

Welcome to "One Worship"  
at Moe Lutheran

10:30 a.m. ~ August 10, 2025  
Pentecost 9



**PRELUDE**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS:**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,  
whose steadfast love endures forever.

**Amen.**

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

**we confess that we have not followed your path  
but have chosen our own way.**

**Instead of putting others before ourselves,  
we long to take the best seats at the table.**

**When met by those in need,  
we have too often passed by on the other side.**

**Set us again on the path of life.**

**Save us from ourselves**

**and free us to love our neighbors. Amen.**

Hear the good news!

As God gifts the earth in summer with new and abundant life,  
God also delights in renewing us with mercy, pardon, and peace!

In the name of ☩ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.

Receive new life and be free to love as God loves. **Amen.**

**GATHERING SONG: "When Morning Gilds the Skies"**

**ELW 853**

**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.**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY:** 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. **Amen.**

## FIRST READING: Genesis 15:1-6

<sup>1</sup>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." <sup>2</sup>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?" <sup>3</sup>And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." <sup>4</sup>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." <sup>5</sup>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." <sup>6</sup>And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM 33:12-22

<sup>12</sup>Happy is the nation whose God is the LORD,  
the people whom he has chosen as his heritage.

<sup>13</sup>**The LORD looks down from heaven;  
he sees all humankind.**

<sup>14</sup>From where he sits enthroned he watches  
all the inhabitants of the earth —

<sup>15</sup>**he who fashions the hearts of them all,  
and observes all their deeds.**

<sup>16</sup>A king is not saved by his great army;  
a warrior is not delivered by his great strength.

<sup>17</sup>**The war horse is a vain hope for victory,  
and by its great might it cannot save.**

<sup>18</sup>Truly the eye of the LORD is on those who fear him,  
on those who hope in his steadfast love,

<sup>19</sup>**to deliver their soul from death,  
and to keep them alive in famine.**

<sup>20</sup>Our soul waits for the LORD;  
he is our help and shield.

<sup>21</sup>**Our heart is glad in him,  
because we trust in his holy name.**

<sup>22</sup>Let your steadfast love, O LORD, be upon us,  
even as we hope in you.

## SECOND READING: Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

<sup>1</sup>Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. <sup>2</sup>Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. <sup>3</sup>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.

<sup>8</sup>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. <sup>9</sup>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. <sup>10</sup>For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. <sup>11</sup>By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old—and Sarah herself was barren—because he considered him faithful who had promised. <sup>12</sup>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.”

<sup>13</sup>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, <sup>14</sup>for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. <sup>15</sup>If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. <sup>16</sup>But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore, God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** *ELW Holy Communion Setting 10, page 205*



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.

## **GOSPEL: Luke 12:32-40**

**L:** The Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke, the 12th chapter.

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

[Jesus said:] <sup>32</sup>“Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom. <sup>33</sup>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. <sup>34</sup>For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

<sup>35</sup>“Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; <sup>36</sup>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. <sup>37</sup>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. <sup>38</sup>If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

<sup>39</sup>“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. <sup>40</sup>You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.”

**L:** The Gospel of the Lord.

**C:** **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**SERMON SONG: “Blessed Assurance”**

**ELW 638**

## **SERMON**

## **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.**

## **OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY:** *Sing as gifts are brought forward to the altar.*

We give thee but thine own,  
whate'er the gift may be;  
all that we have is thine alone,  
a trust, O Lord, from thee.

## **PRAYERS:**

Trusting in God's extraordinary love, let us come near to the Holy One in prayer.

*A brief silence.*

Let your lovingkindness be upon your church. Equip your flock to speak your words of promise and hope in the midst of fear and uncertainty. Bless the our new ELCA Bishop, Yehiel Curry, and our Northwest Minnesota synod staff as they faithfully lead us in boldly proclaiming the Gospel.

Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

Let your lovingkindness be upon your creation. Dwell among us and sustain our earthly home. In places of famine, provide nourishment. In places of plenty, fashion us to be good stewards of your bounty.

Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

Let your lovingkindness be upon your world. Be our helper and our shield in places torn by strife and violence, both in our own country and in the world. Raise up courageous leaders to govern with compassion and justice. Merciful God,

**receive our prayer.**

Let your lovingkindness be upon your children. Look upon all who wait for your steadfast love. Console those who grieve and embrace those who cry out to you, especially those we name in our hearts before you. Help us to trust your promise and not be afraid. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

With thanksgiving we remember all who have died in faith and now rest in you. As they placed their hope in you, so strengthen us to trust in your promise of new life. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

Receive the prayers of your children, merciful God, and hold us forever in your steadfast love; through Jesus Christ, our holy Wisdom. **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.**

**BENEDICTION** with Three-Fold Amen

**CLOSING SONG: “Blest Be the Tie that Binds”**

**ELW 656**

### **\*DISMISSAL:**

Go in peace, Serve the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God!**

*Join us for next week's 10:30 a.m. service  
at Messiah Lutheran*

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*Do not be afraid, little flock,*

*for it is your*

***Father's***

*good pleasure*

*to give*

*you the*

***kingdom.***



*Luke 12:32, NRSV*