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Prelude

Introduction and 1st movement from *Vesper Voluntaries*  
by Edward Elgar

Opening Hymn

ELW #665 "Rise, Shine, you People"



1 Rise, shine, you peo - ple! Christ the Lord has en - tered  
2 See how he sends the pow'rs of e - vil reel - ing;  
3 Come, cel - e - brate; your ban - ners high un - furl - ing,  
4 Tell how the Fa - ther sent the Son to save us.



our hu - man sto - ry; God in him is cen - tered. He comes to  
he brings us free - dom, light and life and heal - ing. All men and  
your songs and prayers a - gainst the dark - ness hurl - ing. To all the  
Tell of the Son, who life and free - dom gave us. Tell how the



us, by death and sin sur - round - ed, with grace un - bound - ed.  
wom - en, who by guilt are driv - en, now are for - giv - en.  
world go out and tell the sto - ry of Je - sus' glo - ry.  
Spir - it calls from ev - 'ry na - tion God's new cre - a - tion.

## **Thanksgiving for Baptism**

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God,  
the fountain of living water,  
the rock who gave us birth,  
our light and our salvation.

**C: Amen.**

**C: Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism,  
we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness.  
Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.**

P: We give you thanks, O God,  
for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters  
and by your Word you created the world,  
calling forth life in which you took delight.

Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family.  
Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom.  
At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit.

*(water poured into the font)*

P: By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons,  
making us heirs of your promise and servants of all.

We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life,  
and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ.  
Shower us with your Spirit,  
and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.

To you be given honor and praise  
through Jesus Christ our Lord  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

**C: Amen. Thanks be to God.**

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

C: And also with you.

## Hymn of Praise

*"Gloria"*



*¡Glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ria en las al - tu - ras a Dios!*  
*Glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ry to God . . on high!*



*¡Glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ria en las al - tu - ras a Dios!*  
*Glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ry to God . . on high!*



*Y en la tie - rra paz pa-ra\_a-que-llos que\_a-ma\_el Se - ñor.*  
*And on earth . . . peace to God's peo-ple. Glo - ry to God.*



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*And on earth . . . peace to God's peo-ple. Glo - ry to God.*

## Prayer of the Day

P: Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and love; and that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen

## First Reading

Jeremiah 1:4-10

<sup>4</sup>Now the word of the LORD came to me saying,

<sup>5</sup>“Before I formed you in the womb I knew you,  
and before you were born I consecrated you;  
I appointed you a prophet to the nations.”

<sup>6</sup>Then I said, “Ah, Lord GOD! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy.” <sup>7</sup>But the LORD said to me,

“Do not say, ‘I am only a boy’;  
for you shall go to all to whom I send you,  
and you shall speak whatever I command you.

<sup>8</sup>Do not be afraid of them,  
for I am with you to deliver you,  
says the LORD.”

<sup>9</sup>Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the LORD said to me,

“Now I have put my words in your mouth.

<sup>10</sup>See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms,  
to pluck up and to pull down,  
to destroy and to overthrow,  
to build and to plant.”

L: Word of God. Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

## Psalm 71:1-6

## Second Reading

## 1 Corinthians 13:1-13

<sup>1</sup>If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. <sup>2</sup>And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. <sup>3</sup>If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

<sup>4</sup>Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant <sup>5</sup>or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; <sup>6</sup>it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. <sup>7</sup>It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

<sup>8</sup>Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. <sup>9</sup>For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; <sup>10</sup>but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. <sup>11</sup>When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. <sup>12</sup>For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. <sup>13</sup>And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

L: Word of God. Word of Life.

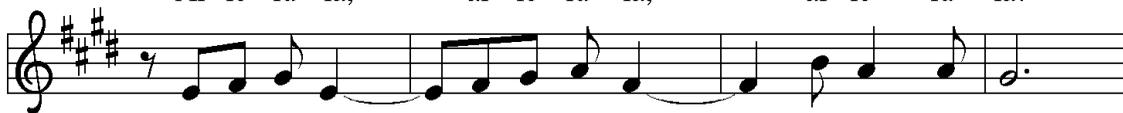
C: Thanks be to God.



