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HOLY COMMUNION:

All baptized Christians are invited to share in Holy Communion. In this sacrament by the power of God’s Word and the Holy Spirit, we receive the body and blood of Jesus Christ, along with the bread and wine. Those individuals who do not wish to receive wine may receive grape juice. Wine is poured into the empty glasses. The prefilled glasses have grape juice. If mobility is a problem, please inform the usher and communion will be brought to you. Please advise the Pastor if you would like Gluten Free Wafers for communion

BOOKMARK:

Everyone is asked to fill out the bookmark found in today’s bulletin and place it in the offering plate located at the front of the church.

**NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
AUGUST 10, 2025**

P: Presiding Minister
ELW: Red Hymnal

A: Assisting Minister

C: CONGREGATION

**Stand if you are able*

Prelude **Andre Raison (1650 – 1714), *Passacaglia***

Welcome

+++SERVICE OF PREPARATION+++

*** Confession and Forgiveness**

P In the name of the Father,
 and of the ✠ Son,
 and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.
 Merciful God,

**C you free us to love others,
 but we can neglect our neighbors and follow our own way.
 You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace,
 but we often turn away from the abundant life you offer.
 You surround us with patience, kindness,
 and generosity,
 but we grow weary in doing what is right.
 In your mercy, forgive us.
 Do not give up on us.
 Heal us, break our bonds,
 and show us the path of life.
 Amen.**

P You belong to Christ Jesus
 and you are God's children through faith.
 In the cross of ✠ Christ,
 and through the power of the Holy Spirit,
 your sins are forgiven.
 Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation.

C **Amen.**

Opening Hymn

Earth and All Stars!

ELW 731 (vs 1-3)

+++LITURGY OF THE WORD+++

*** Apostolic Greeting**

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

C **And also with you.**

*** Hymn of Praise**



- 1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:
Son of God and gra-cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;
Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.
Hear our prayer; re - store, for-give us; in your prom-ise firm we stand.
For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

* Prayer of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray,

Almighty God, you sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your church.

Open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may be ready to receive you wherever you appear, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C **Amen.**

First Reading

Genesis 15:1-6

God promises childless and aging Abram that a child of his own will be his heir and that his descendants will number as many as the stars. Abram trusts God's promise, and through this faith he is considered righteous.

¹ After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." ² But Abram said, "O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" ³ And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." ⁴ But the word of the LORD came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." ⁵ He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." ⁶ And he believed the LORD, and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness.

Word of God. Word of Life.

C Thanks be to God.

Psalm 33:12-22

(WE READ RESPONSIVELY)

¹² Happy is the nation whose God is the Lord!
Happy the people chosen to be God's heritage!

¹³ **The Lord looks down from heaven,
and sees all humankind.**

¹⁴ God sits firmly enthroned and watches
all who dwell on the earth.

¹⁵ **God fashions all their hearts
and observes all their deeds.**

¹⁶ A king is not saved by the size of the army,
nor are warriors rescued by their great strength.

¹⁷ **The horse gives vain hope for victory;
despite its great strength it cannot save.**

¹⁸ Truly, your eye is upon those who fear you, O Lord,

upon those who wait for your steadfast love,
¹⁹ **to deliver their lives from death,
and to keep them alive in time of famine.**
²⁰ Our innermost being waits for you, O Lord,
our helper and our shield.
²¹ **Surely, our heart rejoices in you,
for in your holy name we put our trust.**
²² Let your lovingkindness, O Lord, be upon us,
even as we place our hope in you.

Second Reading

Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

Abraham and Sarah exemplify the vision of faith that people of God enact in every age. Their hope and trust in God's promise allowed them to face an unknown future and to receive the promise of God.

¹ Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. ² Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. ³ By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.

⁸ By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance, and he set out, not knowing where he was going. ⁹ By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. ¹⁰ For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. ¹¹ By faith, with Sarah's involvement, he received power of procreation, even though he was too old, because he considered him faithful who had promised. ¹² Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, "as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore."

¹³ All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, ¹⁴ for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. ¹⁵ If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. ¹⁶ But as it is, they desire a better homeland, that is, a

heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

Word of God. Word of Life.

C Thanks be to God.

Please stand, as you are able, for the reading of The Gospel

*** Alleluia Verse**



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

P The Gospel according to Luke the 12th chapter

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

*** Holy Gospel**

Luke 12:32-40

Jesus encourages disciples to invest their hearts and live fully into God's reign. Instead of facing life with fear, those who know God's generosity are always ready to receive from God and to give to others.

[Jesus said:] ³² "Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. ³³ Sell your possessions and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that

do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. ³⁴ For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

³⁵ “Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; ³⁶ be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. ³⁷ Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. ³⁸ If he comes during the middle of the night or near dawn and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

³⁹ “But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. ⁴⁰ You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.”

