



# Contemporary Worship

## May 19, 2024 10:30 AM

### Words of Welcome

### Invocation

Pastor: In the name of God the Father,

**People: who sent the Holy Spirit to help us.**

Pastor: In the name of God the Son,

**People: who died, rose, and advocates for us**

Pastor: In the name of God the Holy Spirit,

**People: who fills our hearts and kindles the fire of our faith. Amen.**

### Opening Words

## Marvelous Light

Into marvelous light I'm running  
Out of darkness out of shame  
Through the cross You are the truth  
You are the life You are the way

I once was fatherless  
A stranger with no hope  
Your kindness wakened me  
Wakened me from my sleep now  
Your love it beckons deeply  
A call to come and die  
By grace now I will come  
And take this life take Your life

Sin has lost its power  
Death has lost its sting  
From the grave You've risen  
Victoriously

My dead heart now is beating  
My deepest stains now clean  
Your breath fills up my lungs  
Now I'm free now I'm free  
My dead heart now is beating  
My deepest stains now clean  
Your breath fills up my lungs  
Now I'm free now I'm free

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## Confession

## **Absolution**

### **I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light**

I want to walk as a child of the light  
I want to follow Jesus  
God set the stars to give light to the world  
The star of my life is Jesus

In Him there is no darkness at all  
The night and the day are both alike  
The Lamb is the light of the city of God  
Shine in my heart Lord Jesus

I want to see the brightness of God  
I want to look at Jesus  
Clear Sun of righteousness shine on my path  
And show me the way to the Father

I'm looking for the coming of Christ  
I want to follow Jesus  
When we have run with patience the race  
We shall know the joy of Jesus

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## **Sharing of the Peace**

## **Children's Message**

## King of Kings

In the darkness we were waiting  
Without hope, without light  
Till from Heaven You came running  
There was mercy in Your eyes  
To fulfill the law and prophets  
To a virgin came the Word  
From a throne of endless glory  
To a cradle in the dirt

Praise the Father, praise the Son  
Praise the Spirit, Three in One  
God of Glory, Majesty  
Praise forever to the King of kings

To reveal the kingdom coming  
And to reconcile the lost  
To redeem the whole creation  
You did not despise the cross  
For even in Your suffering  
You saw to the other side  
Knowing this was our salvation  
Jesus, for our sake You died

And the morning that You rose  
All of heaven held its breath  
Till that stone was moved for good  
For the Lamb had conquered death  
And the dead rose from their tombs  
And the angels stood in awe  
For the souls of all who'd come  
To the Father are restored

And the Church of Christ was born  
Then the Spirit lit the flame  
Now this Gospel truth of old  
Shall not kneel, shall not faint  
By His blood and in His Name  
In His freedom I am free  
For the love of Jesus Christ  
Who has resurrected me

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## Old Testament Reading

## Ezekiel 37:1-14

<sup>1</sup>The hand of the LORD was upon me, and he brought me out in the Spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of the valley; it was full of bones.  
<sup>2</sup>And he led me around among them, and behold, there were very many on the surface of the valley, and behold, they were very dry. <sup>3</sup>And he said to me, "Son of man, can these bones live?" And I answered, "O Lord GOD, you know." <sup>4</sup>Then he said to me, "Prophecy over these bones, and say to them, O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD. <sup>5</sup>Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: Behold, I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. <sup>6</sup>And I will lay sinews upon you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live, and you shall know that I am the LORD."

<sup>7</sup>So I prophesied as I was commanded. And as I prophesied, there was a sound, and behold, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. <sup>8</sup>And I looked, and behold, there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them. But there was no breath in them. <sup>9</sup>Then he said to me, "Prophecy to the breath; prophecy, son of man, and say to the breath, Thus says the Lord GOD: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe on these slain, that they may live." <sup>10</sup>So I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived and stood on their feet, an exceedingly great army.

<sup>11</sup>Then he said to me, “Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. Behold, they say, ‘Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are clean cut off.’ <sup>12</sup>Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: Behold, I will open your graves and raise you from your graves, O my people. And I will bring you into the land of Israel. <sup>13</sup>And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and raise you from your graves, O my people. <sup>14</sup>And I will put my Spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you in your own land. Then you shall know that I am the LORD; I have spoken, and I will do it, declares the LORD.”

