

*Welcome to*  
Luther Memorial Church



6 JULY 2025  
**13<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME**  
**SEASON AFTER PENTECOST**  
10:30 am

## LUTHER MEMORIAL CHURCH

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## WELCOME!

*This is the day that the Lord has made. Together, let us rejoice and be glad in it!*

*Luther Memorial Church and Academy, is located on the original and ancestral homelands of the Haudenosaunee, Mississauga, Seneca, and Erie people. These lands were ceded by the people of the Six Nations on October 22, 1784 in a treaty ratified by the United States Government in 1785 and never ratified by the people of the Six Nations. We gather in this place indebted to these peoples for their forced generosity. While some peoples were successful in resisting assimilation and genocide, and still live on dwindled homelands now, many were absorbed into other peoples, exiled, or annihilated by the United States government for their land. For those who remain and for the land on which we gather, we give thanks to the Creator and to those who have been custodians of this part of Turtle Island since time immemorial. We also wish to recognize and honor all our Indigenous siblings who have and continue to call this land their home.*

~ Here are a few notes to help you participate in worship today: Almost everything you need is in this bulletin, including hymns. You are invited to participate with the words in **bold type**. You are invited to stand as you are able where indicated. Hymns are included in this bulletin, however if you need larger print, hymns may be found in the back of the red hymnal using the number indicated (#). Please join in singing all the music! Today especially we raise our voices in praise!

~ **You don't need to disconnect here!** You don't need to turn off your phone, but please place it in silent mode. Feel free to take pictures—of our building, of worship, but ask permission for any people-pictures. We ask that you not use flash during this worship service. Post your favorite quote from the sermon or verse from a hymn...just be sure to check in and let your friends know where you are!

~ We welcome all of God's children **no matter your age**. Wiggles, dancing, and singing welcome! Together we raise a joyful noise. If you would like a children's bulletin, a soft toy, or a book, they're near the ramp door (out the doors next to the pulpit on the long Welcome Table).

~ **Restrooms** may be found out either door at the front of the Sanctuary. There is an accessible ramp through the doors near the pulpit. At the top of the ramp(s), follow signs to the restrooms. A fully accessible restroom is available through the parlor.

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**PRELUDE – "Patriotic Suite: I. Processional, II. Improvisation"**

C. Callahan

*Please rise in body or spirit.***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

ONE: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,  
 who looks upon us in compassion, forgives our sin,  
 and heals our lives.

**ALL: Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Have mercy, O God,  
**against you, you alone,**  
**we have sinned.**

**In your compassion,**  
**cleanse us from our sin**  
**and take away our guilt.**  
**Create in us a new heart**  
**and give us a steadfast spirit.**

**Do not cast us away,**  
**but fill us with your Holy Spirit**  
**and restore your joy within us.**

**Amen.**

As tender as parent to child, so deep is God's compassion for you. As high as heaven is above earth, so vast is God's love for you. As far as east is from west, so far God removes your sin from you, renewing your life through Jesus Christ. Blessed be God who crowns us with mercy and love.

**Blessed be God forever. Amen.****GATHERING HYMN****ELW 841****Lift Every Voice and Sing**

The musical score is written for a three-part setting (Soprano, Alto, and Tenor/Bass) in G major (one sharp). The melody is in the soprano part, with the alto and tenor parts providing harmonic support. The lyrics are written below the notes.

1 Lift ev - 'ry voice and sing till earth and heav - en ring,  
 2 Ston - y the road we trod, bit - ter the chas - t'ning rod,  
 3 God of our wea - ry years, God of our si - lent tears,

ring with the har - mo - nies of lib - er - ty.  
 felt in the days when hope un - born had died;  
 thou who hast brought us thus far on the way;

Let our re-joic-ing rise high as the lis-t'ning skies,  
yet with a stead-y beat, have not our wea-ry feet  
thou who hast by thy might led us in-to the light,

let it re-sound loud as the roll-ing sea.  
come to the place for which our par-ents sighed?  
keep us for-ev-er in the path, we pray.

Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us;  
We have come o-ver a way that with tears has been wa-tered;  
Lest our feet stray from the plac-es, our God, where we met thee;

sing a song full of the hope that the pres-ent has brought us;  
we have come, tread-ing our path through the blood of the slaugh-tered,  
lest, our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we for-get thee;

fac-ing the ris-ing sun of our new day be-gun,  
out from the gloom-y past, till now we stand at last  
shad-owed be-neath thy hand, may we for-ev-er stand,



Text: James W. Johnson, 1871–1938  
 Music: LIFT EVERY VOICE AND SING, J. Rosamond Johnson, 1873–1954

## OPENING SENTENCE

Blessed be our God,  
**forever and ever. Amen.**

## CANTICLE OF PRAISE

1 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;  
 2 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;  
 3 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;  
 yours is the prom - ise, the bless - ing, the birth.  
 yours the ho - san - nas, the dy - ing, re - birth.  
 yours the a - noint - ing, the ra - di - ant worth.  
 Ours the re - joic - ing for Word giv - en frame;  
 Ours the re - joic - ing for na - ture re - claimed;  
 Ours the re - joic - ing for spir - its a - flame;  
 ours the thanks - giv - ing to your ho - ly name.  
 Ours be the tell - ing of deeds great - ly done;  
 yours be the glo - ry, O God, yours a - lone.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

O God, the Father of our Lord Jesus, you are the city that shelters us, the mother who comforts us. With your Spirit accompany us on our life's journey, that we may spread your peace in all the world, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

**FIRST READING: Isaiah 66:10-14**

<sup>10</sup>Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for the city,  
all you who love her;

rejoice with Jerusalem in joy,  
all you who mourn over her—

<sup>11</sup>that you may nurse and be satisfied  
from her consoling breast,  
that you may drink deeply with delight  
from her glorious bosom.

<sup>12</sup>For thus says the Lord:  
I will extend prosperity to Jerusalem like a river,  
and the wealth of the nations like an overflowing stream,  
and you shall nurse and be carried on her arm  
and bounced on her knees.

<sup>13</sup>As a mother comforts her child,  
so I will comfort you;  
you shall be comforted in Jerusalem.

<sup>14</sup>You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice;  
your bodies shall flourish like the grass,  
and it shall be known that the power of the Lord  
is with my servants,  
and my indignation is against my enemies.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the churches.

**Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 66:1-9** (*Sung in unison.*)

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<sup>1</sup> Be joyful in God, | all you lands;  
be joyful, | all the earth.

<sup>2</sup> Sing the glory | of God's name;  
sing the glory | of God's praise.

<sup>3</sup> Say to God, "How awesome | are your deeds!  
Because of your great strength your enemies | cringe before you.

<sup>4</sup> All the earth bows | down before you,  
sings to you, sings | out your name."

<sup>5</sup> Come now and see the | works of God,  
how awesome are God's deeds | toward all people.

<sup>6</sup> God turned the sea into dry land, so that they went through the wa- | ter on foot,  
and there we re- | joiced in God.

<sup>7</sup> Ruling forever in might, God keeps watch o- | ver the nations;  
let no rebels ex- | alt themselves.

<sup>8</sup> Bless our | God, you peoples;  
let the sound of | praise be heard.

<sup>9</sup> Our God has kept us a- | mong the living  
and has not allowed our | feet to slip.

## SECOND READING: Galatians 6:1-16

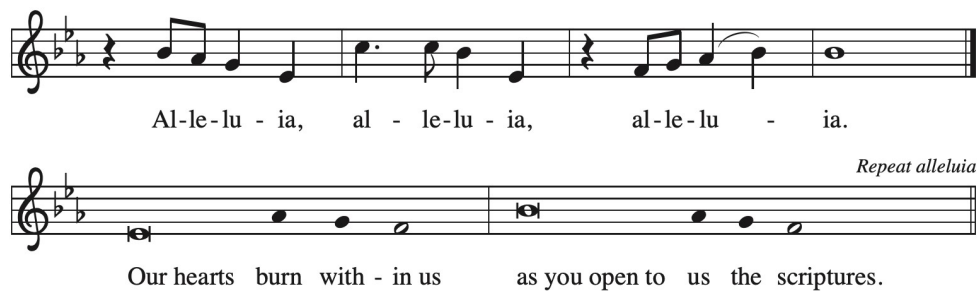
<sup>1</sup>My friends, if anyone is detected in a transgression, you who have received the Spirit should restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness. Take care that you yourselves are not tempted. <sup>2</sup>Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. <sup>3</sup>For if those who are nothing think they are something, they deceive themselves. <sup>4</sup>All must test their own work; then that work, rather than their neighbor's work, will become a cause for pride. <sup>5</sup>For all must carry their own loads. <sup>6</sup>Those who are taught the word must share in all good things with their teacher. <sup>7</sup>Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. <sup>8</sup>If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh, but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. <sup>9</sup>So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up. <sup>10</sup>So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all and especially for those of the family of faith. <sup>11</sup>See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand! <sup>12</sup>It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh who try to compel you men to be circumcised—only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. <sup>13</sup>Even the circumcised men do not themselves obey the law, but they want you men to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh. <sup>14</sup>May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me and I to the world. <sup>15</sup>For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything, but a new creation is everything! <sup>16</sup>As for those who will follow this rule—peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the churches

