



**Fourth Sunday after Epiphany
† January 28, 2024**

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God's love is inclusive.

Guided by this love, Edina Community Lutheran Church joyfully welcomes, affirms, and celebrates the wholeness of who you are as people of all:

- Abilities and disabilities
- Ages
- Family structures
- Gender identities and expressions
- Immigration statuses
- Races and ethnicities
- Sexual orientations
- Socio-economic statuses

We believe our lives and our faith become stronger through diversity; we welcome all as guests, members, volunteers, and leaders of our community.

Our faith calls us to advocate and work towards racial justice, eco-justice, and LGBTQIA+ justice. We are committed to being inclusive and anti-racist in what we do and who we are. We acknowledge the Christian Church's history and recognize that there is work to do. We are dedicated to the journey of learning, living, and growing in God's love.

There is a place for you here.

GATHERING

The 9:00am worship service is live-streamed and recorded for those worshipping at home. While filming focuses on the worship leaders, worship participants may appear on screen. For those seeking less visibility, the south section of chairs (behind the worship leaders) is designated as a lower filming area.

Land Acknowledgment

We acknowledge that Edina Community Lutheran Church is located on the traditional, ancestral and contemporary lands of the Dakhóta Oyáte, the Dakota nation. Treaties developed through exploitation and violence were broken. Tribes were forced to exist on ever smaller amounts of land.

Acknowledging this painful history, we as a congregation confess our complicity in the theft of Native land and acknowledge that we have not yet honored our treaties. We further confess that Christians and Christian churches have benefited from this land theft. We commit to being active advocates for justice for Native People and to truth telling that leads to healing.

SPirit JOIN US HERE
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PRELUDE

WELCOME

OPENING HYMN "Spirit, Join Us Here"



Spir - it, join us here. Take a - way our fear.
Spir - it from a - bove, Teach us how to love.
God of grace we pray, Come to us to - day.

Help us all to live in peace, Spir - it, join us here.
Help us all to live in peace, Spir - it from a - bove.
Help us all to live in peace, God of grace we pray.

GREETING

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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

FIRST READING: PSALM 111

- L: Word of God, word of life. C: **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Lord! Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, Lord! You
Words like balm up-on the wear - y soul, Words like wat - er make the thirs - ty whole. You
Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Lord! Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, Lord! You

have the words of e - ter - nal life, Al - le - lu - ia, Lord!
have the words of e - ter - nal life, Al - le - lu - ia, Lord!
have the words of e - ter - nal life, Al - le - lu - ia, Lord!

GOSPEL READING: MARK 1:21-28

- L: The Word made flesh dwells among us. C: **Full of grace and truth.**
L: This is the Gospel of Jesus Christ. C: **Praise to you, Word of life!**

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY "We Are Setting The Rainbow Table"



We are set - ting the rain - bow ta - ble. We are
Find the wea - ry a - round the ta - ble, Know - ing
There is wel - come for ev - 'ry - bo - dy, Ev - 'ry
Come and sit at the wel - come ta - ble, Full of

plan - ning a gi - ant feast. We are birth - ing a new cre -
won - der, and know - ing peace. If you're wor - ried, or if you're
sto - ry, and ev - 'ry soul. Does - n't mat - ter 'bout where you
co - lours and bathed in light. Come and learn how the rain - bow

a - tion for the lone - ly, the lost and least.
strug - gling there's a - bun - dance, there is re - lease.
come from, you are che - rished and you are known.
ta - ble of - fers grace to our rain - bow lives.

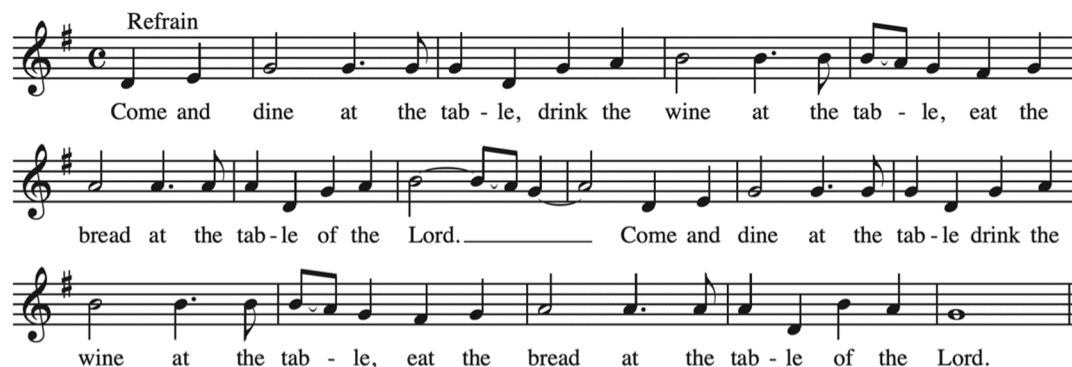
PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

PEACE

L: The peace of Christ be with you always. C: And also with you.

GATHERING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERING SONG "Come and Dine at the Table"



Refrain
Come and dine at the tab - le, drink the wine at the tab - le, eat the
bread at the tab - le of the Lord. Come and dine at the tab - le drink the
wine at the tab - le, eat the bread at the tab - le of the Lord.

