

# EDGEWOOD LUTHERAN CHURCH

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7:00 PM



Welcome to Edgewood Lutheran

*Loved by God in Jesus Christ, we are sent to  
share the love of God in the world.*

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## GATHERING SONG

God of the Fertile Fields

ACS 1063

### LITANY OF THANKSGIVING

God eternal and righteous One,  
Who created the heavens and the earth,  
we gather to give you thanks.

**For breath that fills us with your life,  
For love that softens our hearts,  
For beauty revealed at every turn.**

Christ redeeming and forgiving One,  
Who is always faithful and merciful.  
We gather to give you thanks,

**For renewal, transforming our lives,  
For peace calming the chaos of our souls,  
For hope restoring our faith.**

Spirit sustaining and compassionate One,  
Who calls us into relationship with the living God,  
We give you thanks,

**For caring when our hearts are aching,  
For friends supportive in times of need,  
For generosity lavish and overflowing.**

God who created the earth and the heavens,  
Eternal, Redeeming and Sustaining One,  
We gather to give you thanks,

**We come with hearts full of gratitude,  
For all things good,  
We give thanks to You.**

Let us pray.....

**Almighty God our Father, your generous goodness comes to us new every day. By the work of your Spirit lead us to acknowledge your goodness, give thanks for your benefits, and serve you in willing obedience, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

**Amen.**

<sup>21</sup>Do not fear, O soil;  
be glad and rejoice,  
for the LORD has done great things!  
<sup>22</sup>Do not fear, you animals of the field,  
for the pastures of the wilderness are green;  
the tree bears its fruit,  
the fig tree and vine give their full yield.  
<sup>23</sup>O children of Zion, be glad  
and rejoice in the LORD your God;  
for he has given the early rain for your vindication,  
he has poured down for you abundant rain,  
the early and the later rain, as before.  
<sup>24</sup>The threshing floors shall be full of grain,  
the vats shall overflow with wine and oil.  
<sup>25</sup>I will repay you for the years  
that the swarming locust has eaten,  
the hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter,  
my great army, which I sent against you.  
<sup>26</sup>You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied,  
and praise the name of the LORD your God,  
who has dealt wondrously with you.  
And my people shall never again be put to shame.  
<sup>27</sup>You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel,  
and that I, the LORD, am your God and there is no other.  
And my people shall never again be put to shame.

**P: The word of the Lord    C: Thanks be to God**

**REFLECTION**

**Paula Dusseljee**

## Psalm 126: God Has Done Great Things for Us 124

### Refrain

God has done great things for us, filled us with  
laugh-ter and mu - sic; God has done great things for  
us, filled us with laugh-ter and mu - sic.

### Verses

1. When our God led us back to freedom,  
like dreamers we beheld the promised land again;  
our mouths were filled with laughter and rejoicing.
2. We proclaimed to the nations what you had done for us;  
your mighty deeds of love, restoring us to life,  
you lead your people home to you rejoicing.
3. Come restore our fortune, renew us in your love,  
as rivers through the sand, as springs within the desert;  
those who sow in tears shall reap rejoicing.

**SECOND READING****1 Timothy 2:1-7**

<sup>1</sup>First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, <sup>2</sup>for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. <sup>3</sup>This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, <sup>4</sup>who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. <sup>5</sup>For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, <sup>6</sup>who gave himself a ransom for all – this was attested at the right time. <sup>7</sup>For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

**P: The word of the Lord    C: Thanks be to God**

**REFLECTION****Pastor Bill Uetricht****Choir Anthem****Great is Thy Faithfulness***Arr. by Maureen Howell***GOSPEL****Matthew 6:25-33**

The holy gospel according to Matthew.  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>25</sup>"Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? <sup>26</sup>Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? <sup>27</sup>And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? <sup>28</sup>And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, <sup>29</sup>yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. <sup>30</sup>But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you – you of little faith? <sup>31</sup>Therefore do not worry, saying, 'What will we eat?' or 'What will we drink?' or 'What will we wear?' <sup>32</sup>For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. <sup>33</sup>But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

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

## HYMN OF THE DAY

Earth is Full of Wit and Wisdom

ACS 1064

## INTRODUCTION TO TIME OF PRAYER

Paula Dusseljee

We will sing us. 1 &amp; 2 before prayers and sing us. 3 &amp; 4 following prayers.

