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# Welcome

to St. John Lutheran Church and our Contemporary Worship Service. We are so glad you have chosen to join us today and we pray your time with us will fill you with the love our Lord has for you.

May God bless your worship with us today,  
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***Compelled by the Love of Christ to Live,  
Learn, Share, and Serve'***

*Our Vision is to inspire the vibrant experience of  
Christian faith in our community, to all  
generations, wherever they may be'*

## **A Time of Preparation**

### **Prelude**

### **"Honey In The Rock"**

There's honey in the rock Water in the stone  
Manna on the ground No matter where I go  
I don't have to worry Now that I know  
Everything I need You've got There's honey in the rock

Praying for a miracle Thirsty for the Living Well  
Only You can satisfy  
Sweetness at the mercy seat Now I've tasted it's not hard to see  
Only You can satisfy

There's honey in the rock There's honey in the rock  
There's honey in the rock There's honey in the rock  
Freedom where the Spirit is Bounty in the wilderness  
You will always satisfy

There's honey in the rock Water in the stone  
Manna on the ground No matter where I go  
I don't have to worry Now that I know  
Everything I need You've got  
There's honey in the rock Purpose in Your plan  
Power in the blood Healing in Your hands  
Started flowing when You said it is done  
Everything You did's enough  
I keep looking I keep finding  
You keep giving Keep providing  
I have all that I need You are all that I need  
I keep praying You keep moving

I keep praising You keep proving  
I have all that I need You are all that I need

I keep looking I keep finding  
You keep giving Keep providing  
I have all that I need You are all that I need  
I keep praying You keep moving  
I keep praising You keep proving  
I have all that I need You are all that I need  
I have all that I need You are all that I need Yeah!  
There's honey in the rock Water in the stone  
Manna on the ground No matter where I go  
I don't have to worry Now that I know  
Everything I need You've got

There's honey in the rock Purpose in Your plan  
Power in the blood Healing in Your hands  
Started flowing when You said it is done  
Jesus who You are is enough

There's honey in the rock There's honey in the rock  
There's honey in the rock

Oh how sweet How sweet it is to trust in You Jesus  
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## **Welcome, Sharing of the Peace and Call To Worship**

### **Opening Song**

### **“Here I Am to Worship”**

Light of the World, You stepped down into darkness,  
Opened my eyes, let me see.  
Beauty that made this heart adore You,  
Hope of a life spent with You.

Here I am to worship, here I am to bow down,  
Here I am to say that You're my God.  
You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy,  
Altogether wonderful to me.

King of all days, oh so highly exalted,  
Glorious in heaven above.  
Humbly You came to the earth you created,  
All for love's sake became poor.

Here I am to worship, here I am to bow down,  
Here I am to say that You're my God.  
You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy,  
Altogether wonderful to me.

And I'll never know how much it cost  
To see my sin upon that cross.  
And I'll never know how much it cost  
To see my sin upon that cross.

Here I am to worship, here I am to bow down,  
Here I am to say that You're my God.  
You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy,  
Altogether wonderful to me.

## **Confession and Forgiveness**

### **Song of Praise**

### **"Light of The World" (Sing Hallelujah)**

Light of the World Treasure of Heaven  
Brilliant like the stars in the wintery sky  
Joy of the Father reach through the darkness  
Shine across the earth send the shadows to flight

Light of the World from the beginning  
The tragedies of time were no match for Your love  
From great heights of glory You saw my story  
God You entered in and became one of us

Sing hallelujah Sing hallelujah  
Sing hallelujah for the things He has done  
Come and adore Him Bow down before Him  
Sing hallelujah to the Light of the World

Light of the world crown in a manger  
Born for the cross to suffer to save  
High King of Heaven death is the poorer  
We are the richer by the price that He paid

Sing hallelujah Sing hallelujah  
Sing hallelujah for the things He has done  
Come and adore Him Bow down before Him  
Sing hallelujah to the Light of the World

Light of the World soon will be coming  
With fire in His eyes He will ransom His own  
Through clouds He will lead us straight into glory  
And there He shall reign forevermore

Sing hallelujah Sing hallelujah  
Sing hallelujah for the things He has done  
Come and adore Him Bow down before Him  
Sing hallelujah to the Light of the World

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## First Reading

Isaiah 42:1-9

<sup>1</sup> Behold my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights;  
I have put my Spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations.