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

The Rev. Meheret Caruthers

*** Hymn of the Day**

O Master, Let Me Walk with You

ELW 818

*** Apostles' Creed**

C 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 the Church**

A As part of all creation, we join our voice to the voice of the whole church and pray for the needs of the world.

A brief silence

Each petition will end with "God of grace."

C The congregation will respond with, "**Hear our prayer.**"

P Trusting in your loving kindness, we place our prayer and hope in you, in the name of Jesus Christ.

C **Amen.**

*** Sharing of the Peace**

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

+ + + LITURGY OF THE MEAL + + +

Offering Reminder / The Offering is collected by the ushers at 10:00am

*** Offertory**

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

ELW 885

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.

*** Offertory Prayer**

A 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.

C **Amen.**

*** The Great Thanksgiving**

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

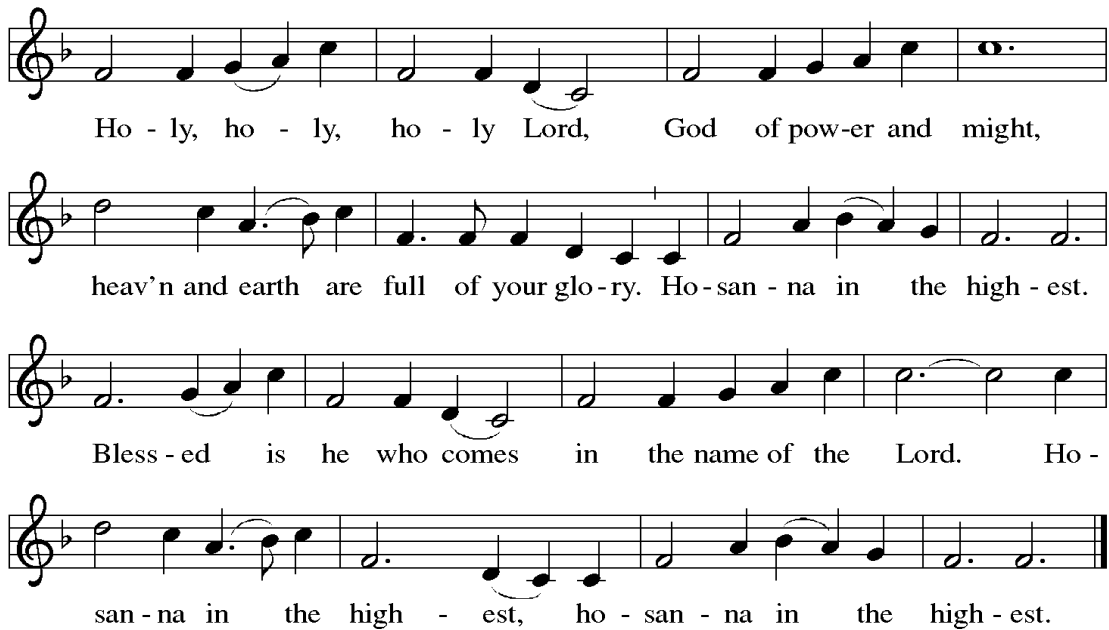
P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

*** Preface**

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:

* Sanctus



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

* Eucharistic Prayer

P Blessed are you, O God,
creator of heaven and earth.
You rescued your covenant people,
led them on all their journeys,
and taught them by the prophets.
You so loved the world
that you gave your only Son,
so that everyone who believes in him
may not perish but may have eternal 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.

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

C Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P Pour out your Holy Spirit
in this meal,
and make us one
in this community of faith
and with your people
throughout the world.

Glory and praise to you, O God,
Author of life,
Word made flesh,
Power of the Most High,
now and forever.

C Amen.

*** 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

P The kingdom of God is set before you.
Eat and rejoice.

+ + + COMMUNION + + +

Please sing the Agnus Dei before coming to the altar for communion

* Agnus Dei (Lamb of God)



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

Communion Hymn

Here I am, Lord

ELW 574

*** Post-Communion Blessing**

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C **Amen.**

*** Post-Communion Prayer**

A 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.

C **Amen.**

Preparation for Ministry-Parish Announcements

*** Blessing**

P 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.

