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ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 9, 2026 – 10:00 AM

Evangelical Lutheran Worship, *Holy Communion Setting 1*

Worship in-person and livestream

Jesus models for us the importance of finding time to talk, to listen and engage with God away from the noise and distractions of daily life.

GATHERING

Prelude

Welcome and Acknowledgement of Lands

Gathering Song *Ten Thousand Reasons* *blue book* **No. 1097**

Greeting

Kyrie Page 98

Glory to God Page 99

Prayer of the Day

WORD

Children's Message

First Reading **Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28** ...Thanks be to God.

Psalms 105:1-6, 16-22, 45b

Second Reading **Romans 10:5-15** ...Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation Page 102

The Gospel Reading **Matthew 14:22-33** ...Glory to you, O God.

...Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Hymn of the Day *My Life Flows On in Endless Song* *red book* **No. 763**

Prayers of the People
God of grace,
Hear our prayer.

Peace Sharing
The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

MEAL

In the church community we give our time, our gifts, and our resources.

We collect an offering as one way of giving.

Offering of Gifts

Offering Song *On This Wondrous Sea - Craig Urquhart - solo*

Offering Prayer

Great Thanksgiving Page 107

Preface

Holy Page 108

Thanksgiving Prayer

The Lord's Prayer Page 112

Lamb of God Page 112

All are welcome at Christ's table. The wine is served in individual glasses and the common cup. Red grape juice is in the centre of the trays. Gluten-free bread is available by asking the server. You may commune with bread or wine alone or ask for a blessing. Those worshipping online are invited to commune where you are.

Communion Songs *Calm to the Waves* *red book* **No. 794**

Come To The Banquet - J.M. Martin - Choir Anthem

Nothing Can Trouble *blue book* **No. 1033**

Prayer

SENDING

Announcements

Blessing

Sending Song *When Peace like a River* *red book* **No. 785**

Dismissal

...Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Everyone present is invited to a time of hospitality in the Upper Hall following worship.

Thank you to Beverley and Don for hosting. The flowers on the altar are given by Jane Wicksteed

Worship Assistants

Presiding Minister Pr. Karen Johnson-Lefsrud

Preacher Dave Chell

Assisting Minister Boston Laferté

Kantor Nathan McDonald

Musician Carolyn Hoekstra

Livestreaming Josh Boutin

Communion Iris Schoffer

Ushers Bob Kohlert, Laura Cochrane

You are invited to Holy Communion Worship, Sundays, 10AM PT in-person and online.

For more information, please check the website www.lutheranvictoria.ca

for the Crossroads newsletter, calendar, and events.

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Psalm 105:1-6, 16-22, 45b

**Refrain: Make known the deeds of the Lord among the peoples.
Hallelujah!**

- ¹ Give thanks to the Lord and call up- | on God's name;
make known the deeds of the Lord a- | mong the peoples.
- ² **Sing to the | Lord, sing praises,
and speak of all God's | marvelous works.**
- ³ Glory in God's | holy name;
let the hearts of those who seek the | Lord rejoice.
- ⁴ **Search for the strength | of the Lord;
continually | seek God's face. R**
- ⁵ Remember the marvels | God has done,
the wonders and the judgments | of God's mouth,
- ⁶ **O offspring of Abra- | ham, God's servant,
O children of Jacob, God's | chosen ones.**
- ¹⁶ Then God called for a famine | in the land
and destroyed the sup- | ply of bread.
- ¹⁷ **The Lord sent a | man before them,
Joseph, who was sold | as a slave. R**
- ¹⁸ They bruised his | feet in fetters;
his neck they put in an | iron collar.
- ¹⁹ **Until his prediction | came to pass,
the word of the Lord | tested him.**
- ²⁰ The king sent | and released him;
the ruler of the peoples | set him free,
- ²¹ **setting him as a master o- | ver his household,
as a ruler over all | his possessions,**
- ²² to instruct his princes according | to his will
and to teach his elders wisdom. ^{45b} | Hallelujah! **R**



Livestream Text

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Romans 10:5-15

⁵ Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that "the person who does these things will live by them." ⁶ But the righteousness that comes from faith says, "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?' " (that is, to bring Christ down) ⁷ "or 'Who will descend into the abyss?' " (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead).

⁸ But what does it say? "The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim), ⁹ because if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰ For one believes with the heart, leading to righteousness, and one confesses with the mouth, leading to salvation. ¹¹ The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." ¹² For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. ¹³ For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved." ¹⁴ But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? ¹⁵ And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"

Matthew 14:22-33

²² [Jesus] made the disciples get into a boat and go on ahead to the other side [of the Sea of Galilee,] while he dismissed the crowds. ²³ And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, ²⁴ but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. ²⁵ And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. ²⁶ But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. ²⁷ But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid."

²⁸ Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." ²⁹ He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. ³⁰ But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and, beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" ³¹ Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" ³² When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. ³³ And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

**Eleventh Sunday
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