**Thanks be to God.**

*Please rise in body or spirit to greet the Gospel.*

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



## GOSPEL: Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

The Holy Gospel according to Luke.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. <sup>2</sup>Jesus said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into the harvest. <sup>3</sup>Go on your way; I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. <sup>4</sup>Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals, and greet no one on the road. <sup>5</sup>Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!' <sup>6</sup>And if a person of peace is there, your peace will rest on that person, but if not, it will return to you. <sup>7</sup>Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. <sup>8</sup>Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; <sup>9</sup>cure the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The dominion of God has come near to you.' <sup>10</sup>But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, <sup>11</sup>'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the dominion of God has come near.' <sup>16</sup>"Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me." <sup>17</sup>The seventy-two returned with joy, saying, "Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!" <sup>18</sup>Jesus said to them, "I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. <sup>19</sup>Indeed, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing will hurt you. <sup>20</sup>Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Please be seated at the invitation of the pastor.*

**SERMON**

Pastor Jay

*After a brief silence for reflection, as the music sounds, please stand to proclaim the Word of God in song.*

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

**ACS 991**

**Go to the World!**



1 Go to the world! Go in - to all the earth.  
2 Go to the world! Go in - to ev - 'ry place.  
3 Go to the world! Go strug - gle, bless, and pray;  
4 "Go to the world! Go as the ones I send,  
Go preach the cross where Christ re - news life's worth,  
Go live the word of God's re - deem - ing grace.  
the nights of tears give way to joy - ous day.  
for I am with you till the age shall end,  
bap - tiz - ing as the sign of our re - birth.  
Go seek God's pres - ence in each time and space.  
As ser - vant church, you fol - low Christ's own way.  
when all the hosts of glo - ry cry, A - men!"  
Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Text: Sylvia G. Dunstan, 1955–1993  
Music: SINE NOMINE, Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872–1958  
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**PRAYER OF INTERCESSION**

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

*A brief silence.*

You send your church into the world with a message of peace. Center the whole church in this peace, and strengthen our faith by the example of Jan Hus and all those who creatively and faithfully proclaim your good news. Journey with Elizabeth and Michael, our Bishops and Kristen, our Bishop-Elect, in this time of transition for them all. God of grace,

**hear our prayer.**

All the earth sings out your name. Inspire your people to drink deeply from the beauty of Presque Isle, Asbury Woods, and all your creation. When ecosystems are wounded, bring your healing. When our actions endanger the survival of other species, curb our greed and waste. God of grace,

**hear our prayer.**



You call us to work for the good of all. Give resolve to those who lead, that they do not grow weary in doing what is right, acting for compassion, equity, and peace. Bring lasting peace to all places that know war and strife, in particular Iran, Palestine, Ukraine, Haiti, the Sudan, Russia, Israel, and the United States. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

As a mother comforts her child, so you comfort us. Bring this comfort to those in any pain, particularly those whose names and needs we lift up now: \_\_\_\_\_. Carry your people when grief is heavy, and lift burdens of shame and self-doubt. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Your harvest is plentiful, O God. Make us laborers and companions with one another in this assembly. Send your peace to rest upon us, heal divisions among us, and open our hearts to receive one another as gifts from you. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

You have written our names in heaven, O God, and we rejoice. We thank you for those who have lived and died in your love, especially John. Accompany us on our life's journey and draw us at last to life forever in you. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

