

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany  
February 4, 2024  
8:30am and 11:00am



Central Lutheran Church  
1857 Potter Street  
Eugene, Oregon  
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## **Welcome to Worship!**

Central Lutheran Church, a congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and the Oregon Synod, is a Reconciling in Christ community: We affirm that Christ has made us one body with many members, all sharing in God's wondrous grace and unconditional love.

We celebrate both the human variation and inclusive unity of God's family. Following Jesus' example, we embrace all of God's people regardless of ethnicity, physical and mental abilities, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity, or economic circumstance. With welcoming hearts, we invite you to join us in worship, fellowship, and ministry.

Our mission is to be the hands and feet of Jesus by loving God and one another, nurturing faithful living, serving those in need, and sharing the Gospel.

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## CALL TO WORSHIP

The Carillon

**PRELUDE (8:30)**

*A Pleasant Thought*

Florence Price

**PRELUDE (11:00)**

*Laudate Dominum*

Mozart

*Praise the Lord all nations, Praise God all ye people, for God's merciful kindness is great toward us, and the truth of the Lord endures forever.*

Siri Vik, Soprano with the Chorale & Andy Strietelmeier, Violin

## WELCOME

### THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation.

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

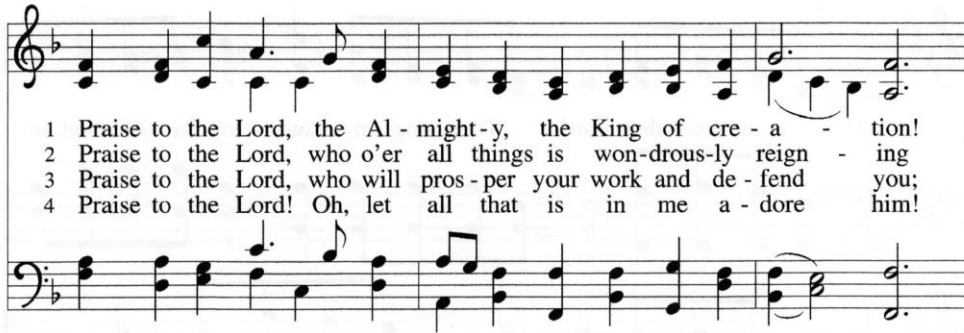
We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight.

Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family. Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By water and your Word you claim us as your beloved children, making us heirs of your promise and servants of all.

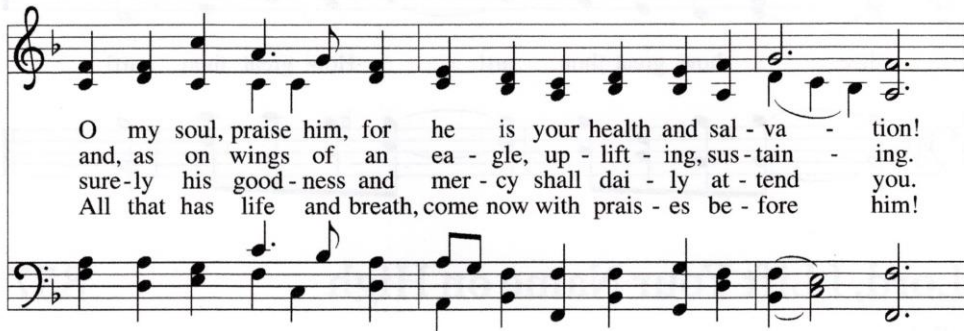
We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ. Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.

