

Third Sunday After Pentecost

June 29, 2025



ELW SETTING 2
LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT
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Welcome to **WORSHIP**

We are glad you are with us today.

We are a family of faith living and growing together in Christ.

This bulletin is filled with information about the life of the church, you are invited to take it home for reference and further reflection during the week. Various updates and additional church information, along with the Pastor Tim's sermons, are posted each week on our website — www.holyspirit-elca.org. Welcome cards/envelopes are located in the pew rack. Please take a moment to fill out the information and return it to the offering plate.

Our sound system includes a T-system hearing loop, which allows worshipers with T-system compatible hearing aids to tune in directly to the worship leaders' microphones for clearer sound. There are two hearing unit headsets available in the narthex for use. Additionally, large print bulletins are available at the sanctuary door.

As we worship and celebrate communion this morning we remind you that this is the Lord's table. Jesus is the host. We are his guests. God welcomes everyone to come and eat and be nourished, fed and forgiven. Come and eat and live! Please extend your hand to receive the bread, then take a cup from the tray. Please indicate if you prefer to receive a gluten-free wafer. Those not receiving communion are welcome to receive a blessing.

If you are interested in becoming a member of Holy Spirit, please see Pastor Tim. Membership comes through baptism or affirmation of faith.

Please let us know if we can be of service to you in any way!

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QR code to share your info with us.**



SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

PRELUDE

“Here I Am, Lord”

arr. Joel Raney
Flute: Nancy Fencil

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, the one who fashions us, the one who heals us,
the one who reforms us again and again.

C **Amen.**

P Let us confess our sin, calling for God's transforming power.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P Source of all life,

C **we confess that we have not allowed your grace to set us free.**

We fear that we are not good enough.

**We hear your word of love freely given to us, yet we expect others to
earn it.**

We turn the church inward, rather than moving it outward.

Forgive us. Stir us.

**Reform us to be a church powered by love, willing to speak for what is
right, act for what is just, and seek the healing of your whole creation.**

Amen.

P God hears our cry and sends the Spirit to change us and to empower our
lives in the world. Our sins are forgiven, + God's love is unconditional, and
we are raised up as God's people who will always be made new, in the name
of Jesus Christ.

C **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN

“Oh Worship the King”

ELW 842

Verses 1, 4, & 5

1 Oh, wor - ship the King, all - glo - rious a - bove.
 2 The earth with its store of won - ders un - told,
 3 Your boun - ti - ful care what tongue can re - cite?
 4 Frail chil - dren of dust, and fee - ble as frail,
 5 O mea - sure - less might, in - ef - fa - ble love,

Oh, grate - ful - ly sing God's pow - er and love;
 Al - might - y, your pow'r has found - ed of old;
 It breathes in the air, it shines in the light,
 in you do we trust, nor find you to fail;
 while an - gels de - light to hymn you a - bove,

our shield and de - fend - er, the An - cient of Days,
 es - tab - lished it fast by a change - less de - cree,
 it streams from the hills, it de - scends to the plain,
 your mer - cies, how ten - der, how firm to the end,
 the hum - bler cre - a - tion, though fee - ble their lays,

