



Luther Memorial Church

## Holy Communion

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
SUNDAY, AUGUST 30, 2026 | 10:30 AM

# Welcome!

*Please silence your cell phone in the nave.*

### PARKING

Free parking is available Sundays in Grainger Hall parking ramp, one block east of the church, off Brooks Street. For closer access, parking is available in the garage under the church off Conklin Place alley.

### REUSE & RECYCLE BULLETINS

Please return your bulletin to the basket in the narthex after the early service or recycle in the blue recycle bin after the late service.

### HYMNAL

The red hymnal in the pew in front of you contains much of the music used in this service. Page numbers are in the front part of the hymnal on the bottom of the page, while hymns are found towards the rear of the hymnal.

### RESOURCES

T-coil audio is available in the nave. Ushers can provide hearing assistance and a wheelchair, if needed. Prayer shawls are available in the narthex.

### CHILDCARE

Infants and children are welcome in worship. Changing tables are located in the restrooms. The nursery is open but unstaffed.

### LEARN MORE

If you would like a pastor to call, or want to learn more:

- Please fill out a pew card and place in the offering plate
- Visit us online at [www.luthermem.org](http://www.luthermem.org) or Facebook

### PRELUDE

Sonata da Chiesa, op. 3, no. 1 | Arcangelo Corelli (1653–1713)

## GATHERING

*Please rise.*

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

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

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.**

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake, God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

*Please turn and face the cross as the procession approaches the altar.*

#655 PROCESSIONAL HYMN Son of God, Eternal Savior

### APOSTOLIC 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.**

## HYMN OF PRAISE

Assisting minister



Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

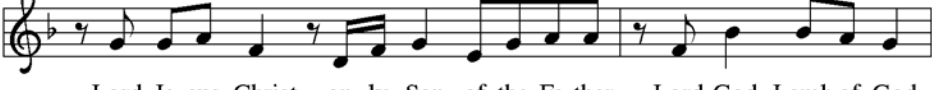
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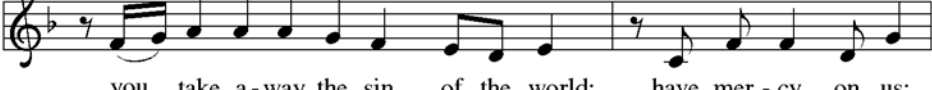
Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther,



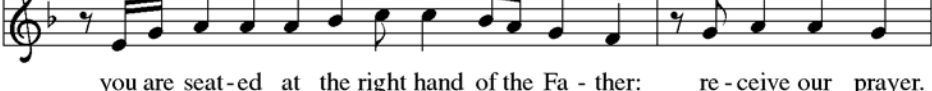
we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



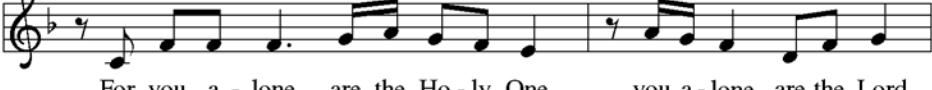
Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;



you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

O God, we thank you for your Son, who chose the path of suffering for the sake of the world.

Humble us by his example, point us to the path of obedience, and give us strength to follow your commands, through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.

**Amen.**

## WORD

*Please sit.*

### FIRST READING Jeremiah 15:15-21

O Lord, you know; remember me and visit me, and bring down retribution for me on my persecutors. In your forbearance do not take me away; know that on your account I suffer insult. Your words were found, and I ate them, and your words became to me a joy and the delight of my heart, for I am called by your name, O Lord, God of hosts. I did not sit in the company of merrymakers, nor did I rejoice; under the weight of your hand I sat alone, for you had filled me with indignation. Why is my pain unceasing, my wound incurable, refusing to be healed? Truly, you are to me like a deceitful brook, like waters that fail.

Therefore thus says the Lord: If you turn back, I will take you back, and you shall stand before me. If you utter what is precious and not what is worthless, you shall serve as my mouth. It is they who will turn to you, not you who will turn to them. And I will make you to this people a fortified wall of bronze; they will fight against you, but they shall not prevail over you, for I am with you to save you and deliver you, says the Lord. I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### PSALM 26:1-8

*The choir and congregation alternate in the singing of the psalm verses, beginning with the choir.*



Give judgment for me, O Lord, for I have lived | with integrity;

I have trusted in the Lord and | have not faltered.

**Test me, O | Lord, and try me;**

**examine my heart | and my mind.**

For your steadfast love is be- | fore my eyes;

I have walked faithful- | ly with you.

**I have not sat | with the worthless,**

**nor do I consort with | the deceitful.**

I have hated the company of | evildoers;

I will not sit down | with the wicked.

