





**GATHERING HYMN** 

Come Now is the Time to Worship

# Refrain

Come, now is the time to worship. Come, now is the time to give your heart. Come, just as you are to worship. Come, just as you are before your God. Come.

One day every tongue will confess You are God. One day every knee will bow. Still, the greatest treasure remains. For those who gladly choose You now.

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Willingly we choose to surrender our lives, willingly our knees will bow. With all our heart, soul, mind and strength, we gladly choose You now.

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Welcome Hymn continued

All our hope is in You, all our hope is in You; all the glory to You, God, the Light of the world.



Jesus, Messiah; Name above all names; Blessed Redeemer; Emmanuel. The Rescue for sinners, the Ransom from heaven; Jesus, Messiah, Lord of all. Jesus, Messiah, Lord of all. The Lord of all! The Lord of all.

## + PRAYER OF THE DAY

Eternal God, you draw near to us in Christ, and you make yourself our guest. Amid the cares of our lives, make us attentive to your presence, that we may treasure your word above all else, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen. Gathering + Word + Thanksgiving + Sending

# READING

Genesis 3:1-7

<sup>1</sup>Now the serpent was more crafty than any of the wild animals the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God really say, 'You must not eat from any tree in the garden'?"

2 The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat fruit from the trees in the garden, 3 but God did say, 'You must not eat fruit from the tree that is in the middle of the garden, and you must not touch it, or you will die."

4 "You will not certainly die," the serpent said to the woman. 5 "For God knows that when you eat from it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil."

6 When the woman saw that the fruit of the tree was good for food and pleasing to the eye, and also desirable for gaining wisdom, she took some and ate it. She also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it. 7 Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they realized they were naked; so they sewed fig leaves together and made coverings for themselves.

The Word of Lord.

Thanks be to God.





## + SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 10:5

3 Indeed, we live as humans, but do not wage war according to human standards, 4 for the weapons of our warfare are not merely human, but they have divine power to destroy strongholds. We destroy arguments 5 and every proud obstacle raised up against the knowledge of God, and we take

every thought captive to obey Christ.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.



# + HYMN OF THE DAY Give Me Jesus ELW 770 1 In the morning when I rise In the morning when I rise Give me Jesus Give me Jesus Give me Jesus You may have all the rest Give me Jesus 3 Just about the break off day Just about the break off day Just about the break off day Give me Jesus Give me Jesus Give me Jesus Give me Jesus

Hymn of the Day continued

5 And when I want to sing and when I want to sing And when I want to sing Give me Jesus Give me Jesus Give me Jesus You may have all the rest Give me Jesus

### + APOSTLES' CREED

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.



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OFFERTORY RESPONSE

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow ELW 885

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heav'nly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Offertory Response continued

And now let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am rich," because of what the Lord has done for us. And now let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am rich," because of what the Lord has done for us. Give thanks!

## **OFFERTORY PRAYER** Let us pray.

Creator God, in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good and the harvest is plentiful. Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth and our labor, that we may work for the good of all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

## + PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

In solidarity with all creation, we join our voice to the voice of the whole church and pray for the needs of the world.

The petitions conclude: God of grace, hear our prayer.

Trusting in your lovingkindness, we place our prayer and hope in you, in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

# + BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Brief Order for Confession continued

Merciful God, you free us to love others, but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way. You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace, but we turn away from the abundant life you offer. You surround us with patience, kindness,

and generosity, but we grow weary in doing what is right.

Brief Order for Confession continued

In your mercy, forgive us. Do not give up on us. Heal us, break our bonds, and show us the path of life. Amen.
Brief Order for Confession continued

You belong to Christ Jesus and you are God's children through faith. In the cross of ⊕ Christ, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation. Amen.



## + LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray: 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. **COMMUNION HYMN** 

**ELW 496** 

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Communion Hymn continued

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2 Many the gifts, many the works, one in the Lord of all.

Communion Hymn continued

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**3** Grain for the fields, scattered and grown, gathered to one for all.

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## + PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Living One, in this feast you have made yourself known to us. Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory, and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world. Amen. Gathering + Word + Thanksgiving + Sending

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## + BLESSING



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Sending Hymn continued

Have we trials and temptations?
Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged-take it to the Lord in prayer.
Can we find a friend so faithful who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our ev'ry weakness-take it to the Lord in prayer.

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Are we weak and heavy-laden, cumbered with a load of care? Precious Savior, still our refuge--take it to the Lord in prayer. Do your friends despise, forsake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer. In his arms he'll take and shield you; you will find a solace there.

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+ DISMISSAL & VISION

So that we may be the visible presence of Christ in this community. Let us Go in Peace. Thanks be to God.