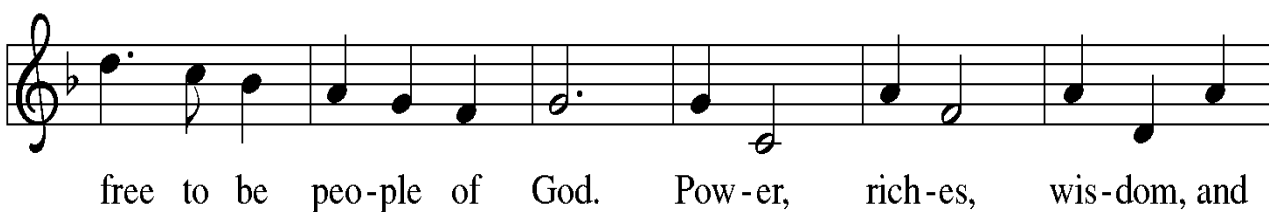
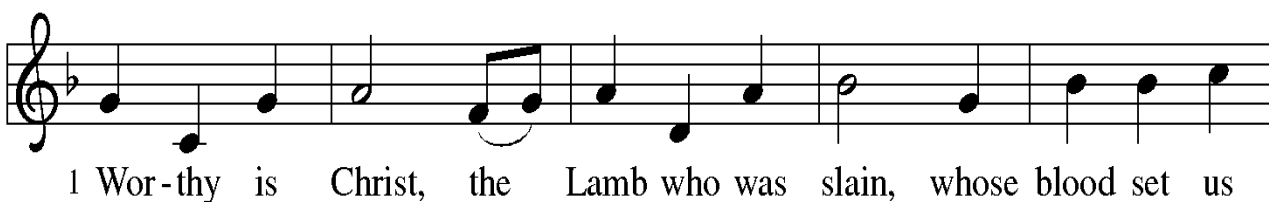
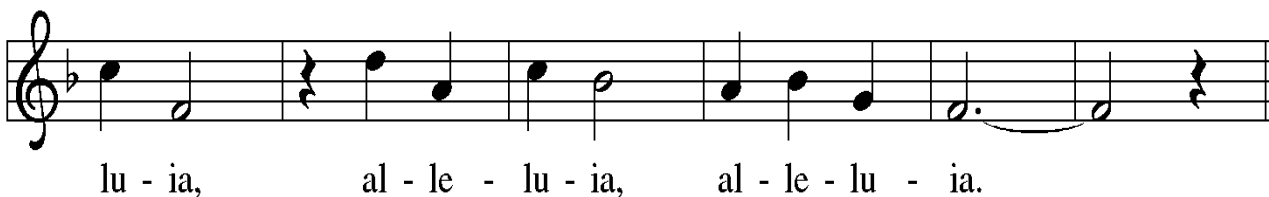
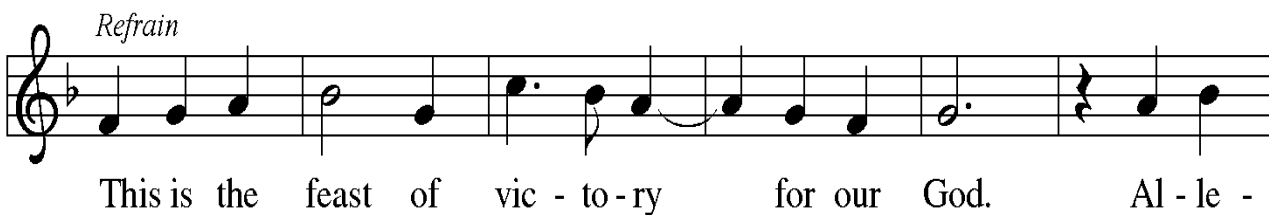
pa - vil - ioned in splen - dor, and gird - ed with praise.
 and round it has cast, like a man - tle, the sea.
 and sweet - ly dis - tills in the dew and the rain.
 our mak - er, de - fend - er, re - deem - er, and friend.
 with true ad - o - ra - tion shall sing to your praise.

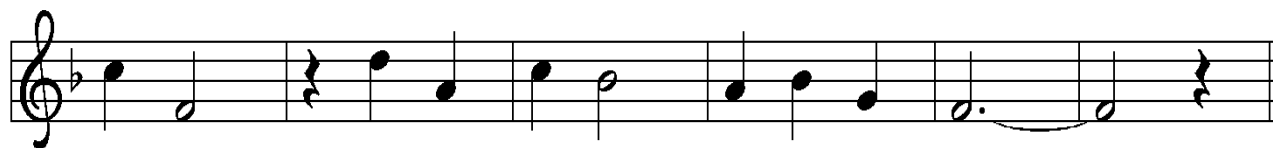
GREETING

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.

