

Worship Leader Edition
Third Sunday of Easter
Elijah the Prophet Heals

April 23, 2023

10:00 AM

GATHERING

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME by Jubilee (*Invite people to download bulletin from the website – stlukesbloomington.org*)

+OPENING SONG

“Shout to the Lord”

Darlene Zschech

Verse 1

My Jesus my Savior
Lord there is none like You
All of my days I want to praise
The wonders of Your mighty love
My comfort my shelter
Tower of refuge and strength
Let every breath all that I am
Never cease to worship You

At the sound of Your name
I sing for joy
At the work of Your hands
Forever I'll love You
Forever I'll stand
Nothing compares to the promise
I have in You

Verse 1

Chorus 1

Chorus 1

Shout to the Lord
All the earth let us sing
Power and majesty
Praise to the King
Mountains bow down
And the seas will roar

Ending

Nothing compares to the promise I have
Nothing compares to the promise I have
Nothing compares to the promise I have
in You

+PRAYER OF THE DAY *{Front Center}* (*Allie Erickson*)

L: Holy and righteous God, you are the author of life, and you adopt us to be your children. Fill us with your words of life, that we may live as witnesses to the resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

+SHARING OF THE PEACE *{Front Center}* (*Allie Erickson*)

L: The peace of the Lord be with you all.

C: And also with you.

L: For all who are gathered, let us take a moment to welcome everyone with a wave of peace. For those of you online, please share a word of peace in the comment or chat. Most of all as we go out into the world may we greet others as people of peace.

ANNOUNCEMENTS *{Front Center}* (*Rob*)

MISSION MINUTE

The Lift Garage

Karissa Vetsch

WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE *{On Floor Pulpit Side}* (*Emily*)

FIRST READING *{Lectern}* (*Paul Sundet*)

1 Kings 17:7-24

But after a while the wadi dried up, because there was no rain in the land. Then the word of the LORD came to Elijah, saying, “Go now to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and live there; for I have commanded a widow there to feed you.” So he set out and went to Zarephath. When he came to the gate of the town, a widow was there gathering sticks; he called to her and said, “Bring me a little water in a vessel, so that I may drink.” As she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, “Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand.” But she said, “As the LORD your God lives, I have nothing

baked, only a handful of meal in a jar, and a little oil in a jug; I am now gathering a couple of sticks, so that I may go home and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it, and die.” Elijah said to her, “Do not be afraid; go and do as you have said; but first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterwards make something for yourself and your son. For thus says the LORD the God of Israel: The jar of meal will not be emptied and the jug of oil will not fail until the day that the LORD sends rain on the earth.” She went and did as Elijah said, so that she as well as he and her household ate for many days. The jar of meal was not emptied, neither did the jug of oil fail, according to the word of the LORD that he spoke by Elijah. After this the son of the woman, the mistress of the house, became ill; his illness was so severe that there was no breath left in him. She then said to Elijah, “What have you against me, O man of God? You have come to me to bring my sin to remembrance, and to cause the death of my son!” But he said to her, “Give me your son.” He took him from her bosom, carried him up into the upper chamber where he was lodging, and laid him on his own bed. He cried out to the LORD, “O LORD my God, have you brought calamity even upon the widow with whom I am staying, by killing her son?” Then he stretched himself upon the child three times, and cried out to the LORD, “O LORD my God, let this child’s life come into him again.” The LORD listened to the voice of Elijah; the life of the child came into him again, and he revived. Elijah took the child, brought him down from the upper chamber into the house, and gave him to his mother; then Elijah said, “See, your son is alive.” So the woman said to Elijah, “Now I know that you are a man of God, and that the word of the LORD in your mouth is truth.”

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

+THE HOLY GOSPEL {Pulpit} (Rob)

John 6:30-35

So they said to Jesus, “What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, ‘He gave them bread from heaven to eat.’” Then Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.” They said to him, “Sir, give us this bread always.” Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

L: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

MESSAGE {Center Floor}

Rob

+SONG OF THE DAY

“Indescribable”

Laura Story/Dan Galbraith

Verse 1

From the highest of heights
to the depths of the sea
Creation revealing Your majesty

From the colors of Fall
to the fragrance of Spring
Ev'ry creature unique
in the song that it sings
All exclaiming

Chorus 1

Indescribable uncontainable
You placed the stars in the sky
And You know them by name
You are amazing God

All powerful untamable
Awestruck we fall to our knees
As we humbly proclaim
You are amazing God

Verse 2

Who has told ev'ry lightning bolt
where it should go

Or seen heavenly storehouses
laden with snow

Who imagined the sun
and gives source to its light
Yet conceals it to bring us
the coolness of night
None can fathom

Chorus 1

Interlude

You are amazing God

Chorus 1

Chorus 2

Indescribable uncontainable
You placed the stars in the sky
And You know them by name
You are amazing God

Incomparable unchangeable
You see the depths of my heart
And You love me the same
You are amazing God

+THE APOSTLES' CREED *{Front Center}* (Allie Erickson) *Screen*

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.

+THE PRAYERS *{Front Center}* (Allie Erickson)

After each petition:

L: Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

+THE LORD'S PRAYER (Allie Erickson)

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.

TIME OF REFLECTION AND RESPONSE (Allie Erickson)

Screen

L: In this time of reflection and response you are invited to fill out your welcome card. Share any reflections, questions, or prayers on the back. Also, take this time to prepare your offering. For those gathered the collection plates are in the front and back. For those online please go to our website stlukesbloomington.org and there is a link to give at the bottom of every page. Enjoy this time.

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Earth and All Stars"

Anne Kretz

Bells of Praise

SENDING

COUNCIL INTRODUCTION

Leah Deshepper, President Elect

+BENEDICTION (Rob)

L: The Lord of peace give you peace at all times and in all ways. In the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

+SENDING SONG

"Your Grace is Enough"

Matt Maher/Brad Henderson

Verse 1

Great is Your faithfulness O God
You wrestle
with the sinner's heart
You lead us by still waters
into mercy
And nothing can keep us apart

to lead the strong
You lead us in the song
of Your salvation
And all Your people sing along

Pre-chorus

Chorus 1

Chorus 1

Pre-chorus

Chorus 1

Chorus 2

Yeah Your grace is enough
Heaven reaching down to us
Your grace is enough for me
Your grace is enough
I'm covered in Your love
Your grace is enough for me
For me

Pre-chorus

So remember Your people
Remember Your children
Remember Your promise O God

Chorus 1

Your grace is enough
Your grace is enough
Your grace is enough for me

Verse 2

Great is Your love
and justice God
You use the weak

†DISMISSAL *{Front Center}* (Allie Erickson)

L: Go now in peace, for nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus.

C: Thanks be to God.

REPRISE

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and Jayson's birthday*