

11th Sunday after Pentecost August 24, 2025

Evangelical Lutheran Worship
Setting 8



Introduction to the Day

Remember the sabbath day. Call the sabbath a delight. This is the Lord's day, and the Lord will do for us what the Lord does: feed us, forgive us, help and heal us. Rejoice at all the wonderful things God is doing.

Announcements: This week's activities can be found on page 14.

Congregation participation in bold print.

Please rise in body or spirit.

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

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, Who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. Amen

Let us confess our sin, calling for God's transforming power

Silence is kept for reflection.

We know that our selfishness and thoughtlessness has failed You and hurt others. We are truly sorry and want to live lives that praise You. We ask for Your forgiveness; knowing that You are a God of love and compassion. Transform our thoughts and lead us from guilt to grace. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

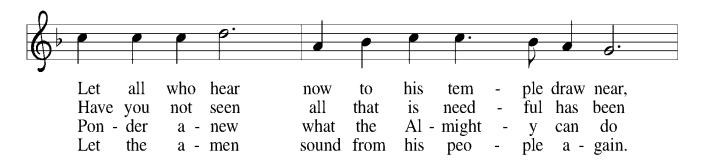
We are accountable for our sin, but Jesus broke the power of sin over us. He has forgiven us so we will know Him and experience the freedom of His grace, to live as people of hope and joy. **Amen**

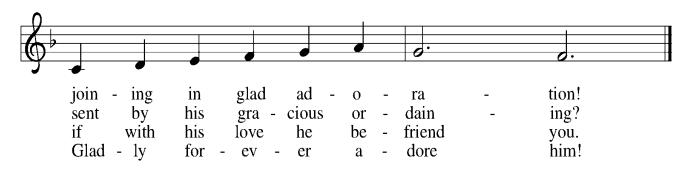


- 1 Praise to the Lord, the Al might y, the King of cre a tion!
- 2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is won-drous-ly reign ing
- 3 Praise to the Lord, who will pros-per your work and de-fend you;
- 4 Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me a dore him!



0 soul, praise him, for your health and sal - va he tion! my gle, up - lift - ing, sus - tain - ing. wings and, as on of an ea mer - cy shall dai - ly sure - ly his good - ness and at - tend you. All that has life and breath, come now with prais - es be - fore him!





Text: Joachim Neander, 1650–1680; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt. Music: LOBE DEN HERREN, *Ernewerten Gesangbuch*, Part II, Stralsund, 1665

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.

This is the feast of vict'ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia.

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.
Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are his.
This is the feast of vict'ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia.

Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing, honor, glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. This is the feast of vict'ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

O God, mighty and immortal, you know that as fragile creatures surrounded by great dangers, we cannot by ourselves stand upright. Give us strength of mind and body, so that even when we suffer because of human sin, we may rise victorious through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen

Please be seated.

WORD- God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song

FIRST READING Isaiah 58:9b-14

God promises those who have returned from exile that where justice and mercy prevail, the ruins will be rebuilt and light will rise in the darkness. It is a day for new beginnings.

- ^{9b} If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil,
- ¹⁰ if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday.
- ¹¹ The LORD will guide you continually and satisfy your needs in parched places and make your bones strong, and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water whose waters never fail.
- ¹² Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.

- ¹³ If you refrain from trampling the Sabbath, from pursuing your own interests on my holy day; if you call the Sabbath a delight and the holy day of the LORD honorable; if you honor it, not going your own ways, serving your own interests or pursuing your own affairs;
- then you shall take delight in the LORD, and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth; I will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob, for the mouth of the LORD has spoken

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Psalm 103:1-8

- ¹Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless God's holy name.
- ² Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all God's benefits—
- ³ who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases;
- ⁴ who redeems your life from the grave and crowns you with steadfast love and mercy;
- ⁵ who satisfies your desires with good things so that your youth is renewed like an eagle's.
- ⁶O LORD, you provide vindication and justice for all who are oppressed.
- You made known your I ways to Moses and your works to the children of Israel.
- ⁸ LORD, you are full of compassion and mercy, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

SECOND READING: Hebrews 12:18-29

Using images of Moses, the writer presents a striking vision of the new covenant of God made possible in Christ. There is no longer fear; only awe in the new promise in Christ into which we are invited.