HYMN OF PRAISE





lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and join in the



hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and

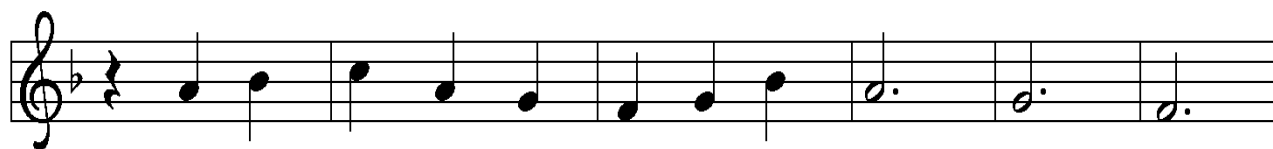


might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.



Final refrain

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God,



for the Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Sovereign God, ruler of all hearts, you call us to obey you, and you favor us with true freedom. Keep us faithful to the ways of your Son, that, leaving behind all that hinders us, we may steadfastly follow your paths, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C **Amen.**

Please be seated.

CHILDREN’S SERMON

Pastor Tim Linstrom

FIRST READING

Kings 19:15-16, 19-21

¹⁵ Then the Lord said to [Elijah,] “Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. ¹⁶ Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place.”

¹⁹ So he set out from there, and found Elisha son of Shaphat, who was plowing. There were twelve yoke of oxen ahead of him, and he was with the twelfth. Elijah passed by him and threw his mantle over him. ²⁰ He left the oxen, ran after Elijah, and said, “Let me kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow you.” Then Elijah said to him, “Go back again; for what have I done to you?” ²¹ He returned from following him, took the yoke of oxen, and slaughtered them; using the equipment from the oxen, he boiled their flesh, and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he set out and followed Elijah, and became his servant.

A The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING

Galatians 5:1, 13-25

¹ For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

¹³ For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. ¹⁴ For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” ¹⁵ If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.

¹⁶ Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. ¹⁷ For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. ¹⁸ But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. ¹⁹ Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, ²⁰ idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, ²¹ envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

²² By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, ²³ gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. ²⁴ And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. ²⁵ If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

A The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL VERSE

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. *Repeat alleluia*

Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

GOSPEL

Luke 9:51-62

P The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the ninth chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

P ⁵¹ When the days drew near for [Jesus] to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. ⁵² And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; ⁵³ but they did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. ⁵⁴ When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" ⁵⁵ But he turned and rebuked them. ⁵⁶ Then they went on to another village.

⁵⁷ As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." ⁵⁸ And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." ⁵⁹ To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." ⁶⁰ But Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." ⁶¹ Another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home." ⁶² Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

P The Gospel of the Lord

C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Please be seated

SERMON

Pastor Tim Linstrom

Please Stand

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Here I Am Lord”

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1 “I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo - ple cry.
2 “I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peo - ple’s pain.
3 “I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.



All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.
I have wept for love of them. They turn a - way.
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.



I, who made the stars of night, I will make their dark-ness bright.
I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love a - lone.
Fin-est bread I will pro-vide till their hearts be sat - is - fied.



Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?”
I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?”
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?”

Refrain



Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you



call-ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you



lead me. I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

Text: Daniel L. Schutte, b. 1946

Music: HERE I AM, LORD, Daniel L. Schutte

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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 THE CHURCH

A Drawn into the embrace of the holy Trinity, we lift our prayers for the wholeness of the church, the world, and all creation.