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

#### THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.  
**And also with you.**

*Please share greetings and gestures of peace with those around you. Please be seated.*

#### MEAL

*God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.*

#### THE OFFERING IS RECEIVED



*An offering is received for the ministry of the church. Our offering at Luther Memorial supports our ministry locally, as well as that of the Northwestern Pennsylvania Synod and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. You may make your checks payable to Luther Memorial Church. Additionally, you may visit <https://bit.ly/LMCDonate> or scan the QR Code and scroll to the bottom of the page to give electronically.*

#### OFFERTORY – "Chorale"

N. Rawsthorne

*Please rise in body or spirit as the gifts are presented.*

#### OFFERING HYMN

ACS 1092

#### Thank You, Lord

Musical notation for the hymn "Thank You, Lord" (ACS 1092). It features a treble and bass staff with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is in the treble staff, and the bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the notes.

1 Thank you, Lord, thank you, Lord, thank you,  
2 Been so good, been so good, been so  
3 Been my friend, been my friend, been my  
4 Love you, Lord, love you, Lord, love you,

Lord, I just want to thank you, Lord.  
 good, I just want to thank you, Lord.  
 friend, I just want to thank you, Lord.  
 Lord, I just want to thank you, Lord.

Text: Traditional  
 Music: THANK YOU, LORD, Traditional

## OFFERTORY PRAYER

God of goodness and growth, all creation is yours, and your faithfulness is sure. Word and water, wine and bread: these are signs of your abundant grace. Receive the gifts we bring, and nourish us to proclaim your abiding love in our communities and in the world, through Jesus Christ, our strength and our song.  
**Amen.**

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING SURSUM CORDA

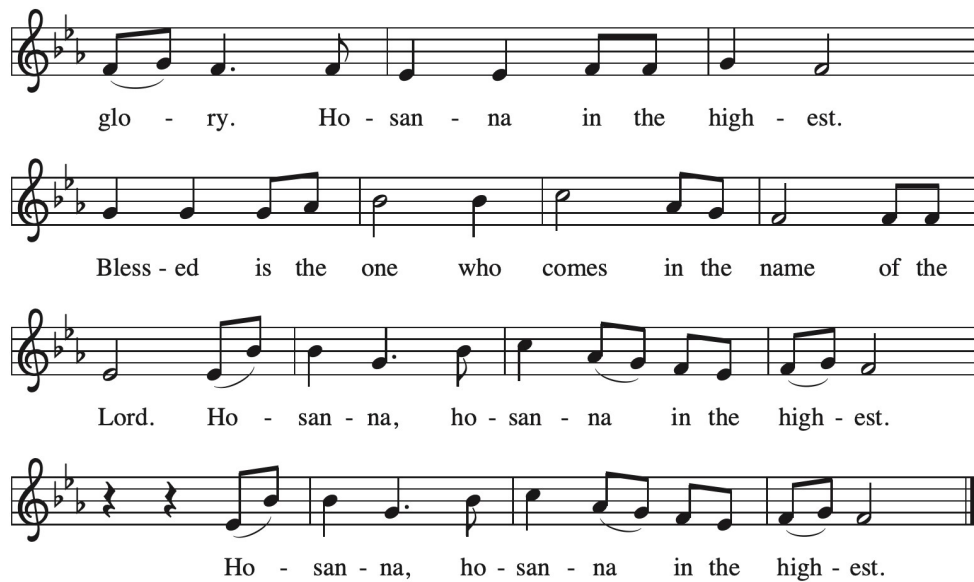
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.  
 Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.  
 Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
 It is right to give our thanks and praise.

## THE PROPER PREFACE

*It is indeed right, our duty, and our joy that we should at all time 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 opens to us the way of everlasting life. And so with the church on earth and the host of heaven, we praise you name and join their unending hymn:*

## SANCTUS

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and  
 God of might, heav - en and earth are full of your



### EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

O God triune, how majestic is your name in all the earth. Over the eons your merciful might evolved our home, a fragile tree of life. Here by your wisdom are both life and death, growth and decay, the nest and the hunt, sunshine and storm, darkness and light. Sustained by these wonders, we creatures of dust join in the ancient song:

**The earth is full of your glory.**

O God triune, you took on our flesh in Jesus our healer. In Christ you bring life from death; we remember his cross, we laud his resurrection. Broken like bread, he enlivens our body. Outpoured like wine, he fills the earth with goodness. Receiving this mystery, we mortals sing our song:

**The earth is full of your glory.**

We praise you for the heart of Jesus, so filled with your love for this earth.