**I will wash my hands in inno- | cence, O Lord,**

**that I may go in procession | round your altar,**

singing aloud a song | of thanksgiving

and recounting all your won- | derful deeds.

**Lord, I love the house in | which you dwell**

**and the place where your glo- | ry abides.**

## SECOND READING Romans 12:9-21

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil; hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Do not lag in zeal; be ardent in spirit; serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope; be patient in affliction; persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; pursue hospitality to strangers.

Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice; weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be arrogant, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God, for it is written, "Vengeance is mine; I will repay, says the Lord." Instead, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink, for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Please rise.*

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Choir: May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our hearts, so that we may know the hope to which God has called us.

## GOSPEL Matthew 16:21-28

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

From that time on, after Peter confessed that Jesus was the Messiah, Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes and be killed and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you." But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a hindrance to me, for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any wish to come after me, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life?"

"For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Please sit.*

## SERMON

*Please rise.*

#624 HYMN OF THE DAY Jesus, Still Lead On

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

... Lord in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.  
**And also with you.**  
*Please greet your neighbor: Peace be with you.*

MEAL

*Please sit.*

**OFFERING** Catch the Vision! Share the Glory! | Carl Schalk (1929-2021)

Blessed children, saints, elect of God,  
Globe-encircling cloud of witnesses:  
We have heard the Christmas angels,  
We have seen the Easter sunrise,  
Cried with joy when Christ began his reign.  
Catch the vision! Share the glory!  
Show the captives, tell them: Christ is here!

Universal Body of the Lord,  
Chosen, called, made just, and glorified:  
Ours the faith, and ours the triumph,  
Ours the peace the world is seeking;  
Who on earth as privileged as we?

Heirs together of the grace of life,  
All baptized into the death of Christ:  
Born again, in love maturing,  
From the altar free and cheerful,  
Caring, winsome family of God.

For this time and place have we been born,  
Gifted by the Spirit, trained, and sent:  
With the eyes of Jesus seeing,  
With the hands of Jesus helping,  
With the words of Jesus bringing life,

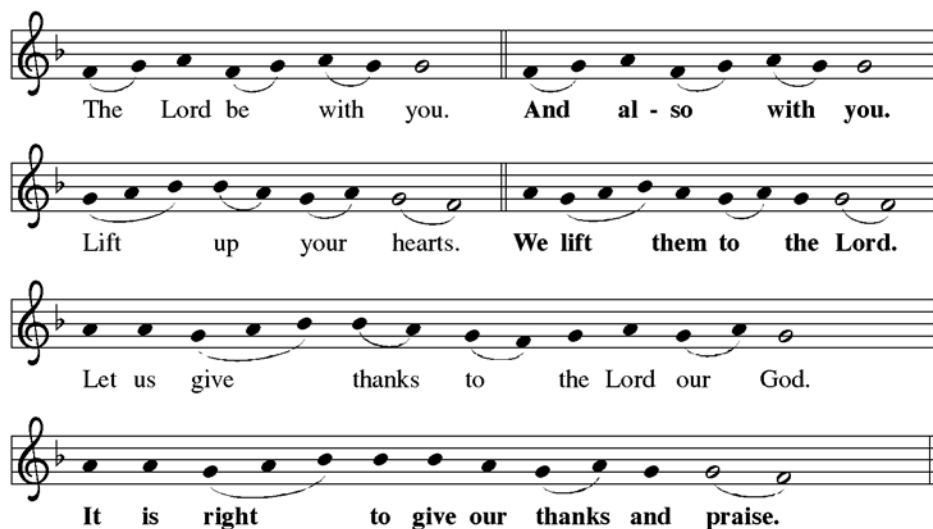
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#### OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray.

**God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

#### GREAT THANKSGIVING



The Lord be with you. And al - so 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, HOLY



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,

heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -



## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

You are indeed holy... until he comes.

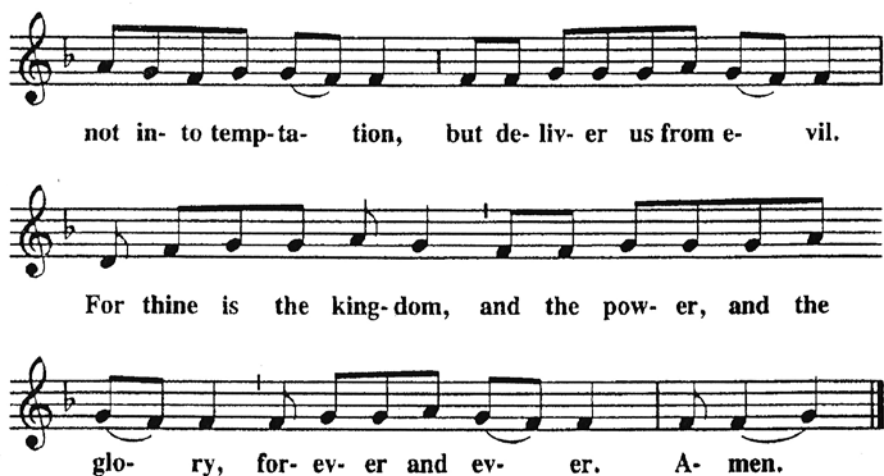


Remembering, therefore... now and forever.