# Gospel Acclamation



*¡A - le - lu - ya,            a - le - lu - ya,            a - le - lu - ya!*  
*Al - le - lu - ia,            al - le - lu - ia,            al - le - lu - ia!*



*¡A - le - lu - ya,            a - le - lu - ya,            a - le - lu - ya!*  
*Al - le - lu - ia,            al - le - lu - ia,            al - le - lu - ia!*



*¡A - le - lu - ya,            a - le - lu - ya,*  
*Al - le - lu - ia,            al - le - lu - ia,*



*a - le - lu - ya!            ¡A - le - lu - ya!*  
*al - le - lu - ia!            Al - le - lu - ia!*



## Gospel

Luke 4:21-30

<sup>21</sup>Then [Jesus] began to say to [all in the synagogue in Nazareth,] “Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.” <sup>22</sup>All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, “Is not this Joseph’s son?” <sup>23</sup>He said to them, “Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, ‘Doctor, cure yourself!’ And you will say, ‘Do here also in your hometown the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum.’” <sup>24</sup>And he said, “Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet’s hometown. <sup>25</sup>But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, and there was a severe famine over all the land; <sup>26</sup>yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon. <sup>27</sup>There were also many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian.” <sup>28</sup>When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage. <sup>29</sup>They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff. <sup>30</sup>But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way.

**P:**The Gospel of the Lord.

**C:** Praise to you, O Christ.

**Gospel Acclamation (repeat acclamation)**

**Sermon**

Rev. Nicholas Zook

Hymn of the Day

ELW #801 "Change My Heart, O God"



Change my heart, O God; make it ev - er true.

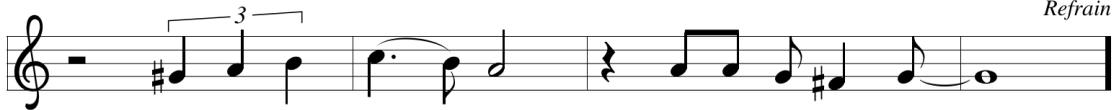


*End*

Change my heart, O God; may I be like you.



You are the pot - ter; I am the clay.



*Refrain*

Mold me and make me; this is what I pray.



## Apostle's Creed

**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.

## Prayers

**A:** Remembering the Church, the world, and all those in need, let us offer our prayers to God. Lord, in your mercy,

**C:** Hear our prayer.

**A:** Blessed be God, who gave us the light of the world and who desires that all people should come to know Christ's love and grace. Fill our hearts with your radiance and truth that we might walk as children of light. Lord, in your mercy,

**C:** Hear our prayer.

**A:** Praise to you, almighty God and Father, you proclaimed Christ your Son at his baptism in the waters of the Jordan. Make your church holy that we who have been born again by the power of the Holy Spirit may live as witnesses to your grace and love for all people. Lord, in your mercy,

**C:** Hear our prayer.

A: Lord God, through the ministry of your Son we have received grace upon grace. Bring light to those who dwell in darkness, joy to those in sorrow, hope to those in fear and despair. We pray especially for Carol, Pastor Steve Swanson, Perry, Gerry, Bob, Lola, Sandie, Dennis, Terry, Guy, all those diagnosed with COVID-19, and for those who name before you...Lord, in your mercy,

**C: Hear our prayer.**

A: God our refuge and strength, our help in times of trouble. Do not let us lose heart in this time of crisis and suffering caused by the COVID pandemic. Uphold all those who dedicate themselves to serve others and now struggle with the increased stress of health vulnerability. We especially lift up our program leaders and teachers at Concordia Place, and the people who work in teaching and health care professions, public servants and essential workers. Give us the strength we need and deliver any who are in peril, through the mercy of Jesus Christ our Lord. Lord, in your mercy.

**C: Hear our prayer.**

A: God of light and truth, whose love knows no bounds in your Son, Jesus. Bring us to a deeper understanding of the Gospel, help us to accept the challenge of Christian living, and lead us to the joy of faith in the family of your church. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: Hear our prayer.**

P: All these things, and whatever else you see that we need, grant us, O Lord our God, through Jesus Christ, for your mercy is everlasting, and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

**C: Amen.**

**Offertory**

*“Lamb of God”*

*We encourage you to use this time for reflection & gratitude  
as we prepare for communion.*

# Liturgy of the Eucharistic Meal

## The Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## Preface

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise.....we praise your name and join their unending hymn.

## Sanctus

P: Blessed are you, O Lord our God:

you are the Life and Light of all.

By your Word you created all things.

Through the prophets you called your people to be a light to the nations.

Blessed are you for Jesus, your Son.

He is your Light, shining in our darkness

and revealing to us your mercy and might.

