



July 12, 2026
Weekly Insert

Today's Hymns for Worship

Gathering Hymn	#694	<i>Sing to the Lord of Harvest</i>
Hymn of the Day	#710	<i>Let Streams of Living Justice</i>
Communion Hymn	#512	<i>Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil</i>
Sending Hymn	#574	<i>Here I Am, Lord</i>

Today's Readings for Worship

First Reading

Isaiah 55:10-13

- ¹⁰ For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven
and do not return there until they have watered the earth,
making it bring forth and sprout,
giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater,
¹¹ so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth;
it shall not return to me empty,
but it shall accomplish that which I purpose
and succeed in the thing for which I sent it.
- ¹² For you shall go out in joy
and be led back in peace;
the mountains and the hills before you
shall burst into song,
and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.
- ¹³ Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress;
instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle,
and it shall be to the LORD for a memorial,
for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.

Word of God. Word of Life.
Thanks be to God

Psalm: Psalm 65: 9-13

⁹ You visit the earth and water it abundantly; you make it very plenteous; the river of God is full of water.

You prepare the grain, for so you provide for the earth.

¹⁰ **You drench the furrows and smooth out the ridges;
with heavy rain you soften the ground and bless its increase.**

¹¹ You crown the year with your goodness,
and your paths over- flow with plenty.

¹² **May the fields of the wilderness be rich for grazing,
and the hills be clothed with joy.**

¹³ May the meadows cover themselves with flocks, and the valleys cloak themselves with grain;
let them shout for joy and sing.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 13th Chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

¹ That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. ² Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. ³ And he told them many things in parables, saying: "Listen! A sower went out to sow. ⁴ And as he sowed, some seeds fell on a path, and the birds came and ate them up. ⁵ Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. ⁶ But when the sun rose, they were scorched, and since they had no root, they withered away. ⁷ Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. ⁸ Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. ⁹ If you have ears, hear!"

¹⁸ "Hear, then, the parable of the sower. ¹⁹ When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. ²⁰ As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy, ²¹ yet such a person has no root but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. ²² As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of this age and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. ²³ But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty."

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

*(Following worship, setup for Sunday Supper takes place in the Fellowship Hall
and making sack lunches takes place in the Library.)*

Flowers provided by Debbie Saunders.

We Hold in Prayer this Week

For those grieving: The family and friends of Surridges' friend, Clarence.

God's Healing Presence: Kathy Trosvig; Pat Krassin; Sheryn Todd; Elizabeth Ritchie; Agnes Birkliid; Gayle & Dave's niece Amanda; Beth's friend Kamm & sister-in-law, Megan; Debbie's friends Larry and Alana; Surridges' friends Colin, Barby & Larry, Hedy, Monte, Cynthia, Marc and Nana; Marce & Dwight, Surridges sister/brother-in-law; Ed & Evie Bishop; Peggy & Dave's friend Royce Keller; Joan's father; Dave's friend, Julie Bolser, and niece, Leile Defolo; John, Guillermo, Monica, Cecilia, and Sofia; Val, Jill Johnson's mom; Bjorg, Steve Arnold's mother-in-law; Call Committee, Pastor Andy Yee, and candidates considering a call to Central Lutheran Church.

Prayers for our world, nation, and communities: For immigrants living in fear. For nations and peoples in the midst of warfare. For refugees seeking safety.

Announcements

We welcome Pastor Rick Rouse to our pulpit today. Thank you for leading our worship and preaching, Pastor Rouse. Rick is a resident of Mukilteo, a member of Our Savior's Lutheran, and a well-known writer, educator, and leader across the ELCA. Pr. Rouse served as a parish pastor over the course of his ministry, including Trinity Lutheran in Lynnwood.

Special Music Today we welcome Kate Kolasinski singing "O Bless the Lord, My Soul" from "Godspell."

Call Committee Update The call committee is waiting for the Bishop's office to provide a slate of five potential candidates for pastor. As soon as we get those names, we will be scheduling first round interviews, hopefully completing those by the end of the month. Please keep the Call Committee in your prayers!

Mission of the Month Lutheran World Relief Kits offer comfort and care to those who need it most. LWR Kits are specifically designed to help people coping with poverty, disaster, conflict and more. Whether a kit helps someone to maintain good hygiene, care well for a newborn baby, keep education going during a crisis or learn a new vocation, LWR Kits provide dignity and hope in the direst situations.

Sunday Supper is looking for helpers this summer. Please use the sign-up sheet in the back of the sanctuary to let us know when you can help. Thank you!

Special Music contributors needed We are looking for people to contribute special music this summer. If you have any friends or relatives that sing or play instruments and might like to help us out, please contact Peggy: peggykurtz@me.com

Sewers Needed We have numerous quilts each month that need the binding sewn down. The quilts are tied and the binding pinned down. If you are a sewer and would like to help, please let us know! Contact Debbie Ritchie for more information.

This Week at Central

Sunday, July 12

10:00 am Central Worship
 11:00 am Central Fellowship
 11:30 am Academia Latina
 1:00 pm Looking for Jesus Prayer Group
 5:00 pm Sunday Supper

Monday, July 13

9:30 am Quilters

Tuesday, July 14

6:00 pm Academia Latina

Wednesday, July 15

8:00 am Lutheran Counseling Network

Thursday, July 16

8:00 am Lutheran Counseling Network
 6:00 pm Academia Latina

Sunday, July 19

9:30 am Friends Worship
 10:00 am Central Worship
 11:00 am Central Fellowship
 11:30 am Academia Latina
 1:00 pm Looking for Jesus Prayer Group
 5:00 pm Sunday Supper

Worship Leaders	This Sunday, July 12	Next Sunday, July 19
Keyboard	Joan Dirska	Joan Dirska
Usher	Dave Finstad	Dave Finstad
Lectors	Jonathan Todd	Janis Ahern
Assisting Minister	Dave Finstad	Dave Finstad
Communion Bread	Kristi Lee	Kristi Lee
Fellowship Host	Duane & Pam Gleave	TBD
YouTube Operator	Jonathan Todd	Jonathan Todd
Altar Guild	Nancy Olsen	Nancy Olsen
Interpreter	Rosamaria Casablanca	Rosamaria Casablanca

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