



Jazz Worship for the Season of Creation ~ Fall 2018  
New Life Lutheran Church, Dripping Springs, Texas  
*Arrangements and original compositions by Jon Ailabouni*

**A Service of HOLY COMMUNION in Communion with Nature**  
*green - pattern of worship; black - spoken by leader; bold -  
spoken by assembly; blue - instructions for leaders*

**Announcements** - *New Life leader*

GATHERING - *The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God*

**Silence** - *pastor*

Welcome to worship under the oak trees/under the tent, out in God's good creation. We begin with a moment of silence to be present in this place.

*Silence.*

Our call to worship is printed in your booklets.

**Call to Worship** - *assisting minister*  
*Psalms 95:1-7*

Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord; let us shout aloud to the rock of our salvation!

**Let us come before God with thanksgiving, and extol our Creator with music and song!**

For the Lord is a great God, and a ruler above all gods.

**In God's hand are the depths of the earth; and the mountain peaks belong to God.**

The sea is God's, for God made it, and God's hands formed the dry land.

**Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the Lord our maker!**

For this is our God, and we are the people of God's pasture, and the flock under God's care.

**Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord; let us shout aloud to the rock of our salvation!**

**Gathering Song** - pastor

Great Is Thy Faithfulness (#733 red song book, musical arr. Jon Ailabouni) (all three verses)

Our gathering song is number 733, "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

**Greeting** - pastor

The grace of 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** - pastor

We sing our prayer together today, on this glorious morning. Let us pray.

My Lord What A Morning (#438 red song book, musical arr. Jon Ailabouni)  
(chorus, prayer (spoken), v.1, chorus)



**My Lord, what a morning;  
my Lord, what a morning;  
oh, my Lord, what a morning, when the stars begin to fall.**

*Spoken prayer, followed by Amen.*

**You will hear the trumpet sound, to wake the nations underground, looking to my God's right hand, when the stars begin to fall. Refrain.**

**My Lord, what a morning;  
my Lord, what a morning;  
oh, my Lord, what a morning, when the stars begin to fall.**

*WORD God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song*

**Hebrew Bible Reading** - reader

*(before the reading)* A reading from \_\_\_\_\_ [book of Bible].

*(after the reading)* Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm** - cantor

*We respond with the words of Psalm 145. (refrain, verse 1, refrain, verse 2, refrain)*

The eyes of all look to you, and you give them their food in due seas - on

*Response composition: Jon Ailabouni*

### **New Testament Reading** - reader

*(before the reading)* A reading from \_\_\_\_\_ [book of Bible].

*(after the reading)* Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **Gospel Alleluia** - pastor

*Aleluya Christo Resucito (#375 red song book, musical arr. Jon Ailabouni)*

*(1 time through refrain for intro, chorus 3x through)*

Please stand for the reading of the Gospel. In the reading of the gospel, Christ is present here.



**A-le-lu-ia! Christ is arisen.  
Bright is the dawning of the Lord's day.**

**¡A-le-lu-ya! Cris-to re-su-ci-tó  
de ma-dru-ga-da el do-min-go.**

**A-le-lu-ia! Christ is arisen.  
Bright is the dawning of the Lord's day.**

### **Gospel Reading** - pastor

*(before the reading)* The holy gospel according to \_\_\_\_\_ [gospel].

*(after the reading)* The gospel of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **Children's Message** - pastor or other

### **Sermon** - pastor

### **Song of the Day** *varies - usually from the red song book - pastor*

Please stand and join in singing our song of the day, number \_\_\_\_.

*(On work Sundays, choir anthem is song of the day.)*



**Prayers of the People** - *assisting minister*

For The Beauty Of The Earth (#879 red song book, verses 1, 4, 5: *musical arr. Jon Ailabouni*)

As we pray together the prayers of the people, our response will be a verse from the song, "For the Beauty of the Earth." We will alternate singing and the petitions.

