

July 27th, 2025  
Seventh Sunday after Pentecost  
10:30am



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# HOLY COMMUNION

*Please silence your phones during worship service*

## GATHERING

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

### PRELUDE

Jacob Wilson

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,  
who forgives all our sin,  
whose mercy endures forever.

**Amen.**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires  
known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the  
thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,  
that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your  
holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one  
another.

*Silence for Reflection*

Most merciful God,  
**we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free  
ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word,  
and deed, by what we have done and by what we have  
left undone. We have not loved you with our whole  
heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.  
Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight  
in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your  
holy name. Amen.**

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **Amen.**

*You are invited to stand as able.*

**GATHERING SONG** ELW #528

### Come and Fill Our Hearts *Confitemini Domino*

*Con - fi - te - mi - ni Do - mi - no quo - ni - am bo - nus.*  
 Come and fill our hearts with your peace. You a-lone, O Lord, are ho - ly.

*Con - fi - te - mi - ni Do - mi - no. Al - le - lu - ia!*  
 Come and fill our hearts with your peace. Al - le - lu - ia!

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## 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.**

## KYRIE

The musical score for the Kyrie is presented on three staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The first staff is labeled 'Leader' and the second and third staves are labeled 'Assembly'. The lyrics are: 'Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.' for the first staff, 'Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.' for the second staff, and 'Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.' for the third staff. The music consists of a simple melody with quarter and eighth notes, and rests, with lyrics placed below the notes.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

**Almighty and ever-living God, you are always more ready to hear than we are to pray, and you gladly give more than we either desire or deserve. Pour upon us your abundant mercy. Forgive us those things that weigh on our conscience, and give us those good things that come only through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

**Amen.**



## WORD

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

### FIRST READING

Genesis 18:20-32

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### PSALM

Psalm 138

- <sup>1</sup> I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with my whole heart;  
before the gods I will sing your praise.
- <sup>2</sup> **I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise  
your name, because of your steadfast love and  
faithfulness; for you have glorified your name  
and your word above all things.**
- <sup>3</sup> When I called, you answered me;  
you increased my strength within me.
- <sup>4</sup> **All the rulers of the earth will praise you, O LORD,  
when they have heard the words of your mouth.**
- <sup>5</sup> They will sing of the ways of the LORD,  
that great is the glory of the LORD.
- <sup>6</sup> **The LORD is high, yet cares for the lowly,  
perceiving the haughty from afar.**
- <sup>7</sup> Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe;  
you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my  
enemies; your right hand shall save me.
- <sup>8</sup> **You will make good your purpose for me;  
O LORD, your steadfast love endures forever;  
do not abandon the works of your hands.**

## SECOND READING

Colossians 2:6-15 [16-19]

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## CHILDREN'S TIME

*You are invited to stand as able.*

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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Al-le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al-le - lu - ia.  
Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.  
Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## GOSPEL

The holy gospel according to Luke, the 11th chapter

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

Luke 11:1-13

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## SERMON

*You are invited to stand as able.*

**HYMN OF THE DAY**      **ELW #752**

### Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying



Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, Lord, send your Spir-it in this place;



Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.

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Music: CHILDREN PRAYING, Ken Medema

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## **APOSTLES' CREED**

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

*Each portion of the prayers ends:*

God of grace,

**hear our prayer.**

*The prayers conclude:*

Gather all our prayers in your mercy, O God, through Jesus Christ, our Savior. **Amen.**



## **PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*The people greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say "peace be with you," or similar words.*

*Please be seated.*

## **MEAL**

*God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.*

## **OFFERING**

*An offering is received for the mission of the church.*

**SOLO** - Phil Karlstad

"Because He Lives"

## OFFERING SONG

*You are invited to stand as able.*

### Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful

#### *Offering Song*

The musical score is written on five staves in a single system. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is written in a soprano or alto clef. The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across notes. The score ends with a double bar line.

Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of  
bless-ing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that  
we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of  
all; u - nite them with the prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble  
with your pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

## OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

**Creator God,**

**in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good  
and the harvest is plentiful.**

**Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth  
and our labor,**

**that we may work for the good of all;**

**through Jesus Christ, our Savior.**

**Amen.**

## **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

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.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,  
that we should at all times and in all places  
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,  
through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame  
death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection  
opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all  
the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts  
of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending  
hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
 heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo-ry. Ho -  
 san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -  
 est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
 san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father:  
 Endless is your mercy and eternal your reign.  
 You have filled all creation with light and life;  
 heaven and earth are full of your glory.

We praise you for the grace shown to your people in every age:  
 the promise to Israel,  
 the rescue from Egypt,  
 the gift of the promised land,  
 the words of the prophets;  
 and, at this end of all the ages, the gift of your Son,  
 who proclaimed the good news in word and deed  
 and was obedient to your will, even to giving his life.



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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup,  
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup  
we remember the life our Lord offered for us.  
And, believing the witness of his resurrection,  
we await his coming in power  
to share with us the great and promised feast.  
**Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit,  
that we who share in Christ's body and blood  
may live to the praise of your glory  
and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.  
**Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.**

Join our prayers with those of your servants  
of every time and every place,  
and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great  
high priest  
until he comes as victorious Lord of all.  
Through him, with him, in him,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father,  
now and forever.  
**Amen.**

#### **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.**

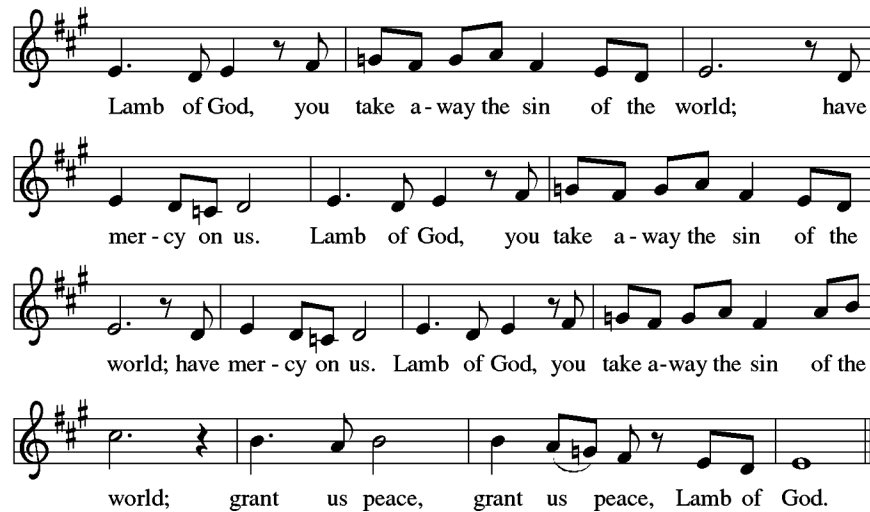
*Please be seated.*

#### **COMMUNION**

*All are welcome at Christ's table. Come forward by the center aisle at the usher's invitation. Those not yet communing will receive a blessing. Bread will be placed in your open hands. Grape juice is in the pink glasses in the center of the tray encircled by wine in clear glasses. Individual communion packets are available near the entrance for those who prefer them.*

## COMMUNION SONG

*You are invited to stand as able.*



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the  
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the  
world; grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

## POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

**Mothering God,  
you gathered us to your table  
and we drank deeply of your grace.  
Send us out by your Spirit  
to love our neighbors as ourselves  
and proclaim your love in Jesus' name.  
Amen.**

## SENDING

*God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.*

## BLESSING

The love of God abound in you;  
the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts;  
and the life of the Spirit  
✠ bless you and give you peace.  
**Amen.**

## SENDING SONG    ELW# 543

### Go, My Children, with My Blessing



- 1 "Go, my chil - dren, with my bless-ing, nev - er a - lone.
- 2 "Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure.
- 3 "Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour-ished, clos - er to me.



