



5th Sunday after Pentecost July 13, 2025 9:00 a.m.

Welcome to Lord of Life Lutheran Church

Welcome

In the name of Jesus Christ, we welcome you as we hear God's holy Word in worship in-person and online. We encourage you to follow along in this document.

If you are joining us online, please email the office at

LOLOffice@lord-of-life.org, so we can welcome you within our midst.

May the Lord bless our worship this day.

As We Gather

To love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, strength, and mind is to reflect God's mercy in responding to one's neighbor. That mercy found its most profound expression in the "gospel that has come to you"-namely the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. That gospel mercy comes to us again today: at the font, at the table, and from the pulpit. It is very near to you.

As We Offer

We offer our contributions in-person or online at <u>Tithe.ly</u> through this link https://tithe.ly/give_new/www/#/tithely/give-one-time/1438924 or with your phone by taking a picture of this QR Code.



+ Gathering +

PRELUDE ~ Rejoice Ye Pure in Heart

Douglas Wagner

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

We stand.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

- 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.

Silence is kept for reflection.

- **P** Merciful God,
- You free us to love others, but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way. You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace, but we 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.
- **C** Amen.

GATHERING HYMN ~ *God is Here!*



GREETING

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

ELW 526

Kyrie O A Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: **G** Lord, have mer cy. -*Lord*, have mer cy: A Chri ste le - i - son: **G** Christ, have mer _ e cy. Christ, . . . have mer cy: Ο A Ky-ri - e e - le - i - son: **C** Lord, have mer cy. Lord, have mer cy:

HYMN OF PRAISE







PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. O Lord God, your mercy delights us, and the world longs for your loving care. Hear the cries of everyone in need, and turn our hearts to love our neighbors with the love of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

G Amen.

+ Word +

We sit. FIRST READING

Deuteronomy 30:9-14

A reading from Deuteronomy.

⁹ The LORD your God will make you abundantly prosperous in all your undertakings, in the fruit of your body, in the fruit of your livestock, and in the fruit of your soil. For the LORD will again take delight in prospering you, just as he delighted in prospering your ancestors, ¹⁰ when you obey the LORD your God by observing his commandments and decrees that are written in this book of the law, because you turn to the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul. ¹¹ "Surely, this commandment that I am commanding you today is not too hard for you, nor is it too far away. ¹² It is not in heaven, that you should say, 'Who will go up to heaven for us and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?' ¹³ Neither is it beyond the sea, that you should say, 'Who will cross to the other side of the sea for us and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?' ¹⁴ No, the word is very near to you; it is in your mouth and in your heart for you to observe.

A The word of the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.

PSALM 25:1-10 Ø ¹To | you, O LORD, A I lift | up my soul. ² My God, I put my trust in you; let me not be | put to С shame, nor let my enemies triumph | over me. ³Let none who look to you be [|] put to shame; rather let those be put to shame | who are treacherous. ⁴ Show me your [|] ways, O LORD, С and teach | me your paths. ⁵Lead me in your [|] truth and teach me, A for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all | the day long.

- G ⁶ Remember, O LORD, your compas- ¹ sion and love, for they are from ¹ everlasting.
- A ⁷ Remember not the sins of my youth and ¹ my transgressions; remember me according to your steadfast love and for the sake of your good-¹ ness, O LORD.
- ⁸You are gracious and up- ¹ right, O LORD; therefore you teach sinners ¹ in your way.
- You lead the low- | ly in justice and teach the low- | ly your way.
- ¹⁰ All your paths, O LORD, are steadfast | love and faithfulness to those who keep your covenant and your | testimonies.

SECOND READING

Colossians 1:1-14

A reading from Colossians.

¹ Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, ² To the saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae: Grace to you and peace from God our Father. ³ In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, ⁴ for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, ⁵ because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. You have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth, the gospel ⁶ that has come to you. Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the grace of God. ⁷ This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on our behalf, ⁸ and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit. ⁹ For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, ¹⁰ so that you may walk worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God. ¹¹ May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, so that you may have all endurance and patience, joyfully ¹² giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. ¹³ He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴ in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

A The word of the Lord.



C Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL

- **P** The holy gospel according to Luke.
- Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁵ An expert in the law stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" ²⁶ He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?"²⁷ He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind and your neighbor as yourself." ²⁸ And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live." ²⁹ But wanting to vindicate himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" ³⁰ Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and took off, leaving him half dead. ³¹ Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. ³² So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. ³³ But a Samaritan while traveling came upon him, and when he saw him he was moved with compassion. ³⁴ He went to him and bandaged his wounds, treating them with oil and wine. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. ³⁵ The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him, and when I come back I will repay you whatever more you spend.' ³⁶ Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?" ³⁷ He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

- **P** The gospel of the Lord.
- **G** Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY ~ *Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love* **ELW 708** Refrain Je fill with your love, Je - su, - su, us show the neigh-bors we have from us how to serve you. of his friends, Kneels at the feet si - lent-ly wash-es their feet, Neigh-bors are wealth-y and poor, var - ied in col - or and race, 2 3 These are the ones we will serve, these are the ones we will love; 4 the feet of our friends, Kneel at si - lent-ly wash-ing their feet: Refrain who slave mas - ter them. acts as to а neigh-bors are near - by and far a _ way. all these are neigh - bors to and you. us will this is the way we live with you.

We stand.

APOSTLES' CREED

- A Let us confess the faith of the church with the words of the 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

A In solidarity with all creation, we join our voice to the voice of the whole church and pray for the needs of the world.

Each petition ends:

- **A** God of grace,
- **C** hear our prayer.

The prayers conclude:

- P Trusting in your lovingkindness, we place our prayer and hope in you, in the name of Jesus Christ.
- **G** Amen.

PEACE

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- **G** And also with you.



+ Meal +

We sit. **OFFERING MUSIC** ~ **SOLO** Trust and Obey Ro Soloist – Diane Bele

Robert A. Reid



OFFERING 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.

G Amen.

DIALOGUE

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **G** And also with you.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- We lift them to the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- **G** It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

It is indeed right and salutary...praise your name and join their unending hymn:



THANKSGIVING

- P We give you thanks, Father, through Jesus Christ, your beloved Son, whom you sent in this end...
 - ...Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.



LORD'S PRAYER

- **P** Let us pray the words our Lord taught us.
- 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.
- **G** Amen.



COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

All are welcome to the table of the Lord, who is truly present in, with and under the bread and wine. We gather at the communion rail and consume the elements, by intinction, taking the wafer and dipping it into the chalice, half of which is red wine, and the other half of which, is light apple juice. Gluten free wafers are available during distribution. Children who have yet to commune are welcome to receive a blessing. Please inform the ushers if you would like communion brought to you at your place in the pew.



COMMUNION HYMN ~ Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart **ELW 800**



We stand.

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 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.

С

Amen.

+ Sending +

BLESSING

- Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.
- **C** Amen.



ELW 696

DISMISSAL

- **A** Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.
- **G** Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE ~ Let All Who Have Breath Praise the Lord Douglas Wagner

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+ WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS +

WORSHIP REGISTRATION SHEETS ~ All visitors & members please sign-in each Sunday on the worship attendance sheets located in the blue folder at the end of your pew. Please update any new contact information. We encourage visitors to provide contact information - - this helps us to get to know you!

****Please continue to sign-in each week.** This helps gauge church growth, plan events, maintain how many bulletins should be printed, and assist in setting up the communion meal for each week. Trying a new seat will also help you say hello to those who you do not know each week. Thank you for your assistance with this.**

<u>WELCOME</u> ~ IF YOU WATCH ON-LINE, PLEASE EMAIL THE CHURCH OFFICE DIRECTLY AT <u>LOLOffice@lord-of-life.org</u> or call the office and let us know you attended. Thank you!

<u>CHURCH NEED</u>: We are looking for another wheelchair to house here at Lord of Life. If you or someone you know has one available for an indefinite amount of time, please contact Kim or Julie in the office. Thank you in advance.