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PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

My heart exults in the Lord;
my strength is exalted in my God.
There is no Holy One like the Lord,
there is no Rock like our God.
I called upon the Lord in my distress
and cried out to my God for help.
My flesh and my heart may fail,
but God is the strength of my heart.

READING: Isaiah 12:1-6

You will say on that day: I will give thanks to you, O LORD, for though you were angry with me, your anger turned away, and you comforted me. ² Surely God is my salvation; I will trust, and will not be afraid, for the LORD GOD is my strength and my might; he has become my salvation. ³ With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation. ⁴ And you will say on that day: Give thanks to the LORD, call on his name; make

known his deeds among the nations; proclaim that his name is exalted. ⁵ Sing praises to the LORD, for he has done gloriously; let this be known in all the earth. ⁶ Shout aloud and sing for joy, O royal Zion, for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

REFLECTION

May we look and perceive, listen and understand,
turn and be forgiven.

HYMN OF THE DAY "If You But Trust in God to Guide You"

PRAYERS

Let us pray to the Lord, the God in heaven above and on the earth beneath.
O Lord our God, show us your everlasting love,
that we may serve you from the obedience of our hearts.
Lead us in the way of your peace,
that our souls may be restored.
Fill our imaginations with the wonders of your creation,
that our minds may reflect your glory.
Guide us in the way of the cross,
that we might proclaim the strength of your love.

O Lord, there is no God like you, in heaven or on earth, keeping covenant in steadfast love with your servants who walk before you with all their heart. Hear us, O God, and keep teaching us to pray:

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; 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

BLESSING

Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, with all your strength. Keep these words in your heart. Recite them to your children and talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise. Bind them as a sign on your hand, fix them as an emblem on your forehead, and write them on the doorpost of your house.

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, from everlasting to everlasting.

The peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus. **Amen.**

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

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Holy Week 2021 Schedule

- Palm Sunday- We will gather in the parking lot for a Palm Procession at 8:30am. You are welcome to walk around the building (distanced) or to stay in your cars and honk your horns! Worship will continue at 9am online.
- Maundy Thursday- Dinner Church is one of my favorite things and I will be sharing it with you online! We will eat together, share stories about important meals in our lives, do a liturgy for remembrance of communion, and witness the stripping of the altar. You are invited to make spaghetti so that we are all eating the same thing and have bread, water, a candle and a Bible for the remembrance of communion. If you need spaghetti and sauce, reach out and we can provide it. For the best experience, gather on zoom (it will be shared to Facebook, but it won't be as fun there).
- Good Friday- A community worship service will be available on Facebook at noon.
- Easter Sunday- We will gather at Meyerholtz Park (1799 W Riverview) at 7am for Sunrise Easter Worship including Holy Communion. Bring a chair and dress for the weather.
- Easter Worship will be on Facebook and Zoom at 9am with drive thru communion from 10-11am. Bring your own elements if you would like!

Offering

If you are interested, you may sign up for Simply Giving through Vanco by contacting treasurer Julie Kohout, or send your offering to Emanuel Lutheran Church, PO Box 501, Napoleon, OH 43545. **Please do not send cash in the mail!**

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