

Lutherlyn Worship – July 26

Song: Sanctuary

Lord, prepare me to be a Sanctuary
pure and holy, tried and true.
With thanksgiving I'll be a living
sanctuary for you. (repeat)

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Gathering

Leader: We are setting this time and space apart to worship our God. God who created all time and space.

All: We worship you, Creator God!

Leader: We gather with all things who have been brought together by Jesus Christ.

All: We worship you, God-with-us, Jesus Christ!

Leader: We are woven together with all of creation through the Giver of Life, the Breath of All.

All: We worship you, Holy Spirit, Breath of Life!

Leader: We join into the Triune Dance which fills all of our days.

All: Let's sing, dance, pray, and praise our God!

Song: River of Life

I've got a river of life flowing out of me.
Makes the lame to walk and the blind to see.
Opens prison doors, sets the captive free.
I've got a river of life flowing out of me.
Spring up oh well (gush, gush, gush, gush) Within my soul.
Spring up oh well (splish, splash) and make me whole.
Spring up oh well (yea ha) and give to me
That life abundantly. (repeat)

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Confession and Forgiveness

Leader: Let us confess our wrongdoings in the presence of God and all creation.

All: Merciful God, we confess to you that we have made messes of our relationships. We have hurt friends, family, and creation. Sometimes we know when we have done this, other times we don't. Forgive us for all of this brokenness, all of our sin. With your forgiveness, we will more perfectly love you and magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN.

Leader: You are a loved and forgiven child of God!

Word

Romans 8:26-39

Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

Message

Song/Creed: I Believe

Chorus:

I believe, I do believe, truly I believe it.
truly I believe it, truly I believe it.
I believe, I do believe, truly I believe it.
truly I believe it, truly I believe it.

2. I believe in Jesus the Savior of the people.
Savior of the people, Savior of the people.
I believe in Jesus the Savior of the people.
Savior of the people, Savior of the people.

1. I believe in God the almighty Lord, Creator.
Mighty Lord Creator, Mighty Lord Creator.
I believe in God the almighty Lord, Creator.
Mighty Lord Creator, Mighty Lord Creator.

3. And I do believe in the power of the Spirit.
power of the Spirit, power of the spirit.
And I do believe in the power of the Spirit.
power of the Spirit, power of the spirit.

Prayers and Praise

Leader: With all of creation and the people of God let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

Silence for private prayers. Some ideas of prayer topics: the whole church, the well-being of creation, peace and justice, nations and those in authority, the poor, the oppressed, the sick, all who suffer, and your family.

Leader: We praise You holy God, for by Your awesome Word You made all things: You spoke light into darkness, called forth beauty from chaos, and brought life into being. For Your Word of life, O God,

All: We give You thanks and praise.

Leader: By Your Word You called Your people Israel to tell of Your wonderful gifts: freedom from oppression, water on a parched journey, a clear trail home from exile, wisdom for life with You. For Your Word of life, O God,

All: We give You thanks and praise.

Leader: Through Jesus, Your Word made flesh, You speak to us and call us to see: forgiveness through the cross, life to those trapped by death, the way of service for others. For Your Word of life, O God,

All: We give You thanks and praise.

Leader: Send Your Spirit to us. Rekindle Your gifts with us: renew our trust in You, accept us, challenge us, and send us out to share Divine Love for a world in need. We pray all this in the name of Jesus Christ. **AMEN!**

**All: 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
 but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
 and the glory are yours,
 now and forever. Amen.**

Song: Open the Eyes of my Heart

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord

Open the eyes of my heart.

I want to see you.

I want to see you. (Repeat)

To see you high and lifted up

Shining in the light of your glory.

Pour out your power and love as we sing holy, holy, holy. (repeat whole thing)

Holy, Holy, Holy

Holy, Holy, Holy

Holy, Holy, Holy

I want to see you. (repeat this section)

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Benediction

Leader: The Lord bless us and keep us. The Lord's face shine on us with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon us with favor and give us peace.

All: Amen.

Sending

Leader: You are the body of Christ raised up for the world. Go in peace. Share the good news.

All: Thanks be to God!