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Our God can do
anything

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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'*

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

A Time of Preparation

Prelude

"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 yeah I worship You Lord

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

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Light in the darkness my God that is who You are

Welcome, Sharing of the Peace and Call To Worship

Opening Song

“Spirit Lead Me”

This is my worship this is my offering
In every moment I withhold nothing
I'm learning to trust You even when I can't see it
And even in suffering I have to believe it

If You say it's wrong then I'll say no
If You say release I'm letting go
If You're in it with me I'll begin
And when You say to jump I'm diving in
If You say be still then I will wait
If You say to trust I will obey
I don't wanna follow my own way
I'm done chasing feelings
Spirit lead me

It felt like a burden but once I could grasp it
You took me further further than I was asking
And simply to see You it's worth it all
My life is an altar let Your fire fall

If You say it's wrong then I'll say no
If You say release I'm letting go
If You're in it with me I'll begin
And when You say to jump I'm diving in
If You say be still then I will wait
If You say to trust I will obey
Teach me how to follow in Your way
I'm done chasing feelings
Spirit lead me

When all hope is gone and Your Word is all I've got
I have to believe
You still bring water from the rocks
To satisfy my thirst to love me at my worst
And even when I don't remember

You remind me of my worth
I don't trust my ways I'm trading in my thoughts
Have laid down everything
'Cause You're all that I want
I've landed on my knees
This is the cup You have for me
And even when it don't make sense
I'm gonna let Your Spirit lead
I'm gonna let Your Spirit lead
I'm gonna let Your Spirit lead
I wanna let Your Spirit lead yeah

Spirit lead me Spirit lead me
Spirit lead me Spirit lead me

If You say it's wrong then I'll say no
If You say release I'm letting go
If You're in it with me I'll begin
And when You say to jump I'm diving in
If You say be still then I will wait
If You say to trust I will obey
You're the only Truth the Life the Way
I'm done chasing feelings
Spirit lead me

Spirit lead me Spirit lead me
Spirit lead me Spirit lead me

Gabriel Wilson, Graham Moore, Melody Noel, Michael Barkulis, Michael Ketterer, Whitney Medina
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Confession and Forgiveness

Song of Praise

I can see the waters raging at my feet
I can feel the breath of those surrounding me
I can hear the sound of nations rising up

“Same Power”

We will not be overtaken
We will not be overcome

I can walk down this dark and painful road
I can face ev'ry fear of the unknown
I can hear all God's children singing out
We will not be overtaken
We will not be overcome

The same power that rose Jesus from the grave
The same power that commands the dead to wake
Lives in us lives in us
The same power that moves mountains when He speaks
The same power that can calm a raging sea
Lives in us lives in us
He lives in us lives in us

We have hope that His promises are true
In His strength there is nothing we can't do
Yes we know there are greater things in store
We will not be overtaken
We will not be overcome

Greater is He that is living in me
He's conquered our enemy (oh)
No power of darkness
No weapon prevails
We stand here in victory oh (REPEAT)

The same power that rose Jesus from the grave
The same power that commands the dead to wake
Lives in us lives in us
The same power that moves mountains when He speaks
The same power that can calm a raging sea
Lives in us lives in us
He lives in us lives in us

First Reading

Genesis 18:1-14

¹ And the LORD appeared to him by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the door of his tent in the heat of the day. ² He lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, three men were standing in front of him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent door to meet them and bowed himself to the earth ³ and said, "O Lord, if I have found favor in your sight, do not pass by your servant. ⁴ Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree, ⁵ while I bring a morsel of bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant." So they said, "Do as you have said." ⁶ And Abraham went quickly into the tent to Sarah and said, "Quick! Three seahs of fine flour! Knead it, and make cakes." ⁷ And Abraham ran to the herd and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to a young man, who prepared it quickly. ⁸ Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them. And he stood by them under the tree while they ate. ⁹ They said to him, "Where is Sarah your wife?" And he said, "She is in the tent." ¹⁰ The LORD said, "I will surely return to you about this time next year, and Sarah your wife shall have a son." And Sarah was listening at the tent door behind him. ¹¹ Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in years. The way of women had ceased to be with Sarah. ¹² So Sarah laughed to herself, saying, "After I am worn out, and my lord is old, shall I have pleasure?" ¹³ The LORD said to Abraham, "Why did Sarah laugh and say, 'Shall I indeed bear a child, now that I am old?' ¹⁴ Is anything too hard for the LORD? At the appointed time I will return to you, about this time next year, and Sarah shall have a son."

L This is the Word of the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading

Luke 10:1-12 & 17-20

¹ After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them on ahead of him, two by two, into every town and place where he himself was about to go. ² And he said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. ³ Go your way; behold, I am sending you out as lambs in the midst of wolves. ⁴ Carry no moneybag, no knapsack, no sandals, and greet no one on the road. ⁵ Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace be to this house!' ⁶ And if a son

of peace is there, your peace will rest upon him. But if not, it will return to you. ⁷ And remain in the same house, eating and drinking what they provide, for the laborer deserves his wages. Do not go from house to house. ⁸ Whenever you enter a town and they receive you, eat what is set before you. ⁹ Heal the sick in it and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' ¹⁰ But whenever you enter a town and they do not receive you, go into its streets and say, ¹¹ 'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet we wipe off against you. Nevertheless know this, that the kingdom of God has come near.' ¹² I tell you, it will be more bearable on that day for Sodom than for that town. ¹⁷ The seventy-two returned with joy, saying, "Lord, even the demons are subject to us in your name!" ¹⁸ And he said to them, "I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. ¹⁹ Behold, I have given you authority to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall hurt you. ²⁰ Nevertheless, do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

L This is the Gospel of the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.

Children's Message

Message Song

"Give Me Faith"

I need You to soften my heart
And break me apart
I need You to open my eyes
To see that You're shaping my life
All I am I surrender

Give me faith to trust what You say
That You're good and Your love is great
I'm broken inside I give You my life

I need You to soften my heart
And break me apart
I need You to pierce through the dark
And cleanse every part of me

'Cause I may be weak
But Your Spirit's strong in me
My flesh may fail
My God You never will (REPEAT)
Give me faith to trust what You say
That You're good and Your love is great
I'm broken inside I give You my life

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Message

“How Hard Can it Be?”

Installation of Board of Directors

Offering

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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

“Defender”

You go before I know
That You've even gone to win my war

You come back with the head of my enemy
You come back and You call it my victory

You go before I know
That You've even gone to win my war
Your love becomes my greatest defense
It leads me from the dry wilderness

All I did was praise
All I did was worship
All I did was bow down
All I did was stay still

Hallelujah You have saved me
So much better Your (this) way
Hallelujah great Defender
So much better Your (this) way

You know before I do
Where my heart can seek to find Your truth
Your mercy is the shade I'm living in
You restore my faith and hope again

When I thought I lost me
You knew where I left me
You reintroduced me to Your love
You picked up all my pieces
Put me back together
You are the defender of my heart

All I did was praise
All I need to do is worship
Lord I will just bow down
I'm just gonna stay still

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