To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

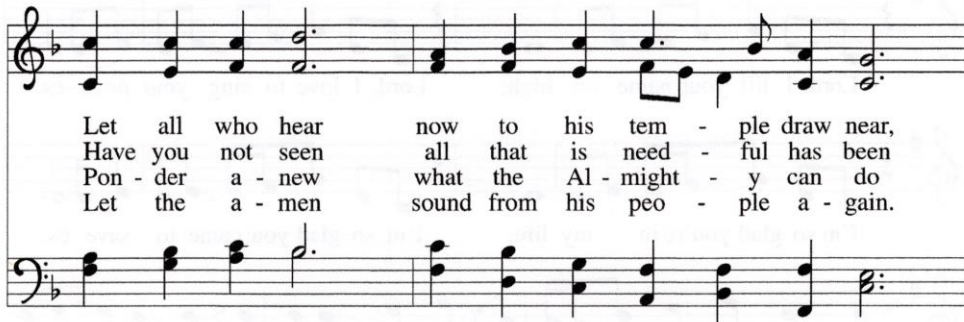
# HYMN #858 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty (*please stand*)



1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre - a - tion!  
2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is won - drous - ly reign - ing  
3 Praise to the Lord, who will pros - per your work and de - fend you;  
4 Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me a - dore him!



O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and sal - va - tion!  
and, as on wings of an ea - gle, up - lift - ing, sus - tain - ing.  
sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy shall dai - ly at - tend you.  
All that has life and breath, come now with prais - es be - fore him!



Let all who hear now to his tem - ple draw near,  
Have you not seen all that is need - ful has been  
Pon - der a - new what the Al - might - y can do  
Let the a - men sound from his peo - ple a - gain.



join - ing in glad ad - o - ra - tion!  
sent by his gra - cious or - dain - ing?  
if with his love he be - friend you.  
Glad - ly for - ev - er a - dore him!

## 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.**

## KYRIE



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, \_\_\_\_\_ have mer - cy.



For the peace from a-bove and for our sal-vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, \_\_\_\_\_ have mer - cy.



For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of



God, and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray — to the Lord.



Lord, \_\_\_\_\_ have mer - cy.



For this ho-ly house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, \_\_\_\_\_ have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



A - men.

# CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Organ **3** *Refrain*  
This is the feast of vic - to - ry \_\_\_ for our God. \_\_\_

Al-le-lu \_\_\_ ia, al-le-lu \_\_\_ ia. \_\_\_ 1 Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose  
blood set us free to be peo-ple of God. \_\_\_ Pow-er, rich - es wis-dom, and strength, and  
*Refrain*  
hon-or, bless-ing and glo-ry are his. \_\_\_ This is the feast of vic-to-ry \_\_\_ for our God. \_\_\_

Al-le-lu \_\_\_ ia, al-le-lu \_\_\_ ia. \_\_\_ 2 Sing with all the peo-ple of God, and  
join in the hymn of all cre - a-tion. \_\_\_ Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to  
*Final refrain*  
God and the Lamb for-ev-er. A - men \_\_\_ This is the feast of vic-to-ry \_\_\_ for our  
God. \_\_\_ for the Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign. \_\_\_

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia al - le - lu \_\_\_ ia.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. **Everlasting God, you give strength to the weak and power to the faint. Make us agents of your healing and wholeness, that your good news may be made known to the ends of your creation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen. (please be seated)**

**ANTHEM (11:00)**

*Ain't that Good News*  
Siri Vik, Soloist with the Chorale

Moses Hogan

## FIRST READING ISAIAH 40:21-31

<sup>21</sup>Have you not known? Have you not heard? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth?

<sup>22</sup>It is he who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers; who stretches out the heavens like a curtain, and spreads them like a tent to live in; <sup>23</sup>who brings princes to naught, and makes the rulers of the earth as nothing. <sup>24</sup>Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown, scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth, when he blows upon them, and they wither, and the tempest carries them off like stubble. <sup>25</sup>To whom then will you compare me, or who is my equal? says the Holy One. <sup>26</sup>Lift up your eyes on high and see: Who created these? He who brings out their host and numbers them, calling them all by name; because he is great in strength, mighty in power, not one is missing. <sup>27</sup>Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, "My way is hidden from the Lord, and my right is disregarded by my God"?

