

CANTICLE OF PRAISE “He’s Got the Whole World in His Hands”

Vs. 1 - He’s got the Whole World in His Hands – Sing 4 times
Vs. 2 - He’s got the Tiny Little Baby in His Hands – Sing 4 times
Vs. 3 - He’s got the Wind and the Rain in His Hands - Sing 4 times
Vs. 4 - He’s got You and Me Brother in His Hands,
He’s got you and me Sister in His Hands
He’s got You and Me Brother in His Hands,
He’s got you and me Sister in His Hands,
He’s got the Whole World in His Hands.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

God of heaven and earth, before the foundation of the universe and the beginning of time you are the triune God: Author of creation, eternal Word of salvation, life-giving Spirit of wisdom. Guide us to all truth by your Spirit, that we may proclaim all that Christ has revealed and rejoice in the glory he shares with us. Glory and praise to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.** *(please be seated)*

SPECIAL MUSIC

**“He is Exalted”
Zoe & Ella Kempf**

Twila Paris

A TIME FOR CHILDREN

WORD

FIRST READING Psalm 8

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and whatever passes along the paths of the sea.**

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SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Pew Bible NT p. 197

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *(please stand)*

“Praise, Praise, Praise the Lord!”

ELW #875

The holy gospel according to Matthew the 28th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL

Matthew 28:16-20

Pew Bible NT p. 34

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The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ. *(please be seated)*

SERMON

Pastor Charles Bunk
SD Companion Synod Coordinator

HYMN OF THE DAY **“We All Are One in Mission”** **ELW #576**

CREED *(please stand)*

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. *(please be seated)*

OFFERING

*The children are welcome to come forward and place their offerings in the
“For Children Everywhere” box.*

OFFERING SONG **“To God Our Thanks We Give”**

Vs. - To God our thanks we give, To God our thanks we give,
To God our thanks we give, Our thanks to God we Give
(Repeated until offering is brought forward)

OFFERING PRAYER *(please stand)*

Merciful God,
you open wide your hand
and satisfy the need of every living thing.
You have set this feast before us.
Open our hands to receive it.
Open our hearts to embrace it.
Open our lives to live it.
We pray this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Response: Lord in your mercy, ...**hear our prayer.**

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

SENDING

CAMP BLESSING

CONGREGATION BLESSING

Know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.
Amen.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Christ is with you.

Thanks be to God.

SENDING SONG

“Send Me, Jesus”

Vs. 1 – Send me, Jesus; send me Jesus; send me, Jesus; send me, Lord. - Repeat

Vs. 2 – I am willing; I am willing; I am willing; willing, Lord. - Repeat

POSTLUDE

“Spiritual, Praise Pieces” Various Composers

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Prayers of Intercession

Called together in the Spirit's embrace, let us pray for the mending of God's world.

Gracious God, you call us to be your church. Keep calling your people to faithful reform. Give us vision and courage to share your new life with all the world. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Joyful Creator, you made a wondrous universe and call us to be partners in its care. Inspire delight in the furry, scaly, watery, breezy, sandy stuff you love. Inspire us to bring about creation's healing. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Merciful God, you love our enemies and bless all people. Make our hearts yearn to be joyful and share your generosity. Help leaders and citizens use political power in service of your peace. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Compassionate One, you bring about the fullness of life. When sorrow wounds faith, send wise ones to comfort and encourage those who suffer. Heal your people in body, mind, and spirit (*especially*). Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Holy Trinity, you call us together to bless your world. Guide all who are preparing for baptism into the joy of new life in your name. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Holy God, have called us in partnership with The Lutheran Church, Faith and Hope of Nicaragua and The Evangelical Lutheran Church of Cameroon. Bless our work together as we carry out your great commission: to make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,²⁰ and teaching them to obey everything that you have commanded. And help us to always remember your words, "I am with you always, to the end of the age." Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

All these things, and whatever else you see that we need, we entrust to your care through Christ our Lord.
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