

**TRINITY
LUTHERAN
CHURCH**

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PRELUDE

How Firm a Foundation
with Firm Foundation

arr. Carol Tornquist
Jonathan Lonsway

WELCOME

NEW MEMBERS

Welcome & Introduction

In baptism, we are welcomed into the body of Christ and sent to share in the mission of God. We are called to live among God’s faithful people, to hear the word of God and share in the Lord’s supper, to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed, to serve all people, following the example of Jesus, and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth. Today, we rejoice as we welcome these new members into our congregation, as they commit themselves to worship, service, and fellowship in this church family. We give thanks for God’s work in their lives and ask for God’s continued guidance as we walk together in faith.

Presentation of New Members

(Each new member or family is introduced by name.)

Hear these words from Holy Scripture: "For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others." —
Romans 12:4-5

Statement of Faith and Commitment

Pastor (to the new members): Beloved in Christ, we welcome you as members of this congregation and invite you to share in our mission to proclaim the Gospel, serve our neighbors, and grow together in faith.

As you join this community, I ask you before God and this congregation:

Will you, with God’s help, participate in the life of this church—worshiping, praying, growing in faith, and serving others? Will you seek to live as a faithful disciple of Jesus, bearing witness to God’s love in your daily life?

New Members: *I will, and I ask God to help and guide me.*

Commitment of the Congregation

Pastor (to the congregation): As members of Christ’s body, we are called to support, encourage, and walk with one another in love. Will you receive these new members with joy, pray for them, and support them as they grow in faith and service among us?

Congregation: **We will, and we ask God to help and guide us.**

Let us pray. Gracious God, we thank You for calling these new members into this family of faith. Strengthen them by your Spirit, guide them in their journey, and use them to bring your love and light into the world. May we, as their brothers and sisters, encourage them, pray for them, and walk alongside them in faith. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation



1 Christ is made the sure foun - da - tion, Christ, our head and
2 To this tem - ple, where we call you, come, O Lord of
3 Here be - stow on all your ser - vants what they seek from
4 Praise and hon - or to the Fa - ther, praise and hon - or



cor - ner - stone, cho - sen of the Lord and pre - cious,
hosts, and stay; come with all your lov - ing - kind - ness,
you to gain; what they gain from you, for - ev - er
to the Son, praise and hon - or to the Spir - it,



bind - ing all the church in one; ho - ly Zi - on's
hear your peo - ple as they pray; and your full - est
with the bless - ed to re - tain; and here - af - ter
ev - er three and ev - er one: one in might and



help for - ev - er and our con - fi - dence a - lone.
ben - e - dic - tion shed with - in these walls to - day.
in your glo - ry ev - er - more with you to reign.
one in glo - ry while un - end - ing a - ges run!

Text: Latin hymn, c. 7th cent.; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–1866, alt.
Music: WESTMINSTER ABBEY, Henry Purcell, 1659–1695; arr. Ernest Hawkins, 1802–1868

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

HYMN OF PRAISE

ELW Setting 10



1 Glo - ry be to God in heav - en; peace, good - will to all the earth.
2 Glo - ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
3 Ho - ly One we now ac - claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might - y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:
Son of God and gra - cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;
Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.
Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.
For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Living God, you reveal your Son to us and call us to offer our whole lives in response. Renew our minds by your Spirit. Give us courage to confess Jesus as the Christ, humility to honor the gifts of others, and faithfulness to use our own gifts for the building up of Christ’s church and the healing of the world; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

CHILDREN’S SERMON

KIDS’ PRAISE

*At this time children age 3 – grade 5 are now dismissed,
at the parent’s discretion, to the Chapel.*

FIRST READING: Isaiah 51:1-6

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Just as God had called Abraham and Sarah and given them many descendants, so now God offers comfort to Zion. God’s deliverance will come soon and will never end.

The reading is concluded:
Word of God, word of life.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM 138

Julie Hyatt, cantor



Your stead-fast love en - dures for - ev - er;



do not a - ban - don the works of your hands.

- ¹ I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole heart;
before the gods I will sing your praise.
- ² I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your name, because of
your steadfast love and faithfulness;
for you have glorified your name and your word above all things.
- ³ When I called, you answered me;
you increased my strength within me.
- ⁴ All the rulers of the earth will praise you, O Lord,
when they have heard the words of your mouth. **R**
- ⁵ They will sing of the ways of the Lord,
that great is the glory of the Lord.
- ⁶ The Lord is high, yet cares for the lowly,
perceiving the haughty from afar.
- ⁷ Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe;
you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand
shall save me.
- ⁸ You will make good your purpose for me;
O Lord, your steadfast love endures forever; do not abandon the works of
your hands. **R**

SECOND READING: Romans 12:1-8

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In response to God’s merciful activity, we are to worship by living holistic, God-pleasing lives. Our values and viewpoints are not molded by the time in which we live but are transformed by the Spirit’s renewing work. God’s grace empowers different forms of service among Christians, but all forms of ministry function to build up the body of Christ.