A Guide your church, O God. Anoint us for service and make us messengers of your peace. Emboldened by the witness of your apostles Peter and Paul and Christians throughout history, send us to proclaim your reign come near. God of grace,

C **hear our prayer.**

A Protect this world, O God. Watch over fields and fruit trees, foxes and birds, the pleasant land beneath us and the sun and moon above. Keep us mindful of the rich inheritance you have given us in the natural world. God of grace,

C **hear our prayer.**

A Counsel our leaders, O God. Make them steadfast in seeking justice and unable to be shaken as they pursue peace. Lead them by your Spirit to listen and respond to the people they govern. We pray for those serving in the

military and their families, especially **Amelia Eastman, Thomas Menter** (grandson of Louise), **Dylan Utterback** (son of Julie & Joel), **Jim Detjen** (brother of Mary), **Dylan Glenner, Hannah Best** (son and daughter of Anne-Marie Glenner). God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

A Uphold all who suffer, O God. Give refuge to those of us who know rejection, and shelter to those of us who have nowhere to lay our heads. Bring any who are sick into your healing presence. We especially pray for **Carol Bertrand, Ruth Berman, Ethan Cloonan, Gordy Duprey, Jane Ernst, Elizabeth Falato, Marian McBride, Cathy Nathan, Tom Weglarz, Allison Wittich, Sharon Bockelman** (friend of pastor Tim and Maria Linstrom), **Jean Goodale** (friend of Joan Roehl), **Laura Hansel** (sister of Mary Detjen), **Jim Hanzel**, (uncle of Patrick Cantagallo), **the Chase Petersen family** (friends of Amy Dohler), **Beth Peterson** (relative of Rex Roehl), **Merle Peiler** (former member), **Pat Rodbro and Barb LaPiana** (friends of Chris Miller), **Kari, Sydney, and Luke Stocks** (daughter in-law and grandchildren of Dorothy and Ron Stocks), **Katie Workman** (friend of Dorothy and Ron Stocks), **Michael Ungari, Lenita Spears**, (relative & friend of the Labellarte family), **Coco & Lukas** (grandchildren of JoAnne Schwarcz). Give all your fullness of joy. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

A Set free this assembly, O God. Grow your Spirit's fruits within us and within our congregation's ministries. Set our faces always on you, that we might live in the freedom to which you have called us. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

A Embrace all your saints, O God. We thank you for the faithful departed. We pray for the family and friends of **Dorothea Lehtinen**. Let us rejoice that you do not abandon us to the grave but lead us on the path of life. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

A Gather all our prayers in your mercy, O God, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C Amen.

Please Stand

SHARING OF THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C and also with you.

All the people greet one another through the sharing of the peace.

THE OFFERING

MUSICAL OFFERING

“Seek Ye First”

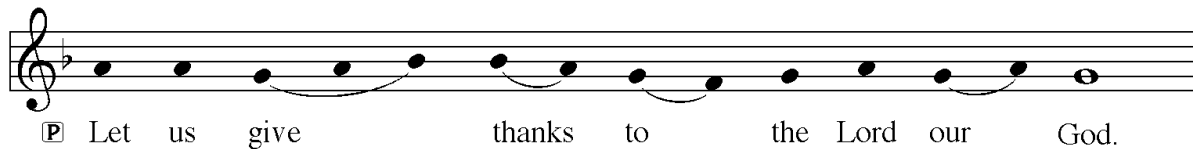
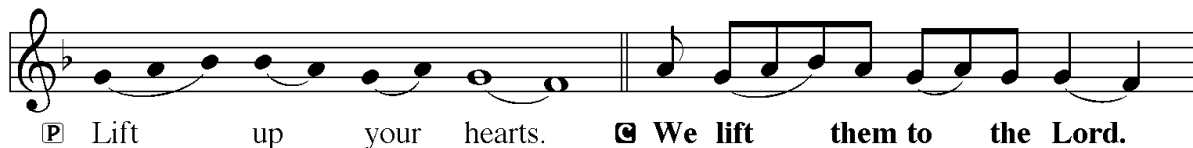
Lafferty/Jirsa
Summer Choir