*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.*

Gathered around this table, we your children unite in this song:

**The earth is full of your glory.**

O God triune, you create the worlds, you uphold the living, you embrace the dead. Send forth your Spirit and renew the face of the earth. Strengthen us for our journey with this meal, the body and blood of Christ. Give us a future that trusts in you and cares for your earth. Empowered by your promises, we rise from our deaths to praise you again:

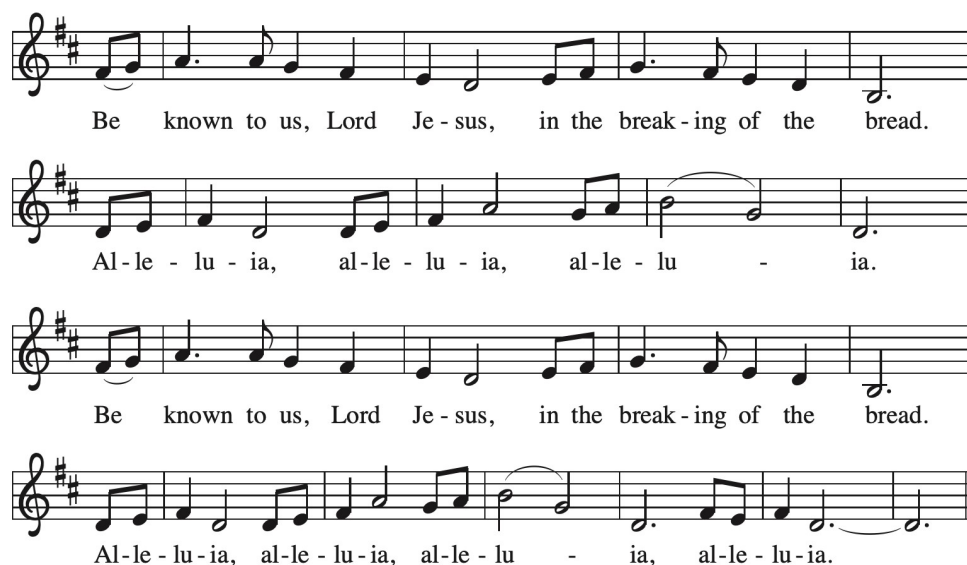
**The earth is full of your glory. Amen.**

## LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus 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.**

## FRACTION ANTHEM



Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread.

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

Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread.

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

## INVITATION TO THE TABLE

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

**Thanks be to God!**

Those communing at home: take and eat, the body and blood of Christ for you.

*Please be seated.*

## THE COMMUNION

*This is Christ's Table and the Risen Christ is, himself, present whenever we feast together. **You** are welcome to the feast! Please come forward from both sides by the center aisle. Take a small empty cup from the trays at the head of the center aisle. White grape juice is in pre-filled cups for those who cannot have alcoholized wine. Gluten-free wafers are available for those who need them; please let the pastor know. Receive the bread in your open palm, then hold your cup steady for the assisting minister to fill. As you return by the side aisles, please place your empty cup in the tray. All are invited to the meal. If you would like to participate but not to receive the bread and wine, please cross your arms in front of you for a blessing from the pastor.*

## God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand

1 God of the a - ges, whose al - might - y  
 2 Thy love di - vine hath led us in the  
 3 From war's a - larms, from dead - ly pes - ti -  
 4 Re - fresh thy peo - ple on their toil - some

hand leads forth in beau - ty all the star - ry band  
 past; in this free land by thee our lot is cast;  
 lence, be thy strong arm our ev - er sure de - fense;  
 way; lead us from night to nev - er - end - ing day;

of shin - ing worlds in splen - dor through the skies:  
 be thou our rul - er, guard - ian, guide, and stay;  
 may true re - li - gion in our hearts in - crease,  
 fill all our lives with love and grace di - vine;

our grate - ful songs be - fore thy throne a - rise.  
 thy Word our law, thy paths our chos - en way.  
 thy boun - teous good - ness nour - ish us in peace.  
 all glo - ry, laud, and praise be ev - er thine.

