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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
Joyfully 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'

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

A Time of Preparation

Prelude

"The King Is In The Room"

Come open the doors and make way
The King is in the room The King is in the room
Expectant for strongholds to break 'Cause we know what You can do
We know what You can do

We're gonna see lives changed Souls saved
Broken hearts made new The King is in the room

Lord we enthrone You upon our praise The King is in the room
There's freedom and life anywhere You reign
Jesus we bow only to You We're laying down all of our crowns
The King is in the room The King is in the room

Come see all the captives run free He's tearing down the walls
He's tearing down the walls
There's grave shaking power when we sing The Name above them all
Your Name above them all The King is in the room

Lord we enthrone You upon our praise
The King is in the room There's freedom and life anywhere You reign
Jesus we bow only to You We're laying down all of our crowns
The King is in the room

Fear has to flee Shame has to leave Before the King Before the King
Chains have to break Dry bones awake Prepare the way Oh
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Welcome, Sharing of the Peace and Call To Worship

Opening Song

“Only A Holy God”

Who else commands all the hosts of heaven
Who else could make every king bow down
Who else can whisper and darkness trembles
Only a Holy God

What other beauty demands such praises
What other splendour outshines the sun
What other majesty rules with justice
Only a Holy God

Come and behold Him The One and the Only
Cry out sing holy Forever a Holy God
Come and worship the Holy God
What other glory consumes like fire
What other power can raise the dead
What other name remains undefeated
Only a Holy God

Come and behold Him The One and the Only
Cry out sing holy Forever a Holy God
Come and worship the Holy God
Who else could rescue me from my failing

Who else would offer His only Son
Who else invites me to call Him Father
Only a Holy God Only my Holy God
Come and behold Him The One and the Only
Cry out sing holy Forever a Holy God
Come and worship the Holy God
Come and worship the Holy God

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Confession and Forgiveness

Song of Praise

“Trust in God”

Blessed assurance Jesus is mine
He's been my fourth man in the fire Time after time
Born of His Spirit Washed in His blood
And what He did for me on Calvary Is more than enough
I trust in God My Savior The One who will never fail
He will never fail
I trust in God My Savior The One who will never fail
He will never fail
Perfect submission All is at rest I know the author of tomorrow
Has ordered my steps So this is my story And this is my song
I'm praising my risen King and Savior All the day long
I trust in God My Savior The One who will never fail
He will never fail
I trust in God My Savior The One who will never fail
He will never fail
I sought the Lord and He heard and He answered
I sought the Lord and He heard and He answered
I sought the Lord and He heard and He answered
That's why I trust Him That's why I trust Him

I sought the Lord and He heard and He answered
I sought the Lord and He heard and He answered
I sought the Lord and He heard and He answered
That's why I trust Him That's why I trust In God

My Savior The One who will never fail He will never fail
I trust in God My Savior The One who will never fail
He will never fail

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First Reading

Genesis 32:22-30

²² The same night he arose and took his two wives, his two female servants, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. ²³ He took them and sent them across the stream, and everything else that he had. ²⁴ And Jacob was left alone. And a man wrestled with him until the breaking of the day. ²⁵ When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he touched his hip socket, and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. ²⁶ Then he said, "Let me go, for the day has broken." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go unless you bless me." ²⁷ And he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." ²⁸ Then he said, "Your name shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with men, and have prevailed." ²⁹ Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. ³⁰ So Jacob called the name of the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life has been delivered."

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading

Luke 18:1-8

¹ And he told them a parable to the effect that they ought always to pray and not lose heart. ² He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor respected man. ³ And there was a widow in that city who kept coming to him and saying, 'Give me justice against my adversary.' ⁴ For a while he refused, but afterward he said to himself, 'Though I neither fear God nor respect man, ⁵ yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will give her justice, so that she will not

beat me down by her continual coming.”⁶ And the Lord said, “Hear what the unrighteous judge says.⁷ And will not God give justice to his elect, who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long over them?⁸ I tell you, he will give justice to them speedily. Nevertheless, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?”

L This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Children's Message

Message Song

“Battle Belongs”

When all I see is the battle You see my victory
When all I see is a mountain You see a mountain moved
And as I walk through the shadow Your love surrounds me
There's nothing to fear now For I am safe with You
So when I fight I'll fight on my knees With my hands lifted high
O God the battle belongs to You
And every fear I lay at Your feet I'll sing through the night
O God the battle belongs to You
And if You are for me Who can be against me
For Jesus there's nothing Impossible for You
When all I see are the ashes You see the beauty
When all I see is a cross God You see the empty tomb
So when I fight I'll fight on my knees With my hands lifted high
O God the battle belongs to You
And every fear I lay at Your feet I'll sing through the night
O God the battle belongs to You
Almighty Fortress You go before us
Nothing can stand against The power of our God
You shine in the shadows You win every battle
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Message

“Tenacity or Obstinacy?”

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

“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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