

Lord of Life Lutheran Church

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7th Sunday after Pentecost July 27, 2025 9:00 a.m.

Welcome to Lord of Life Lutheran Church

Welcome

In the name of Jesus Christ, we welcome you as we hear God's holy Word in worship in-person and online. We encourage you to follow along in this document.

If you are joining us online, please email the office at LOLOffice@lord-of-life.org, so we can welcome you within our midst.

May the Lord bless our worship this day.

As We Gather

Persistence in prayer is encouraged by Jesus and wins the attention of God when Abraham intercedes for Sodom. The life of the baptized—to be rooted and built up in Christ Jesus—is to be nurtured with prayer. God hears and answers prayer and so strengthens God's own. "When I called, you answered me; you increased my strength within me."

As We Offer

We offer our contributions in-person or online at <u>Tithe.ly</u> through this link https://tithe.ly/give_new/www/#/tithely/give-one-time/1438924 or with your phone by taking a picture of this QR Code.

+ Gathering +

PRELUDE ~ Seek Ye First

Douglas Wagner

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

We stand.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

- 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.

- P Merciful God,
- 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.
- 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 ~ *Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee*

ELW 836



- 1 Joy ful, joy ful we a dore thee, God of glo ry, Lord of love!
- 2 All thy works with joy sur-round thee, earth and heav'n re flect thy rays,
- 3 Thou art giv ing and for giv ing, ev er bless-ing, ev er blest



Hearts un - fold like flow'rs be-fore thee, prais-ing thee, their sun a - bove. stars and an - gels sing a-round thee, cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise. well-spring of the joy of liv - ing, o - cean-depth of hap - py rest!



Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness, drive the gloom of doubt a - way. Field and for - est, vale and moun-tain, flow-'ry mead-ow, flash - ing sea, Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our broth - er, all who live in love are thine;

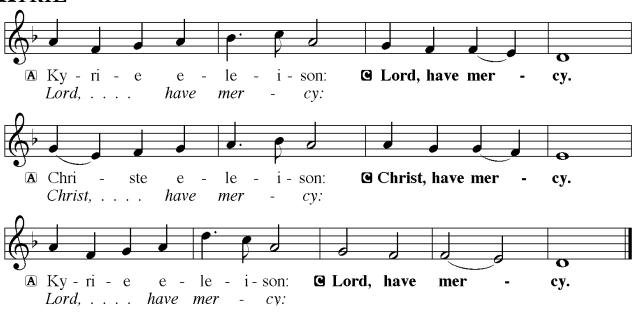


im - mor - tal glad - ness, fill us with the Giv - er of light of day. chant-ing bird, and flow-ing foun-tain call us re - joice in thee. to teach us how to di-vine! love each oth - er, lift us to the joy

GREETING

- 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.

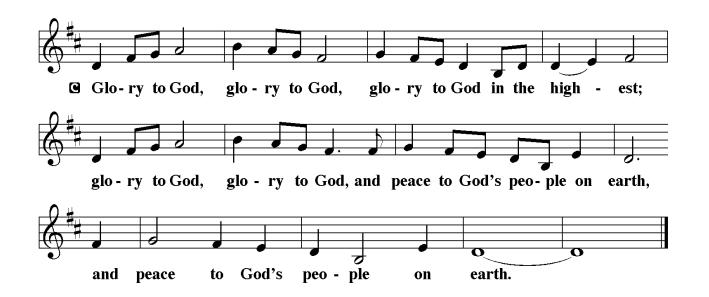
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HYMN OF PRAISE







PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P Let us pray. Almighty and ever-living God, you are always more ready to hear than we are to pray, and you gladly give more than we either desire or deserve. Pour upon us your abundant mercy. Forgive us those things that weigh on our conscience, and give us those good things that come only through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- G Amen.

+ Word +

We sit.

FIRST READING

Genesis 18:20-32

A reading from Genesis.