Words: Daniel C. Roberts, 1876, alt., P.D.

Music (NATIONAL HYMN 10.10.10.10): George W. Warren, 1892, P.D.

## Let There be Peace on Earth



Let there be peace on earth and let it be - gin with me.\_\_\_\_\_

Let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be.\_\_\_\_\_ With

God as our Fa- ther,\_\_\_\_\_ fam - 'ly all are we.\_\_\_\_\_

Let us walk with each oth-er\_\_\_\_\_ in per - fect har - mo - ny.

Let peace be - gin with me; let this be the mo - ment now.\_\_\_\_\_

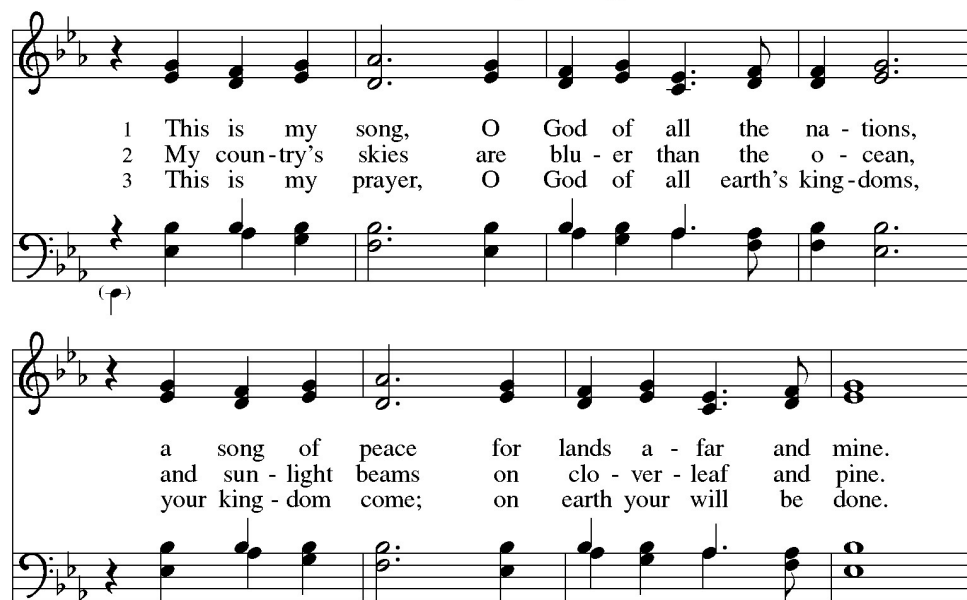
With ev - 'ry step I take, let this be my sol - emn vow.\_\_\_\_\_ To

take each mo-ment and live each mo-moment in peace e - ter - nal - ly.\_\_\_\_\_

Let there be peace on earth and let it be - gin with me.

## This Is My Song

ELW 887



1 This is my song, O God of all the na - tions,  
2 My coun-try's skies are blu - er than the o - cean,  
3 This is my prayer, O God of all earth's king-doms,

a song of peace for lands a - far and mine.  
and sun - light beams on clo - ver - leaf and pine.  
your king - dom come; on earth your will be done.

This is my home, the coun - try where my heart is;  
 But oth - er lands have sun - light too, and clo - ver,  
 O God, be lift - ed up till all shall serve you,

here are my hopes, my dreams, my ho - ly shrine;  
 and skies are ev - 'ry - where as blue as mine.  
 and hearts u - nit - ed learn to live as one.

but oth - er hearts in oth - er lands are beat - ing  
 So hear my song, O God of all the na - tions,  
 So hear my prayer, O God of all the na - tions;

with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.  
 a song of peace for their land and for mine.  
 my - self I give you; let your will be done.

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## TABLE BLESSING

## POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

We thank you, O God, that you have strengthened our hearts through this feast of life and salvation. Shine the light of Christ on our path, that we may do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you, now and forever.  
**Amen.**

## SENDING OF HOLY COMMUNION *if needed*

We send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that the Meal we have shared here may be extended for our siblings who are not here.

