

# The Journey of Joseph

July 31, 2022



## **GATHERING MUSIC**

*Shout for Joy, Loud and Long  
All Who Love and Serve Your City*

## **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: We are gathered in the name of God who forms us,  
Jesus who redeems us,  
And the Holy Spirit who renews us.

**All: We are gathered as one body in Christ, to worship, to  
praise, and to receive God's grace in this moment.**

## **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS** Psalm 103

Leader: Let us confess our sins, in the silence of our hearts, to God  
who knows us and loves us.

(silence)

Leader: The Lord works vindication  
and justice for all who are oppressed.  
He made known his ways to Moses,  
his acts to the people of Israel.

**All: The Lord is merciful and gracious,  
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.  
He will not always accuse,  
nor will he keep his anger forever.**

Leader: He does not deal with us according to our sins,  
nor repay us according to our iniquities.

**All: For as the heavens are high above the earth,  
so great is his steadfast love towards those who fear him;  
as far as the east is from the west,  
so far he removes our transgressions from us.**

Leader: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and made new.

**All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

**OPENING SONG WOV 793 *Shout for Joy, Loud and Long***

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**WELCOME/LIFE IN COMMUNITY** Pr. Lauren Dow Wegner  
Backpack Sunday

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE** Pr. Lauren Dow Wegner

**SCRIPTURE STORY... from Genesis 45**

**MESSAGE** Pr. Tim Anderson

**MESSAGE SONG**

**#724 vs 1, 2, 3, 5 *All Who Love and Serve Your City***

**APOSTLES' CREED**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

## THANK OFFERING

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## GENEROSITY IMPACT

### Homelessness Initiative Sheltering Ministry

**ACL's strategy to combat homelessness is focused on four mission points:**

1. **Navigation** – We'll encourage and help unhoused neighbors sign up for "Coordinated Assessment," the first step in transitioning from street to shelter.
2. **Support Teams** – As we interact with unhoused neighbors, our "Necessities Support Team" will provide furniture, clothing, childcare (as available), and other necessities; our "Tech Support Team" will provide facility for SNAP, Social Security, and other registrations.
3. **Use of Church Property and Resources** – In the spirit of Peace Lutheran, we'll leverage unused resources to help unhoused neighbors in transition.
4. **Education, Awareness, Advocacy** – We'll continue to educate ourselves and work with partners, private and public, to be part of the growing effort in Austin to proactively combat homelessness.

## OFFERING PRAYER

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

## **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;  
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 INVITATION**

*As we celebrate this sacrament, all are invited to receive the Risen  
presence of Jesus.*

*God is really present—in bread and wine—forgiving sins and  
promising new life.*

*Bread/wafer— “The body of Christ given for you”;*

*Wine— “The blood of Christ shed for you.”*

## **COMMUNION MUSIC**

10:45 Bell Ensemble

***Shall We Gather at the River***

***How Firm a Foundation***

## **COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER**

## **BENEDICTION**

### **COMMISSIONING SONG #538 *The Lord Now Sends Us Forth***

## **COMMISSIONING**

Leader: Throughout Joseph's story, we have seen God at work, bringing about the revelation of God's faithfulness. We go in peace and in faith, covered in the grace of Jesus, to love and serve the Lord!

**All: Thanks be to God...and We Will!**

## **POSTLUDE *Carillon* Louis Couperin**

## **PRAYERS**

**We pray** for Sandy Nielsen, Rodney Varner and Marie Fortune

**We pray** for family and friends of Shepherd members:

Jim Fink, brother-in-law to Pr. Tom and Jeanne Grevlos

God, we know you never leave us or forsake us. You love your whole creation, and you hold us in that love no matter what comes our way. You hold in love those who have lost their lives in acts of war and violence. You hold in love those who have lost their trust in institutions meant to keep them safe. You hold in love those who have lost their dignity at the hands of those in power. You hold in love those who have lost their joy in a world that feels overcome by despair. We know and trust that you give us hope when we feel hopeless. We know and trust that you are the giver of life and conqueror of death. May we rest in that promise given to us in Jesus Christ.

**We pray** for our global ministry partners: Rev. Karen Castillo in Guatemala; Iglesia Luterana Augustina Virgen del Rosario, Aurora 8 de Octubre, Guatemala. We pray for Malcolm and Joy Henderson and the ministry of CHARIS in Haiti.

**We pray** for our local ministries: Mariposa Family Learning Center, Bread For All and Upbring Ministries.

**We pray** for our faith community, that we may be a church without walls and live out loud...faithfully!

*\*Prayers for family and friends are listed for 2 weeks, unless we are notified otherwise.*

## **WORSHIP TEAM**

**Pastors** Pr. Tom Grevlos, Pr. Lauren Dow Wegner  
**Contemporary Worship Leader** Justin Stephens  
**Director of Worship/Arts** Kevin McClure  
**Flute** (10:45) Kristina Bishop  
**Altar Care** (8:15) Nancy Etzler; (10:45) Ethel Kunze and Lois Qualben  
**Assisting Minister** (8:15) Nancy Etzler; (10:45) Herb Palmer  
**AV** Bill Dawson, Jamie Nichols, Dave Wegner and Peter Forsberg  
**Food For Fellowship** The Wissman Family  
**Hosts** (10:45) Anita Knight, Kristen Murray  
**Admin Ministry Coordinator** Amanda Forsberg  
**Campus Operations** Dave Wegner  
**Creative Media** Dabney Gomes  
**Director of Youth Ministry** Joel Timmons  
**Executive Director** Bill Dawson  
**Finance Controller** Kevin Marlow

***HAVE A BLESSED WEEK!***

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