<sup>28</sup>Have you not known? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. <sup>29</sup>He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless. <sup>30</sup>Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; <sup>31</sup>but those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**





under the law. <sup>21</sup>To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (though I am not free from God's law but am under Christ's law) so that I might win those outside the law. <sup>22</sup>To the weak I became weak, so that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that I might by all means save some. <sup>23</sup>I do it all for the sake of the gospel, so that I may share in its blessings. The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** (*please stand*)



**Cantors:** The servant of God took <sup>1</sup> our infirmities\* and bore <sup>1</sup> our diseases.  
*Repeat Antiphon.*

### **GOSPEL Mark 1:29-39**

The Gospel according to Mark, the first chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>29</sup>As soon as [Jesus and the disciples] left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. <sup>30</sup>Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. <sup>31</sup>He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them. <sup>32</sup>That evening, at sunset, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. <sup>33</sup>And the whole city was gathered around the door. <sup>34</sup>And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him. <sup>35</sup>In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. <sup>36</sup>And Simon and his companions hunted for him. <sup>37</sup>When they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is searching for you." <sup>38</sup>He answered, "Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do." <sup>39</sup>And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

HYMN OF THE DAY 843 Praise the One *(please stand)*

1 Praise the One who breaks the dark-ness with a lib - er - at - ing light;  
 2 Praise the One who blessed the chil - dren with a strong yet gen - tle word;  
 3 Praise the one true love in - car - nate: Christ, who suf - fered in our place;

praise the One who frees the pris - 'ners, turn - ing blind - ness in - to sight.  
 praise the One who drove out de - mons with a pierc - ing, two - edged sword.  
 Je - sus died and rose for man - y that we may know God by grace.

Praise the One who preached the gos - pel, heal - ing ev - 'ry dread dis - ease,  
 Praise the One who brings cool wa - ter to the des - ert's burn - ing sand;  
 Let us sing for joy and glad - ness, see - ing what our God has done.

calm - ing storms and feed - ing thou - sands with the ver - y bread of peace.  
 from this well comes liv - ing wa - ter quench - ing thirst in ev - 'ry land.  
 Praise the one re - deem - ing glo - ry; praise the One who makes us one.

## **NICENE CREED**

With the whole church, let us confess our Christian faith.

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen. *(please be seated)***

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

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

## **OUR LIFE TOGETHER**

**ANTHEM (11:00)**

*Pie Jesu*

Andrew Lloyd Webber

## OFFERING (8:30)

*You may place your offering in the plates as you come forward for communion.*

## OFFERTORY (8:30) *How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord*

Cantors

### OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray. Gracious God, receive the gifts we bring, ourselves, our time, and our possessions. Through this meal unite us as your body, shining with the light of your justice and mercy; for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### GREAT THANKSGIVING



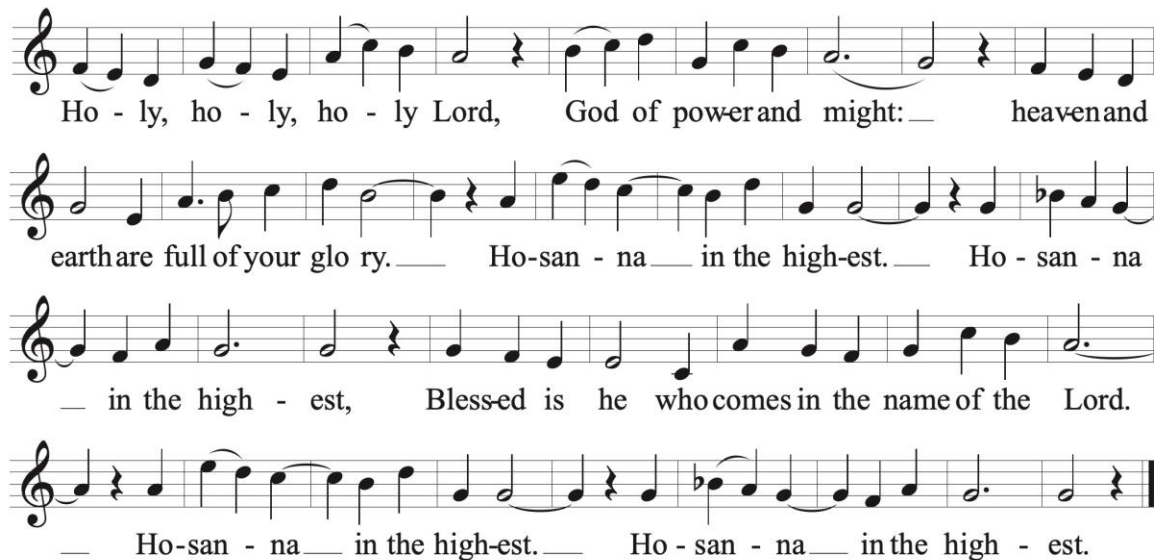
The Lord be with you.  
Lift up your hearts.  
Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.  
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

