

Power-FULL

Nokomis Heights Lutheran Church

a community of the cross

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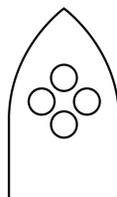
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Liturgical Assistant	Marti Priest
Pianists	Julie Urban, Pastor Kristen Capel
Vocalists	Johan Christopherson, Annika Coyle
Lector	Janelle Saville O'Mara
Children's Message	Monica Christiansen

In our prayers this week: The Kingsberg family, on the death of Cyrus Kingsberg; the Kersten family, on the death of Ed's father, Charles Kersten; the Alden family, on the death of Alice Alden; Casey Austad, Linda Austad, and Rich Gronner; Mission Partners: Trinity and St. Peder's Lutheran churches, CES (Community Emergency Service), and Wapo Bible Camp

**Join us each Sunday at 10 a.m. for worship
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HEIGHTS**

Place of Worship. Space for Questions.

Spirit of Gentleness

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Refrain



Spir - it, Spir - it of gen - tle - ness, blow through the wil - der - ness



call - ing and free; Spir - it, Spir - it of rest - less - ness,



stir me from plac - id - ness, wind, wind on the sea.



- 1 You moved on the wa - ters, you called to the deep,
- 2 You swept through the des - ert, you stung with the sand,
- 3 You sang in a sta - ble, you cried from a hill,
- 4 You call from to - mor - row, you break an - cient schemes.



then you coaxed up the moun - tains from the val - leys of sleep;
and you goad - ed your peo - ple with a law and a land;
then you whis - pered in si - lence when the whole world was still;
From the bond - age of sor - row all the cap - tives dream dreams;



and o - ver the e - ons you called to each thing;
and when they were blind - ed with i - dols and lies,
and down in the cit - y you called once a - gain,
our wom - en see vi - sions, our men clear their eyes.



Refrain

“A - wake from your slum - bers and rise on your wings.”
then you spoke through your proph - ets to o - pen their eyes.
when you blew through your peo - ple on the rush of the wind.
With . . . bold new de - ci - sions your peo - ple a - rise.

GREETING

L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: We pray together:

**C: God of all hopefulness,
fill us with grace and power—
power that gives hope to the hopeless
and strength to those who need help.
Your Spirit calls us to practice compassion,
every day and in all circumstances.
You have done great things for us, O God,
and holy is your name. Amen**

WORD

THE FIRST READING

Isaiah 40:28-31

L: 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. He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless. Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; 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.

C: Thanks be to God.

THE SECOND READING

Romans 15:13

L: May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit

The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION 765 (st. 1)

“Lord of All Hopefulness”

1 Lord of all hope - ful - ness, Lord of all joy,
whose trust, ev - er child - like, no cares could de - stroy:
be there at our wak - ing, and give us, we pray,
your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE GOSPEL

L: The Gospel according to Luke, the first chapter.
C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

GOSPEL

Luke 1:46-55

L: And Mary said, “My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for he has looked with favor on the lowliness of his servant. Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed; for the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name. His mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation. He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts. He has brought down the powerful from their thrones, and lifted up the lowly; he has filled the hungry with good things, and sent the rich away empty. He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy, according to the promise he made to our ancestors, to Abraham and to his descendants forever.”

GOSPEL RESPONSE

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

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

SERMON

“Power-FULL”



1.3. My soul pro - claims your
2. You have cast the might - y



great-ness, O God, and my spir - it re - joic - es in
down from their thrones, and up lift - ed the hum - ble of



you, You have looked with love on your
heart, You have filled the hun - gry with



ser - vant here, and blessed me all my life through.
won - drous things, and left the wealth - y no part.



Great and might - y are you, O Ho - ly One,
Great and might - y are you, O Faith - ful One,



strong is your kind - ness ev - er - more.
strong is your jus - tice strong your love,



How you fa - vor the weak and low - ly one,
As you prom - ised to Sar - ah and A - bra - ham,



hum - bling the proud of heart.
kind - ness for - ev - er - more.

LORD’S PRAYER

**C: 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**

SHARING THE PEACE

L: The peace of Christ be with you always.
C: And also with you.

OFFERING

“Rise Up”

Wardell/Mazunik

OFFERING PRAYER

L: God of all hopefulness,
every day you choose to abide with us
and we are grateful.
Give us fresh and hopeful hearts,
ready to respond to the world in need.
Give us courage to share all that we are
and all that we have,
offering our best gifts to you.
In your living name we pray,
C: Amen

SENDING

BLESSING

L: May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing,
so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

CLOSING HYMN 574 (st. 1, 3)

See music on next page.

“Here I Am, Lord”

SENDING

L: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

Moment of silence

POSTLUDE

“Here I Am, Lord”

Schutte, arr. Carter

Here I Am, Lord

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1 "I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo - ple cry.
2 "I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peo - ple's pain.
3 "I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.



All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.
I have wept for love of them. They turn a - way.
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.



I, who made the stars of night, I will make their dark-ness bright.
I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love a - lone.
Fin-est bread I will pro-vide till their hearts be sat - is - fied.



Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?"
I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?"
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?"

Refrain



Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you



call-ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you



lead me. I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

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