

3rd Sunday after Pentecost - Praise
June 14, 2026 - 9:00 am

Accompanists

Praise Band

ELW= the red hymn book underneath your seat. Hymns are located in the back of the book.

† indicates stand as able

Prelude

Welcome

† Call to Worship: We Are Called

We are called, we are claimed,
we are loved, by the holy name.

We are healed, we are whole,
the Savior ransomed our souls. We're singing,
Glory Glory Glory Hallelujah Glory Gloria Oh
Glory Glory Glory Hallelujah Glory Gloria!

We are here to proclaim,
God is here, calls us each by name.

We are here to give praise,
the Love of God will not change. We're singing,
Glory Glory Glory Hallelujah Glory Gloria Oh
Glory Glory Glory Hallelujah Glory Gloria!

† Confession and Forgiveness

In the name of the Father,
and of the † Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

† Song of Mercy

Refrain:

Mercy, oh mercy, ever loving kindness
that sees beyond our blindness.

Mercy, oh mercy,
we're calling on you Lord
for us to be restored.

Oh mercy.

I know I hurt you
with things I do and say.
I want to love you
but I lose my way.
Anger and hatred
speak too loud on earth,
stealing the sacred,
tearing at our worth. *(Refrain)*

Sunset brings darkness,
a chance to rest our hearts.
Sunrise brings daylight
and a brand new start. *(Refrain)*

Liturgy of the Word

† 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

God of peace, you have reconciled us to yourself by the life, death, and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. You prove your love for us again and again. Increase our faith in you, that we may fully trust we are forgiven. We pray this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Special Music - Love Rescue Me

Kevin Witte

READING: Romans 5: 1-11

¹Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ²through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand, and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. ³And not only that, but

we also boast in our afflictions, knowing that affliction produces endurance, ⁴ and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵ and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

⁶ For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷ Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. ⁸ But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. ⁹ Much more surely, therefore, since we have now been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. ¹⁰ For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life. ¹¹ But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

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

Please remain seated for the gospel verse and reading.

Gospel Verse: Halle, Halle, Hallelujah

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Halle, halle, hallelujah. Halle, halle, hallelujah.

Halle, halle, hallelujah. Hallelujah. Hallelujah.

Gospel: Luke 7: 36-50

The Holy Gospel according to Luke the 7th chapter.

Glory, to you, O Lord.

³⁶ One of the Pharisees asked Jesus to eat with him, and when he went into the Pharisee's house he reclined to dine.

³⁷ And a woman in the city who was a sinner, having learned that he was eating in the Pharisee's house, brought an alabaster jar

of ointment. ³⁸ She stood behind him at his feet, weeping, and began to bathe his feet with her tears and to dry them with her hair, kissing his feet and anointing them with the ointment.

³⁹ Now when the Pharisee who had invited him saw it, he said to himself, “If this man were a prophet, he would have known who and what kind of woman this is who is touching him, that she is a sinner.” ⁴⁰ Jesus spoke up and said to him, “Simon, I have something to say to you.” “Teacher,” he replied, “speak.” ⁴¹ “A certain moneylender had two debtors; one owed five hundred denarii, and the other fifty. ⁴² When they could not pay, he canceled the debts for both of them. Now which of them will love him more?” ⁴³ Simon answered, “I suppose the one for whom he canceled the greater debt.” And Jesus said to him, “You have judged rightly.” ⁴⁴ Then turning toward the woman, he said to Simon, “Do you see this woman? I entered your house; you gave me no water for my feet, but she has bathed my feet with her tears and dried them with her hair. ⁴⁵ You gave me no kiss, but from the time I came in she has not stopped kissing my feet. ⁴⁶ You did not anoint my head with oil, but she has anointed my feet with ointment. ⁴⁷ Therefore, I tell you, her many sins have been forgiven; hence she has shown great love. But the one to whom little is forgiven loves little.” ⁴⁸ Then he said to her, “Your sins are forgiven.” ⁴⁹ But those who were at the table with him began to say among themselves, “Who is this who even forgives sins?” ⁵⁰ But he said to the woman, “Your faith has saved you; go in peace.”

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

Children's Sermon

Sandy Barton

Sermon

Pastor Beth Wartick

† Hymn of the Day: Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing **ELW 807**

Come, thou Fount of ev'ry blessing,
tune my heart to sing thy grace;
streams of mercy, never ceasing,
call for songs of loudest praise.
While the hope of endless glory
fills my heart with joy and love,
teach me ever to adore thee;
may I still thy goodness prove.