The reading is concluded:
Word of God, word of life.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

ELW Setting 8

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL ANNOUNCEMENT

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 16th chapter.
Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 16:13-20

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At a climactic point in Jesus’ ministry, God reveals to Peter that Jesus is “the Messiah, the Son of the living God,” and Jesus responds with the promise of a church that will overcome the very gates of Hades.

After the reading:
The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Jeff Gramza

HYMN OF THE DAY

Cornerstone

Verse 1

My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness
I dare not trust the sweetest frame
But wholly trust in Jesus' Name
(REPEAT)

Chorus

Christ alone cornerstone
Weak made strong in the Saviour's love
Through the storm He is Lord
Lord of all

Verse 2

When darkness seems to hide His face
I rest on His unchanging grace
In every high and stormy gale
My anchor holds within the veil
My anchor holds within the veil

Chorus 2

Christ alone cornerstone
Weak made strong
in the Saviour's love
Through the storm He is Lord
Lord of all
(He is Lord Lord of all)
(SING 3X)

Verse 3

When He shall come
with trumpet sound
Oh may I then in Him be found
Dressed in His righteousness alone
Faultless stand before the throne

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APOSTLES’ CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,**

suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

SHARING CHRIST’S PEACE

Offer a sign of peace with those around you

GATHERING OF GIFTS FOR MISSION AND MINISTRY

OFFERTORY

How Can I Keep from Singing?

stg. Timothy Shaw
Summer Choir

OFFERING PRAYER

Generous God, everything we have and everything we are comes from you.
Receive these gifts and receive our lives. Use what we offer to strengthen your church, serve our neighbors, heal what is broken, and reveal Jesus Christ as the hope of the world. Make our generosity a living sacrifice of praise. **Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

ELW Setting 10

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION & LORD’S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:
**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.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

LAMB OF GOD

ELW Setting 10



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

Communion will be distributed by coming forward and receiving the bread and wine. The center cups (white) are non-alcoholic grape juice. Upon receiving, please put empty cups in baskets provided. If you prefer gluten free, please ask Pastor who is distributing. Please proceed up the center aisle returning to your seat via the side aisles.

COMMUNION SONGS

Jesus Messiah

Verse 1

He became sin who knew no sin
That we might become His righteousness
He humbled Himself and carried the cross
Love so amazing love so amazing

Chorus

Jesus Messiah Name above all names
Blessed Redeemer Emmanuel
The Rescue for sinners
The Ransom from heaven
Jesus Messiah Lord of all

Verse 2

His body the bread His blood the wine
Broken and poured out all for love
The whole earth trembled and the veil was torn
Love so amazing love so amazing

Chorus

Build My Life

Verse 1

Worthy of ev'ry song we could ever sing
Worthy of all the praise we could ever bring
Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe
We live for You

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Bridge

All our hope is in You
All our hope is in You
All the glory to You God
The Light of the world

Chorus

Ending

Jesus Messiah
Lord of all
The Lord of all
The Lord of all

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Verse 2

Jesus the name above ev'ry other name
Jesus the only one who could ever save
Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe
We live for You
We live for You

Chorus

Holy there is no one like You
There is none beside You
Open up my eyes in wonder
And show me who You are
And fill me with Your heart
And lead me in Your love to those around me

Verse 2, Chorus

We Are an Offering

Chorus 1

We lift our voices
We lift our hands
We lift our lives up to You
We are an offering
Lord use our voices
Lord use our hands
Lord use our lives they are Yours
We are an offering

Bridge

All that we have, all that we are
All that we hope to be, we give to You
We give to You

Bridge

I will build my life
upon Your love
It is a firm foundation
I will put my trust in You alone
And I will not be shaken
REPEAT

Chorus, Bridge

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Chorus 2

We lift our voices
We lift our hands
We lift our lives up to You
We are an offering
We are an offering

REPEAT *from beginning*

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BENEDICTION

May the living God renew your mind.
May Jesus Christ strengthen your faith.
May the Holy Spirit awaken your gifts.

And may you go forth as Christ's body—many members, one people,
offering your whole life in love and service to the world.
Almighty God, the Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you now and forever.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN

ELW #576

We All Are One in Mission
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DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Proclaim Christ with your life.
Use your gifts. Build up the body.
Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

Built on a Rock arr. G. Winston Cassler
Charly Sly

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We All Are One in Mission



1 We all are one in mis - sion; we all are one in call,
2 We all are called for ser - vice, to wit - ness in God's name.
3 Now let us be u - nit - ed, and let our song be heard.



our var - ied gifts u - nit - ed by Christ, the Lord of all.
Our min - is - tries are dif - f'rent; our pur - pose is the same:
Now let us be a ves - sel for God's re - deem - ing Word.



A sin - gle great com - mis - sion com - pels us from a - bove
to touch the lives of oth - ers with God's sur - pris - ing grace,
We all are one in mis - sion; we all are one in call,



to plan and work to - geth - er that all may know Christ's love.
so ev - 'ry folk and na - tion may feel God's warm em - brace.
our var - ied gifts u - nit - ed by Christ, the Lord of all.

Text: Rusty Edwards, b. 1955

Music: KUORTANE, Finnish folk tune

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