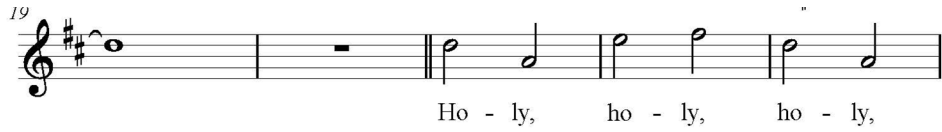
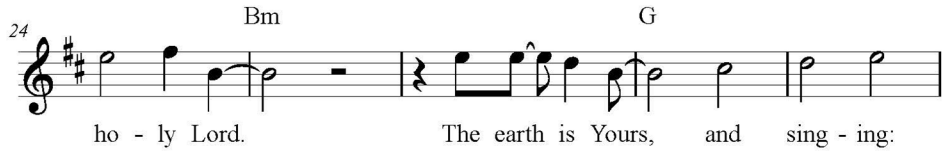
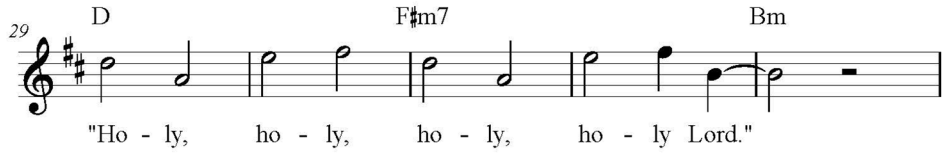
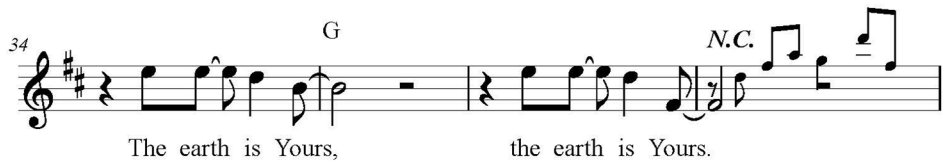


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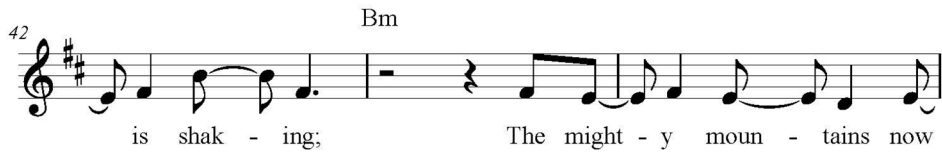
24  ho - ly Lord. The earth is Yours, and sing - ing:

29  "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord."

34  The earth is Yours, the earth is Yours.

VERSE 2

38  2. Your voice, it thun - ders, the ground

42  is shak - ing; The might - y moun - tains now

45  are trem - bl - ing. Cre - a -

48  tion sees You and starts com - pos - ing; The fields

PRE-CHORUS 2

52  and trees, they start re - joic - ing. And now it's

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
the wellspring of grace,
our Easter and our joy.

Amen.

Look, here is water!

Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

Immersed in the promises of baptism,
let us give thanks for what God has done for us.
We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning
your voice thundered over the deep
and water became the essence of life.

Adam and Eve beheld Eden's verdant rivers.

The ark carried your creation through the flood into a new day.

Miriam led the dancing as your people passed through the sea
into freedom's land.

In a desert pool the Ethiopian official
entered your boundless baptismal life.

Look, here is water!

Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

At the river your beloved Son was baptized by John
and anointed with the Holy Spirit.

By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection
you opened the floodgates of your reconciling love,
freeing us to live as Easter people.

We rejoice with glad hearts,
giving all honor and praise to you,
through the risen Christ, our source of living water,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

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.**

HYMN OF PRAISE

"Glory in the Highest" *Rundman*

Repeat

C: Glo - ry in the high - est, Glo - ry be to God,
Glo - ry in the high - est, And peace to all the earth.

so he does not open his mouth.

³³In his humiliation justice was denied him.

Who can describe his generation?

For his life is taken away from the earth.”

³⁴The eunuch asked Philip, “About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?” ³⁵Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. ³⁶As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, “Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?” ³⁸He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. ³⁹When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. ⁴⁰But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

1 John 4:7-21

⁷Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. ⁸Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. ⁹God’s love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. ¹⁰In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. ¹¹Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. ¹²No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us.

¹³By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit.

¹⁴And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world.

¹⁵God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. ¹⁶So we have known and believe the love that God has for us.

God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. ¹⁷Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as he is, so are we in this world. ¹⁸There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. ¹⁹We love because he first loved us. ²⁰Those who say, “I love God,” and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. ²¹The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

“Alleluia” *Rundman*

**GOSPEL**

John 15:1-8

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] ¹“I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. ²He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. ³You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. ⁴Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. ⁵I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. ⁶Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. ⁷If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. ⁸My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.**SERMON****HYMN OF THE DAY**

#931 “Where Charity and Love Are Shown”

Please
be seat-
ed.

Refrain / Estribillo

Don-de hay ca - ri - dad y a - mor, a - llí es -
Where char-i - ty and love are shown, our God is

tá_el Se - ñor, a - llí es - tá_el Se - ñor.
there made known, our God is there made known.

1 U - na sa - la y u - na me - sa, u - na co - pa,
1 One as - sem - bly at one ta - ble; one the cup, the
2 At the ta - ble we are wel - comed to the ban - quet
3 This, the bread of life e - ter - nal; this, the sav - ing

vi - no y pan, los her - ma - nos com - par -
 bread, the wine; in one love we are com -
 from a - bove. We re - call the Lord's com -
 cup we claim, draw us close with - in one

tien - do en a - mor y en u - ni - dad.
 pan - ions, and in u - ni - ty we dine.
 mand - ment that we live and grow in love.
 fam - 'ly, make us one in Je - sus' name.