1. On the night before he died Lord Jesus took some friends aside
Then he told them he would have to go away
As they sat around the table ready, willing, strong and able
Jesus broke the bread and then was heard to say

Refrain

2. After all the friends had dined Lord Jesus poured a cup of wine
Giving thanks he shared the peace and then
Well, he said he'd have to die -- and when they asked him why
Jesus passed the cup and told them once again

Refrain

3. Solo

Light a Candle!



In many faith traditions, a lit candle often also symbolizes a prayer.

You are invited to light a candle on the votive candle screen as you enter for worship, after communion, or whenever you feel moved to do so.

Our lit candles together represent our prayers lifted up to God!

We are grateful to one another and to God for the financial contributions which support the mission and ministry of the church. ECLC can accept cash, checks, and electronic giving on a one-time or recurring basis. You can give via eclc.org ("Give" tab), or by texting to 952-260-6075 or use the QR code shown here.



Prayers of Intercession inspired by
"Rainbow Litany" by Kathy Galloway
and "Black is a Rainbow Color"
by Angela Joy.

WE ARE SETTING THE RAINBOW TABLE
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COME AND DINE AT THE TABLE
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INVITATION TO COMMUNION

We welcome all to receive this gift of Christ's presence given in this meal. Here is offered for you the forgiveness of sins and the promise of life in God. Communion will be directed by the ushers; Cups are in trays—filled communion cups contain grape juice, empty cups will receive wine. Gluten-free wafers are available on the table. See bulletin "Welcome" page for wafer ingredients. Please take a GF wafer as you proceed to your place around the table. Children are welcome to commune at their parent's discretion. If you would like to receive communion and are unable to come forward, please inform an usher and a pastor will come to you.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

L: God be with you.

L: Lift up your hearts.

L: Let us give thanks to God.

C: And also with you.

C: We lift them to God.

C: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

L: It is indeed right... and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly God. Both earth - ly and di - vine. Who
through the cha - os lights our way, Bring to earth your jus - tice.
Bless - ed is the one who came to bring peace to this world. May your
love now dwell with in our hearts and spread a - cross all cre - a - tion.

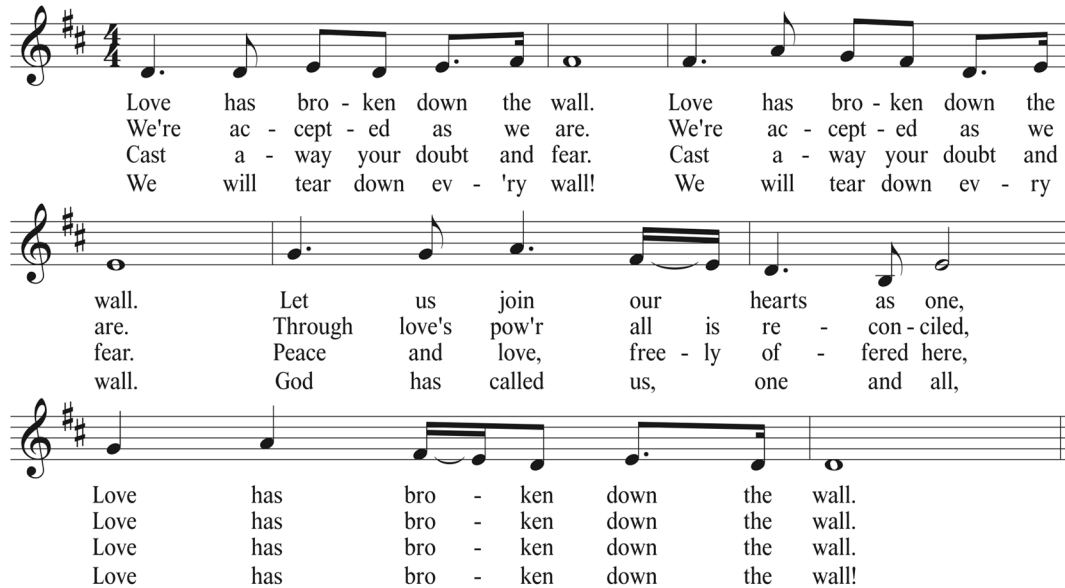
EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Gracious God 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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

COMMUNION HYMN I "Love Has Broken Down the Wall"



Love has bro - ken down the wall. Love has bro - ken down the wall.
 We're ac - cept - ed as we are. We're ac - cept - ed as we are.
 Cast a - way your doubt and fear. Cast a - way your doubt and fear.
 We will tear down ev - 'ry wall! We will tear down ev - ry wall.

wall. Let us join our hearts as one,
 are. Through love's pow'r all is re - con - ciled,
 fear. Peace and love, free - ly of - fered here,
 wall. God has called us, one and all,

Love has bro - ken down the wall.
 Love has bro - ken down the wall.
 Love has bro - ken down the wall.
 Love has bro - ken down the wall!

