

# St. Ansgar's Lutheran Church

7459 MN-19, Cannon Falls, MN 55009



### Vision Statement

A Welcoming Church focused on Christ, together actively reaching out to the community.

### Mission Statement

Proclaiming God's Love and salvation for everyone through Jesus Christ.

*Please fill out the Member and Visitor sheets in your bulletin and place it in the offering plate so we can connect!*

*Worship Service | Pastor Nancy Dreier*

<b>Acolyte</b>	Carsen Eckhoff	<b>Soundboard</b>	Doug Anderson
<b>Pianist/Organist</b>	Jane Bracken	<b>Computer</b>	Andrew Rapp
<b>Reader</b>	John Hobert	<b>Live Streaming</b>	Paul Jacobson
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Ann R & Lydell	<b>Greeters/Ushers/Bell</b>	Shari, Bill, Jeff & Tony
<b>Offering Counters</b>	Kris & Deb	<b>Contemporary Dir</b>	Doug Anderson
<b>Communion</b>	Pr. Nancy, Jeff, Josh and Megan	<b>Choir Dir</b>	Cindy Hayward

**As a community of faith, we invite you to hold these people in prayer this week:**

Linda Rifemberick, Sue Samuelson, Cindy Hayward, Glenn & Lou Schulz, Marty Dettling, Marcus Cherwinka and Danielle Lingenfelter.

We pray for those who have been called to active military service and for our mission partners

## **Ringling of the Church Bells**

### **Words of Welcome | Announcements**

*(Please stand as you are able.)*

### **Confession & Forgiveness**

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who forgives all our sin,  
whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.**

Let us return to God, confessing our sin in the assurance of God's abiding love.

***Silence is kept for reflection.***

P: Compassionate One,

**C: you are slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love, but our lives do not always reflect you and your love for the world. We do not show others the tender compassion you have shown to us. We do not welcome others with the radical hospitality you grant to all people. We oppress others, even though you have set us free again and again. We squander the abundant gifts of the earth. Transform our lives and guide us again in the way of the cross. Amen.**

P: Beloved in Christ, God's arms are always stretched open wide to welcome the wandering ones home. In Christ your sins are forgiven. You have a place in God's house forever. **Amen.**

### **Gathering Song #1**

### *God of Wonder*

#### **Vs1**

Lord of all creation  
Of water, earth and sky  
The heavens are your Tabernacle  
Glory to the Lord on high

#### **Chorus 1**

God of wonders beyond our galaxy  
You are holy, holy  
The universe declares Your majesty  
You are holy, holy

#### **Chorus 2**

Lord of heaven and earth  
Lord of heaven and earth

#### **Vs2**

Early in the morning  
I will celebrate the light  
And as I stumble in the darkness  
I will call your name on high

#### **Chorus 1**

God of wonders beyond our galaxy  
You are holy, holy  
The universe declares Your majesty  
You are holy, holy

#### **Bridge**

Hallelujah! To the Lord of heaven and earth  
Hallelujah! To the Lord of heaven and earth  
Hallelujah! To the Lord of heaven and earth

***Repeat Chorus 1 then Chorus 2***

**Gathering Song #2**

*Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying*

Lord, listen to your children praying,  
Lord, send your Spirit in this place;  
Lord, listen to your children praying,  
Send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace. Grace! *(Repeat)*

**Greeting**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

**Prayer of the Day**

P: Eternal God,  
C: **your kingdom has broken into our troubled world through the life, death, and resurrection of your Son. Help us to hear your word and obey it, and bring your saving love to fruition in our lives, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

*(Please be seated)*

**Children's Message**

**First Reading – Isaiah 55:1-9**

**Psalm: Psalm 63:1-8**

<sup>1</sup> O God, you are my God; eagerly I seek you;  
my soul thirsts for you, my flesh faints for you, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.

<sup>2</sup> **Therefore I have gazed upon you in your holy place,  
that I might behold your power and your glory.**

<sup>3</sup> For your steadfast love is better than life itself;  
my lips shall give you praise.

<sup>4</sup> **So will I bless you as long as I live  
and lift up my hands in your name.**

<sup>5</sup> My spirit is content, as with the richest of foods,  
and my mouth praises you with joyful lips,

<sup>6</sup> **when I remember you upon my bed,  
and meditate on you in the night watches.**

<sup>7</sup> For you have been my helper,  
and under the shadow of your wings I will rejoice.