¹⁸ You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, ¹⁹ and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. ²⁰ (For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death." ²¹ Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear.") ²² But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, ²³ and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, ²⁴ and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the

sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

²⁵ See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking, for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! ²⁶ At that time his voice shook the earth, but now he has promised, "Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven." ²⁷ This phrase, "Yet once more," indicates the removal of what is shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. ²⁸ Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us show gratitude, by which we may offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe, ²⁹ for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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Please rise in body or spirit

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia. alleluia.

GOSPEL: Luke 13:10-17

The holy gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus heals a woman on the sabbath, offering her a new beginning for her life. When challenged by a narrow reading of the sabbath command, Jesus responds by expanding "sabbath work" to include setting people free from bondage.

¹⁰ Now [Jesus] was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath. ¹¹ And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. ¹² When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." ¹³ When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. ¹⁴ But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the Sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured and not on the Sabbath day." ¹⁵ But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the Sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger and lead it to water? ¹⁶ And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the Sabbath day?" ¹⁷ When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame, and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things being done by him.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

SERMON

Deacon Kathy Sebree

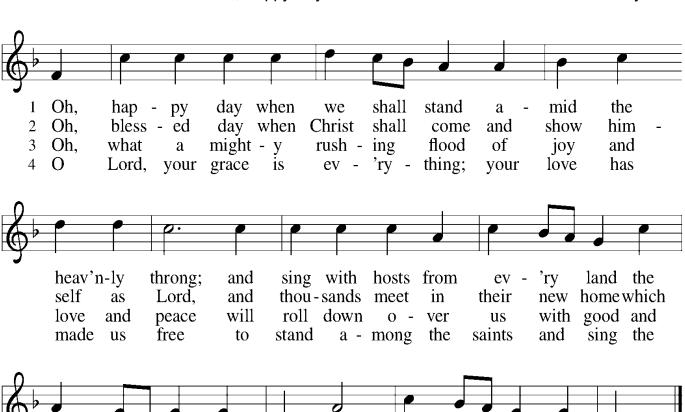


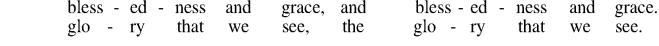
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HYMN OF THE DAY

"Oh, Happy Day When We Shall Stand"

ELW Hymn 441





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APOSTLES' CREED

With the whole church, let us confess our faith using 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.

PRAYER REQUESTS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

After each petition, the Worship Assistant will say, "Hear us, O God," The congregation will respond, "Your mercy is great".

Let us pray for the church, the creation, and the whole people of God, for God is near.

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Confident in God's presence and promise, we entrust our prayers to the one who always receives them; through Jesus Christ, our wisdom and companion. **Amen.**

PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

Please take a few moments to greet those around you as you feel comfortable, keeping in mind that not everyone is comfortable shaking hands or hugging.

MEAL- God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERING

OFFERING SONG

"We Are an Offering"

ELW Hymn 692

We lift our voices, we lift our hands,
We lift our lives up to you:
We are an offering
Lord, use our voices, Lord, use our hands,
Lord use our lives, they are yours;
We are an offering
All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be,
We give to you,
We give to you.
We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you
We are an offering,

Please rise in body or spirit.

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray,

Holy God, gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

We are an offering

GREAT THANKSGIVING

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DIALOGUE

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.

Preface ELW pg 190

Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of pow'r and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory, full of your glory.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

In the night on 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.

With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's Passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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 today 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.

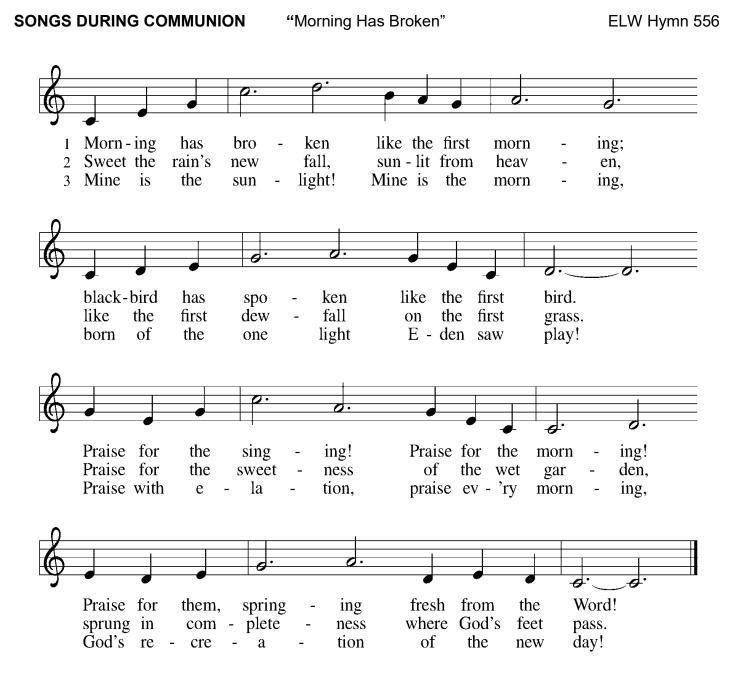
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Now let us feast on Christ, the bread of heaven.

