

ZION EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
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"Hannah's Song: Praising God in All Things"

"Grounded in Christ: Sent to be a blessing"

PRELUDE

GARY HILLQUIST

QUESTION FOR THE WEEK: Can you remember a time when something amazing happened in your life and your heart overflowed with joy?

OPENING HYMN: W&P 43 "Glory and Praise to Our God" (Refrain, 1, 2, and 3)

Refrain:

Glory and praise to our God

Who alone gives light to our days

Many are the blessings He bears

To those who trust in His ways

We the daughters and sons of Him

Who built the valleys and plains

Praise the wonders our God has done

In every heart that sings [Refrain]

In His wisdom He strengthens us

Like gold that's tested in fire

Though the power of sin prevails

Our God is there to save [Refrain]

Every moment of every day

Our God is waiting to save

Always ready to seek the lost

To answer those who pray [Refrain]

P We worship as we live, in the name and in the presence of the Triune God - Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

C Amen

P God of creation and Lord of our lives, we come to worship and praise you for your love and faithfulness. As your people, give us eyes to see you at work and hearts to long for your coming reign, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen

WORD

(We turn our attention to hearing God's Word)

CHILDREN'S SERMON:

DEACON MARLENE

VERSE OF THE MONTH

L Let us remember together the witness of scripture.

C There is no one holy like the LORD; there is no one besides you; there is no Rock like our God. (1 Samuel 2:2)

FIRST LESSON: 1 Samuel 1:9-11, 19-20, 2:1-10

L The Word of the Lord

C Thanks be to God

GOSPEL VERSE: 535 “Hallelujah, We Sing Your Praises” (chorus twice)

*Hallelujah! We sing your praises,
all our hearts are filled with gladness.
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all our hearts are filled with gladness.*

GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 1:46-55

P The Gospel according to Luke 1:46-55

C Glory to you, O Lord.

(After the lesson)

C Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY: 843 “Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness” (verses 1 and 2)

*Praise the One who breaks the darkness with a liberating light;
praise the One who frees the prisoners, turning blindness into sight.
Praise the One who preached the gospel, healing every dread disease,
calming storms and feeding thousands with the very bread of peace.*

*Praise the One who blessed the children with a strong yet gentle word;
praise the One who drove out demons with a piercing, two-edged sword.
Praise the One who brings cool water to the desert's burning sand;
from this well comes living water quenching thirst in every land.*

APOSTLES CREED

L Faith is the assurance of things hoped for – strength for times like these. Together, let us confess our faith:

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

I believe in Jesus Christ,

God's only Son, our Lord.

Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

and born of the virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,

he is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come 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**

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OFFERTORY PRAYER

A Let us pray.

C For the blessings of this and all our days, we thank you, gracious God. Accept, we pray, not just this money for your work, but also our lives freely offered in gratitude for all you have done for us. Use them both, in this place and wherever you might take us, to continue the ministry of Jesus. Amen.

THE PRAYERS

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

DISMISSAL HYMN: W&P 51 "God Has Done Marvelous Things" (verses 1 and 3)

*Earth and all stars, Loud rushing planets
Sing to the Lord a new song!
Oh, victory! Loud shouting army!
Sing to the Lord a new song!*

Refrain:

God has done marvelous things.

I too, I too sing praises with a new song!

God has done marvelous things.

I too, I too sing praises with a new song!

Trumpet and pipes! Loud clashing cymbals!

Sing to the Lord a new song!

Harp, lute, and lyre! Loud humming cellos!

Sing to the Lord a new song! [Refrain]

BENEDICTION

P The God of love and life
work in you to inspire a life of praise and thanksgiving.
In the name of the God,
who creates, redeems and sanctifies you
through the saving work of Jesus.

C Amen.

POSTLUDE

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