*People are asked to spontaneously say what they are thankful for*

## Thank You, Lord



1 Thank you, Lord, thank you, Lord, thank you,  
 2 Been so good, been so good, been so  
 3 Been my friend, been my friend, been my  
 4 Love you, Lord, love you, Lord, love you,



Lord, I just want to thank you, Lord.  
 good, I just want to thank you, Lord.  
 friend, I just want to thank you, Lord.  
 Lord, I just want to thank you, Lord.

Text: Traditional  
 Music: THANK YOU, LORD, Traditional

## **PEACE**

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**

## **VIDEO**

**At the Table**

## **OFFERING**

*Tonight's offering will go to Lutheran Disaster Response*

## **OFFERING PRAYER**

P: Let us pray.

**Lord Jesus, our portion and our cup,  
you offered yourself in love for the world,  
and in this meal you nourish us with your life.  
Fill us with your abundance,  
that we may feed the hungry and welcome the stranger,  
trusting in your name.**

**Amen.**

## **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

### **DIALOGUE**

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## PREFACE

It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

### Holy, Holy, Holy *Santo, santo, santo*



San - to, san - to, san - to, oh Dios del u - ni - ver - so:  
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of might and mer - cy,

. . . lle - nos es - tán el cie - lo y la tie - rra de tu glo - ria.  
your glo - ry fills all heav - en and earth. . . You are ho - ly, God.

Ben - di - to el que vie - ne en nom - bre del Se - ñor. . .  
. . . Bless - ed be the Sav - ior, the one who comes in your name.

Ho - san - na en el cie - lo. San - to\_e - res, oh Dios.  
Ho - san - na in the high - est. You are ho - ly, God.

Text: Traditional; English text, hymnal version  
Music: ARGENTINE SANTO, Argentine traditional  
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## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P: Blessed are you, O God,  
creator of heaven and earth.  
You rescued your covenant people,  
led them on all their journeys,  
and taught them by the prophets.  
You so loved the world  
that you gave your only Son,  
so that everyone who believes in him  
may not perish but may have eternal life.

In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread,  
and gave thanks; broke it,  
and gave it to his disciples,  
saying: Take and eat;  
this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper,  
he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink,  
saying: This cup  
is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people  
for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

As often as we eat this bread  
and drink this cup,  
we proclaim the Lord's death  
until he comes.  
**Christ has died.**  
**Christ is risen.**  
**Christ will come again.**

Pour out your Holy Spirit  
in this meal,  
and make us one  
in this community of faith  
and with your people  
throughout the world.

Glory and praise to you, O God,  
Author of life,  
Word made flesh,  
Power of the Most High,  
now and forever.

**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.**

### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Behold, God is making all things new.  
Take your place in the new creation.

### COMMUNION

The body of Christ, given for you.  
The blood of Christ, shed for you.  
**Amen.**

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the  
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a -  
way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

P: Let us pray.

**Faithful God,  
you have spread before us a feast of rich food and drink  
in the body and blood of your Son.  
Now send us out to labor with you,  
in service to the world you have made,  
and among the people you have made your home,  
in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.  
Amen**

## **BLESSING**

The Ancient One, enthroned,  
the Crucified One, now risen,  
the Indwelling One, poured out,  
✠ bless you now and forever.

**Amen.**

## **SENDING SONG**

Now Thank We All Our God  
ELW 840

## **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Encourage one another in Christ.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **POSTLUDE**