God's glory in creation.

People of God, you are Christ's body,
bringing new life to a suffering world.
The holy Trinity, + one God,
bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

Announcements

Sending Song - This is my Father's World

sing verses 1 & 3

1 This is my Fa-ther's world, and to my lis-t'ning ears all
2 This is my Fa-ther's world; the birds their car-ols raise; the
3 This is my Fa-ther's world; oh, let me not for-get that,

na - ture sings, and round me rings the mu - sic of the spheres.
morn - ing light, the lil - y white, de - clare their mak - er's praise.
though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the rul - er yet.

This is my Fa-ther's world; I rest me in the thought of
This is my Fa-ther's world; he shines in all that's fair. In the
This is my Fa-ther's world; why should my heart be sad? The

rocks and trees, of skies and seas; his hand the won - ders wrought.
rus - tling grass I hear him pass; he speaks to me ev'-ry-where.
Lord is king, let heav - en ring; God reigns, let earth be glad!

Text: Maltbie D. Babcock, 1858-1901
Music: Franklin L. Sheppard, 1852-1930, adapt.

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Dismissal

P: Go in peace, The living Word dwells in you.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude



Do you want to make a difference in a child's faith life?

Do you have a willingness to support our children in their faith journey with love, compassion, and patience?

If so, Sunday School is for you!

Glory Lutheran Church is looking for
volunteers for the following roles:
Sunday School Coordinator(s)
Teachers and Assistants

QUALIFICATIONS: A sincere desire to positively impact the lives of children and to share God's word!

You need not be a biblical expert!

Persons of all ages (from confirmed youth to long-time members) are encouraged to get involved.

Contact: Greg Jeffery
greg.jeffery@ata.ab.ca

Commencement date is to be determined, dependent on congregational comfort with the state of the pandemic after resuming in-person worship and the filling of these roles.

Service Volunteers Needed!

Greeters: Greet people at the door with a smile.

Ushers: Distribute service bulletins, assist with distanced seating, count attendance, secure offering, collect bulletins.

Please look for a sign-up sheet in the Narthex

Folders of Bulletins: *please contact the office to volunteer.*

Thank You

to those who made contributions to this week's bulletin and to members who assisted in today's service.

Musicians:	Elizabeth Wood Lynnette Woodrow Esther Madsen
Reader:	Maggie Hensel
AV Techs:	Cole Berg Noah McKinnon
Ushers:	Gord & Donna Dawson
Church Lock-Up:	Dave Hauf

Attendance & Offering September 12-26, 2021:

	Online	In-Person	Offering
September 12	73	53	\$4335.65
September 19	35	39	\$4035.05
September 26	38	50	\$2915.00

PAR total for September: \$16735.00

PAR totals will be reported here monthly. Other electronic offerings will be included in the total reported in the Finance Corner in the newsletter.

This service includes material adapted from the Ecumenical Prayer Service for the Season of Creation. seasonofcreation.org

The service this morning will be both recorded and live streamed.

This can be accessed on Glory's website in the same way that the online worship services were in the past months. If there is a technological glitch and live streaming does not work, a recording will be available on the website later in the day.

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