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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'***

7:00 - Contemporary

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

A Time of Preparation

Welcome and Sharing of the Peace

Opening Song

“Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)”

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me.

I once was lost but now am found, was blind but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved.

How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed.

My chains are gone, I've been set free. My God, my Savior has ransomed me.

And like a flood, His mercy rains unending love, amazing grace.

The Lord has promised good to me, His Word my hope secures.

He will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.

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And like a flood, His mercy rains unending love, amazing grace.

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow, the sun forbear to shine.

But God, who called me here below will be forever mine, will be forever mine.

You are forever mine.

Call To Worship

“Evidence”

All throughout my history, Your faithfulness has walked beside me.

The winter storms made way for spring. In every season, from where I'm standing

I see the evidence of Your goodness all over my life, all over my life

I see Your promises in fulfillment all over my life, all over my life.

Help me remember when I'm weak, fear may come but fear will leave.

You lead my heart to victory. You are my strength and You always will be.

I see the evidence of Your goodness all over my life, all over my life

I see Your promises in fulfillment all over my life, all over my life.

See the cross the empty grave; the evidence is endless.

All my sin rolled away because of You oh Jesus.

See the cross the empty grave; the evidence is endless.

All my sin rolled away because of You, oh, Jesus, oh.

I see the evidence of Your goodness all over my life, all over my life
I see Your promises in fulfillment all over my life, all over my life, yeah.

I see the evidence of Your goodness all over my life, all over my life
I see Your promises in fulfillment all over my life, all over my life.

Why should I fear? The evidence is here.

Why should I fear? Oh, the evidence is here.

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Confession and Forgiveness

Song of Praise

“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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First Reading

Romans 5:1

¹ Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

G **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Reading

Luke 7:36-50

³⁶ One of the Pharisees asked him to eat with him, and he went into the Pharisee's house and reclined at table. ³⁷ And behold, a woman of the city, who was a sinner, when she learned that he was reclining at table in the Pharisee's house, brought an alabaster flask of ointment, ³⁸ and standing behind him at his feet, weeping, she began to wet his feet with her tears and wiped them with the hair of her head and kissed his feet and anointed them with the ointment. ³⁹ Now when the Pharisee who had invited him saw this, he said to himself, "If this man were a prophet, he would have known who and what sort of woman this is who is touching him, for she is a sinner." ⁴⁰ And Jesus answering said to him, "Simon, I have something to say to you." And he answered, "Say it, Teacher."

⁴¹ "A certain moneylender had two debtors. One owed five hundred denarii, and the other fifty. ⁴² When they could not pay, he cancelled the debt of both. Now which of them will love him more?" ⁴³ Simon answered, "The one, I suppose, for whom he cancelled the larger debt." And he said to him, "You have judged rightly." ⁴⁴ Then turning toward the woman he said to Simon, "Do you see this woman? I entered your house; you gave me no water for my feet, but she has wet my feet with her tears and wiped them with her hair. ⁴⁵ You gave me no kiss, but from the time I came in she has not ceased to kiss my feet. ⁴⁶ You did not anoint my head with oil, but she has anointed my feet with ointment. ⁴⁷ Therefore I tell you, her sins, which are many, are forgiven—for she loved much. But he who is forgiven little, loves little." ⁴⁸ And he said to her, "Your sins are forgiven." ⁴⁹ Then those who were at table with him began to say among themselves, "Who is this, who even forgives sins?" ⁵⁰ And he said to the woman, "Your faith has saved you; go in peace."

 This is the Gospel of the Lord.

 **Thanks be to God.**

Children's Message

Message Song

"Your Name Is Power"

You're the only answer to the darkness
You're the only right among the wrong
You're the only hope among the chaos

You are the voice that calls me on
Louder than ev'ry lie My sword in ev'ry fight
The truth will chase away the night
Your name is power over darkness Freedom for the captives
Mercy for the broken and the hopeless
Your name is faithful in the battle Glory in the struggle
Mighty it won't let us down or fail us
Your name is power Your name is power
I know it is written hope is certain
I know that the Word will never fail
I know that in ev'ry situation
You speak the power to prevail
Louder than ev'ry lie My sword in ev'ry fight
The truth will chase away the night
Your name is power over darkness Freedom for the captives
Mercy for the broken and the hopeless
Your name is faithful in the battle Glory in the struggle
Mighty it won't let us down or fail us
Your name is power Your name is power
When You speak You scatter darkness
Light arrives and heaven opens
Holy Spirit let us hear it
When You speak the church awakens
We believe the change is coming
Holy Spirit let us see it
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Message

"Through Faith - Peace"

Offering

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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

"My Lighthouse"

In my wrestling and in my doubts
In my failures You won't walk out
Your great love will lead me through
You are the peace in my troubled sea whoa oh
You are the peace in my troubled sea

In the silence You won't let go
In the questions Your truth will hold
Your great love will lead me through
You are the peace in my troubled sea whoa oh
You are the peace in my troubled sea

My Lighthouse my Lighthouse
Shining in the darkness I will follow You oh
My Lighthouse my Lighthouse I will trust the promise
You will carry me safe to shore
Safe to shore safe to shore safe to shore

I won't fear what tomorrow brings
With each morning I'll rise and sing
My God's love will lead me through
You are the peace in my troubled sea whoa oh
You are the peace in my troubled sea

My Lighthouse my Lighthouse
Shining in the darkness I will follow You oh
My Lighthouse my Lighthouse I will trust the promise
You will carry me safe to shore
Safe to shore safe to shore safe to shore

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