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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'***

5:00 - Contemporary

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

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

A Time of Preparation

Sharing of the Peace and Welcome

Opening Song and Offering

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you directly to our donation site.*



“Holy Spirit Come”

I'm coming with a heart of worship I'm bringing in a brand new song
I'm ready to see the unthinkable I'm ready for a miracle
Hearts praying for a fresh encounter Souls looking to the living God
I'm ready for a real revival O Holy Spirit

Come like a flood like a fire
Holy spirit fall in this place fill our hearts
Holy Spirit come like a flood like a fire
Holy Spirit come O Holy Spirit come

We're on the edge of a new beginning God we know You have so much more
We're looking to a new horizon We're praying for Your rain to pour
An overflowing of true redemption An overflowing of Your kingdom
We're ready for a real revival O Holy Spirit

Come like a flood like a fire
Holy spirit fall in this place fill our hearts
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Holy Spirit come O Holy Spirit come

Oh can you feel it Heaven is reaching
Oh can you hear it Our God is speaking
Oh can you see it He's got your healing
Oh just receive it Receive the freedom

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Children's Message

Song

“Way Maker”

You are here, moving in our midst; I worship You, I worship You.
You are here, working in this place; I worship You, I worship You.

You are Way Maker, Miracle Worker, Promise Keeper,
Light in the darkness, my God, that is who You are.

You are here, touching ev'ry heart; I worship You, I worship You.
You are here, healing ev'ry heart; I worship You, I worship You.

You are here, turning lives around; I worship You, I worship You.
You are here, mending ev'ry heart; I worship You, I worship You.

Way Maker, Miracle Worker, Promise Keeper,
Light in the darkness, my God, that is who You are. That is who You are.
That is who You are. That is who You are. That is who You are.

Way Maker, Miracle Worker, Promise Keeper,
Light in the darkness, my God, that is who You are.

Even when I don't see it, You're working. Even when I don't feel it, You're working.
You never stop, You never stop working. You never stop, You never stop working.
Even when I don't see it, You're working. Even when I don't feel it, You're working.
You never stop, You never stop working. You never stop, You never stop working.

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Light in the darkness, my God, that is who You are. That is who You are.

That is who You are. That is who You are. That is who You are.

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Call To Worship

Confession and Forgiveness

Song of Forgiveness

“God Is On The Move”

Anytime a heart turns from darkness to light
Anytime temptation comes and someone stands to fight
Anytime somebody lives to serve and not be served
I know I know I know I know

God is on the move on the move hallelujah
God is on the move in many mighty ways
God is on the move on the move hallelujah
God is on the move on the move today

Anytime in weakness someone falls upon their knees
Or dares to speak the truth that sets men free
Anytime the choice is made to stand upon the Word
I know I know I know I know

God is on the move on the move hallelujah
God is on the move in many mighty ways
God is on the move on the move hallelujah
God is on the move on the move today

Anytime the Gospel stirs a searching soul
And someone says send me here I go
I know I know I know I know

God is on the move on the move hallelujah
God is on the move in many mighty ways
God is on the move on the move hallelujah
God is on the move on the move today

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Prayer of the Church

Lord's Prayer

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

G **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.**

First Reading

Romans 4:9-12

⁹Is this blessing then only for the circumcised, or also for the uncircumcised? For we say that faith was counted to Abraham as righteousness. ¹⁰How then was it counted to him? Was it before or after he had been circumcised? It was not after, but before he was circumcised. ¹¹He received the sign of circumcision as a seal of the righteousness that he had by faith while he was still uncircumcised. The purpose was to make him the father of all who believe without being circumcised, so that righteousness would be counted to them as well, ¹²and to make him the father of the circumcised who are not merely circumcised but who also walk in the footsteps of the faith that our father Abraham had before he was circumcised.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

G **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Reading

Matthew 14:23-32

²³ And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, ²⁴ but the boat by this time was a long way from the land, beaten by the waves, for the wind was against them. ²⁵ And in the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. ²⁶ But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, and said, "It is a ghost!" and they cried out in fear. ²⁷ But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, "Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid." ²⁸ And Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." ²⁹ He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus. ³⁰ But when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, "Lord, save me." ³¹ Jesus immediately reached out his hand and took hold of him, saying to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" ³² And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.

Message Song

"Act Justly, Love Mercy, Walk Humbly"

It all comes down to this What you require of me
Love my neighbor as myself And You above all things

Act justly love mercy walk humbly With You God
In all things in all ways walk humbly With You God

It all comes down to this To be Your hands and feet
Good news to all the world The truth will set us free

Act justly love mercy walk humbly With You God
In all things in all ways walk humbly With You God

It's beauty for ashes It's mourning to dancing
It's closer and closer The Kingdom of heaven
It's beauty for ashes It's mourning to dancing
It's closer and closer The Kingdom of heaven

Years from now we'll see The fruit our hands have sown
faith just like a seed The only way it grows

Act justly love mercy walk humbly With You God
In all things in all ways walk humbly With You God

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Message

“Through Faith - Works”

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.

G Amen.

Closing Song

“As For Me”

Your love oh Lord is strength to my soul Hope for tomorrow it won't let go

Your presence is the joy of my life To You I lift my eyes

As for me and my house we will serve the Lord

We will sing of Your love forevermore

As for me and my house we will serve the Lord

Serve the Lord

Your word alone a lamp to my feet A light to my path as You're leading me

Your ways oh Lord are higher than mine To You I lift my eyes

As for me and my house we will serve the Lord

We will sing of Your love forevermore

As for me and my house we will serve the Lord

Serve the Lord

Open up every door Write it on every wall Sing it in every room

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As for me and my house we will serve the Lord

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