OFFERTORY PRAYER

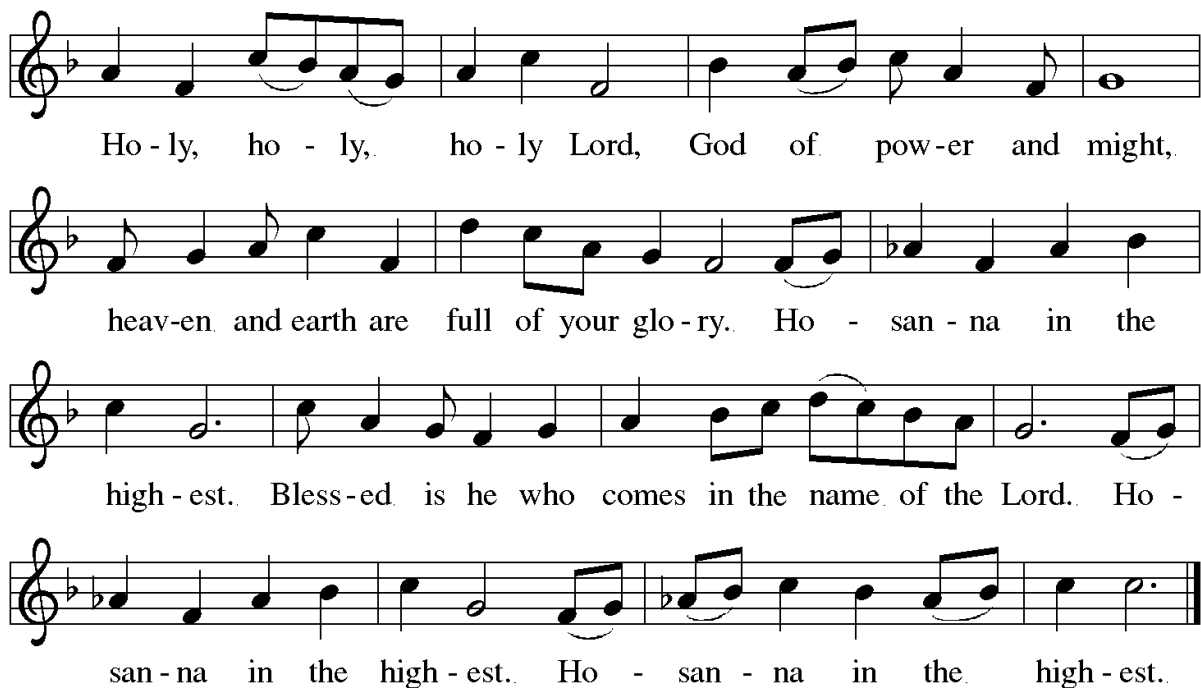
A Creator God,
in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good
and the harvest is plentiful.
Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth
and our labor,
that we may work for the good of all;
through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



P 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, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin, who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn.



P Blessed are you, O holy God:
 you are the Life and Light of all.
 By your powerful word you created all things.
 Through the prophets you called your people to be a light to the nations.
 Blessed are you for Jesus, your Son.
 He is your Light, shining in our darkness
 and revealing to us your mercy and might.
 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.
Remembering, therefore, his preaching and healing,
his dying and rising, and his promise to come again,
we await that day when all the universe
will rejoice in your holy and life-giving light.
By your Spirit bless us and this meal,
that, refreshed with this heavenly food,
we may be light for the world,
revealing the brilliance of your Son.
Through him all glory and honor is yours,
Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit,
in your holy Church, both now and forever.

C Amen.

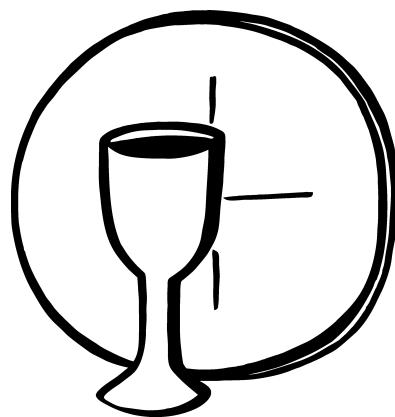
THE LORD'S PRAYER

**P All who believe in our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ,
are welcome at the table of the Lord.
Let us pray together as our Lord 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.**

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

P The kingdom of God is set before you.
Eat and rejoice.
C Amen.