In the night in which he was betrayed,

our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;

broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying;

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore,  
his preaching and healing,  
his dying and rising,  
and his promise to come again,  
we await that day when all the universe  
will rejoice in your holy and life-giving light.

Send your Spirit upon this meal of bread and wine,  
that we may be refreshed through this heavenly food,  
and that we may be light for the world,  
revealing the brilliance of your Son.

Through him all glory and honor is yours,  
Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit,  
in your holy Church,  
both now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

**C: Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen**

## Communion Invitation

*We invite all who are baptized in Christ to come forward for communion. All are welcome at the Lord's table. Parents of young children are asked to let the pastor know if they want their child to receive communion or a blessing.*

*Communion is served by continuous table around the altar, and you are asked to take a place as openings appear.*

## Communion

**Anthem**                    “O Rest in the Lord” from *Elijah*, by *Felix Mendelssohn*

## Post-Communion Blessing

**P:** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**C: Amen.**

## Post-Communion Prayer

**A:** God of glory in this sacrament you unite us in the body of your Son. May we who have been guests at this table grow in love for one another, that through us your light may shine in all the world, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

Closing Hymn

ELW #543 "Go, My Children, with My Blessing"



1 "Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, nev - er a - lone.  
2 "Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure.  
3 "Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, clos - er to me.



Wak - ing, sleep - ing, I am with you, you are my own.  
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.  
Grow in love and love by serv - ing, joy - ful and free.



In my love's bap - tis - mal riv - er I have made you mine for - ev - er.  
Here you heard my dear Son's sto - ry, here you touched him, saw his glo - ry.  
Here my Spir - it's pow - er filled you, here my ten - der com - fort stilled you.



Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, you are my own."  
Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure."  
Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, joy - ful and free."

## Announcements

### Benediction

**P:** The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace. In the name of the Father, and of the Son (+), and of the Holy Spirit.

**C:** Amen.

### Dismissal

**A:** Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**C:** Thanks be to God.

### Postlude

*“Fantasia” by Johann Krebs*

*The Postlude continues the feeling of our time together as we leave worship and go share God’s love with our family, friends, and the community.*

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## Concordia Concert: *A Romantic Musical Evening*

The next **Concordia Concert** is scheduled for Saturday, February 12th at 7pm! Soprano trio Très Belle will perform, presenting a concert of operatic pieces, show tunes and pop songs with a theme of love.. Buy your ticket online at the registration link found at [www.concordiafaith.org/concerts](http://www.concordiafaith.org/concerts) or scan the QR code below. Tickets are \$15 per person. Special VIP tickets are available for \$35 per person and get you premiere seating and a spot at the wine meet and greet with Très Belle following the performance. Contact Desirae at [ddiehl@concordiafaith.org](mailto:ddiehl@concordiafaith.org) if you need assistance with your registration.



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### Gerhardt "Guy" Neukirch



Gerhardt is the son of Edward and Tusnelda and the brother of Edward, Christel, Hildegard, and Ronald. He is the husband of Elaine G. Neukirch, and father of Bradley (Elaine), Mark (Guadalupe), and Adam (Corrine). His grandchildren are Craig Neukirch, Jodie Neukirch Elliott, Shaun Neukirch, Jordan Neukirch, Dylan Neukirch, Elizabeth Neukirch, and Lance Neukirch and great-grandfather of Calla, Jake, Abby, Gabbi, Bella, Robbie, Maria, Amelia, Joseph, and Anibel.

Guy grew up on the Northwest Side of Chicago. He is a Lane Tech HS Graduate and then joined the Navel reserve. Guy met Elaine at the Neighborhood Boy's Club and they married on September 27<sup>th</sup> 1952. They lived a life of traveling, camping, and attending all of their Grandchildren's functions.

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Entrance Hymn

#665 "*Rise, Shine, you People*"

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Music: WOJTKIEWIECZ, Dale Wood, 1934–2003  
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Hymn of Praise

"Gloria" Setting 7

Gospel Acclamation

Setting 7

Hymn of the Day

#801 "*Change My Heart, O God*"

Text: Eddie Espinosa, b. 1953  
Music: CHANGE MY HEART, Eddie Espinosa  
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Lamb of God

Setting 7

Anthem

"*O Rest in the Lord*" from *Elijah*, by Felix Mendelssohn

Closing Hymn

#543 "*Go, My Children, with My Blessing*"

Text: Jaroslav J. Vajda, b. 1919, alt.  
Music: AR HYD Y NOS, Welsh traditional  
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