COMMUNION HYMN II "Holy River, Never Failing"

1. Holy River never failing, Here we stand and look to you.
 Pour your presence now upon us. Come and christen us anew.
 You have named us all your people. You have birthed us as your own.
 You've restored us, wholly family, In your Spirit flowing down.
2. Empty promises divide us. Empty goals stand in our way.
 We renounce the many "isms" That turn "we" to "we and they."
 We acknowledge our involvement. We have all dividers been.
 Make us healers of division, As your family we defend.
3. Keep us mindful of our oneness In your water's wide embrace.
 Give us eyes to see our kinship Everywhere in every face.
 May we learn the way of Jesus, Learn to challenge and to serve.
 May we learn to live together, Loving all without reserve.
4. Holy River, flow upon us Come and green our wilted vines.
 We are thirsting for your justice; Now your realm our only wine.
 Give us courage to be faithful. May we know we're not alone.
 Give us joy in our reunion With our siblings finally known.

LOVE HAS BROKEN DOWN THE WALL
 Text & Music: Mark A. Miller

HOLY RIVER, NEVER FAILING
 Text © 2000 Bret Hesla

COMMUNION HYMN III "Let Us Go Now to the Banquet"

Refrain / Estribillo



Va - mos to - dos al ban - que - te, a la
Let us go now to the ban - quet, to the



me - sa de la crea - ción; ca - da cual con su ta - bu -
feast of the u - ni - verse. The ta - ble's set and a place is



re - te tie - ne un pues - to y u - na mi - sión.
wait - ing; come, ev - 'ry - one, with your gifts to share.



1 Hoy me le - van - to muy tem - pra - no; ya me es -
1 I will rise in the ear - ly morn - ing; the com -
2 God in - vites all the poor and hun - gry to the
3 May we build such a place a - mong us where all



pe - ra la co - mu - ni - dad; voy su - bien - do a - le - gre la
mu - ni - ty's wait - ing for me. With a spring in my step I'm
ban - quet of jus - tice and good where the har - vest will not be
peo - ple are e - qual in love. God has called us to work to -

Refrain / Estribillo



cues - ta, voy en bus - ca de tu a - mis - tad.
walk - ing with my friends and my fam - i - ly.
hoard - ed so that no one will lack for food.
geth - er and to share ev - 'ry - thing we have.

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

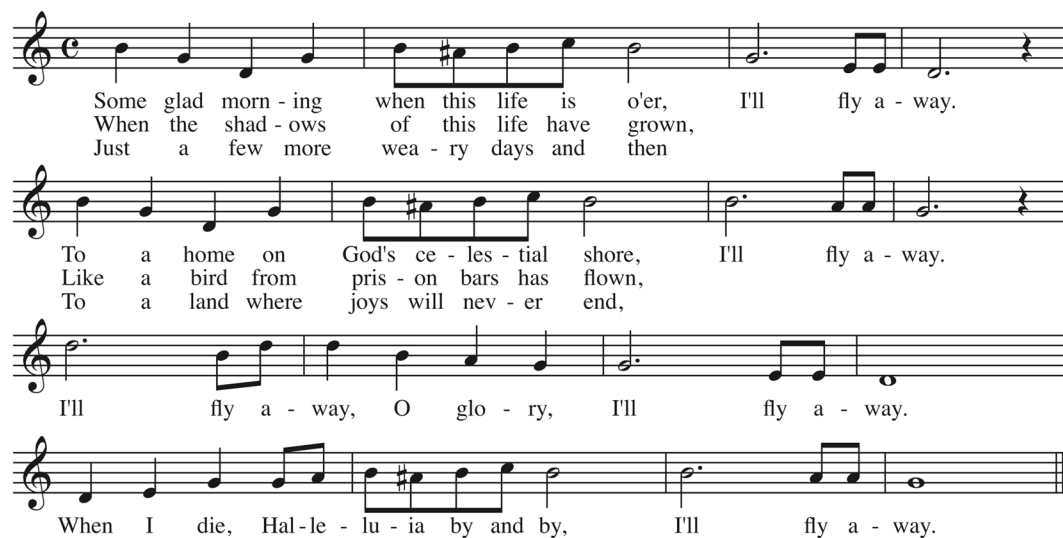
BLESSING

BLESSING FOR BORDER IMMERSION TRAVELERS (9am)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING SONG

"I'll Fly Away/I Saw the Light"



Some glad morn - ing when this life is o'er, I'll fly a - way.
 When the shad - ows of this life have grown,
 Just a few more wea - ry days and then

To a home on God's ce - les - tial shore, I'll fly a - way.
 Like a bird from pris - on bars has flown,
 To a land where joys will nev - er end,

I'll fly a - way, O glo - ry, I'll fly a - way.

When I die, Hal - le - lu - ia by and by, I'll fly a - way.



I saw the light! I saw the light! No more dark - ness, no more night.

Now I'm so hap - py, no sor - row in sight. Praise the Lord, I saw the light!

DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace, serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

All children are invited to process out with the worship leaders during the last verse of the Sending Song in order to lead in the Dismissal.

Go in peace, Serve the Lord

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