



*Together in Christ for
everyone, every day, everywhere*

1895-2025

**130th Anniversary
Celebration of
Moe Lutheran Church**

September 21st, 2025

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Praise the name of the Lord!

God has blessed us, bringing us to this time!

Thanks be to God!

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For 130 years, God has claimed us through Baptism...

filling us with the Spirit's empowering presence.

For 130 years, God has nurtured us in the Word...

teaching us of God's loving faithfulness.

For 130 years, God has fed us at the table of the Lord...

strengthening us with Christ's forgiving grace.

We gather today remembering the past, treasuring the present,
and walking toward the future

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Thanks be to God!

GATHERING SONG: "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" ELW 858

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.**

Let us pray: **Almighty God, we gather as a faith family built on the love
of Jesus Christ as our firm foundation. Like generations before us,
you have cradled us in your love. We come together with great joy
and renewed hope, joining our hearts and voices in gratitude! We
pray in the name of Jesus, our Savior and Lord; Amen.**

CHURCH SCHOOL SONGS: "Fruits of the Spirit" and "Fill My Cup"

All Moe Church School students thru Grade 12 are invited up to sing!

FIRST READING: Colossians 1:3-6, 9-14

Paul wrote his letter to the Colossians to remind them that as people of faith, their identity, security, and destiny rested in Christ Jesus. These are the reminders we claim for all generations of God's people of faith at Moe!

³We always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, when we pray for you, ⁴because we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love you have for all God's people— ⁵the faith and love that spring from the hope stored up for you in heaven and about which you have already heard in the true message of the gospel ⁶that has come to you. In the same way, the gospel is bearing fruit and growing throughout the whole world— just as it has been doing among you since the day you heard it and truly understood God's grace.

⁹For this reason, since the day we heard about you, we have not stopped praying for you. We continually ask God to fill you with the knowledge of his will through all the wisdom and understanding that the Spirit gives, ¹⁰so that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and please him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God, ¹¹being strengthened with all power according to his glorious might so that you may have great endurance and patience, ¹²and giving joyful thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of his holy people in the kingdom of light. ¹³For he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, ¹⁴in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

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

PSALM 145:3-12

³Great is the Lord and most worthy of praise;
his greatness no one can fathom.

⁴**One generation commends your works to another;
they tell of your mighty acts.**

⁵They speak of the glorious splendor of your majesty—
and I will meditate on your wonderful works.

⁶**They tell of the power of your awesome works—
and I will proclaim your great deeds.**

⁷They celebrate your abundant goodness
and joyfully sing of your righteousness.

⁸**The Lord is gracious and compassionate,
slow to anger and rich in love.**

⁹The Lord is good to all;
he has compassion on all he has made.

¹⁰**All your works praise you, Lord;
your faithful people extol you.**

- ¹¹ They tell of the glory of your kingdom
and speak of your might,
¹² **so that all people may know of your mighty acts
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.**

MEMORY MOMENT:

*Written by Mary Huglen Esposito, daughter of Pastor Erling Huglen,
and read by Connie Erickson.*

SPECIAL MUSIC:

Moe Handbells

MESSAGE:

Pastor Dave and Deacon Joanne Swonger

“Reflections in Christ’s Love”

Reflecting the message within Moe’s stained glass windows

OFFERING: *Moe Choir*

OFFERTORY: 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.

GREAT THANKSGIVING:

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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Instructions for Communion :

- ❖ All wafers are gluten free today.
- ❖ If you prefer juice, there is juice in each tray’s center.
- ❖ Those desiring to receive should hold out their hands for a wafer.
- ❖ Those desiring a blessing may keep their hands folded.
- ❖ Place empty cups in the basket provided as you return to your seat.

INVITATION TO THE TABLE: The gifts of God for the people of God!

POST COMMUNION PRAYER:

**God of our salvation, we give you thanks for this meal that restores
our souls, reconciles us to you, and strengthens us for the journey.
Through the body and blood of your Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER:

First prayed in Norwegian by Adrian Jonsson

Then prayed in English by the congregation:

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:

May the God of all time
Remind you of the blessings from the past,
Keep you grounded and living in the present,
While planning and growing for the future;
In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

♪♪ **Amen, Amen, Amen!** ♪♪

PHOTO TIME:

*Before we conclude our service, let's capture this moment in time!
Please stand and turn to face the rear of the church.
Our photographer will take some photos of us.*

DOXOLOGY: "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise God all creatures here below,
Praise God above you heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

DISMISSAL: Go in peace! Serve the Lord! Thanks be to God!

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Connie Erickson, Janet Johnson, Nancy Swanson, and Deacon Joanne
for planning our celebration today.*

Thank you to all who provided the music for today's worship service.

*Special thanks to Kiley Borowicz for making a video recording
of this worship service for sharing on our website.*