**We who are many are one body in Christ, sharing one bread, one cup.**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*Please stand as you are able.*

**BLESSING**

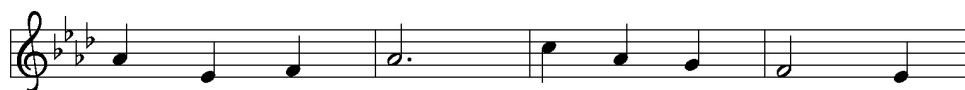
...now and forever.

**Amen.**

**SENDING HYMN**

**ELW 731**

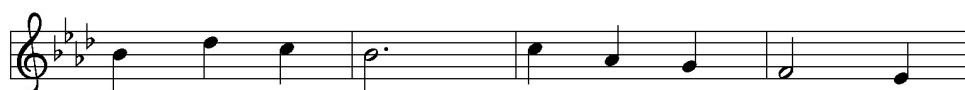
**Earth and All Stars!**



1	Earth and	all	stars!	Loud	rush - ing	plan - ets!
2	Trum - pet	and	pipes!	Loud	clash - ing	cym - bals!
3	En - gines	and	steel!	Loud	pound - ing	ham - mers!
4	Class-rooms	and	labs!	Loud	boil - ing	test tubes!
5	Knowl-edge	and	truth!	Loud	sound - ing	wis - dom!



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Hail, wind, and	rain!	Loud	blow - ing	snow - storm!
Harp, lute, and	lyre!	Loud	hum - ming	cel - los!
Lime - stone and	beams!	Loud	build - ing	work - ers!
Ath - lete and	band!	Loud	cheer - ing	peo - ple!
Daugh - ter and	son!	Loud	pray - ing	mem - bers!



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*Refrain*  
God has done mar - vel - ous things.



I too sing prais - es with a new song!



## DISMISSAL

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

## POSTLUDE – "Improvisation on We Shall Overcome"

C. Haywood

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### — SERVING TODAY —

*PRESIDING MINISTER* – Pastor Jay Mitchell

*ACOLYTE* – Jessica Copfer

*ASSISTING MINISTER* – Pat Bellingham

*COMMUNION ASSISTANT* – Elaine Kern

*LECTOR* – Linda Melaragno

*USHERS* – Sue Cappelletty, Mary Daniels, Mary Mumford, Betty Pletz

*ALTAR GUILD* – Sharon Burke

*VIDEO STREAMING* – Nick Lang



**Altar flowers** are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of John D. Mumford, III by mother, Mary, and sister, Elizabeth.

### Worship Matters

**Today the Church** recognizes and celebrates Jan Hus, martyr. Martin Luther was not the first reformer of the Church. He wasn't even in the first ten people who tried to reform the Church. He *was* the most successful in his own time mostly because of the invention of the printing press and the ability to disseminate information much more quickly. Yet, Luther would not have seen himself as the first. Indeed, Luther credited Jan Hus as one of his predecessors and himself as an inheritor of Hus' reforming spirit. Among Hus' calls for reform was the end of indulgences and of crusades. He also called into question the line of succession of the Pope and the substance of the elements of Communion (whether the Bread and Wine remain bread and wine or are fully transubstantiated into the Body and Blood of Christ—a fine line Luther himself would argue in his reforms). However, we receive the story of Hus—who was burned at the stake for his heresy—we celebrate him today. We remember that the Church is called to *semper reformanda* to be always reforming. Luther was not the first nor the last reformer. And our vision of Christ's Church must not be one of a museum keeping everything intact and well preserved but of always being open to the dreams and visions of the future into which Christ himself calls his Church. Indeed, into our own continent came Henry Melchior Muhlenberg whose own phrase (besides *semper reformanda*) was *semper plantada*, the Church must be always planted. The growth of a tree is more apt to who we are called to be, always growing, always changing, always providing fruit and shelter to those who seek the shade of the Tree of Life around which we gather.

### Adult Forum

**Adult Forum** will be offered on Sundays, July 13 and July 20 at 9:30am in the library. Pastor Jay will be delving into the history of the Nicene-Constantinopolitan Creed which celebrates its 1700<sup>th</sup> Anniversary this year. There will also be discussion of the Joint Ecumenical Statement on the *Filioque* by the Lutheran World Federation and the Orthodox Churches.