²⁰ Then the LORD said, "How great is the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah and how very grave their sin! ²¹ I must go down and see

whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me, and if not, I will know." ²² So the men turned from there and went toward Sodom, while Abraham remained standing before the LORD. ²³ Then Abraham came near and said, "Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? ²⁴ Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city; will you then sweep away the place and not forgive it for the fifty righteous who are in it? ²⁵ Far be it from you to do such a thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?" ²⁶ And the LORD said, "If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will forgive the whole place for their sake." ²⁷ Abraham answered, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to my lord, I who am but dust and ashes. ²⁸ Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?" And he said, "I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there." ²⁹ Again he spoke to him, "Suppose forty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of forty I will not do it." 30 Then he said, "Oh, do not let my lord be angry if I speak. Suppose thirty are found there." He answered, "I will not do it, if I find thirty there." ³¹ He said, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to my lord. Suppose twenty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it." 32 Then he said, "Oh, do not let my lord be angry if I speak just once more. Suppose ten are found there." He answered, "For the sake of ten I will not destroy it."

- **A** The word of the Lord.
- **G** Thanks be to God.

PSALM 138



- ¹ I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with [|] my whole heart; before the gods I will [|] sing your praise.
- ² I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your name, because of your steadfast | love and faithfulness; for you have glorified your name and your word a- | bove all things.
- Men I called, you | answered me; you increased my | strength within me.
- ⁴ All the rulers of the earth will praise | you, O LORD, when they have heard the words | of your mouth.
- They will sing of the ways | of the LORD, that great is the glory | of the LORD.
- G The LORD is high, yet cares | for the lowly, perceiving the haughty | from afar.
- ⁷Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you | keep me safe; you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right | hand shall save me.
- You will make good your pur- pose for me; O LORD, your steadfast love endures forever; do not abandon the works of your hands.

SECOND READING

Colossians 2:6-19

- A reading from Colossians.
- ⁶ As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to walk in him, ⁷ rooted and built up in him and established in the faith,

just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving. 8 Watch out that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental principles of the world, and not according to Christ. 9 For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, 10 and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority. 11 In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by the removal of the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; 12 when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. 13 And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, 14 erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. 15 He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it. ¹⁶ Therefore, do not let anyone condemn you in matters of food or drink or of observing festivals, new moons, or Sabbaths. 17 These are only a shadow of what is to come, but the body belongs to Christ. ¹⁸ Do not let anyone disqualify you, insisting on self-abasement and worship of angels, initiatory visions, puffed up without cause by a human way of thinking, 19 and not holding fast to the head, from whom the whole body, nourished and held together by its ligaments and tendons, grows with a growth that is from God.

- **A** The word of the Lord.
- **G** Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL Luke 11:1-13

- P The holy gospel according to Luke.
- Glory to you, O Lord.

¹Jesus was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples." So he said to them, "When you pray, say: Father, may your name be revered as holy. May your kingdom come. ³ Give us each day our daily bread. ⁴ And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us. And do not bring us to the time of trial." ⁵ And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread, ⁶ for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.' ⁷ And he answers from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.' ⁸ I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything out of friendship, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he

needs. ⁹ "So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. ¹⁰ For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. ¹¹ Is there anyone among you who, if your child asked for a fish, would give a snake instead of a fish? ¹² Or if the child asked for an egg, would give a scorpion? ¹³ If you, then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

- **P** The gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY ~ Lord, Teach Us How to Pray Aright ELW 745



- 1 Lord, teach us how to pray a right, with rev 'rence and with fear.
- 2 We per ish if we cease from prayer; oh, grant us pow'r to pray.
- 3 Give deep hu mil i ty; the sense of god ly sor row give; 4 Faith in the on - ly sac - ri - fice that can for sin a - tone;
- 5 Give these, and then your will be done; thus strength-ened with all might,



Though dust and ash - es in your sight, we may, we must draw near. And when to meet you we pre - pare, Lord, meet us on our way. a strong de - sire, with con - fi - dence, to hear your voice and live; to cast our hopes, to fix our eyes on Christ, on Christ a - lone. we, through your Spir - it and your Son, shall pray, and pray a - right.

APOSTLES' CREED

- A Let us confess the faith of the church with the words of the 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 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.

Each petition ends:

- **A** God of grace,
- **G** hear our prayer.

