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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'*

Third Sunday after the Epiphany

Prelude

There's torn up pages in this book Words that tell me I'm no good
Chapters that defined me for so long But the hands of grace and endless love
Dusted off and picked me up Told my heart that hope is never gone

God is in this story God is in the details
Even in the broken parts He holds my heart
He never fails When I'm at my weakest
I will trust in Jesus Always in the highs and lows
The One who goes before me God is in this story

So if the storm you're walking through Feels like it's too much and you
Wonder if He even cares at all

Hold on tight to what you know He promised He won't let you go
The song of healing's written in His scars

God is in this story God is in the details
Even in the broken parts He holds my heart
He never fails When I'm at my weakest
I will trust in Jesus Always in the highs and lows
The One who goes before me God is in this story

If it reads like addiction If it reads like disease
He's the One who frees the prisoner He's the healer of all things
If it reads like depression If it reads broken home
He's the One who holds your sorrow He won't leave you here alone

God is in this story God is in the details
Even in the broken parts He holds my heart
He never fails When I'm at my weakest
I will trust in Jesus Always in the highs and lows
The One who goes before me

Always in the highs and lows The One who goes before me
God is in this story

A Time of Preparation

"God Is In This Story"

Welcome, Sharing of the Peace and Call To Worship

Opening Song

“House Of The Lord”

We worship the God who was We worship the God who is
We worship the God who evermore will be
He opened the prison doors He parted the raging sea
My God He holds the victory

There's joy in the house of the Lord
There's joy in the house of the Lord today
And we won't be quiet We shout out Your praise
There's joy in the house of the Lord
Our God is surely in this place
And we won't be quiet We shout out Your praise
Oh oh oh We shout out Your praise

We sing to the God who heals We sing to the God who saves
We sing to the God who always makes a way
'Cause He hung up on that cross Then He rose up from that grave
My God's still rolling stones away

There's joy in the house of the Lord
There's joy in the house of the Lord today
And we won't be quiet We shout out Your praise
There's joy in the house of the Lord
Our God is surely in this place
And we won't be quiet We shout out Your praise

We were the beggars Now we're royalty
We were the prisoners Now we're running free
We are forgiven accepted Redeemed by His grace
Let the house of the Lord sing praise

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We were the prisoners Now we're running free

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Let the house of the Lord sing praise

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Confession and Forgiveness

Song of Praise

“Always”

I believe You gave sight to the blind
I believe that the dead came to life
I believe there were wonders and signs
And You're still the same

I believe every word that You said
I believe there are scars in Your hands
That Your goodness is good without end
And You'll never change

I will tell of Your wonders sing of Your grace
The God of creation knows me by name
The Lord is faithful yesterday now and always Always
Your mercy is mighty age after age
All generations will bow down and praise
The Lord is faithful yesterday now and always Always

I believe You will come in the clouds
I believe You are here even now
In Your presence I know there is power
Power to save oh

I will tell of Your wonders sing of Your grace
The God of creation knows me by name

The Lord is faithful yesterday now and always Always
Your mercy is mighty age after age
All generations will bow down and praise
The Lord is faithful yesterday now and always Always
You were You are You always will be God
You were You are You always will be God
Yes You always will be God
Your mercy is mighty age after age
All generations will bow down and praise
The Lord is faithful yesterday now and always

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First Reading

1 Samuel 1:21-28

²¹ The man Elkanah and all his house went up to offer to the LORD the yearly sacrifice and to pay his vow. ²² But Hannah did not go up, for she said to her husband, "As soon as the child is weaned, I will bring him, so that he may appear in the presence of the LORD and dwell there forever." ²³ Elkanah her husband said to her, "Do what seems best to you; wait until you have weaned him; only, may the LORD establish his word." So the woman remained and nursed her son until she weaned him. ²⁴ And when she had weaned him, she took him up with her, along with a three-year-old bull, an ephah of flour, and a skin of wine, and she brought him to the house of the LORD at Shiloh. And the child was young. ²⁵ Then they slaughtered the bull, and they brought the child to Eli. ²⁶ And she said, "Oh, my lord! As you live, my lord, I am the woman who was standing here in your presence, praying to the LORD. ²⁷ For this child I prayed, and the LORD has granted me my petition that I made to him. ²⁸ Therefore I have lent him to the LORD. As long as he lives, he is lent to the LORD." And he worshiped the LORD there.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading

Luke 2:22-38

²² 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 ²³ (as it is written in the Law of the Lord, "Every male who first opens the womb shall be called holy to the Lord") ²⁴ and to offer a sacrifice according to what is said in the Law of the Lord, "a pair of turtledoves,

or two young pigeons.”²⁵ 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.²⁶ 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.²⁷ 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,²⁸ he took him up in his arms and blessed God and said,

²⁹“Lord, now you are letting your servant depart in peace, according to your word;³⁰ for my eyes have seen your salvation³¹ that you have prepared in the presence of all peoples,³² a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and for glory to your people Israel.”

L This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Children's Message

Message Song

“Trust in You”

Letting go of every single dream, I lay each one down at Your feet.

Every moment of my wandering, never changes what You see.

I've tried to win this war, I confess, my hands are weary, I need Your rest.
Mighty Warrior, King of the fight, no matter what I face, You're by my side.

When You don't move the mountains, I'm needing You to move,
when You don't part the waters I wish I could walk through,
when You don't give the answers as I cry out to You
I will trust, I will trust, I will trust in You.

Truth is You know what tomorrow brings.
There's not a day ahead You have not seen, no.
So in all things be my life and breath,
I want what You want, Lord, and nothing else.

When You don't move the mountains I'm needing You to move,
when You don't part the waters I wish I could walk through,
when You don't give the answers as I cry out to You
I will trust, I will trust, I will trust in You. I will trust in You.

You are my strength and comfort, You are my steady hand,

You are my firm foundation, the Rock on which I stand.
Your ways are always higher, Your plans are always good.
There's not a place where I'll go You've not already stood.

When You don't move the mountains, I'm needing You to move,
when You don't part the waters I wish I could walk through,
when You don't give the answers as I cry out to You
I will trust, I will trust, I will trust in You.
I will trust in You. I will trust in You.

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Message Offering

“The Perfect Time”

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Prayer of the Church

Lord's Prayer

☩ 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

℟ 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.

☩ Amen.

Sending Song

“Praise You Anywhere”

Sometimes you've gotta dance through the darkness
Sing through the fire Praise when it don't make sense
Sometimes you've gotta stare down the giant
Worship from the lion's den

Sometimes you've gotta shout it from the mountain
Louder in the valley Trusting that He's gonna get you there
Sometimes you've gotta welcome the wonder
Wait for the answer

Worship with your hands in the air I'll praise You anywhere

Praise Give Him praise Give Him praise In the highest
Praise Give Him praise Give Him praise In the highest
He is worthy Yes He is worthy of all of the praise

Sometimes you've gotta praise in the prison
Cry out to heaven Shout it 'til the doors swing wide
Sometimes you've gotta stand on your shackles
Brave in the battle Worship with your hands held high
I'll praise You anywhere

Praise Give Him praise Give Him praise In the highest
Praise Give Him praise Give Him praise In the highest
He is worthy Yes He is worthy of all of the praise

Faithful all my life Blessings day and night
Countless reasons why I'll praise You anywhere
Every promise kept Goodness every step
Each and every breath I'll praise You anywhere
Faithful all my life Blessings day and night
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