And al - so with you.  
We lift them to the Lord.

### PROPER PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy... And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might:— heaven and  
earth are full of your glo ry.— Ho-san - na in the high-est.— Ho - san - na  
— in the high - est, Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
— Ho-san - na in the high-est.— Ho - san - na in the high - est.

## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth. In mercy for our fallen world you gave your only Son, that all those who believe in him should not perish, but have eternal life. We give thanks to you for the salvation you have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Send now your Holy Spirit into our hearts, that we may receive our Lord with a living faith as he comes to us in his holy supper. **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

In the night in which he was betrayed our Lord Jesus took break, and gave it to his disciples, saying: “Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

Again after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: “This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this in remembrance of me.”

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes.

‡ **Christ has died.** ‡ **Christ is risen.** ‡ **Christ will come again.**

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever. **Amen.**

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us: **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. (please be seated)*

## **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

### **LAMB OF GOD**



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

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

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the

world; grant us — peace, grant us peace.

## **COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION**

## **POST-COMMUNION BLESSING**

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

## **POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

### **BENEDICTION** (*please stand*)

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

### **RECESSIONAL HYMN** (*see next page*)

## **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Share the light of Christ. **Thanks be to God.**

## **ORGAN VOLUNTARY** *Fanfare and Gothic March*

Guy Weitz

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**Cantors at 8:30:** Alyse Jamieson & John Shields

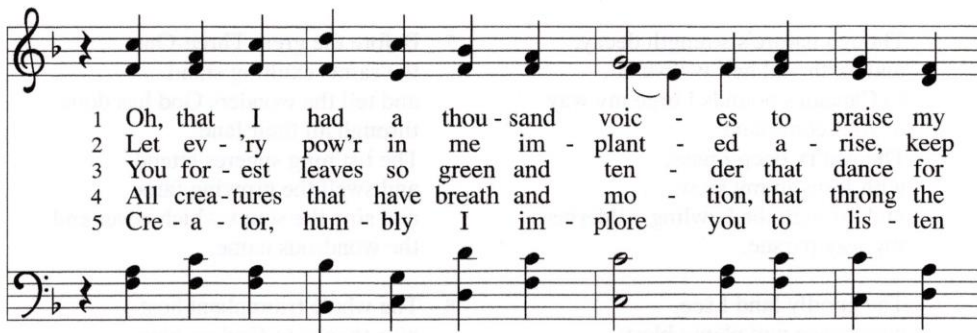
**Junior Cantor at 8:30:** Sam Rodgers

**Organ Concert, this afternoon, Feb. 4 at 4pm** features Dr. Karin Nelson, Professor of Organ in Göteborg, Sweden & Oslo, Norway. Suggested donation to Food for Lane County of \$10, or \$20 for family.

