GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST SEPTEMBER 28, 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 Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, our maker, our helper, and our keeper.
- C Amen.
- P Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

- P Merciful and loving God,
- C we are your broken people.
 We trample on the needy.
 We grumble about your grace to others.
 We turn away from the poor.
 Have mercy on us and forgive our sins.
 Rejoice over us as ones who were lost and have been found. Amen.
- P Even when we are faithless, God remains faithful. Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners. You who were lost have been found. In the name of + Jesus, your sins are forgiven!
- C Amen.



- 1 Here in this place the new light is stream-ing, now is the dark-ness 2 We are the young, our lives are a mys-t'ry, we are the old who
- 3 Here we will take the wine and the wa ter, here we will take the
- 4 Not in the dark of build-ings con-fin ing, not in some heav en,



van - ished a - way; yearn for your face; bread of new birth, light years a - way—

see in this space our fears and our dream-ings we have been sung through - out all of his - t'ry, here you shall call your sons and your daugh-ters, here in this place the new light is shin - ing,



the light of brought here to you in this day. light whole hu - man called to be to the race. a - new call us to be salt for the earth. is the king - dom, and now is the day. now



lost and for - sak - en, Gath-er us in, the gath-er in, the us the rich and the haugh-ty, Gath-er gath-er in, the us us in, Give us to drink the wine of com-pas-sion, give us to eat the and hold us for -ev - er, Gath-er in gath-er in and us



blind and the lame; proud and the strong; bread that is you; make us your own; call to us now, and give us a heart, so nour-ish us well, and gath-er us in, all

we shall a - wak - en, meek and so low - ly, teach us to fash - ion peo - ples to - geth - er,

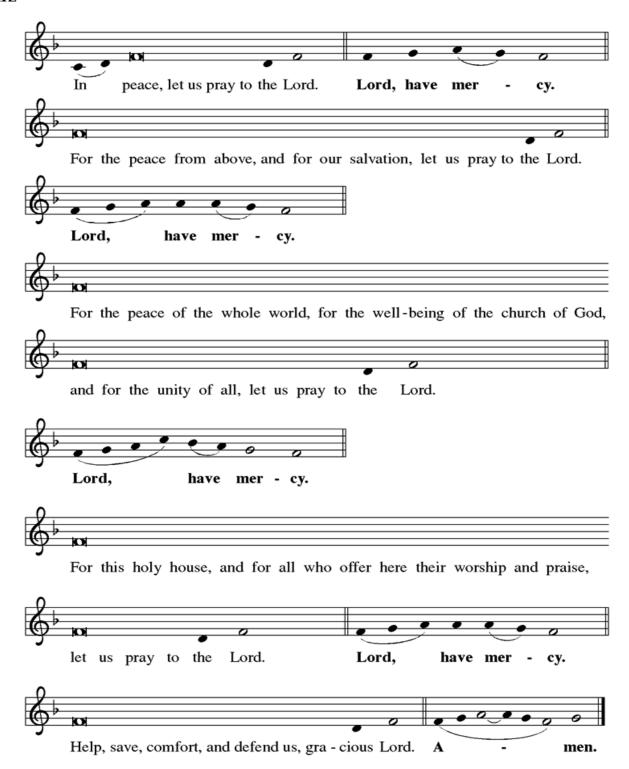


we shall the sound of a - rise at our name. give us the cour - age to en - ter the song. lives that ho - ly and hearts that true. are are fire . . bone. of love in our flesh and our

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.

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P O God, rich in mercy, you look with compassion on this troubled world. Feed us with your grace, and grant us the treasure that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C Amen.

Please be seated.

FIRST READING: Amos 6:1a, 4-7

- ^{1a} Woe to those who are at ease in Zion and for those who feel secure on Mount Samaria.
- ⁴ Woe to those who lie on beds of ivory and lounge on their couches and eat lambs from the flock
- and calves from the stall,
- ⁵ who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp and like David improvise on instruments of music,
- ⁶ who drink wine from bowls and anoint themselves with the finest oils but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph!
- ⁷Therefore they shall now be the first to go into exile, and the revelry of the loungers shall pass away.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALMODY: Psalm 146

Read responsively.

¹ Hallelujah!

