

Cross Lanes United Methodist Church

13th Sunday After Pentecost

September 7, 2025



Gathering and Prelude

Opening Hymn

King of Love

Verse 1

The King of Love my Shepherd is Whose
goodness faileth never I nothing lack if I am His
And He is mine forever And He is mine forever

Verse 2

Where streams of living water flow My
ransomed soul He leadeth And where the
verdant pastures grow With food celestial
feedeth

Verse 3

Lost and foolish off I strayed But yet in love He
sought me And on His shoulder gently laid And
home rejoicing brought me

Verse 4

In death's dark veil I fear no ill With Thee dear
Lord beside me Thy rod and staff my comfort
still Thy cross before to guide me

Bridge

Oh Hallelujah Hallelujah Oh Hallelujah
Hallelujah

Verse 5

And so through all the length of days Thy
goodness faileth never Good Shepherd may I
sing Your praise Within Your house forever
Within Your house forever

Chorus

Never failing Ruler of my heart Everlasting
Lover of my soul On the mountain high or
in the valley low The King of Love my
Shepherd is The King of Love my
Shepherd is

Call to Worship

Leader: Come, as clay in the hands of the Potter.

People: We come, ready to be shaped by God's loving touch.

Leader: In the turning wheel of life, God molds us with care.

People: When we crack or crumble, God does not discard us.

Leader: The Potter sees what we can become.

People: We trust the One who reshapes us with grace.

Leader: Let us worship the God who forms, reforms, and transforms.

People: With open hearts, we enter the workshop of God

Hymn	Have Thine Own Way Lord	UMH 382	
Verse 1 Have Thine own way Lord have Thine own way Thou art the Potter I am the clay Mold me and make me after Thy will While I am waiting yielded and still	Verse 2 Have Thine own way Lord have Thine own way Search me and try me Master today Whiter than snow Lord wash me just now As in Thy presence humbly I bow	Verse 3 Have Thine own way Lord have Thine own way Wounded and weary help me I pray Power all power surely is Thine Touch me and heal me Savior divine	Verse 4 Have Thine own way Lord have Thine own way Hold o'er my being absolute sway Fill with Thy Spirit till all shall see Christ only always living in me

Word for Children

Old Testament Lesson

Jeremiah 18: 1-11

NRSV

18 The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord: ²“Come, go down to the potter’s house, and there I will let you hear my words.” ³ So I went down to the potter’s house, and there he was working at his wheel. ⁴ The vessel he was making of clay was spoiled in the potter’s hand, and he reworked it into another vessel, as seemed good to him.

⁵ Then the word of the Lord came to me: ⁶ Can I not do with you, O house of Israel, just as this potter has done? says the Lord. Just like the clay in the potter’s hand, so are you in my hand, O house of Israel. ⁷ At one moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom that I will pluck up and break down and destroy it, ⁸ but if that nation, concerning which I have spoken, turns from its evil, I will change my mind about the disaster that I intended to bring on it. ⁹ And at another moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom that I will build and plant it, ¹⁰ but if it does evil in my sight, not listening to my voice, then I will change my mind about the good that I had intended to do to it. ¹¹ Now, therefore, say to the people of Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem: Thus says

the Lord: Look, I am a potter shaping evil against you and devising a plan against you. Turn now, all of you, from your evil way, and amend your ways and your doings.

Anthem

Potters Wheel

Gospel Lesson

Luke 14: 27-33

NRSV

²⁷ Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. ²⁸ For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? ²⁹ Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, ³⁰ saying, ‘This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.’ ³¹ Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? ³² If he cannot, then while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. ³³ So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions..

Message

“Going to the Potters House”

Rev. Moll

Response to the Word

The Apostles Creed

UMH 881

**I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his 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 into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty;
from there 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 life everlasting.**

Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

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,
for ever and ever.
Amen.

Mission And Ministry Moment

Sharing Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

***Doxology:**

Praise the Father, Praise the Son
Praise the Spirit now with us
Every moment, all our days
God be praised, oh God be praised

Service of Communion

INVITATION

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him,
who earnestly repent of their sin
and seek to live in peace with one another.
Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

CONFESSION AND PARDON.

Merciful God,
we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have failed to be an obedient church.
We have not done your will,
we have broken your law,
we have rebelled against your love,
we have not loved our neighbors,
and we have not heard the cry of the needy.
Forgive us, we pray.
Free us for joyful obedience,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Leader to people:

Hear the good news:
Christ died for us while we were yet sinners;
that proves God's love toward us.
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

People to leader:

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

Leader and people:

Glory to God. Amen.

THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION

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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING*

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing,
always and everywhere to give thanks to you,
Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

You formed us in your image
and breathed into us the breath of life.
When we turned away, and our love failed,
your love remained steadfast.

You delivered us from captivity,
made covenant to be our sovereign God,
and spoke to us through the prophets.

And so,

with your people on earth
and all the company of heaven
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ.

Your Spirit anointed him
to preach good news to the poor,
to proclaim release to the captives
and recovering of sight to the blind,
to set at liberty those who are oppressed,

and to announce that the time had come
when you would save your people.
He healed the sick, fed the hungry, and ate with sinners.
By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection
you gave birth to your Church,
delivered us from slavery to sin and death,
and made with us a new covenant
by water and the Spirit.

When the Lord Jesus ascended,
he promised to be with us always,
in the power of your Word and Holy Spirit.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us,
he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread,
gave it to his disciples, and said:
"Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me."

When the supper was over, he took the cup,
gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said:
"Drink from this, all of you;
this is my blood of the new covenant,
poured out for you and for many
for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it,
in remembrance of me."

And so,
in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,
we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving
as a holy and living sacrifice,
in union with Christ's offering for us,
as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

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

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here,
and on these gifts of bread and wine.
Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ,
that we may be for the world the body of Christ,
redeemed by his blood.

By your Spirit make us one with Christ,
one with each other,
and one in ministry to all the world,
until Christ comes in final victory
and we feast at his heavenly banquet.

Through your Son Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church,

all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father,
now and forever. Amen.

Prayer After Communion

**Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery
in which you have given yourself to us.
Grant that we may go into the world
in the strength of your Spirit,
to give ourselves for others,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*** Closing Chorus**

I have Decided to Follow Jesus

Verse 1

I have decided to follow Jesus I have decided to follow Jesus I have decided to follow Jesus No
turning back no turning back

Verse 2

The world behind me the cross before me The world behind me the cross before me The world
behind me the cross before me No turning back no turning back

Verse 3

Though none go with me I still will follow Though none go with me I still will follow Though
none go with me I still will follow No turning back no turning back

Verse 4

Will you decide now to follow Jesus Will you decide now to follow Jesus Will you decide now to
follow Jesus No turning back no turning back

*** Dismissal with Blessing**

Scriptures for Study:

**Watch the Daily
Digest!**

This Week at CLUMC

Monday 9/8

Tuesday 9/9 Back Pack Volunteers 10a Bible Study noon Basket Weavers 5p
Choir 7p/Worship Band Practice 7:30p

Wednesday 9/10 Senior Exercise 9a, FH God's Kidz 6p

Thursday 9/11 United Methodist Men 6p Pickle Ball 6-8 (open to public) Gym
Narcotics Anonymous 7:30-8:30

Friday 9/12 Senior Exercise 9a, FH