

Celebrate

Contemporary Worship Service



OUR SAVIOR'S
LUTHERAN CHURCH
Connecting Faith to Everyday Life.

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NEVER TOO FAR **A SERMON SERIES**

GATHERING

Gathering Song – “Come Home,” Dennis Gale

Come home.

This is the right place, right here, right now. Come home.

Open your hearts to the holy light from above.

Never can you hide from God's presence,

So you're never too far away from God's love.

Listen to the truth of God's hereness and nearness:

You're never too far gone, too out of reach,

Never too far from God's embrace.

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If you feel far away, no one is too far away
from the precious gift of God's grace.

Come

Listen to the truth of God's hereness and nearness:
We always feel far away, and fears and doubt cloud our minds
when sin is making us feel blind.

If you feel far away, no one is too far away
from the precious love you will find.

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Gathering

Gathering Song – "Sunday Sermons," Anne Wilson, Ben Glover,
and Jeff Sojka

1. Seven years old third row pew
John 3:16 something changed in me
Red letters coming off the page
Flooding my heart with amazing grace
I knew then I believed
And those roots run deep

Pre-Chorus: Oh I been through some faith shaking hard times yeah
But nothing's gonna make me forget

Chorus 1: Every one of those Sunday sermons
Every time that choir would sing
I could hear my Savior calling
Telling me how much He loves me
No matter what the world throws at me
I know His word is true
It all started with heart stirring spirit moving
Sunday sermons

Interlude: Devil gonna try and take me out of that church
But you can't take the church out of me
The devil gonna try and take me out of that church
But you can't take the church out of me

2. Gonna have my worries well that's part of life
But then I think of those stories
'Bout what my God can do
He's still moving like He did back then
Born again people can I get an amen
We've all seen the proof
He makes all things new (*pre-chorus*)

Bridge: Jesus loves me this I know
For the Bible tells me so
Jesus loves me ain't no doubt
So I'm gonna keep on talking 'bout oh yeah

3. Every one of those Sunday sermons
Every time that choir would sing
I could hear my Savior calling
Telling me how much He loves me
No matter what the world throws at me
I know I'll make it through
All because of those heart stirring spirit moving
Sunday sermons

Confession

Celebrating Our Fellowship of Grace

Absolution

Sharing the Peace

Song of Praise – “Most High God,” Wes Tuttle

1. You made the earth. You made the heavens.
You rode the winds of the ancient skies.
You light the world. You melt the mountains.
We lift your name and your praises high.

Chorus: For you alone are the most high God over all the earth.
You are exalted far above all gods. Forever you shall reign, Lord.
You alone are the most high God over all the earth.
You are exalted far above all gods. Forever you shall reign, Lord.
You are the most high God, most high God.

2. Your throne, O God, will last forever,
and you are robed in royal majesty.
You rule the world with truth and justice.
We shout your praise triumphantly. (*chorus*)

Prayer of the Day

WORD

Reading – Amos 6:1a, 4-7

Gospel – Luke 16:19-31

Sermon

Song of the Day – “Hope of the Nations,” Brian Doerksen

Verse: Jesus, hope of the nations, Jesus, comfort for all who mourn;
You are the source of heaven's hope on earth;
Jesus, light in the darkness; Jesus, truth in each circumstance;
You are the source of heaven's light on earth;
In history you lived and died; you broke the chains, you rose to life.

Chorus: You are the hope living in us;
you are the rock in whom we trust;

You are the light, shining for all the world to see;
You rose from the dead, conquering fear,
our Prince of Peace drawing us near;
Jesus, our hope, living for all who will receive;
Lord, we believe. Lord, we believe.
Lord, we believe. (*repeat verse, chorus*)

Apostles' Creed

Prayers of the People

MEAL

Offering

Offering Song – “Here I Am, Lord,” Daniel Schutte; arr. Denny Gale

1. I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.
I who make the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

Chorus: Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?

I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

2. I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them; they turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send? (*chorus*)
3. I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them, my hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide 'til their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send? (*chorus*)

Words of Consecration

Lord's Prayer

Holy Communion

Communion Song – “Good Good Father,” Anthony Brown and Pat Barrett

1. I've heard a thousand stories
Of what they think You're like
But I've heard the tender whisper
Of love in the dead of night
You tell me that You're pleased
And that I'm never alone

Chorus: You're a Good Good Father

It's who You are
It's who You are
It's who You are
And I'm loved by You
It's who I am
It's who I am
It's who I am

2. I've seen many searching for answers
Far and wide

But I know we're all searching for answers
Only You provide
Because You know just what we need
Before we say a word (*chorus*)

Bridge: You are perfect in all of Your ways
You are perfect in all of Your ways
You are perfect in all of Your ways to us

3. Love so undeniable I can hardly speak
Peace so unexplainable I can hardly think
As You call me deeper still
As You call me deeper still
As You call me deeper still
Into love, love, love (*chorus*)

Communion Song – “Healer,” Hofstad

Chorus: Healer, lay your hands upon me. Healer, drop me in the water.
Baptize me with fire, sanctify my soul.
Healer.

1. Shake me from these crossroads, lead me by the hand.
Guide me through the desert; all the rest is sinking sand.
Blind me by the roadside, bring me back reborn,
Let your spirit intercede when my mind is torn. (*chorus*)

Instrumental solo; chorus

2. Fill me with your spirit, help me witness to your word.
Separate the waters, guide me safely to the shore.
Let me sit in comfort with those who do harm to me.
Heal the sick, raise the dead, let the blind eyes see. (*chorus*)

Prayer after Communion

SENDING

Announcements

Blessing and Sending

Sending Song – “All the People Said Amen,” Matt Maher, Paul Moak,
and Trevor Morgan

1. You are not alone if you are lonely
When you feel afraid you're not the only
We are all the same in need of mercy
To be forgiven and be free
It's all you got to lean on
But thank God it's all you need

Chorus: And all the people said amen, whoa
And all the people said amen
Give thanks to the Lord for His love never ends
And all the people said amen

2. If you're rich or poor well it don't matter
Weak or strong you know love is what we're after
We're all broken but we're all in this together

God knows we stumble and fall
And He so loved the world
He sent His son to save us all (*chorus*)

Bridge: Blessed are the poor in spirit who are torn
Blessed are the persecuted and the pure in heart
Blessed are the people hungry for another start
For theirs is the kingdom, the kingdom of God (*chorus*)

Final Chorus: And all the people said amen whoa
And all the people said amen
Give thanks to the Lord for His love never ends
And all the people said amen
And all the people said amen whoa
And all the people said amen
Give thanks to the Lord for His love never ends
And all the people said amen
And all the people said amen.

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