

Joy to the World (Unspeakable Joy)

Verse 1

Joy to the world, the Lord is come
Let Earth receive her King
Let every heart prepare Him room
And Heaven and nature sing
And Heaven and nature sing
And Heaven, and Heaven and nature sing

Verse 2

Joy to the world, the Savior reigns
Let all their songs employ
While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains
Repeat the sounding joy
Repeat the sounding joy
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy

Chorus

Joy, unspeakable joy
An overflowing well
No tongue can tell
Joy, unspeakable joy
Rises in my soul
Never lets me go

Verse 3

He rules the world with truth and grace
And makes the nations prove
The glories of His righteousness
And wonders of His love
And wonders of His love
And wonders, wonders of His love

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GATHERING MUSIC

O GLORIOUS DAY (LIVING HE LOVED ME)

Verse 1

One day when heaven was filled with His praises
One day when sin was as black as could be
Jesus came forth to be born of a virgin
Dwelt among men my example is He
The Word became flesh
And the light shined among us
His glory revealed

Chorus 1

Living He loved me dying He saved me
Buried He carried my sins far away
Rising He justified freely forever
One day He's coming O glorious day (glorious day)

Verse 2

One day they led Him up Calv'ry's mountain
One day they nailed Him to die on a tree
Suffering anguish despised and rejected

Bearing our sins my Redeemer is He
The hand that healed nations
Stretched out on a tree
And took the nails for me

Verse 3

One day the grave could conceal Him no longer
One day the stone rolled away from the door
Then He arose over death He had conquered
Now is ascended my Lord evermore
Death could not hold Him
The grave could not keep Him
From rising again

Bridge

One day the trumpet will sound for His coming
One day the skies with His glories will shine
Wonderful day my beloved one bringing
My Savior Jesus is mine

Ending

O glorious day glorious day
O glorious day

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HOSANNA (PRAISE IS RISING)

Verse 1

Praise is rising Eyes are turning to You
We turn to You Hope is stirring
Hearts are yearning for You We long for You

(PRE-CHORUS)

'Cause when we see You We find strength to face the day
In Your presence All our fears are washed away Washed away

Chorus

Hosanna hosanna You are the God who saves us
Worthy of all our praises

Yes, Jesus loves me!
The Bible tells me so.

Verse 2

Jesus loves me he who died
heaven's gate to open wide.
He will wash away my sin,
let his little child come in.

Verse 3

Jesus loves me! He will stay,
close beside me all the way,
when at last I come to die,
he will take me home on high.

THE BLESSING

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

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

- P** God for whom we wait,
- G** **you come to us in the broken bread and the cup we share. Make us ready always to welcome Jesus Christ into our hearts, and send us forth now to be your people in the world, announcing your coming among us in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

THE BENEDICTION

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face to shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. In the name of the Father and of the Son ✠ and of the Holy Spirit.
- G** Amen.

THE DISMISSAL

- P** The living Christ has set you free!
- G** **Free indeed! Thanks be to God!**

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. You comforted your people with the promise of the Redeemer, through whom you will also make all things new in the day when he comes to judge the world in righteousness.

G Amen.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us all to pray:

G **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.

THE DISTRIBUTION

All baptized Christians are welcome to the Lord's Supper. Please fill out a registration card and hand it to the usher.

We will gladly commune anyone in their seat if they are unable to come forward for communion.

We will do communion by intinction; please dip the wafer into the wine chalice.

Gluten-free communion wafers are available upon request.

JESUS LOVES ME

Verse 1

Jesus loves me, this I know,
for the Bible tells me so.
Little ones to him belong;
they are weak, but he is strong.

Chorus

Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me!

Hosanna hosanna Come have Your way among us
We welcome You here Lord Jesus

Verse 2

Hear the sound of Hearts returning to You
We turn to You In Your kingdom
Broken lives are made new You make us new

(PRE-CHORUS)

Chorus

(PRE-CHORUS) x2

Chorus x2

Ending

Hosanna ... Hosanna ... Hosanna

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WELCOME - ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P In the Name of the Father and of the Son ✠ and of the Holy Spirit.

G Amen.

P As we await the day of the Lord, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P Great and Holy One,

G **in this time of waning daylight,**
we confess the shadows of sin in our lives.
We build ourselves up at the expense of others.
We rely on our own efforts to make our lives secure.
Yet you, O Lord, are the potter, and we are the clay.
Come to restore us in your image,
remake us into your people,
and rebuild what sin has broken,
that we and the whole creation may rejoice. Amen.

P Fear not, people of God: the Almighty has done great things for us. God casts away our sin from us and makes of us a new creation. In † Jesus Christ, God comes to set you free. Take heart in the tender compassion of our God.

G Amen.

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

P We praise you, O God, for this evergreen crown that marks our days of preparation for Christ's advent. As we light the first candle on this wreath, rouse us from sleep, that we may be ready to greet our Lord when he comes with all the saints and angels. Enlighten us with your grace, and prepare our hearts to welcome him with joy. Grant this through Christ our Lord, whose coming is certain and whose day draws near.

G Amen.

We light the first candle of Advent, the candle of Hope

P Hope is like a light shining in a dark place. As we look at the light of this candle we celebrate the hope we have in Jesus Christ.