The prayers conclude:

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

PEACE

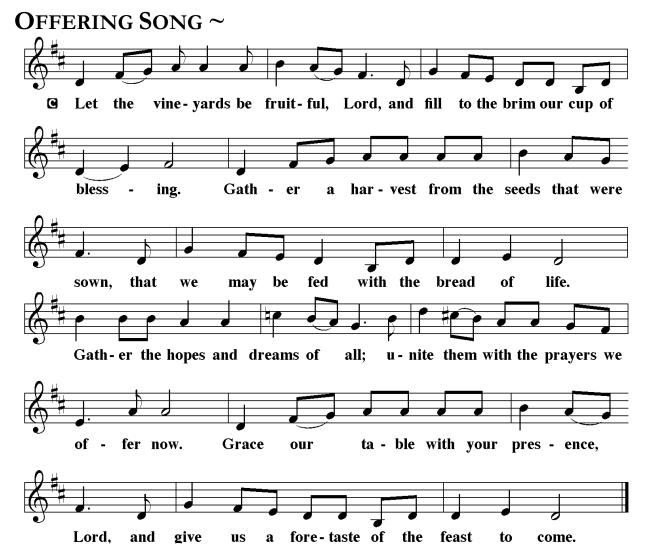
- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- And also with you.

+ Meal +

We sit.

OFFERING MUSIC ~ Sweet Hour of Prayer Soloist – Diane Gioe William Bradbury

We stand.



OFFERING PRAYER

- A Let us pray. 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.

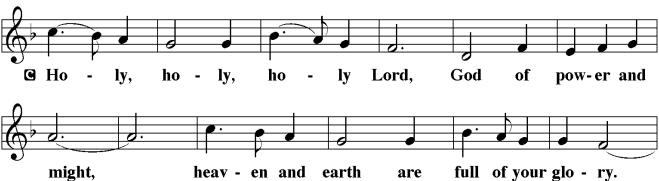
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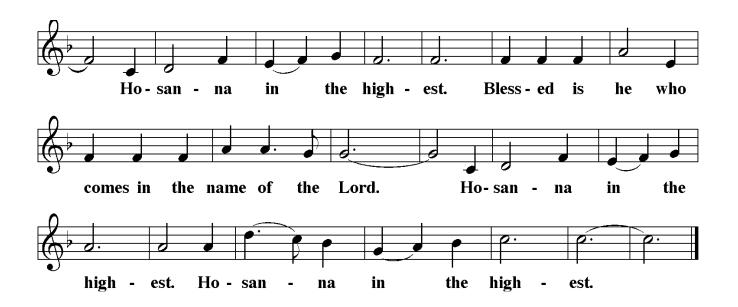
- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **G** And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- **G** We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

P It is indeed right and salutary...praise your name and join their unending hymn:

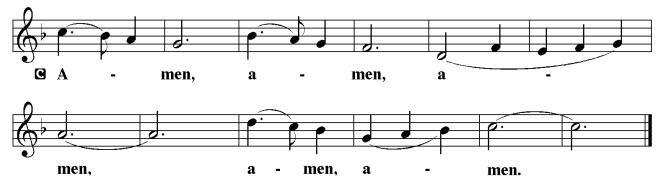
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THANKSGIVING

- We give you thanks, Father, through Jesus Christ, your beloved Son, whom you sent in this end...
 - ... Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.



LORD'S PRAYER

- P Let us pray the words our Lord taught us.
- Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

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

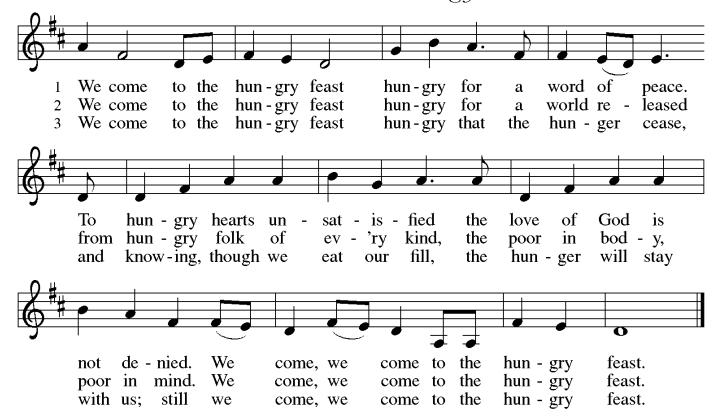
We sit.





COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

All are welcome to the table of the Lord, who is truly present in, with and under the bread and wine. We gather at the communion rail and consume the elements, by intinction, taking the wafer and dipping it into the chalice, half of which is red wine, and the other half of which, is light apple juice. Gluten free wafers are available during distribution. Children who have yet to commune are welcome to receive a blessing. Please inform the ushers if you would like communion brought to you at your place in the pew.