COMMUNION CANTICLE

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you
take a - way the sin of the world; grant us peace.

Please stand after all have been communed

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

SPECIAL MUSIC “Communion Hymn - Behold the Lamb” Getty/Larson
Flute: Nancy Fencil

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE



Now, Lord, you let your ser-vant go in peace: your word has been ful -



filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which you have pre -



pared in the sight of ev-'ry peo - ple: a light to re-veal you to the



na - tions and the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

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.

BENEDICTION

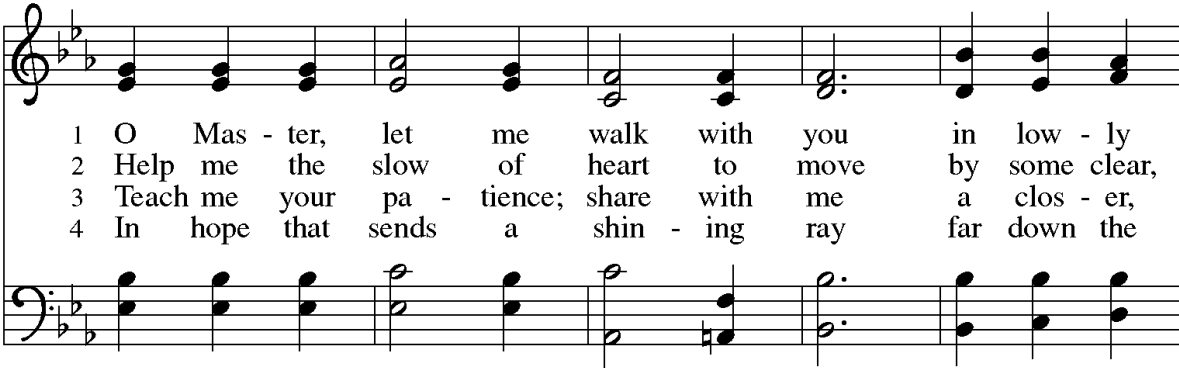
P The love of God abound in you;
the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts;
and the life of the Spirit
bless you and give you peace.

C Amen.

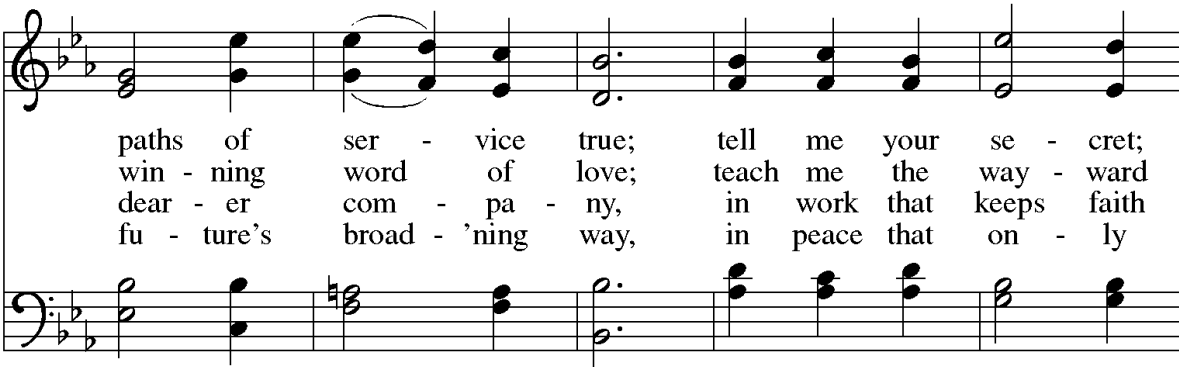
SENDING HYMN

“Oh Master Let Me Walk With You”