God, hear the prayers of your children:



**For the beauty of the earth  
for the glory of the skies,  
for the love which from our birth  
over and around us lies:  
Christ, our God, to thee we raise  
this our sacrifice of praise.**

*Prayer petition 1*

**For the joy of human love,  
brother, sister, parent, child,  
friends on earth and friends above;  
For all gentle thoughts and mild.  
Christ, our God, to thee we raise  
this our sacrifice of praise.**

*Prayer petition 2*

**For each perfect gift of thine,  
peace on earth and joy in heav'n;  
for thyself, best gift divine,  
to our world so freely giv'n:  
Christ, our God, to thee we raise  
this our sacrifice of praise.**

All these prayers we offer to you, Creator God, knowing that you love and care for us, and that you are with us in all that we do.

In Jesus' name we pray,

**Amen.**

**Peace** - *assisting minister*

The peace of Christ be with you all.

**And also with you.**

Let us share a sign of God's peace.

*MEAL - God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ*

**Offering** - *pastor + special music or instrumental music from musicians*

We collect an offering for the work of the church. You can also give online at our website, [NewLifeDrippingSprings.org](http://NewLifeDrippingSprings.org). During this time we also have a music offering.

**Doxology** (ELW #885, *musical arr. Jon Ailabouni*) - *pastor*

Please stand as we receive our offerings and sing the Doxology to praise God for the gifts we have been given.



**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise God, all creatures here below;  
praise God above ye heav'nly host;  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.**

*\*On work Sundays, go from here to the Lord's Prayer. [On work Sundays, our work is part of our worship, and we have communion at the work site.]*

**Thanksgiving at the Table** - *cantor + pastor*  
*Great Thanksgiving - composed by Jon Ailabouni*

We sing our thanks to God, printed in your booklet, followed by our Holy, Holy, which is #525 in the red song book



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 our thanks and praise.**



## Holy Holy

You Are Holy (#525 red song book, *musical arr. Jon Ailabouni* - twice through)

Holy God, holy imaginative God, you set your tree of life in the center, enlivening the barrenness, breathing spirit across the dust. You created wholeness. Holy God, holy compassionate God, you saw our brokenness and planted once again in the center the tree of life, the cross from which Christ rose to save and heal us. You reclaimed wholeness. Holy Christ, holy healing Christ.

## Words of Institution - *pastor*

Holy god, holy generous God, we remember Christ's life and death, his resurrection and ascension which renew the face of the earth. We give back to you what you have given us in creation, bread and wine, wheat and grapes. We wait for Christ to come in glory.

Holy God, holy Spirit of God, shape us together in this earth of the Texas Hill Country, in the limestone soil and the watershed of the Colorado River and Barton Creek, in the sunshine and the wind, in animal and human faces. Send your Spirit that we may share your bounty with the whole creation.

To you , Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer, + be all honor and glory,  
**Amen**

In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

With this bread and cup, we remember Christ's life among us;  
his association with outcasts, his eating with sinners,  
his healing of the sick, his care for the poor.

## Communion - *pastor / instrumental music*

Come forward as you are ready. The bread is baked by members of our community and is gluten free. The wine is red [and is made from wild grapes that grow here on the land] and grape juice is white. You can sip from the cup or dip the bread into the cup--you can't do it wrong. Everyone is welcome to have communion.

Come to the banquet, for everything is now ready. ([Luke 14:17](#))

Bread is broken. Pastor gives bread, saying, "The Body of Christ, for you." Assisting minister holds the wine asks a communion assistant to help with the grape juice, saying "The blood of Christ, shed for you." Leaders commune those with mobility issues and musicians after the assembly and before communing each other.

**Lord's Prayer** - *assisting minister*

*\*on work Sundays, resume here.*

Please stand, and let us pray in the words Jesus taught us. You can pray in whatever language or version of this prayer that is closest to your heart.

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen.**

*SENDING - God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world*

**Blessing** - *pastor*

May God who established the dance of creation,  
Who marveled at the lilies of the field,  
Who transforms chaos to order, +  
Lead us to transform our lives and the Church  
To reflect God's glory in creation.  
**Amen.**

Our sending song is number 439, "Soon and Very Soon." There are instruments in the basket for children - and anyone who wants - to play along!



## **Sending Song**

Soon And Very Soon (red song book #439, musical arr. Jon Ailabouni)

**Dismissal** - *assisting minister*

Go in peace to care for the earth and serve God's people.

And all God's people said

**Amen.**

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