GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST July 13, 2025 10:00am

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- P God loves you all the time.
- C All the time God loves you.

Please stand as you are able.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

- P In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God,

C you free us to love others, but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way. You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace, but we turn away from the abundant life you offer. You surround us with patience, kindness, and generosity, but we grow weary in doing what is right. In your mercy, forgive us. Do not give up on us. Heal us, break our bonds, and show us the path of life. Amen.

- P You belong to Christ Jesus and you are God's children through faith. In the cross of + Christ, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation.
- C Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

Give Me Jesus ELW 770



GREETING

- P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C And also with you.

KYRIE





HYMN OF PRAISE

Now the Feast and Celebration





PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P O Lord God, your mercy delights us, and the world longs for your loving care. Hear the cries of everyone in need, and turn our hearts to love our neighbors with the love of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C Amen

Please be seated.

FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 30:9-14

⁹ The LORD your God will make you abundantly prosperous in all your undertakings, in the fruit of your body, in the fruit of your livestock, and in the fruit of your soil. For the LORD will again take delight in prospering you, just as he delighted in prospering your ancestors, ¹⁰ when you obey the LORD your God by observing his commandments and decrees that are written in this book of the law, because you turn to the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul.

¹¹ "Surely, this commandment that I am commanding you today is not too hard for you, nor is it too far away. ¹² It is not in heaven, that you should say, 'Who will go up to heaven for us and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?' ¹³ Neither is it beyond the sea, that you should say, 'Who will cross to the other side of the sea for us and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?' ¹⁴ No, the word is very near to you; it is in your mouth and in your heart for you to observe.

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

PSALM 25 1-10

Read responsively

¹ To you, O Lord,

I lift up my soul.

² My God, I put my trust in you; let me not be put to shame,
nor let my enemies triumph over me.
³ Let none who look to you be put to shame;
rather let those be put to shame who are treacherous.

⁴ Show me your ways, O LORD, and teach me your paths.

⁵ Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.

⁶ Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love,

for they are from everlasting.

⁷ Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; remember me according to your steadfast love and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.

⁸ You are gracious and upright, O LORD;

therefore you teach sinners in your way.

⁹ You lead the lowly in justice and teach the lowly your way.

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¹⁰ All your paths, O LORD, are steadfast love and faithfulness

to those who keep your covenant and your testimonies.

SECOND READING: Colossians 1:1-14

¹ Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother,

² To the saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father.

³ In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, ⁴ for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, ⁵ because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. You have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth, the gospel ⁶ that has come to you. Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the grace of God. ⁷ This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on our behalf, ⁸ and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit.

⁹ For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, ¹⁰ so that you may walk worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God. ¹¹ May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, so that you may have all endurance and patience, joyfully ¹² giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. ¹³ He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴ in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

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

Please stand as you are able.



GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

GOSPEL: Luke 10:25-37

The holy gospel of Luke the tenth chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

²⁵ An expert in the law stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" ²⁶ He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?" ²⁷ He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind and your neighbor as yourself." ²⁸ And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live."

²⁹ But wanting to vindicate himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" ³⁰ Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and took off, leaving him half dead. ³¹ Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. ³² So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. ³³ But a Samaritan while traveling came upon him, and when he saw him he was moved with compassion. ³⁴ He went to him and bandaged his wounds, treating them with oil and wine. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. ³⁵ The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him, and when I come back I will repay you whatever more you spend.' ³⁶ Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?" ³⁷ He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

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

Please be seated.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

MESSAGE

Pastor Tara Magoon

Faith of Our Fathers

ELW 812

Please stand as you are able at the last verse.



APOSTLES' CREED

A Let us profess our faith with the words of the Apostles' Creed.

I believe in God, the Father almighty, C: 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 into hell. 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

In solidarity with all creation, we join our voice to the voice of the whole church and pray for the needs of the world.

A brief silence.

Saving God, awaken your church to your truth as it follows your path of love. Encourage pastors, deacons, teachers, and seminarians, and lead them as they seek to learn your ways. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Prosper the harvests of fruit-bearing bushes, trees, and plants. Uphold farmers and farm workers as they labor through summer days, and bring relief to lands that are parched with heat. God of grace, **hear our prayer**.

Instill in leaders of the world a strong love for their neighbors. Compel them to govern with equity and to give aid and protection to people who are vulnerable, especially strangers, migrants, and asylum seekers. God of grace, **hear our prayer**.

Draw near to people in need of help, comfort, and healing Provide protection and aid to children who are unsafe and undernourished while on summer break. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Go with all who travel, and protect them from harm. Put in their paths people who offer aid. We pray especially for the safety of first responders. God of grace, **hear our prayer**.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

We give you thanks for all who have gone before us and have made your love known. Help us to follow their witness as we await our share in the inheritance of the saints. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Trusting in your lovingkindness, we place our prayer and hope in you, in the name of Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

PEACE

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C And also with you.

Please be seated.

OFFERING

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Please stand as you are able.

OFFERTORY Create in Me **ELW 185** Cre-ate in me a clean heart, Ο God, and re - new a right with - in spir - it me. Cast me not a - way from your pres-ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re - store to me the joy of your sal-va-tion, and up-hold me Cre-ate in me with your free Spir - it. heart, O God, a clean right spir - it with - in and re new а me. -

OFFERTORY PRAYER

- A Creator God, in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good and the harvest is plentiful. Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth and our labor, that we may work for the good of all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.
- C Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

- P The Lord be with you
- C And also with you
- P Lift up your hearts
- C We lift them to the Lord
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C It is right to give our thanks and praise.
- P In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

- P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit let us pray as Jesus taught us.
- C **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

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P The kingdom of God is set before you.Eat and rejoice.All are welcome at the table of the Lord.

Please be seated



DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

Communion will be received at the head of the Sanctuary. Starting with the section closest to the sound room and worshippers may make way to the chancel rail and receive the communion elements. Elements at in-person worship are red wine and white grape juice. All bread is gluten-free.

HYMN DURING COMMUNION

How Lovely Is Your Dwelling Place

Randall DeBruyn



HYMN DURING COMMUNION

When We Are Living ELW 639



- 2 En la tristezayen el dolor, en la belleza y en el amor, sea que suframos o que gocemos, somos del Señor, somos del Señor.
- 3 En este mundo por doquier habrá gente que lloray sin consolar. Sea queayudemos oalimentemos, somos del Señor, somos del Señor.

Please stand as you are able.

COMMUNION BLESSING

- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
- C Amen

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

- A Mothering God, you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace.
 Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus' name.
- C Amen.

BLESSING

- P The love of God abound in you;
 the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts;
 and the life of the Spirit
 + bless you and give you peace.
- C Amen.

SENDING HYMN

Praise to You, O God of Mercy

ELW 208



DISMISSAL

- A Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.
- C Thanks be to God.



WORSHIP ASSISTANTS FOR TODAY

10:00am

Assisting Minister: Nancy Goyda Greeter: Bob Howle Ushers: Mary Howle, Larry Matchen Reader: Penny Matchen Sound: Greg Munson Streamer: Paul Warren Nursery: Katrice Wasgatt, Jane Foskett Refreshments: Pam Adams, Merrily Schiavone Counters: Pam Adams, Jim Foskett

The altar flowers are presented to the glory of God by The Dambaughs in memory of those no longer with us.

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