

SUNDAY, JANUARY 9TH 2022

MODIFIED SERVICE DUE TO COVID

*Lord of the Mountains Lutheran Church is an open,
welcoming and affirming community, fulfilling God's vision of a world
where peace, love, and justice become a reality for all.*

Today, this Sunday, we are challenged by several factors involving the rampant spread of Covid in Summit County. The service has been modified due to absence of those who are ill, those with Covid, and those in quarantine. Music is an integral part of LOTM's worship experience. This Sunday we will practice an absence of music to bring meaning to the departure from our regular worship format. The Worship and Music Committee will meet this week to develop an adaptation of a temporary format for Sunday Worship that will be used until this wave of Covid releases us back to our recent version of new normal. It is with our faith we walk this path, trusting and thanking God for what we have and the community of friends that surround us.

Welcome to Lord of the Mountains Lutheran Church	Amy Simper
Explanation and outline of today's worship service	Amy Simper
First reading: John 1, 1-14	Jim Luellen
Second reading:	Julie Cope
Third reading:	Kevin Clarke
Gospel Reading: Luke 3:15-17,21-22	Pastor Lydia Ziauddin
Pastor Lydia:	The holy gospel according to Luke, chapter 3.
All:	Glory to you, O Lord.

As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire." Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

Pastor Lydia: The Gospel of the Lord.

Reflection Pastor Lydia

All: Thanks be to God!

Anthem *Wade in the Living Water* by Rebecca Fair & Michael Barrett

Reading and reflection: Christy Reinking

Wade in the water. Wade in the water children.
Wade in the water. God is gonna trouble the water.
Follow your dream to the living stream. Wade on in, live again.
The water is grace: it's a healing place. Wade on in, live again.
Come and cool your troubled soul. The mighty Jordan River's
gonna make you whole. Now let the Spirit take control.
Follow your dream to the living stream. The water is grace:
it's a healing place. Wade on in, live again. Come to the waters,
live again. Come to the streams of Living Water.
Come where the healing waters flow. Come to the source,
let your faith be restored. Come to the waters of the Lord!
Follow your guide to the riverside. Wade on in, live again.
The water is life and it's deep and wide. Wade on in, live again.
Plunge into the gospel tide. Leave behind your burdens
and shameful pride. Your every need will be supplied.
Follow your guide to the riverside. Wade on in, live again.
The water is Life, and it's deep wide. Come to the waters
and live again. Follow your guide to the riverside.
Wade on in, live again. Follow your dream to the living stream.
Wade on in, live again. Wade in the water.

Fourth Reading: *Lyrics of: "It is Well With my Soul"* by Horatio Spafford

Read by: Ron Gebhardt'sbauer

Fifth Reading: Matthew 5:2-3 Dave Drake

Prayers of the People

Pastor Lydia: Rooted in Christ and sustained by the Spirit, we offer our prayers for the church the world, and all of creation. *brief silence*

(...at the end of each petition)

Pastor Lydia: Lord, in your compassion,

All: Bring peace to our hearts.

Pastor Lydia (at conclusion of petitions): We commend to you, O Lord, all of our spoken and unspoken concerns always trusting your grace and mercy to sustain, strengthen and uphold us.

All: Amen.

MEAL

Great Thanksgiving and Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks and praise.

Pastor Lydia: As we gather at this table hosted by Jesus, we give thanks and open ourselves to the lavishly given gifts of forgiveness, grace and peace that unite us and ignite us in love.

All: Spirit of God, so guide our minds, so fill our imaginations, so direct our wills that we may be wholly yours and dedicated to follow the challenges of Jesus' love.

Words of Institution

The 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.**

Pastor Lydia: Come to God's table. There is a place for you and enough for all.

Blessing After Communion

Pastor Lydia: Let us pray together.

All: We give you thanks, gracious God, for we have feasted on the abundance of your house. Send us to bring good news and to proclaim your favor to all, strengthened with the richness of your grace in your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Benediction

Pastor Lydia: God, who leads you in pathways of righteousness, who rejoices over you, and who calls you by name, bless your going out and your coming in, today and forever.

All: Amen.

Dismissal

Pastor Lydia: Go with Christ into a weary world. Share the good news.

All: Thanks be to God.