## LORD'S PRAYER



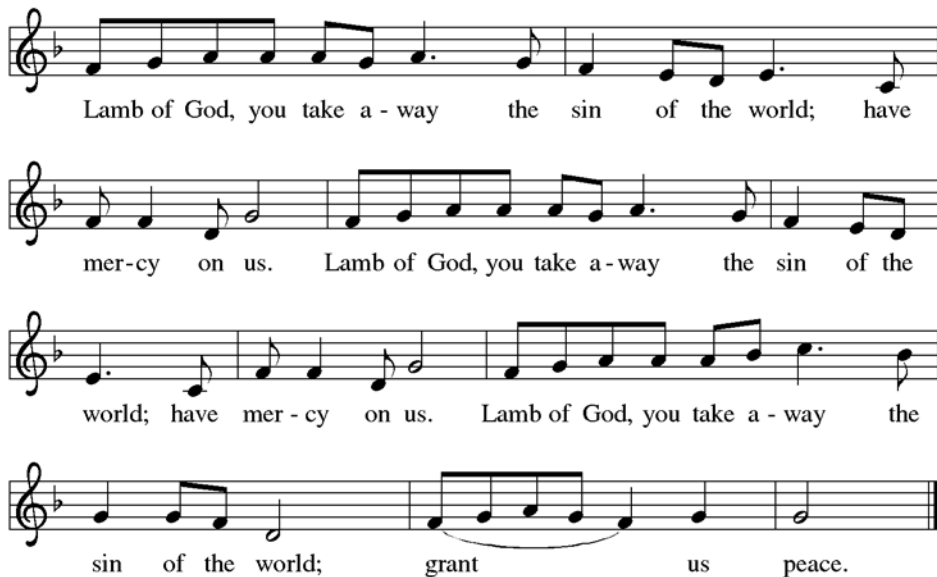


### THE COMMUNION

*All baptized Christians are welcomed to receive Holy Communion. We receive the Body of Christ (bread) in our open hands. Christ is fully present in both bread and cup. The Blood of Christ (wine) may be received by drinking from the first chalice or by dipping the bread (intinction) into the chalice. Gluten-free bread is available on request.*

*Please sit.*

### LAMB OF GOD



### MUSIC AT THE COMMUNION Sonata da Chiesa, op. 3, no. 7 | Arcangelo Corelli

### COMMUNION HYMNS

- #656 Blest Be the Tie That Binds
- #790 Day by Day



*Please rise.*

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**Amen.**

**SENDING**

**BLESSING**

Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

**Amen.**

**#548 RECESSIONAL HYMN** Rise, O Church, like Christ Arisen

**DISMISSAL**

Go in peace, serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE** Trumpet Tune (Homage to the 18th Century) | David N. Johnson





## TODAY FROM THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Eternal builder of the skies,  
Dread ruler of the night and day,  
With glories thou has blessed our eyes,  
To drive the stain of pride away.

O Jesus, guard thy wandering sheep  
From thy sweet fold ne'er more to stray;  
Our feeble steps from danger keep,  
And fear shall melt and fall away.

Shine on our souls, O Living Light;  
From stain of error keep us free;  
Let songs of praise by day and night,  
And vows of love arise to thee.

Now let us sing in anthems sweet  
To God the Father and the Son,  
Who with the Holy Paraclete  
Forever reigneth Three in One. Amen.

*Ambrose, Bishop of Milan*  
(333 – 397)

## SERVING TODAY

|                     |                                            |
|---------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| PRESIDER            | Pastor John Worzala Dumke                  |
| PREACHER            | Visitation Minister Amy Grunewald Mattison |
| ORGANIST            | Andrew Schaeffer                           |
| ACOLYTE             | Esther Szczykutowicz                       |
| ASSISTING MINISTER  | Surya Blasiole                             |
| COMMUNION ASSISTANT | Helen Hartman                              |
| CRUCIFER            | Tim Szczykutowicz                          |
| LECTOR              | Kelly Olson                                |
| SACRISTAN           | Cynthia Vander Woude                       |
| AUDIO               | Bill Braham                                |
| VIDEO               | Lee Powell                                 |
| USHERS              | Richard Miller, Kathleen Miller            |

**Altar flowers are given by the Uphoff family** in honor of Brian & Haley's wedding on Saturday, Aug. 29.

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