<sup>8</sup> **My whole being clings to you;  
your right hand holds me fast.**

SUNDAY, MARCH 23, 2025

*(Please stand as you are able)*

**The Gospel of Luke 13:1-9**

3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY IN LENT

(This is the Word of the Lord / **Thanks be to God**)

*(Please be seated)*

**Sermon**

**Pastor Nancy Dreier**

**Song of the Day**

*At Your Name*

**Verse 1**

At Your name the mountains shake and crumble  
At Your name the oceans roar and tumble  
At Your name angels will bow  
the earth will rejoice  
Your people cry out

**Chorus**

Lord of all the earth  
we shout Your name shout Your name  
Filling up the skies  
with endless praise endless praise  
Yahweh Yahweh  
We love to shout Your name oh Lord

**Verse 2**

At Your name the morning breaks in glory  
At Your name creation sings Your story  
At Your name angels will bow  
the earth will rejoice  
Your people cry out

**Chorus**

Lord of all the earth  
we shout Your name Shout Your name  
Filling up the skies with endless praise endless praise  
Yahweh Yahweh  
We love to shout Your name oh Lord

**Bridge 1a**

There is no one like our God  
We will praise You praise You  
There's no one like our God  
We will sing we will sing

**Bridge1b**

There is no one like our God  
We will praise You praise You  
There's no one like our God  
We will sing

**Chorus**

Lord of all the earth  
we shout Your name Shout Your name  
Filling up the skies with endless praise  
Endless praise  
Yahweh Yahweh  
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### **Apostles' Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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.**

### **Prayers of the People**

*(Lord in your mercy / Receive our Prayer)*

### **Invitation to Communion**

P: People of God...

we all belong to this table and that Jesus is here.

P: So, if we come to this table angry,

**C: Let this bread and wine be our peace.**

P: If we come to this table broken,

**C: Let this bread and wine be our grace.**

P: If we come to the table betrayed,

**C: Let this bread and wine be our wholeness.**

P: If we come to the table in despair,

**C: Let this bread and wine be our life.**

P: For this is holy table, with food to fill the hungry world and wine to quench thirsty hearts.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### **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.**

### **Invitation to Communion and Offering**

\*Today we will be receiving communion and giving our offering at the same time.

Please bring your offering forward when you come to commune.

*(Please be seated)*

**Communion and Offering Music**    *O Sacred Hand Now Wounded | Lamb of God*

*(Please stand as you are able)*

**Prayer after Communion**

**P:** Generous Host,

**C:** **you have shared your feast with us and made us new.**

**Send us now to set tables of love and grace in our communities,  
that your liberating love might nourish the world into freedom,  
in the name of the crucified one, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**Benediction**

**Closing Song**

*I Lift My Eyes Up*

**V1a**

I lift my eyes up to the mountains  
Where does my help come from  
My help comes from You maker of heaven  
Creator of the earth

**V1b**

I lift my eyes up to the mountains  
Where does my help come from  
My help comes from You maker of heaven  
Creator of the earth

**Chorus 1a**

Oh how I need You Lord  
You are my only hope  
You're my only prayer  
So I will wait for You  
To come and rescue me  
Come and give me life. Life.

**V1b**

I lift my eyes up to the mountains  
Where does my help come from  
My help comes from You maker of heaven  
Creator of the earth

**Chorus 1b**

Oh how I need You Lord  
You are my only hope  
You're my only prayer  
So I will wait for You  
To come and rescue me  
Come and give me life

**V1a**

I lift my eyes up to the mountains  
Where does my help come from  
My help comes from You maker of heaven  
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**Dismissal**

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

**Postlude**

*Covenant Hymn*

**Parish Announcements:**

**March Globe Offering:** March is Minnesota Food Share month, and we will be collecting items for our local food shelf. Cash donations are also welcomed. The Mission Team thanks you for all of your support.

*Please help us fill our Easter eggs located in the narthex for our Easter Egg hunt on April 19!*

**Sunday, March 30th Worship Leaders**

<b>Acolyte</b>	Autumn Gagnon	<b>Reader</b>	Barbara Middaugh
<b>Soundboard</b>	Bob Durdahl	<b>Computer</b>	Logan Otto
<b>Live Streaming</b>	Bob Durdahl	<b>Pianist/Organist</b>	Jane Bracken
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Ann Rapp and Lydell Reinardy		
<b>Offering Counters</b>	Debra & Mary	<b>Contemporary Dir</b>	Doug Anderson
<b>Greeters/Ushers/Bell</b>	Dallas, Linda, Kirk and Deb <i>(one person to ring bell)</i>		
<b>Chancel Choir Dir</b>	Cindy Hayward		

**Weekly Church Calendar**

<b>Monday (3/24)</b>	6:30pm Cub Scouts 7pm Ruth Circle
<b>Tuesday (3/25)</b>	7am Lydia Prayer
<b>Wednesday (3/26)</b>	5:30pm Soup Supper 6:30pm Holden Evening Prayer 7:45pm Choir Rehearsal
<b>Saturday (3/29)</b>	7am Men's Bible Study
<b>Sunday (3/30)</b>	9:30am Worship 3pm CVRO Concert @ St. Ansgar's

**St. Ansgar's Lutheran Church Staff**

Megan Hansen, Executive President  
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and Jeff Samuelson