Praise the Lord, O my soul!

- ² I will praise the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.
- ³ Put not your trust in rulers, in mortals in whom there is no help.
- ⁴ When they breathe their last, they return to earth, and in that day their thoughts perish.
- ⁵ Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help, whose hope is in the Lord their God;
- ⁶ who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them; who keeps promises forever;
- ⁷ who gives justice to those who are oppressed, and food to those who hunger.

The Lord sets the captive free.

⁸ The Lord opens the eyes of the blind; the Lord lifts up those who are bowed down;

the Lord loves the righteous.

⁹The Lord cares for the stranger; the Lord sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way of the wicked.

The Lord shall reign forever, your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Hallelujah!

SECOND READING: 1 Timothy 6:6-19

⁶ Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment, ⁷ for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it, ⁸ but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. ⁹ But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. ¹⁰ For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

¹¹ But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. ¹² Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. ¹³ In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you ¹⁴ to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁵ which he will bring about at the right time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. ¹⁶ It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

¹⁷ As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches but rather on God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. ¹⁸ They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, ¹⁹ thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL: Luke 16:19-31

The holy gospel of Luke the sixteenth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] 19 "There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. ²⁰ And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, ²¹ who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. ²² The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. ²³ In Hades, where he was being tormented, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. ²⁴ He called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in agony in these flames.' 25 But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things and Lazarus in like manner evil things, but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. ²⁶ Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.' ²⁷ He said, 'Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father's house ²⁸ for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.' ²⁹ Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.' ³⁰ He said, 'No, father Abraham, but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent.' 31 He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead."

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated

CHILDRENS MESSAGE

MESSAGE Pastor Tara Magoon

Please stand at the last verse.



APOSTLES' CREED

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

Gracious God, we come to you in prayer for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

We pray for the church, that it would remain faithful to the gospel, always striving to serve the needs of those who are oppressed and rejecting the complacency that comes from wealth. God of grace, receive our prayer.

We pray for creation, that the nations work together to protect and restore the earth, preserving the beauty of the planet for future generations and honoring the gift of your creation. God of grace, receive our prayer.

We pray for those in positions of authority, that they govern with justice and compassion, recognizing the dignity of all people and working to promote peace and prosperity for all. God of grace, receive our prayer.

We pray for people in any need Give them your assurance and courage when the path forward is not clear. Liberate us from all that binds us, lift us up when we are bowed down, and show us your love. God of grace, **receive our prayer**.

We pray for this congregation, that we would be strengthened to build a world where all can thrive. Incite us to advocate for fair wages and just policies, and guide us in building a community of mutual support. God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

Here other intercessions may be offered.

We remember in thanksgiving the faithful departed. Inspire us by their example to love and serve our neighbors, and bring us to eternal life. God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

We entrust these prayers to you, O God, in the name of Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend. **Amen.**

PASSING OF THE PEACE

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always
- C and also with you
- P Let us share God's peace

Please be seated.

OFFERING

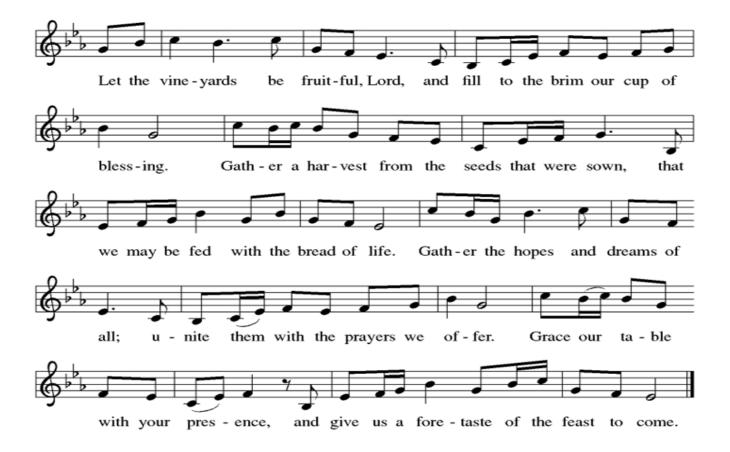
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OFFERTORY