We stand.

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

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

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

- 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.

+ Sending +

BLESSING

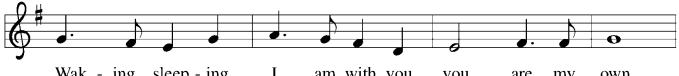
- P Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.
- C Amen.

SENDING HYMN ~ Go, My Children, with My Blessing

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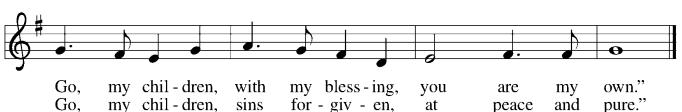
- 1 "Go, my chil dren, with my bless-ing, nev er a lone.
- 2 "Go, my chil dren, sins for giv en, at peace and pure.
- 3 "Go, my chil dren, fed and nour-ished, clos er to me.



Wak - ing, sleep - ing, I am with you, you are my own. I love you, Here you learned how much what I can cure. Grow in love and love by serv-ing, joy ful and free.



In my love's bap-tis - mal riv - er I have made you mine for - ev - er. Here you heard my dear Son's sto - ry, here you touched him, saw his glo - ry. Here my Spir - it's pow - er filled you, here my ten - der com-fort stilled you.



Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, joy - ful and free."

DISMISSAL

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

POSTLUDE ~ Great is Thy Faithfulness

Douglas Wagner

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+ LEADING WORSHIP TODAY +

Pastor Rebekah Weant, Presiding Minister
Diane Bele, Music Director
Mark Puchalski, Audio Visual
Jenny Tuntland, Assisting Minister
Gina Placido, Reader
Tony & Gina Placido, Greeters
Marilyn Luthardt & Stephanie Yager, Ushers

THE FLOWERS are given to the glory of God by Dee Anders in honor of July birthdays – Grandson Patrick, Great grandson Malcolm, Grandson Conor, Son Keith, Daughter-in-laws Kathy and Heather

THE BULLETIN is given to the glory of by Ken Olson in honor of Blake's birthday

+ WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS +

WORSHIP REGISTRATION SHEETS ~ All visitors & members please sign-in each Sunday on the worship attendance sheets located in the blue folder at the end of your pew. Please update any new contact information. We encourage visitors to provide contact information - - this helps us to get to know you!

Please continue to sign-in each week. This helps gauge church growth, plan events, maintain how many bulletins should be printed, and assist in setting up the communion meal for each week. Trying a new seat will also help you say hello to those who you do not know each week. Thank you for your assistance with this.

<u>WELCOME</u> ~ IF YOU WATCH ON-LINE, PLEASE EMAIL THE CHURCH OFFICE DIRECTLY AT <u>LOLOffice@lord-of-life.org</u> or call the office and let us know you attended. Thank you!

CHURCH NEED: We are looking for another wheelchair to house here at Lord of Life. If you or someone you know has one available for an indefinite amount of time, please contact Kim or Julie in the office. Thank you in advance.

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEED: Looking for Rotating/Part-time Sunday School Teacher Volunteers for the coming 2025-26 Sunday School year. We have a new preschool/Kindergarten and 1st/2nd grade class (the class sizes are very small). We would like to have a rotating roster or a monthly commitment. Frequency of rotation would depend on the number of people that are signed up. Please contact the office if you are interested 847-895-8877

YOU CAN HELP! There is always a need for clear plastic clamshell containers with air holes in them so the Garden Club has something in which to transport their produce from the garden to food pantries. If you buy berries or small tomatoes in clamshell containers, wash and dry the containers, put them in a plastic bag (a tied-up grocery bag is fine) and drop them in the leaf bin south of the shed. You may bring containers until the end of October, unless you hear otherwise.

<u>UPDATE ON PASTOR MATIAS:</u> JULY 23: Pastor Matias had a long but successful surgery yesterday in which they finished removing the infection and sewed up the surgical area. He is recovering

and may be released as early as this weekend! He will still need to stay in the US to continue his recovery outside the hospital and be in proximity to follow up care. Our beloved Pastor Matias is still in delicate health, keep those prayers flowing!