<sup>2</sup> He will not cry aloud or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street;

<sup>3</sup> a bruised reed he will not break, and a faintly burning wick he will not quench;  
he will faithfully bring forth justice. <sup>4</sup> He will not grow faint or be discouraged  
till he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his law.

<sup>5</sup> Thus says God, the LORD, who created the heavens and stretched them out,  
who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the

people on it and spirit to those who walk in it: <sup>6</sup> "I am the LORD; I have called you in righteousness; I will take you by the hand and keep you; I will give you as a covenant for the people, a light for the nations, <sup>7</sup> to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness. <sup>8</sup> I am the LORD; that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to carved idols. <sup>9</sup> Behold, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth I tell you of them."

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## **Gospel Reading**

Luke 2:22-35

<sup>22</sup> And when the time came for their purification according to the Law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord <sup>23</sup> (as it is written in the Law of the Lord, "Every male who first opens the womb shall be called holy to the Lord") <sup>24</sup> and to offer a sacrifice according to what is said in the Law of the Lord, "a pair of turtledoves, or two young pigeons." <sup>25</sup> Now there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name was Simeon, and this man was righteous and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. <sup>26</sup> And it had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Christ. <sup>27</sup> And he came in the Spirit into the temple, and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him according to the custom of the Law, <sup>28</sup> he took him up in his arms and blessed God and said, <sup>29</sup> "Lord, now you are letting your servant depart in peace, according to your word; <sup>30</sup> for my eyes have seen your salvation <sup>31</sup> that you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, <sup>32</sup> a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and for glory to your people Israel." <sup>33</sup> And his father and his mother marveled at what was said about him. <sup>34</sup> And Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother, "Behold, this child is appointed for the fall and rising of many in Israel, and for a sign that is opposed <sup>35</sup> (and a sword will pierce through your own soul also), so that thoughts from many hearts may be revealed."

📖 This is the Gospel of the Lord.

🙏 **Thanks be to God.**

## Children's Message

### Message Song

### “Hope Has A Name”

Breaking through the silence With glory in the highest  
The hope of all creation Resting in his mother's arms

A song on the horizon Ringing through the heavens  
The long-awaited Savior  
Come to set the captives free  
Come to set the captives free  
Come set us free

Hope has a name Emmanuel  
The Light of the World Who broke through the darkness  
All hail the King Emmanuel  
The Light of the World The Glory of Heaven

We didn't see it coming The story of redemption  
What started in a manger Ended in an empty grave  
Oh I know that

Hope has a name Emmanuel  
The Light of the World Who broke through the darkness  
All hail the King Emmanuel  
The Light of the World The Glory of Heaven

Come if you're broken Come if you're searching  
If you need healing He's where you find it  
Lay down your burdens And breathe in forgiveness  
If you need freedom Yeah He's where you find it  
Oh if you need freedom Yeah He's where you find it  
Yeah He's where you find it oh

Hope has a name Emmanuel

The Light of the World Who broke through the darkness  
All hail the King Emmanuel  
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The Light of the World Who broke through the darkness  
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## Message

***“Light to the Gentiles”***

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## Prayer of the Church

### Lord's Prayer

- P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
- C** **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.**

## Blessing

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.
- C** **Amen.**

## Sending Song

***“The Lion And The Lamb”***

He's coming on the clouds



Kings and kingdoms will bow down  
And every chain will break  
As broken hearts declare His praise  
For who can stop the Lord Almighty

Our God is the Lion The Lion of Judah  
He's roaring with power And fighting our battles  
And every knee will bow before Him  
Our God is the Lamb The Lamb that was slain  
For the sins of the world His blood breaks the chains  
And every knee will bow before the Lion and the Lamb  
Every knee will bow before Him

So open up the gates  
Make way before the King of kings  
The God who comes to save  
Is here to set the captives free  
For who can stop the Lord Almighty

Our God is the Lion The Lion of Judah  
He's roaring with power And fighting our battles  
And every knee will bow before Him  
Our God is the Lamb The Lamb that was slain  
For the sins of the world His blood breaks the chains  
And every knee will bow before the Lion and the Lamb  
Every knee will bow before Him

Who can stop the Lord Almighty Who can stop the Lord Almighty  
Who can stop the Lord Almighty Who can stop the Lord Almighty  
Who can stop the Lord Almighty Who can stop the Lord Almighty  
Who can stop the Lord Almighty Who can stop the Lord?

Our God is the Lion The Lion of Judah  
He's roaring with power And fighting our battles  
And every knee will bow before Him  
Our God is the Lamb The Lamb that was slain