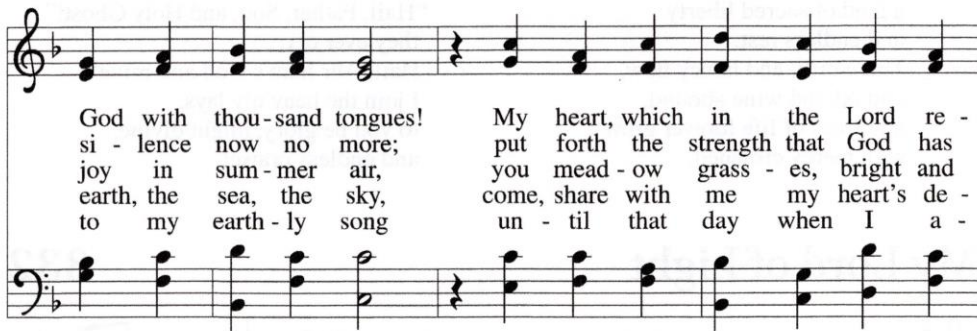
**Christus House hosted Coffee Hour next Sunday, Feb. 11.** Join us next Sunday for a special coffee hour at Christus House between services. Enjoy coffee, snacks, see the inside of Christus House and learn about the ministry happening there.

**Ash Wednesday Services:** Join us for Ash Wednesday Feb. 14. Services will be at noon and 7:30pm.

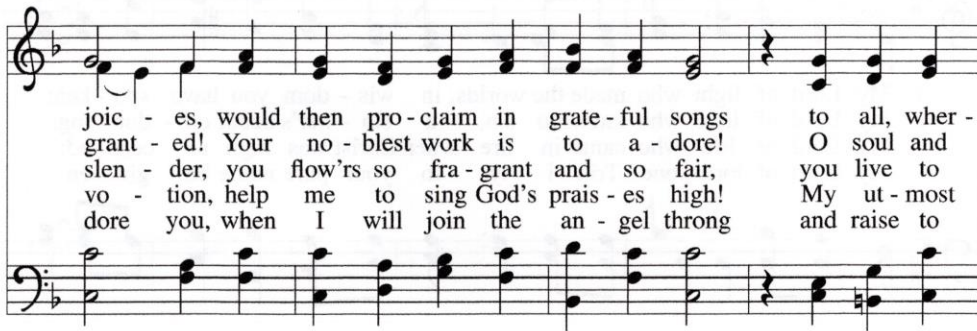
# RECESSIONAL HYMN #833 Oh, that I Had a Thousand Voices



1 Oh, that I had a thou - sand voice - es to praise my  
 2 Let ev - 'ry pow'r in me im - plant - ed a - rise, keep  
 3 You for - est leaves so green and ten - der that dance for  
 4 All crea - tures that have breath and mo - tion, that throng the  
 5 Cre - a - tor, hum - bly I im - plore you to lis - ten



God with thou - sand tongues! My heart, which in the Lord re -  
 si - lence now no more; put forth the strength that God has  
 joy in sum - mer air; you mead - ow grass - es, bright and  
 earth, the sea, the sky, come, share with me my heart's de -  
 to my earth - ly song un - til that day when I a -



joic - es, would then pro - claim in grate - ful songs to all, wher -  
 grant - ed! Your no - blest work is to a - dore! O soul and  
 slen - der, you flow'rs so fra - grant and so fair, you live to  
 vo - tion, help me to sing God's prais - es high! My ut - most  
 dore you, when I will join the an - gel throng and raise to



ev - er I might be, what great things God has done for me!  
 bod - y, join to raise with heart - felt joy your mak - er's praise!  
 show forth praise a - lone. Join me to make God's glo - ry known!  
 pow'rs can nev - er quite de - clare the won - ders of God's might!  
 you with joy - ful cry ten thou - sand hal - le - lu - jahs high!



## LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS—CAN YOU HELP?

Soup providers are needed for our Soup Suppers on Together Tuesdays during Lent (February 20, February 27, March 5, March 12, March 19). The meal is served between 5:15-6pm. Please fill out this form and place in the offering plate. Thank you.

Name\_\_\_\_\_

Date\_\_\_\_\_

Phone number\_\_\_\_\_

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Meat\_\_\_\_\_

Vegetation\_\_\_\_\_