Wak - ing, sleep - ing, I am with you, you are my own.  
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.  
Grow in love and love by serv-ing, joy - ful and free.



In my love's bap-tis - mal riv - er I have made you mine for-ev - er.  
Here you heard my dear Son's sto - ry, here you touched him, saw his glo - ry.  
Here my Spir - it's pow - er filled you, here my ten - der com-fort stilled you.



Go, my chil - dren, with my bless-ing, you are my own."  
Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure."  
Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour-ished, joy - ful and free."

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Music: AR HYD Y NOS, Welsh traditional  
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## DISMISSAL

Go in Peace. Live by the Spirit.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE

Jane Fanucci

### **Worship Assistants**

Announcements:	Chet Madison
Altar Care:	Connie Reule
Communion Servers:	Peggy Moser, Linda Duffek, & Rosabella Lydia Hamilton
Prayer Leader:	Shirley Prouty
Psalms Leader:	Stephanie Espinoza
Reader:	Kirsten Ireton
Refreshments:	Mack & Carole Vance
Song Leader:	Karen Linfor
Usher:	Bill Myers



**Flowers Today Provided by:**  
*Rosie Brown*

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### **THIS WEEK AT ST. LUKE'S** **July 27- August 2, 2025**

Today	Holy Communion	10:30 am
Monday	Soul Sisters - Room 4	12:00 pm
Tuesday	Bible Study - Zoom	10:30 am



## **BLESSING BAG ITEM COLLECTION DRIVE FOR THE UNHOUSED**

Item collection Tabs for the Blessing Bags are now available in the Narthex. Stop by the table near the entrance and pick up a tab or 2 either before or after the Service. Drop off your donations in the back of the Sanctuary underneath the 'Shepard Jesus' starting **Sunday, July 6 through Sunday, August 31**. Please see the July News & Views for more information about this project. Details about the assembly and actual blessing of the bags as well as the blessing bag recipients will be provided in future News & Views and Sunday Service Bulletins. Contact anyone on the Community Concerns Board if you have questions (Kathleen Arndt, Linda Duffek, Cathy Davis/Gaylen Everett, Triss Hoppman, Faith Thomas).

Thank You!  
Community Concerns Board

## Do you have concerns about falling?

Many older adults experience concerns about falling and restrict their activities. A Matter of Balance is an award-winning program designed to manage falls and increase activity levels.



**This program is FREE to the community and emphasizes practical strategies to manage falls.**

### You will learn to:

- view falls as controllable
- set goals for increasing activity
- make changes to reduce fall risks at home
- exercise to increase strength
- and balance

### Who should attend?

- anyone concerned about falls
- anyone interested in improving balance, flexibility and strength
- anyone who has fallen in the past
- anyone who has restricted activities because of falling concerns



### 2025 Class Dates:

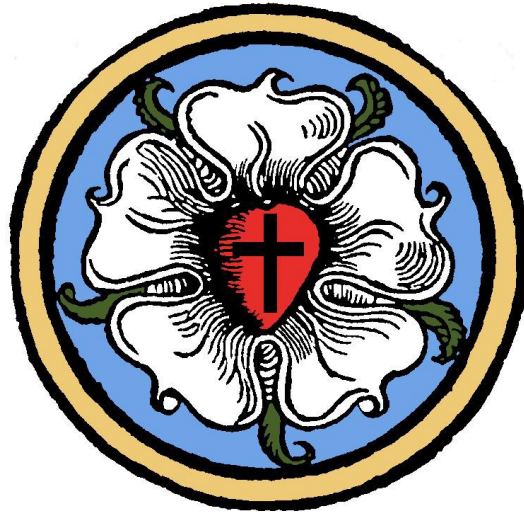
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10 a.m. — 12 p.m.  
September 3, 10, 17, 24  
October 1, 8, 15, 22

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Through the power of the Holy Spirit,  
we accept God's call to  
spread the Good News,  
serve those in need,  
and share the Victory of Jesus Christ  
throughout the world.

-St. Luke's Mission Statement