



# **Contemporary Worship Service**

**16<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

**September 12, 2021**

**10:45 a.m.**

**MESSIAH**  
LUTHERAN CHURCH





## OPENING WORSHIP

## “Raise a Hallelujah”

### Verse 1

I raise a hallelujah in the presence of my enemies  
I raise a hallelujah louder than the unbelief  
I raise a hallelujah my weapon is a melody  
I raise a hallelujah Heaven comes to fight for me

### Chorus

I'm gonna sing in the middle of the storm  
Louder and louder you're gonna hear my praises roar  
Up from the ashes hope will arise  
Death is defeated the King is alive

### Verse 2

I raise a hallelujah with everything inside of me  
I raise a hallelujah I will watch the darkness flee  
I raise a hallelujah in the middle of the mystery  
I raise a hallelujah fear you lost your hold on me

### Chorus

I'm gonna sing in the middle of the storm  
Louder and louder you're gonna hear my praises roar  
Up from the ashes hope will arise  
Death is defeated the King is alive

### Bridge

Sing a little louder (Sing a little louder)  
Sing a little louder (Sing a little louder)  
Sing a little louder (Sing a little louder)  
Sing a little louder (Sing a little louder)

### Bridge

Sing a little louder in the presence of my enemies  
Sing a little louder louder than the unbelief  
Sing a little louder my weapon is a melody

Sing a little louder Heaven comes to fight for me  
Sing a little louder

### **Chorus**

I'm gonna sing in the middle of the storm  
Louder and louder you're gonna hear my praises roar  
Up from the ashes hope will arise  
Death is defeated the King is alive

### **Ending**

I raise a hallelujah (4X)

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## **WELCOME/ ANNOUNCEMENTS/GREETING**

### **SONG**

**“Sweetly Broken”**

### **Verse 1**

To the cross I look  
And to the cross I cling  
Of its suffering I do drink  
Of its work I do sing  
On it my Savior  
Both bruised and crushed  
Showed that God is love  
And God is just

### **Chorus**

(And) At the cross You beckon me  
(You) draw me gently to my knees  
And I am lost for words  
So lost in love  
I'm sweetly broken  
Wholly surrendered

**Verse 2**

What a priceless gift  
Undeserved life  
Have I been given  
Through Christ crucified  
You called me out of death  
You called me into life  
And I was under Your wrath  
Now through the cross  
I'm reconciled

**Chorus**

(And) At the cross You beckon me  
(You) draw me gently to my knees  
And I am lost for words  
So lost in love  
I'm sweetly broken  
Wholly surrendered

**Bridge**

In awe of the cross I must confess  
How wondrous Your redeeming love  
And how great is Your faithfulness

**Chorus**

(And) At the cross You beckon me  
(You) draw me gently to my knees  
And I am lost for words  
So lost in love  
I'm sweetly broken  
Wholly surrendered

**Chorus**

(And) At the cross You beckon me  
(You) draw me gently to my knees

And I am lost for words  
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## **CONFESSION**

### **WORDS OF FORGIVENESS**

#### **THE OLD TESTAMENT**

**Isaiah 50:4-10**

P: The Old Testament Reading for the 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost is from the 50<sup>th</sup> chapter of Isaiah.

The Lord GOD has given me the tongue of those who are taught, that I may know how to sustain with a word him who is weary. Morning by morning he awakens; he awakens my ear to hear as those who are taught. The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious; I turned not backward. I gave my back to those who strike, and my cheeks to those who pull out the beard; I hid not my face from disgrace and spitting. But the Lord GOD helps me; therefore, I have not been disgraced; therefore, I have set my face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame. He who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who is my adversary? Let him come near to me. Behold, the Lord GOD helps me; who will declare me guilty? Behold, all of them will wear out like a garment; the moth will eat them up. Who among you fears the LORD and obeys the voice of his servant? Let him who walks in darkness and has no light trust in the name of the LORD and rely on his God.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**THE EPISTLE****James 3:1-12**

P: The Epistle Reading is from the third chapter of James.

Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. For we all stumble in many ways. And if anyone does not stumble in what he says, he is a perfect man, able also to bridle his whole body. If we put bits into the mouths of horses so that they obey us, we guide their whole bodies as well. Look at the ships also: though they are so large and are driven by strong winds, they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. So, also, the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great things. How great a forest is set ablaze by such a small fire! And the tongue is a fire, a world of unrighteousness. The tongue is set among our members, staining the whole body, setting on fire the entire course of life, and set on fire by hell. For every kind of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by mankind, but no human being can tame the tongue. It is a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless our Lord and Father, and with it we curse people who are made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers, these things ought not to be so. Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and salt water? Can a fig tree, my brothers, bear olives, or a grapevine produce figs? Neither can a salt pond yield fresh water.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**THE HOLY GOSPEL****Mark 9:14-29**

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the ninth chapter.

And when they came to the disciples, they saw a great crowd around them, and scribes arguing with them. And immediately all the crowd, when they saw him, were greatly amazed and ran up to him and greeted him. And he asked them, "What are you arguing about with them?" And someone from the crowd answered him, "Teacher, I brought my son to you, for he has a

spirit that makes him mute. And whenever it seizes him, it throws him down, and he foams and grinds his teeth and becomes rigid. So, I asked your disciples to cast it out, and they were not able." And he answered them, "O faithless generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him to me." And they brought the boy to him. And when the spirit saw him, immediately it convulsed the boy, and he fell on the ground and rolled about, foaming at the mouth. And Jesus asked his father, "How long has this been happening to him?" And he said, "From childhood. And it has often cast him into fire and into water, to destroy him. But if you can do anything, have compassion on us and help us." And Jesus said to him, "'If you can!' All things are possible for one who believes." Immediately the father of the child cried out and said, "I believe; help my unbelief!" And when Jesus saw that a crowd came running together, he rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, "You mute and deaf spirit, I command you, come out of him and never enter him again." And after crying out and convulsing him terribly, it came out, and the boy was like a corpse, so that most of them said, "He is dead." But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose. And when he had entered the house, his disciples asked him privately, "Why could we not cast it out?" And he said to them, "This kind cannot be driven out by anything but prayer."

## **APOSTLES CREED**

**C: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of**

**saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting.**

**Amen.**

## **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**MESSAGE**      ***"Who is My Adversary?"***      Pastor Milton Berner

## **THE VOLUNTARY**

As we listen to the Voluntary, we ask that each worship household fill out the attendance "Green Card," located in your ministry folder. Please place them in the offering plate when you leave. Thank you.

## **PRAYERS**

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**A: 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 SENDING**

### **SONG OF SENDING**

**"Jesus Loves Me"**

#### **Verse 1**

I was lost I was in chains  
The world had a hold of me  
My heart was a stone I was covered in shame  
When He came for me

**(Pre-Chorus)**

I couldn't run couldn't run from His presence  
I couldn't run couldn't run from His arms

**Chorus 1**

Jesus He loves me  
He loves me He is for me  
Jesus how can it be  
He loves me He is for me

**Verse 2**

It was a fire deep in my soul  
I'll never be the same  
I stepped out of the dark and into the light  
When He called my name

**(Pre-Chorus)**

I couldn't run couldn't run from His presence  
I couldn't run couldn't run from His arms

**Chorus 1**

Jesus He loves me  
He loves me He is for me  
Jesus how can it be  
He loves me He is for me

**(Bridge)**

He holds the stars and He holds my heart  
With healing hands that bear the scars  
The rugged cross where He died for me  
My only hope my ev'rything

## **Chorus 2**

Jesus He loves me  
He loves me oh  
Jesus how can it be  
He loves me He is for me

## **Chorus 3**

He loves me  
He is for me  
My God it's amazing oh  
Jesus loves me

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