Please be seated.

We believe that Christ is truly present in, with, and under the bread and wine. All those who are baptized and have received formal teaching about The Lord's Supper are invited forward to commune. Come forward at the direction of the usher. Pick up a clean cup from the right side of the altar. The used cups are placed in the tray on the left side as you leave the altar. Please indicate if you prefer grape juice instead of wine or a gluten-free alternative rather than bread. If you desire a blessing, come forward and keep hands folded together.



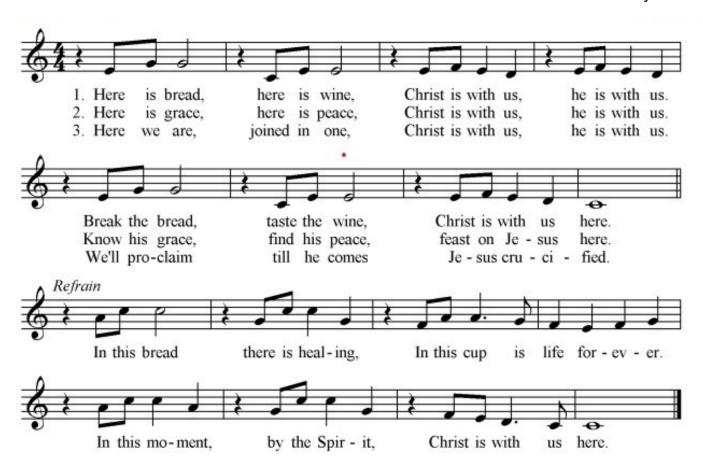
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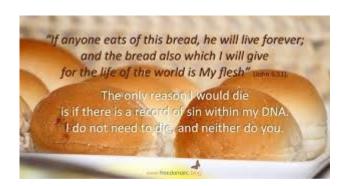
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POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Holy and compassionate God,

in bread and wine you give us gifts that form us to be humble and courageous. May your words come to life in our serving and in our witness, that we might speak a living voice of healing and justice to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our rock and our redeemer. Amen

SENDING- God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

BLESSING

Amen.



Text: John S. B. Monsell, 1811-1875, alt.

Music: HERMAS, Frances R. Havergal, 1836-1879

DISMISSAL

Loving God,
Increase our hope,
Strengthen our faith,
Deepen our love,
Encourage our service,
And grant us peace.
Go in peace, serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Announcements:

A quiet week for Christ Lutheran. Enjoy the last week of August!

Altar Guild for next Sunday: Laura Larson & Holly Hall

Please keep the following people in your prayers this week: Jill Brown, Jeannie Hannon, Hayden, Natalie, Trent Taylor, Mike Tobin, Sana Kibler, Karen Northup, Senia Lund, Jane DeBlassio, Darlene Picatti, Jane Peterson, Mel & Joan Jangard, Kikue Lugo, Marah, Ben Van Corbach, Laura, Lilly, Christaan, Michael Gellar, Del, Wes Wilson, Bryon Van Arsdale, Mark, Lloyd Crabtree, Brian Hatheway, Victoria Hall, Carol Murphy, Jill, Sandy Peterson, Emmaline and Laura, Glen and Sally Atterberry, and the Audrey Richter family and friends.



"God's Work. Our Hands" is Sunday, September 7th. Our project this year is to gather school supplies for Lutheran World Relief. A kit consists of:

70 sheet notebooks – ruler with both inches & centimeters – pencil sharpener – safety scissors – unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers – black or blue ballpoint pens – box of either 16 or 24 crayons – 2-1/2 eraser – 14"x17" drawstring backpack style cloth bag.

There is a box in the narthex for your supplies. Thank you.

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