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

## Second Reading

## Acts 2:1-21

<sup>1</sup>When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup>And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. <sup>3</sup>And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. <sup>4</sup>And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.

<sup>5</sup>Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. <sup>6</sup>And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. <sup>7</sup>And they were amazed and astonished, saying, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? <sup>8</sup>And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? <sup>9</sup>Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, <sup>10</sup>Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, <sup>11</sup>both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians—we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God.” <sup>12</sup>And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?”

<sup>13</sup>But others mocking said, “They are filled with new wine.”

<sup>14</sup>But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them, “Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words. <sup>15</sup>For these men are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day. <sup>16</sup>But this is what was uttered through the prophet Joel:

<sup>17</sup>“And in the last days it shall be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams; <sup>18</sup>even on my male servants and female servants in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy. <sup>19</sup>And I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke; <sup>20</sup>the sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the day of the Lord comes, the great and magnificent day. <sup>21</sup>And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

**Pastor:** This is the Word of the Lord.

**People:** **Thanks be to God.**

## **Holy Gospel**

**John 15:26–27; 16:4b–15**

**Pastor:** The Holy Gospel according to Saint John, the fifteenth chapter.

**People:** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>26</sup>[Jesus said:] “When the Helper comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father, he will bear witness about me. <sup>27</sup>And you also will bear witness, because you have been with me from the beginning. . . .

“I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. <sup>5</sup>But now I am going to him who sent me, and none of you asks me, ‘Where are you going?’ <sup>6</sup>But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your heart. <sup>7</sup>Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you. But if I go, I will send him to you. <sup>8</sup>And when he comes, he will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment: <sup>9</sup>concerning sin, because they do not believe in me; <sup>10</sup>concerning righteousness, because I go to the Father, and you will see me no longer; <sup>11</sup>concerning judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged.

<sup>12</sup>“I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. <sup>13</sup>When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. <sup>14</sup>He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you. <sup>15</sup>All that the Father has is mine; therefore I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.”

**Pastor:** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**People:** Praise to You, O Christ.

**Sermon: “From Heaven”**

**Acts 2:1-21**  
**Pastor Brad Wellik**





## Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth,  
And in Jesus Christ, his 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 into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From thence he will come to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.  
Amen.

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## **Spirit of the Living God**

Spirit of the living God  
Spirit of the living God  
We only want to hear Your voice  
We're hanging on ev'ry word  
Spirit of the living God  
Spirit of the living God  
We want to know You more and more  
We're hanging on ev'ry word

Come and speak to us O Lord

'Cause when You speak and when You move  
When You do what only You can do  
It changes us  
It changes what we see and what we seek  
When You come in the room  
When You do what only You can do  
It changes us  
It changes what we see and what we seek  
You're changing ev'rything

Spirit of the living God  
Spirit of the living God  
We're leaning in to all You are  
Ev'rything else can wait  
Spirit of the living God  
Spirit of the living God  
Come now and breathe upon our hearts  
Come now and have Your way

**Love One Another**

**MVLS Preschool Students**

**The Lord's Prayer Song**

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**Light of the World (Sing Hallelujah)**

Light of the World Treasure of Heaven  
Brilliant like the stars in the wintery sky  
Joy of the Father reach through the darkness  
Shine across the earth send the shadows to flight

Light of the World from the beginning  
The tragedies of time were no match for Your love  
From great heights of glory You saw my story  
God You entered in and became one of us

Sing hallelujah, sing hallelujah  
Sing hallelujah for the things He has done  
Come and adore Him, bow down before Him  
Sing hallelujah to the Light of the World

Light of the world crown in a manger  
Born for the cross to suffer to save  
High King of Heaven death is the poorer  
We are the richer by the price that He paid

Light of the World soon will be coming  
With fire in His eyes He will ransom His own  
Through clouds He will lead us straight into glory  
And there He shall reign forevermore forevermore

## Baccalaureate Recognition

## MVLCS Staff Recognition & Anniversaries

## Announcements

## Prayer of the Church

### Your Grace is Enough

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

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

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

Great is Your love and justice God of Jacob  
You use the weak to lead the strong  
You lead us in the song of Your salvation  
And all Your people sing along

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## Benediction

**Pastor:** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

**People:** Amen.



**Go Tell**

**MVLS Preschool Students**

## **Dismissal**

**Pastor:** Go in peace and serve the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God, and we will!

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