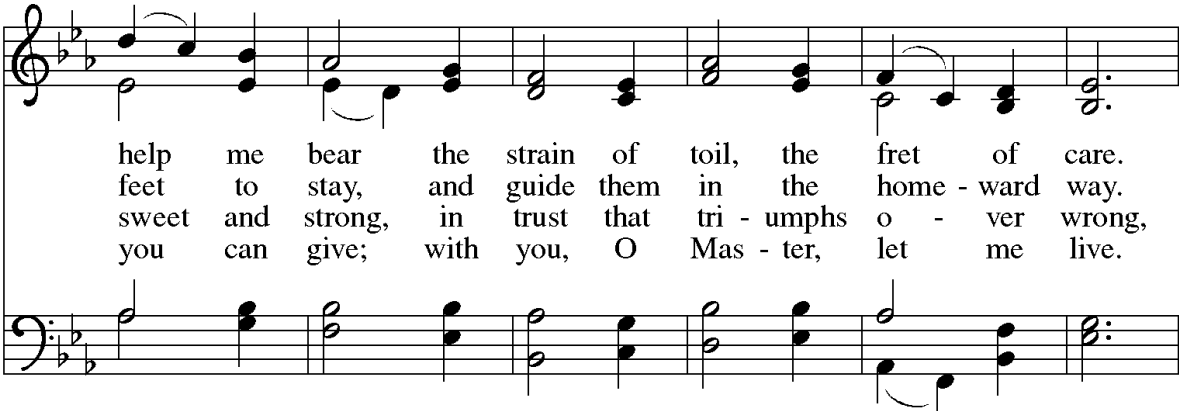
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1 O Mas - ter, let me walk with you in low - ly
2 Help me the slow of heart to move by some clear,
3 Teach me your pa - tience; share with me a clos - er,
4 In hope that sends a shin - ing ray far down the



paths of ser - vice true; tell me your se - cret;
win - ning word of love; teach me the way - ward
dear - er com - pa - ny, in work that keeps faith
fu - ture's broad - 'ning way, in peace that on - ly



help me bear the strain of toil, the fret of care.
feet to stay, and guide them in the home - ward way.
sweet and strong, in trust that tri - umphs o - ver wrong,
you can give; with you, O Mas - ter, let me live.

Text: Washington Gladden, 1836–1918, alt.
Music: MARYTON, H. Percy Smith, 1825–1898

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DISMISSAL

P Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.

C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE “Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing” Victoria Jicha
Flute: Nancy Fencel

Sanctuary flowers donated by the Wyrwicz in honor of Aidan's 12th birthday.

FILL A HEART FOR KIDS —

Sponsor a Backpack and Supplies for Foster & Homeless Children

At the end of summer, our own children will have their backpacks blessed for a new school year. Not every child is lucky enough to start the school year with all the supplies they need. Fill a Heart 4 Kids needs sponsors! For \$35, you can ensure that a homeless child will receive a backpack with all the necessary supplies for a successful school year. Please mark your envelope with “Backpack Drive.” If writing a check, remember to make it payable to the church. You can also make a donation on the Vanco Simply Giving app. Look for the Fill a Heart for Kids category. If you would like to join us to pack the backpacks at Fill a Heart 4 Kids in Lake Forest, please sign up in the Gathering Space or using the Signup Genius QR Code. If you have any questions, please reach out to Kari Davenport, 773-844-7542 or arikdavenport@yahoo.com. **All donations are due no later than Sunday, July 27th.**



SUMMER CHOIR — This is your chance if you ever wanted to give singing a try. No prior membership in choir is necessary. This is a one day thing. So ALL you wonderful singers hiding in the pews, come on out and “Rejoice, give thanks and sing” with the Summer Choir. We will learn our anthem before the service. Rehearsal begins at 8:30 in the sanctuary. After this Sunday there are two more opportunities to join in: Sunday July 27th and Sunday July 24th.