C **Amen.**

*** Closing Hymn**

O God, Our Help in Ages Past

ELW 543 (vs 1-4)

*** Dismissal**

A Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

**Francois Couperin (1668 – 1732),
*Recit from the Mass for the Convents***

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ASSISTING IN TODAY'S SERVICE:**Assisting Ministers:****8:30 AM Bernie Bigham****10:00 AM Tom Arentz****Lectors:****8:30 AM Kathy Gunkel****10:00 AM Dee Joyce****Communion Assistants:****8:30 AM Kathy Gunkel & Melanie Rutkauskas****10:00 AM Beth Doerflein & Michele Jecelin****Ushers:****10:00 AM Wayne Doerflein & Joe Wiegand****Altar Guild:****8:30 AM Cindy Alt & Linda Bayliss****10:00 AM Michele Jecelin & Paulette Molz****Counters:****Melissa Arentz & Michele Jecelin****ASSISTING NEXT WEEK:**

Skip Kordula

Michele Jecelin

Andrea Fuller

Colin Lewis

Andrea Fuller & Lynn Weber

Beth Kirtland & Stewart Majerowicz

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Prayerful Community

Throughout Scripture, we are invited to pray to God in all kinds of circumstances for all kinds of reasons. We ask God to guide us in our prayers for the church and for those in need. Join in and pray for those groups and friends listed below so that together we may ask for God's help and guidance for those in need.

Ashun & Turkson Families, Pious Ashun, Jacob – Aaron – Kira – Elias – Seth – Raina & Leah Brzezinski, Mary Clark, Susan Clingan, Christian Cobbinah, Kim & John Cornelius, Families and children around the world and in war countries, Family of Devon, Wayne Doerflein, Donna Doucet, Chris Fry, Phyllis Gray, Dennis (Denny) Gurney, Charles Hood, Mandi, Molly, June Romeo, Kelly Romeo, Carl, Patricia & Lawrence Scudder, Ellen Jane & Jim Ward, Robert Warner, Karen Wilhelm, Friends & Family of Joe Woika.

Thank you for praying for those listed during the week.

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS:

Those serving in the Military in all theaters and their families:

Anthony J. Aguilar, Tristan Armiger, Ryan Bailey, Timothy Buhrman-Hall, Eric Dillion, Andrew Evans, Brent Gooding, Lucas Gooding, Nicholas Gugliuzza, Nathan Jecelin, Madison Johnson, Greg Majerowicz, Austin Machin, Robert Marotti, Brandon Oldham, Keith Richards, Robert Ritter, Louis Peter Romeo IV, Cayden Samuels, Wesley Schools, Howard Stephens, Giovanni Valdez, Michael Violanti, Kendra Violanti, Eric Warthen, Jr., Amanda Williams, Chad Workman, James "Paul" Worth, Frank Worsham, Jr.

Prayer for our troops: Lord, please hold our troops in your loving hands.

Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. Amen.

UPCOMING EVENTS

In-person worship services are 8:30 & 10 AM.

The 8:30 AM service is in the Traditional style.

**The 10 AM service is in the Contemporary style the first three Sundays of the month,
and in the Traditional style the fourth
(and if there is a fifth) Sunday of the month.**

**Additionally, a midweek in-person service at 7pm is held the first and third
Wednesday night of the month.**

The service is casual and lasts about 30 minutes.

The parish office is open 8:30 AM - 1:30 PM Monday - Friday.

Pastor Paul is generally in the office Tuesday and Thursday 10am – 1pm.

The Food Pantry is open every Wednesday morning 10:00 am- Noon.

THE LORD’S WEEK AT PRINCE OF PEACE

<u>Sunday</u>	08/10	8:30 AM	Traditional Worship
		10:00 AM	Contemporary Worship
		3:00 PM – 6:00 PM	Honk! Performance/Theatre
		6:00 PM – 9:00 PM	NA Meeting/Ellenberger Hall
<u>Monday</u>	08/11		
<u>Tuesday</u>	08/12	11:30 AM - 1:30 PM	Daytimers/Ice Cream Social
		6:00 PM – 8:00 PM	Organ Rehearsal
		6:30 PM	Property Work Night
		7:00 PM – 8:00 PM	Worship & Music Meeting/Pastor’s Office

<u>Wednesday</u>	08/13	10:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Food Pantry/Narthex
		7:30 PM – 9:00 PM	Zamar Rehearsal/Sanctuary
<u>Thursday</u>	08/14	11:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Social Ministry Meeting/Ellenberger Hall
		6:00 PM – 8:00 PM	Organ Rehearsal
<u>Friday</u>	08/15	7:00 PM	Wing & A Prayer Rehearsal/Sanctuary
		8:00 PM – 11:00 PM	Honk! Performance/Theatre
<u>Saturday</u>	08/16	3:00 PM – 5:00 PM	Organist Rehearsal/Sanctuary
		8:00 PM – 11:00 PM	Honk! Performance/Theatre
<u>Sunday</u>	08/17	8:30 AM & 10:00 AM	Traditional Worship
		3:00 PM – 6:00 PM	Honk! Performance/Theatre
		6:00 PM – 9:00 PM	NA Meeting/Ellenberger Hall