P Let us pray:

G **God of Abraham and Sarah and all the Patriarchs of old, you are our Father too. Your love is revealed to us in Jesus Christ, Son of God, and Son of David. Help us in preparing to celebrate his birth, to make our hearts ready and to place our hope in you. Help us today and every day to worship you, to hear your word, and to do your will by sharing your hope with others. We ask it in the name of the one who was born in Bethlehem. Amen.**

O COME, O COME, EMMANUEL (VERSE 1) *sung*

O come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel,
That mourns in lonely exile here; Until the Son of God appear
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to you, O Israel.

THE PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

WE SHARE GOD'S PEACE



THANKOFFERING

*Good stewards know that everything we have is worth sacrificing for the Kingdom of God.
Thank you living out your stewardship by giving for the sake of God's Kingdom lived out in
and through the ministry and mission of East Side Lutheran.*

OFFERTORY SONG

THE OFFERTORY "Give It All Away"

All of my plans all of my dreams I lay them down before Your feet
All of my time all that was mine I now submit to Your design **(REPEAT)**

'Cause You are the One Who can make my life complete
You are the One Who can give light to my feet
You are the One and only One Who dared to give it all away for me
You dared to give it all away for me

THE OFFERING PRAYER

P Savior of the nations, come,
G **Make your home here in us. Feed us with your love, that our faith shine ever new and our lives reveal your light. Amen.**

HOLY COMMUNION

P The Lord be with you.
G And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.
G We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
G It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Chorus

How great is our God Sing with me
How great is our God And all will see how great How great is our God

Verse 2

And age to age He stands And time is in His hands
Beginning and the End Beginning and the End
The Godhead three in one Father Spirit Son
The Lion and the Lamb The Lion and the Lamb

Chorus

Bridge x2

Name above all names Worthy of all praise
My heart will sing How great is our God

Chorus

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THE APOSTLES' CREED

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

☑ **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,
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,
and 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.**

THE APOSTOLIC GREETING

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

☑ **And also with you.**

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

☐ Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come to us. By your merciful protection awaken us to the threatening dangers of our sins, and keep us blameless until the coming of your new day. For you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

☑ **Amen.**

First Reading: Isaiah 64:1-9

This lament comes from a people who have had their hopes shattered. The visions of a rebuilt Jerusalem and a renewed people of God, spoken of in Isaiah 40–55, have not been realized. Instead, the people experience ruin, conflict, and famine. This lament calls God to account—to be the God who has brought deliverance in the past.

¹O that you would tear open the heavens and come down, so that the mountains would quake at your presence—²as when fire kindles brushwood and the fire causes water to boil— to make your name known to your adversaries, so that the nations might tremble at your presence! ³When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect, you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence. ⁴From ages past no one has heard, no ear has perceived, no eye has seen any God besides you, who works for those who wait for him. ⁵You meet those who gladly do right, those who remember you in your ways. But you were angry, and we sinned; because you hid yourself we transgressed. ⁶We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth. We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away. ⁷There is no one who calls on your name, or attempts to take hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us, and have delivered us into the hand of our iniquity. ⁸Yet, O LORD, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand. ⁹Do not be exceedingly angry, O LORD, and do not remember iniquity forever. Now consider, we are all your people.

☐ This is the Word of the Lord! ☑ **Thanks be to God!**

PSALM 80:1-7, 17-19 (read responsively)

¹Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock;
shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.

²**In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh,
stir up your strength and come to help us.**

³Restore us, O God;

let your face shine upon us, and we shall be saved.

**⁴O LORD God of hosts,
how long will your anger fume when your people pray?**

⁵You have fed them with the bread of tears;
you have given them bowls of tears to drink.

**⁶You have made us the derision of our neighbors,
and our enemies laugh us to scorn.**

⁷Restore us, O God of hosts;
let your face shine upon us, and we shall be saved.

**¹⁷Let your hand be upon the one at your right hand,
the one you have made so strong for yourself.**

¹⁸And so will we never turn away from you;
give us life, that we may call upon your name.

**¹⁹Restore us, O LORD God of hosts;
let your face shine upon us, and we shall be saved.**

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:3-9

As the Christians in Corinth await the advent of Jesus, Paul reminds them how the Lord has already enriched them through spiritual gifts and will continue to strengthen them until the coming day of the Lord.

³Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. ⁴I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, ⁵for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind—⁶just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you—⁷so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁸He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. ¹⁰who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. ¹¹Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

📖 This is the Word of the Lord.

🙌 Thanks be to God.

THE ADVENT VERSE

Come, thou long-expected Jesus,
born to set thy people free;
from our fears and sins release us;
let us find our rest in thee.
Israel's strength and consolation,

hope of all the earth thou art,
dear desire of ev'ry nation,
joy of ev'ry longing heart.

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707-1788

The Gospel: Mark 13:24-37

In today's reading, Jesus encourages his followers to look forward to the day when he returns in power and glory to end all suffering.

[Jesus said:] ²⁴“In those days, after that suffering,

the sun will be darkened,

and the moon will not give its light,

²⁵and the stars will be falling from heaven,

and the powers in the heavens will be shaken.

²⁶Then they will see ‘the Son of Man coming in clouds’ with great power and glory. ²⁷Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.

²⁸“From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. ²⁹So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. ³⁰Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. ³¹Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

³²“But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. ³³Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come. ³⁴It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. ³⁵Therefore, keep awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, ³⁶or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. ³⁷And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake.”

📖 The Gospel of the Lord. 🙌 Praise to You O Christ!

SERMON

Pastor Josh Johnson

How Great Is Our God

Verse 1

The splendor of the King Clothed in majesty
Let all the earth rejoice All the earth rejoice
He wraps Himself in light And darkness tries to hide
And trembles at His voice And trembles at His voice