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 hymnal
 Book of Worship

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Prelude

Apostolic Greeting:

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **C: And also with you.**

Spirit be

The Gathering Song:

Loving Spirit

WOW # 683

1. *Loving Spirit, loving Spirit, you have chosen me to be—
 you have drawn me to your wonder, you have set your sign on me.*
2. *Like a mother you enfold me, hold my life within your own.
 feed me with your very body, form me of your flesh and bone.*
3. *Like a father you protect me, teach me the discerning eye,
 hoist me up upon your shoulder, let me see the world from high.*
4. *Friend and lover, in your closeness I am known and held and blessed:
 in your promise is my comfort, in your presence I may rest.*
5. *Loving Spirit, loving Spirit, you have chosen me to be—
 you have drawn me to your wonder, you have set your sign on me.*

Opening Dialogue:

P: Holy is the Lord, the Almighty. **C: He was, he is, and he is to come.**

P: He is worthy of glory and honor and power.

C: He created all things. By his will they came to be.

P: Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain;

C: worthy to take the scroll and break its seals.

P: By his blood he purchased for God

C: people of every race and tongue, of every folk and nation.

P: Christ made of them a kingdom **C: and priests to serve our God.**

P: And they shall reign on earth forever. **C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

P: God has made us his people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

**C: I believe in God, the Father almighty,
 creator of heaven and earth.**

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
 and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified,
 died and was buried.**

He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again.

**He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right
 hand of the Father.**

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,
 the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
 the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen**

Old Testament Canticle #14: ***Listen! You Nations***

Refrain: *Listen! You nations of the world: listen to the Word of the Lord.
 Announce it from coast to coast; declare it to distant islands*

1. *The Lord who scattered Israel will gather his people again;
 and he will keep watch over them as a shepherd watches his flocks. (Refrain)*
2. *With shouts of joy they will come, their faces radiantly happy,
 for the Lord is so gen'rous to them; he showers his people with gifts. (Refrain)*
3. *Young women will dance for joy, and men young and old will make merry.
 Like a garden refreshed by the rain, they will never be in want again.*

*Break into shouts of great joy: Jacob is free again!
 Teach nations to sing the song: "The Lord has saved his people!"*

P: The Lord be with you. **C: And also with you**

Prayer of the Day: **O God, your ears are open always to the prayers of your servants. Open our hearts and minds to you, that we may live in harmony with your will and receive the gifts of your Spirit; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.**

The First Lesson: I Kings 3:5-12

Psalm 119:129-136 (*read by Pastor Zamzow*)

The Second Lesson: Romans 8:26-39

The Gospel Acclamation: **Halle, Halle, Hallelujah**

WOW # 612

Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah!

Halle, halle, hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

The Holy Gospel: Matthew 13:31-33,44-52

The Sermon

Sermon Hymn:

You Are The Seed

WOW # 753

*1. You are the seed that will grow a new sprout; you're a star that will shine in the night;
you are the yeast and a small grain of salt, a beacon to glow in the dark.*

*You are the dawn that will bring a new day; you're the wheat that will bear golden grain;
you are a sting and a soft, gentle touch, to witness wherever you go. (Refrain)*

*Refrain: Go, my friends, go to the world, proclaim the great love of God;
messengers to tell the way of life, peace and pardon for all.
Be, my friends, a loyal witness, from the dead Christ arose;
“Lo, I'll be with you forevermore, till the end of the world.”*

*2. You are the flame that will lighten the dark, so resplendent with hope, faith, and love;
you are the shepherds to lead the whole world to waters and pastures of peace.*

“You are the friends that I chose for myself, you're the word that I want to proclaim.

You are the new reign of God built on rock, where justice and truth are at home.” (Refrain)

*3. You are the life that will nurture the plant; you're the waves in a turbulent sea;
yesterday's yeast is beginning to rise, a new loaf of bread it will yield.*

*There is no place for a city to hide, there's no mountain can cover its might;
let your light shine so that your loving works give honor and glory to God. (Refrain)*

The Prayer of the Church

The Lord's Prayer

The Blessing

Announcements

The Closing Hymn:

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

LBW # 526

*I Immortal, invisible, God only wise, In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
Almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise!*

*2. Unresting, unhastring, and silent as light, Nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;
Thy justice like mountains high soaring above
Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.*

*3. To all, life thou givest, to both great and small; In all life thou livest, the true life of all;
We blossom and flourish like leaves on the tree,
And wither and perish, but naught changeth thee.*

*4. Thou reignest in glory; thou dwellest in light; Thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;
All laud we would render; oh, help us to see
‘Tis only the splendor of light hideth thee!*

Chimes and Postlude

Welcome... in the name of Jesus. May our time together be blessed and may we become blessings to one another.

We welcome into the family of believers ...Landyn Lynn Tesch, daughter of Sam and Alissa Tesch, who was baptized at Emmanuel yesterday. Landyn was born on June 11th. Her sponsors are Will & Ashley Morrow. May Landyn grow into the faith God bestows upon her and be a blessing to the world. Congratulations!

Memorial Services...for Ken Fredrickson will be held at Emmanuel on Saturday, August 1st at 2 p.m. Our prayers for those who mourn.

Continued prayer for... Bishop Emeritus John Bradosky who sustained injuries to his spine during a 18 foot fall off a lake side earlier this month. He is resting at home under the care of a neurosurgeon. May God grant him patience and hope as he recovers.

ENALCW...will be assembling School/Personal Care Kits for LWR this fall. If you would like to donate any items, they may be dropped off at the church. A list of items used for kits was in your July/August Epistle. You may also bring/mail financial donations to the church office.

