Lord of Life
Lutheran Church

Loved by God,
Sent to Serve

Jazz Service
February 21, 2023

Prelude: ***Dinah*** (§ indicates find in hymnal)
Go Tell It on the Mountain
Precious Lord, Take My Hand **ELW 773 §**

THE GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Welcome

Gathering Song: ***Oh, When the Saints Go Marching In***

Gathering Prayer

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation,
for it is from your goodness that we have this day
to celebrate on the threshold of the Season of Lent.

Tomorrow we will fast and abstain from meat.
Today we feast.

We thank you for the abundance of gifts you shower upon us.
We thank you especially for one another.

As we give you thanks,
we are mindful of those who have so much less than we do.
As we share these wonderful gifts together,
we commit ourselves to greater generosity toward those who need our support.

Prepare us for tomorrow.
Tasting the fullness of what we have today,
let us experience some hunger tomorrow.

May our fasting make us more alert
and may it heighten our consciousness
so that we might be ready to hear your Word
and respond to your call.

As our feasting fills us with gratitude
so may our fasting and abstinence hollow out in us
a place for deeper desires
and an attentiveness to hear the cry of the poor.

May our self-denial turn our hearts to you
and give us a new freedom for generous service to others.

We ask you these graces with our hearts full of delight
and stirring with readiness for the journey ahead.

We ask them with confidence
in the name of Jesus the Lord. **Amen.**

Song: ***This Little Light of Mine*** **ELW 677 §**

THE WORD

Psalm 150

[1]Praise the LORD! Praise God in his sanctuary;
praise him in his mighty firmament!
[2]Praise him for his mighty deeds;
praise him according to his surpassing greatness!
[3]Praise him with trumpet sound;
praise him with lute and harp!
[4]Praise him with tambourine and dance;
praise him with strings and pipe!
[5]Praise him with clanging cymbals;
praise him with loud clashing cymbals!
[6]Let everything that breathes praise the LORD!
Praise the LORD!

Song of the Day: ***Come to the Mountain*** *(see last page)* **W&P 32**

Prayers of Intercession

Sung response: ***Lord Listen to Your Children Praying*** **ELW 752 §**

O God we celebrate that you are a loving God, eternally giving and joyfully living. …..that give cause to the celebration, we pray: (sung response)

O God we celebrate that you are a creative God, nurturing the world into its fullness…..for our own struggle to nurture and maintain the gift of creation, we pray: (sung response)

O God we celebrate, that you are a working God, present and active in each of our lives…….whose praise is starving, we pray: (sung response)

O God we celebrate, that you are a healing God, that you hear our prayers even in times of pain and trouble….and despair, we pray: (sung response)

O God, we celebrate that you are a saving God,….feast in eternal celebration with you, we pray: (sung response)

We ask you these things, with our hearts full of delight and stirring with readiness for the journey ahead. We ask them with confidence in the name of Jesus the Lord. **Amen.**

THE MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Offering: ***Soon and Very Soon*** **ELW 439 §**

(During the song, you are invited to bring your offerings of gifts and talents forward to the altar. Children, bring your coloring pages!)

Offering Prayer

Let us pray.
O God, with joy we thank you for the gifts you have first given us. May our offering be acceptable to you and may it help us to join into your work in our world. **Amen.**

The 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.

The Invitation to Holy Communion

All are welcome at the table! We believe that Jesus Christ is present in, with and under the elements of this holy meal and that in this meal we are reminded of God's forgiveness.

Gluten free bread available upon request. Wine and grape juice in individual glasses.

Communion Songs: ***Just a Closer Walk with Thee*** **ELW 697 §**
I'm So Glad, Jesus Lifted Me **ELW 860 §**

Post Communion Blessing

THE SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

Announcements & Giving Thanks

Putting Away the Alleluias Message & Removing the Alleluias by the children

Blessing

Almighty God, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.
Amen.

Sending Song: ***We Are Marching in the Light of God*** **ELW 866 §**

Dismissal
Go in peace, loving God and loving neighbor.
We go out in joy to love and serve. Thanks be to God!

Postlude

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hearing devices are available if you need one. Just ask an usher for assistance.

Children are welcome here! Activity bags and coloring pages are available in the lobby area. These bags are filled with items for little ones to use during worship, just return the bag and we'll do the rest.

Special thanks to the Jazz Band musicians for the wonderful music and for all of their preparation for tonight's service.

Ash Wednesday Services
Pastor Paul will once again offer an open space in the sanctuary from Noon-1pm for the imposition of ashes. Come and go over the lunch hour. The full liturgy will take place at 7:15pm and will be live-streamed from the sanctuary. This day is critical as we enter Lent and the 40 days.

This Week at Lord of Life

Ash Wednesday	12:00 PM	Open space/imposition of ashes
	7:15 PM	Worship in-person/online
Thursday, February 23	11:30 AM	Senior Lunch: Lina's Thai Bistro
	6:30 PM	Stephen Ministry
Sunday, February 26, 1st Sunday in Lent		
	8:00 AM	Worship in-person/online
	9:15am	New Member Gathering
	10:30am	Worship in-person/online

Musicians:

Trumpet:	Dan Wild, Galen Thomas
Trombone:	Brandon Johnson, Ron Shardt
Tuba:	Erik Anderson
Soprano Sax:	Bri Ensign
Alto Sax:	Larisa Wilming
Clarinet:	Kim Barnes
Piano/Vocals:	Jill Klinebriel
Guitar:	Troy Troftgruben, Luke Boyle
Drums:	Seth Boyle, Dave King, Pastor Paul
Vocals:	Val Kennedy, Morgan Kennedy, Susan Hansen, Joan Cram

Come to the Mountain

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