

Outdoor Worship

Wednesday, August 26th
7:00pm



Welcome to WORSHIP at Holy Nativity!



HOLY NATIVITY
LUTHERAN CHURCH
Helping All Know God's Love

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*Our Mission & Ministry: "Grounded in Christ's love,
Holy Nativity Lutheran Church is a welcoming community
dedicated to helping all know God's love through worship, service, and fellowship."*

Join us for Sunday worship at 9:30am on Facebook "LIVE"
at facebook.com/holynativitynewhope,
and Wednesday worship outdoors in-person at 7:00pm!

Staff Members:

Rev. Jason Wahlstrom, Senior Pastor
Rev. Ashley Updegraff, Associate Pastor
Iver Hubert, Director of Music & Worship
Lisa Baker, Organist & Communications Coordinator
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Linda Lien, Congregational Care Coordinator & Funeral Coordinator
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Welcome! When you arrive, you are invited to take an individual communion wafer and juice set, and a printed bulletin (if not viewing it on your mobile device).

You are welcome to use your own lawn chairs or use a chair provided.

Masks are recommended except while seated during worship.

Please keep 6 feet away from other family units.

Offering may be placed in the offering plates as you arrive or depart. Thank you!

Director of Music & Worship: Iver Hubert

Music: Kelly Duclos, guitar; Elsa and Henry Duclos, violin and percussion

Council Host: Marisa Lerum

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS (P-Pastor, C-Congregation)

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, whose steadfast love is everlasting, whose faithfulness endures from generation to generation.

C: Amen.

P: Trusting in the mercy of God, let us confess our sin.

(silence is kept for reflection)

P: Reconciling God,

C: we confess that we do not trust your abundance, and we deny your presence in our lives. We place our hope in ourselves and rely on our own efforts. We fail to believe that you provide enough for all. We abuse your good creation for our own benefit. We fear difference and do not welcome others as you have welcomed us. We sin in thought, word, and deed. By your grace, forgive us; through your love, renew us; and in your Spirit, lead us; so that we may live and serve you in newness of life. Amen.

P: Beloved of God, by the radical abundance of divine mercy we have peace with God through † Christ Jesus, through whom we have obtained grace upon grace. Our sins are forgiven. Let us live now in hope. For hope does not disappoint, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

INVOCATION

P: We gather in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

RESPONSIVE DIALOGUE

P: God is our light and our salvation,

C: our refuge and our stronghold.

P: From the rising of the sun to its setting,

C: we praise your name, O God.

P: For with you is the fountain of life,

C: and in your light we see light.

FIRST READING

Psalm 8

¹ O LORD, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory above the heavens. ² Out of the mouths of babes and infants you have founded a bulwark because of your foes, to silence the enemy and the avenger.

³ When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars that you have established; ⁴ what are human beings that you are mindful of them, mortals that you care for them?

⁵ Yet you have made them a little lower than God, and crowned them with glory and honor. ⁶ You have given them dominion over the works of your hands; you have put all things under their feet,

⁷ all sheep and oxen, and also the beasts of the field, ⁸ the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea, whatever passes along the paths of the seas. ⁹ O LORD, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

Reader: Holy Wisdom, Holy Words... **Congregation: Thanks be to God!**

SECOND READING

Exodus 2:15b-22

¹⁵ When Pharaoh heard of it, he sought to kill Moses. But Moses fled from Pharaoh. He settled in the land of Midian, and sat down by a well. ¹⁶ The priest of Midian had seven daughters. They came to draw water, and filled the troughs to water their father's flock. ¹⁷ But some shepherds came and drove them away. Moses got up and came to their defense and watered their flock. ¹⁸ When they returned to their father Reuel, he said, "How is it that you have come back so soon today?" ¹⁹ They said, "An Egyptian helped us against the shepherds; he even drew water for us and watered the flock." ²⁰ He said to his daughters, "Where is he? Why did you leave the man? Invite him to break bread." ²¹ Moses agreed to stay with the man, and he gave Moses his daughter Zipporah in marriage. ²² She bore a son, and he named him Gershom; for he said, "I have been an alien^[a] residing in a foreign land."

Reader: Holy Wisdom, Holy Words... **Congregation: Thanks be to God!**

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 26:6-13

Pastor: The holy gospel according to Matthew... Congregation: Glory to you, O Lord.

⁶ Now while Jesus was at Bethany in the house of Simon the leper,^[a] ⁷ a woman came to him with an alabaster jar of very costly ointment, and she poured it on his head as he sat at the table. ⁸ But when the disciples saw it, they were angry and said, "Why this waste? ⁹ For this ointment could have been sold for a large sum, and the money given to the poor." ¹⁰ But Jesus, aware of this, said to them, "Why do you trouble the woman? She has performed a good service for me. ¹¹ For you always have the poor with you, but you will not always have me. ¹² By pouring this ointment on my body she has prepared me for burial. ¹³ Truly I tell you, wherever this good news^[b] is proclaimed in the whole world, what she has done will be told in remembrance of her."

Pastor: The gospel of the Lord... **Congregation: Praise to you, O Christ.**

REFLECTION

Rev. Jason Wahlstrom

MOMENT TO REFLECT (We pause in silence.)

APOSTLES' CREED

C: 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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

(After each prayer petition... P: Let us pray to the Lord, C: Lord, have mercy.

THE PEACE *P: The peace of the Lord be with you always... C: And also with you.*

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER (unison)

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.

DISTRIBUTION

A pastor will come to each household unit and say the words, "The body of Christ, given for you," and "The blood of Christ, shed for you" as you eat the wafer and drink the juice from your prefilled communion cups.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

BENEDICTION

P: Now may the light of God surround us, the love of God enfold us, and the presence of God watch over and protect us. For wherever we are, our God is also there. We close as we began, in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen**

SENDING MUSIC