



Celebration Lutheran Church

April 8, 2018
8am & 10:30am

Service of the Word

GATHERING

THE HOLY SPIRIT CALLS US TOGETHER AS THE PEOPLE OF GOD.

WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (p.211)

GATHERING SONG **Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing** (ELW #389)

GREETING *We greet one another in the name of God.*

GLORY TO GOD (p.213)

PRAYER OF THE DAY (p.215)

THE WORD

GOD SPEAKS TO US IN SCRIPTURE, PREACHING AND SONG.

FIRST READING Acts 4:32-35
After the reading:
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING 1 John 1:1 – 2:2
After the reading:
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *We stand to welcome the gospel.* (p.216)

GOSPEL READING John 20:19-31
The gospel according to... **Glory to you, O Lord.**
After the reading:
The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

VIDEO The Skit Guys "My God is so Big"

WORD SONG **We Walk By Faith** (ELW#635)

OUR RESPONSE

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD IN ACTION, PRAYER, AND PEACE.

APOSTLES' CREED (p. 217)

PRAYER UPDATES

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH *The Lay Assistant will offer a "bid" to direct your prayer, followed by a time of silence. You are free to pray as you will.*

PEACE The peace of Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

You are invited to share a word and/or gesture of Christ's peace with your worshiping neighbor. "Peace be with you," "God's peace," and other words are appropriate. Hand shakes, hugs, and the kiss of peace is also appropriate.

OFFERING *We receive your tithes and offerings for the church's mission as a sign of the giving of our whole selves in grateful response for all of God's gifts.*

CANTICLE OF THANKSGIVING (p. 219)

THANKSGIVING FOR THE WORD (p. 220)

LORD'S PRAYER (p. 221)

SENDING

GOD BLESSES US AND SENDS US IN MISSION TO THE WORLD.

ANNOUNCEMENTS *Opportunities for deepening discipleship are shared.*

BENEDICTION

SENDING SONG **Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing!** (ELW#385)

STOW *We "stow" the gospel in our heart for the week.*
Jesus came among them and said, "Peace be with you." John 20:19c

DISMISSAL Go in Peace. Christ is with you. **Thanks be to God.**