CALLING ALL GARDENERS — and those willing to learn! HELP IS NEEDED! The gardens at Holy Spirit need your love and work. Nancy Fencl and Sandy Ditewig are heading up a new initiative to manage the gardens- by the front door, behind the sanctuary, the front sign garden, the courtyard and areas in between. We propose that those interested adopt an area to manage- weed, plant and water. We can meet as a group or garden on your time table. We can rotate weeks to weed and water. We can plan gardening meet-ups. It is more fun to work with a buddy! No experience necessary, just a willingness to help manage the gardens before the forest takes them back!!! If you are interested, contact/text Nancy Fencl at njfloat@yahoo.com 847-507-0878.

SUMMER ENTERTAINMENT — In lieu of an official fellowship event in July involving sign-ups, we have a couple of upcoming opportunities to gather and enjoy the music of our own Bill Vaananen and his daughter Mia. Many of us attended--and enjoyed!--one of their performances at Johnny's Kitchen and Tap a year or so ago. Here's what's coming up:

- ***Tuesday, July 1st***, Bill and Mia will be entertaining at Napolita in Northbrook (1349 Shermer Road). That evening they'll be performing outside on the patio from 5:30 until 8:00 pm.
- ***Saturday, July 19th***, they will be back at Johnny's Kitchen and Tap in Glenview (1740 Milwaukee Ave) from 7:00 till 10:00 pm.

Additional dates in August will be made available in the weeks to come. Hope lots of us can turn out to support and enjoy Bill and Mia's musical talent!

C.O.O.L. GOLF OUTING — It is time for COOL's Annual Golf Outing. Save the Date: **Friday July 18th** at Bonnie Brook Golf Course. Please come out and support the COOL programs and enjoy a great day of golfing followed by a delicious dinner.

10:00 am Check In

11:00 am Shotgun Start

4:30 pm Dinner

Golf for one includes; Greens Fees with a power cart, Lunch on the turn, Dinner, and Entry into Prize Drawings. Cost: \$175 per golfer. A dinner only option is also available. Sign up at www.coolministries.org.

QUILTERS — The Quilting Ministry meets on the third Tuesday of the month at 10:00 a.m.

PRAYER GROUP — Our prayer group meets at 9:30a.m. on Thursday mornings in room 3. If you'd like to pray with us, please come! We'd love for you to join us.

THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY — Weekly 10:15-11:30 am. Join us on Thursday mornings for a time of Biblical reflection and spirited conversation. We are currently studying “The Tears of Things: Prophetic Wisdom for an Age of Outrage” by Richard Rohr. How do we live compassionately in a time of violence and despair? What can we do with our private disappointments and anger we feel in such an unjust world? In his most personal book yet, Richard Rohr turns to the writings of the Jewish prophets, revealing how some of the lesser-read books of the Bible offer us a critical path forward today. You won’t want to miss this informative study. Your thoughts and opinions are valued as we learn from each other, and we always close our time together in prayer.

ON-LINE GIVING AND TEXT TO GIVE — Our secure online giving option makes it more convenient for members and visitors to donate. Giving is also as easy as sending a text with our text-to-give feature. Text the amount you want to donate to 844-573-1379. A registration link will be texted back for you to enter your information. Tap “Process” to complete your donation. Please scan this code with your phone to donate using our secure online giving page.



LIVE STREAM — Our services are live-streamed and archived on our Holy Spirit YouTube Channel. www.youtube.com/@churchinthewoods-holyspirit6256 or scan the QR code. Please reach out to Daaron Dohler or Ryan Hathaway if you have any questions.



HOLY SPIRIT HAPPENINGS

Sunday June 29	9:30 am	Service of Holy Communion
Thursday July 3	9:30 am	Prayer Group
	10:15 pm	Bible Study
Friday July 4	Independence Day Church office Closed	
Sunday July 6	9:30 am	Service of Holy Communion

Pastor:

Rev. Timothy C. Linstrom

Office Manager:

Ciara Crews

Music Ministers:

Karen M. Jirsa, Bill Vaananen,
Patrick Cantagallo, and Nancy Fencil

Organist:

Karen M. Jirsa

Children's Ministry Director:

Jennifer Williams

Assistant Minister

Greeters

Communion Deacons

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