Here I raise my Ebenezer:
"Hither by thy help I've come";
and I hope, by thy good pleasure,
safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger,
wand'ring from the fold of God;
he, to rescue me from danger,
interposed his precious blood.

Oh, to grace how great a debtor
daily I'm constrained to be;
let that grace now like a fetter
bind my wand'ring heart to thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it;
prone to leave the God I love.
Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it;
seal it for thy courts above.

Blessing of Bikes

Let us pray.

Present in a world groaning under the excesses of consumption,
we acknowledge the inherent goodness of nonmotorized,

human-powered transportation and give thanks for the simple beauty of the bicycle. God of life, **hear our prayer.**

Present in a community filled with children, we pray for those learning to ride. Keep them smart, safe, and visible on their neighborhood roads. God of life, **hear our prayer.**

Present in a world filled with strife, we pray for the victims of road rage and bike theft. We ask for the strength to forgive people who behave in unkind ways. God of life, **hear our prayer.**

Present in an economy of work, we pray for those who build, repair, and clean our bikes and those who rely on bicycles to earn their living. Bless those who choose not to drive to work and those for whom driving isn't even an option. God of life, **hear our prayer.**

Present in a community of beautiful diversity, we ask your protection and blessing on all who ride: recreational riders, athletes, homeless folks, students, children, eco-warriors, bike messengers, and all the others who take to the streets, bike paths, parks, and trails. Keep us safe as we ride. God of life, **hear our prayer.**

May the road rise to meet you.

May the wind be ever at your back.

May all your journeying be joyous.

And each time you ride, may God hold you
and your bicycles in the palm of God's hand.

Amen.

† 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

Gathered together by the Holy Spirit, let us pray for the church and the needs of the world.

God of freedom, you ransomed Israel from slavery to be a holy people. As we observe Juneteenth this coming week, free us also to be a people who proclaim your liberating love. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

God of creation, you call all the earth to make a joyful noise to you. Let us join the chorus of the natural world in proclaiming your glory. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

God of the nations, you sent Jesus as peace for all of humankind. Bring an end to war and conflict, bring hope to places devastated by destruction, especially Iran, Israel, Lebanon, the U.S., Ukraine, and Russia, and sustain those who advocate for peace. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

God of grace, your forgiveness releases us from the brokenness that hurts and holds us. Restore anyone struggling with hopelessness, illness, or other worries (*especially*). God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

God of all, you call your children to serve in a plentiful harvest. Give us the wisdom to know how best to serve our local community and our neighbors. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

God of faith, we give thanks for the saints who earnestly seek you. Guide us as we seek to follow those who have led your church. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Trusting you receive all our prayers, we commend our spoken and unspoken prayers to you, O God, through Jesus our Savior. **Amen.**

† Peace

Liturgy of the Meal

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Offering Prayer

Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

† 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

† Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.

Communion

If you are communing from home, receive the bread with these words "The Body of Christ given for you" and the cup with "The blood of Christ shed for you."

Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world.

Grant us your peace. Grant us your peace.

Communion Hymn: *Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling* ELW 608

Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling,
calling for you and for me.

See, on the portals he's waiting and watching,

watching for you and for me.

Refrain:

"Come home, (Come home,)
come home! (come home!)
You who are weary, come home."
Earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling,
calling, "O sinner, come home!"

Why should we tarry when Jesus is pleading,
pleading for you and for me?
Why should we linger and heed not his mercies,
mercies for you and for me? *Refrain*

Oh, for the wonderful love he has promised,
promised for you and for me!
Though we have sinned, he has mercy and pardon,
pardon for you and for me. *Refrain*

Prayer after Communion

God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation
you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your
people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we
may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue
forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

Sending

Announcements

† Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.
Amen.

† **Sending Song: *Go Now***

Filled with the Holy Spirit

Go now with God, go now with God

Into the world as a servant

Go now with God, go now with God

Go now, go now, go now with God (2x)

Waters of mercy have found us

Go now with God, go now with God

Grace on the journey surrounds us

Go now with God, go now with God

Go now, go now, go now with God (2x)

† ***Dismissal***

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

Postlude

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