OFFERTORY PRAYER

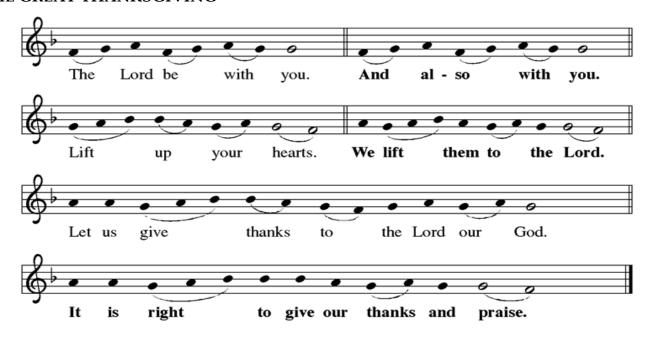
A Lord of the harvest,

we return to you a portion of what you have given to us.

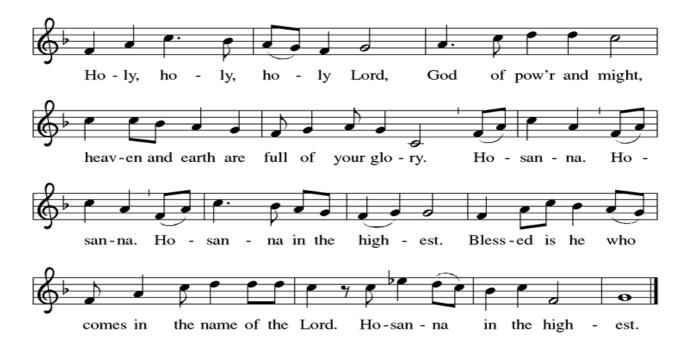
Turn us to set our hope not on the uncertainty of riches, but on you, who richly provides for us. Multiply what we have gathered to bless all who are suffering and in need, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,
through our Savior Jesus Christ;
who on this day overcame death and the grave,
and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.
And so, with all the choirs of angels,
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

P Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth.
In mercy for our fallen world you gave your only Son,
that all those who believe in him should not perish but have eternal life.
We give thanks to you for the salvation you have prepared for us through Jesus Christ.
Send now your Holy Spirit into our hearts that
we may receive our Lord with a living faith as he comes to us in his holy supper.

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 Jesus welcomes sinners and eats with them. Come to this meal of mercy. All are welcome at the table of the Lord

You may 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.



HYMNS DURING COMMUNION

There Is A Balm in Gilead

ELW 614



HYMNS DURING COMMUNION

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Please stand as you are able

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

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

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

- A O God, through this meal you have strengthened us and appointed us to be your servants. Send us to do good and to share our possessions with all in need. We ask this in Jesus' name.
- C Amen.

BLESSING

- P The God of righteousness,
 who gives justice to the oppressed,
 who gives food to the hungry,
 who sets the prisoners free,
 中 bless you now and forever
- C Amen.



DISMISSAL

- A Go in peace. Follow Jesus.
- C Thanks be to God.

Be Still

Based on Psalm 46:10 Lyrics by Herb Frombach Music by Mary McDonald

Be still and know that I am God. Be still and know that I am with you. Be still and know that I will comfort you when you come to me in your hour of need.

Be still and know that I am God. Be still and know that I am here for you; And I will wipe your tears; You will be renewed.

Come unto Me, my child be still, and know that I will give you rest. I am present in your pain and I always will remain your Comforter and Friend.

Be still and know that I am God. Be still and know that I am with you. Be still and know that I will comfort you when you come to me in your hour of need

Be still and know that I mam God. Be still and know that I am here for you. And I will wipe your tears. You will be renewed.

My peace I leave with you. My peace, I give unto you.

Peace, peace, peace.

Be still and know that I am God.

Be still and know that I am God.

Be still, be still.

10:00AM WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Assisting Minister: Sandy Betley
Greeter: Jay Snyder
Ushers: Stacy Dambaugh
Reader: Abhi Yelampalli
Sound: Mark Maurer

Streamer: Aman Yelampalli Nursery: Lucie Gonneville, Jane Foskett Refreshments: Pat Kizuka, Rolf Eriksen Counters: Tim Dambaugh, Sue Eriksen



The altar flowers are presented to the glory of God by the Dunfee family in celebration of their wedding anniversary.

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