Nos re - ú - ne la pre - sen - cia y el re - cuer - do
 Brought to - geth - er by the pres - ence and the prom - ise
 As the gifts of God are giv - en, Je - sus' bod - y
 Let us tell the liv - ing sto - ry of his suf - f'ring

del Se - ñor; ce - le - bra - mos su me -
 of God's Word, here in joy and in re -
 and his blood, so we give our - selves to
 and his pain, and pro - claim the ho - ly

Refrain / Estribillo

mo - ria y la en - tre - ga de su a - mor.
 mem - brance we re - ceive our lov - ing Lord.
 oth - ers and we seek our neigh - bor's good.
 mys - t'ry: Christ has died, yet lives to reign.

Please
stand as
you are
comforta-
ble in
body or
spirit

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe in a bright and amazing God,
who has been to the depths of despair on our behalf;
Who has risen in splendor and majesty;
who decorates the universe
with sparkling water, clear white light,
twinkling stars and sharp colors,
over and over again.

We believe that Jesus is the Light of the world;
That God believes in us, and trusts us,
even though we make the same mistakes
over and over and over again.

We commit ourselves to Jesus,
to one another as siblings,
and to the Maker's business in the world.
Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Rejoicing that Jesus is risen and love has triumphed over fear, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need of good news.

We pray for the church around the world, for all ministers, and for the mission of the gospel. Keep all the newly baptized and confirmed in your care. Cleanse our hearts with your word and help us to abide in you always. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

For the well-being of the earth and of all created things: for rivers and lakes, streams and estuaries, melting glaciers and polluted waters. Renew the face of the earth and shower us with your goodness. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

For the nations and all those in authority: for local, state, and national leaders, for elected representatives at every level, and for international organizations, that justice and peace may reign. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

On this Blue Sunday we pray for children who are facing abuse and neglect. Rescue them from danger and allow hope to grow in their futures. Heal their minds and bodies and place them in spaces of safety with caring adults who will continue to nurture them. Guide us to create a space of awareness and courage to advocate for the most vulnerable. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

For all those in need: for any experiencing homelessness or unemployment, for those fleeing from oppression or seeking asylum, and for all who are ill or suffering, especially... God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

For this congregation: for the caring ministries of this faith community, for all who visit and minister to one another, for all who take communion to homes or care centers, and for all who seek to share your love with the world. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

With thanksgiving for the saints who rest from their labors. Help us, like them, to bear much fruit and to become your disciples, and at the last, bring us to that heavenly banquet where all will feast together at your table. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Into your hands, most merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abiding love; through Jesus Christ, our resurrected and living Lord. **Amen.**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

SPECIAL MUSIC

Fernando, *Violinist*

OFFERING PRAYER

Risen One, you call us to believe and bear fruit. May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love. Form us to be your witnesses in the world, through Jesus Christ, our true vine. Amen.

Please
be
Seated

Please
stand as
you are
comfortable
in
body or
spirit

THE LORD’S SUPPER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...

we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly ho - ly ho - ly Lord Lord God of pow'r and might.
 Hea - ven and earth are full full of your glo - ry
 Ho - sa - nah in the high - est Ho - sa - nah in the high - est
 Bles - sed is he who comes in the name of the Lord
 Ho - sa - nah in the high - est Ho - sa - nah in the high - est

... Your love is proclaimed throughout all creation.

We offer our thanksgiving and praise in our alleluias!

... You’ve showed us the power of forgiveness and the abundance of life.

We offer our thanksgiving and praise in our alleluias!

... until the day we celebrate it in your presence at the great banquet.

We offer our thanksgiving and praise in our alleluias! Amen.

THE LORD’S PRAYER

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.

Please be seated.

COMMUNION HYMNS

“Lamb of God” *Rundman*

Lamb of God you take a - way the sin of the world,
 Have mer - cy, mer - cy on us

Lamb of God you take a - way the sin of the world,
 Oh grant us peace, Lamb of God

#1077 “Mercy, We Abide in You”
 #957 “Take Me to the Water”

Please stand as you are comfortable in body or spirit.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER & BLESSING

BENEDICTION

Benediction:
God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter hope ✠ bless you now and always. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN

#987 “Guide My Feet” vs. 1, 3 & 5

Leader All

1 Guide my feet
 2 Hold my hand
 3 Stand by me while I run this race.
 4 I'm your child
 5 Search my heart

Guide my feet
 Hold my hand
 Stand by me while I run this race.
 I'm your child
 Search my heart

Guide my feet
 Hold my hand
 Stand by me while I run this race,
 I'm your child
 Search my heart

for I don't want to run this race in vain.

SENDING

Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.
Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

POSTLUDE

Welcome to Messiah Lutheran Church



Children belong in worship!
Worship kits and a nursery space is available. God rejoices in the joyful noise of children and so do we!



God calls us to welcome everyone!
Messiah seeks to be a welcoming community and to share the love of God with our neighbors. If you are new, please introduce yourself to our pastors.



Worship should be accessible!
Hearing devices (and T-Coil) and large print bulletins are available. We invite you to sit or stand as you are comfortable. All gender and family restroom facilities are available on the first level, please see signs in the Narthex.



All are welcome at Jesus' table!
During communion grape juice and gluten-free options are available. Those not wishing to commune may come forward for a blessing. Those not able to come forward may receive communion in their pew, please notify the usher.



God calls us to pray!
Private prayer requests may be made by writing them on the back of the Welcome Card. If you would like to be added to the prayer list or receive a pastoral care visit, please contact the church office.

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