### Outreach Offerings

**Giving offerings** to outreach ministries allows Luther Memorial to support vital work beyond our church walls, like serving those in need and spreading the gospel. It enables us to fulfill our mission of serving God and others by funding programs that improve lives, both physically and spiritually. On Sunday, August 31 our offering will be donated to Global Refuge ([globalrefuge.org](http://globalrefuge.org)).

## Youth

**Flea Markets** are held in our parking area (rain or shine) the third Saturday of the month through September 20. Set-up begins at 8:00am with shopping held from 9:00am – 12:00pm. Cost of a parking space is \$10 so load your car with unwanted treasures and come on down to park and sell. Please see Beth Keller or Sarah Prylinski for more information.

**LIA**, Lutherans in Action, will meet Tuesday, July 8 from 5:30-7:00pm as they continue completing service projects. All youth in grades 5-12 are encouraged to join in.

## Opportunities for Fellowship

**OWLS** will set sail on the Victorian Princess Wednesday, July 9. Enjoy a scenic cruise and delicious lunch while visiting and taking in the sights of Presque Isle. Boarding is from 11:15-11:30am. The cost per person is \$44. Please see Jan MacInnes or contact the church office with any questions.

**Come and join** us for an escape from reality. Your cares will be left behind after a morning of laughter and conversation with the Magic Fingers Grace Group. Join us for knitting and crocheting the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month from 10:00am– 12:00 noon; July 8 and July 22. Please contact Norma, in the church office, or Jan MacInnes if you are in need of more yarn or have any questions.

**Kenneth Snider Memorial Car Cruise** will be held Sunday, July 13 from 1:00-4:00pm in our parking lot. This is a fun afternoon for the entire family. Car enthusiasts will enjoy a variety of show cars along with DJ Bill Mason, Magic Steve, delicious food, a huge Chinese auction, 50-50 raffle and bake sale. Monies raised will benefit Shriners Children's Hospital and Luther Memorial's Youth. For more information, contact [kenscarmacruise@gmail.com](mailto:kenscarmacruise@gmail.com).

## Luther Memorial Academy

**LMA** is seeking a church member for the School Board. The School Board provides critical leadership and support to the administrative and teaching staff of our school. If you are interested in caring for our school and enhancing our children's education please consider being a member of the School Board. A School Board Applicant Information form can be emailed to you or picked up in the church office. Feel free to call the church or school office with any questions.

## Items to Note

**In case of a pastoral emergency**, please contact Pastor Jay either at the church (814-454-0106 x. 227) or, if not, on his personal phone (267-549-9858). If you are unable to reach him and need a response quickly, please contact our church office at 454-0106, ext. 221 during weekday business hours of 8:00am – 4:00pm to speak with Norma. Thank you.

**Greeting cards** can be found in the information rack located near the parlor area. A large variety of cards that will fit every occasion are available. Youth are offering these cards for \$1 each or 6 for \$5. Proceeds will benefit our youth.

## — PRAYER LIST —

### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

#### Our Members:

Marilyn Bohn & family  
Sally McAfee

Robert Copfer  
Pat Gilbert

Ed Hokaj  
Bea Leemhuis

Rose-Marie Rose  
Walt Gaber

#### Friends and Family:

Mary Beth & Mary Kelly  
Nicholas Nasibyan  
Carol Steffey & Marissa  
Phil Nagy  
Dolores Kosciński

Laura L  
Gwen Smith  
Robert Timm  
Henderson family

Mary Lou  
Andrew Wachter  
Sandy M.  
Justin

Shelby  
Sullivan  
Ron Lester  
Beth Sedelmyer

#### Grief:

Lois Fobes family

#### Our Military Service Men & Women:

Lt. Col. Matt Anderson  
Ben Dixon

Michael Stickner  
Lt. Col. Mark Collins  
Andrew Watson  
Christopher Rose

Alli Brown

## Readings and Commemoration This Week

**6 July – Jan Hus, martyr, 1415** – Ezekiel 20:40-42; Psalm 5; Revelation 6:9-11; Matthew 23:34-37 -- *Hus was a Bohemian (present-day Czech Republic) priest who spoke against abuses in the church, and was seen by Martin Luther as his predecessor in the reforming movement. He was found guilty of heresy by a council of the church, and burned at the stake.*

**7 July** – Psalm 119:73-80; Jeremiah 6:10-19; Acts 19:21-27

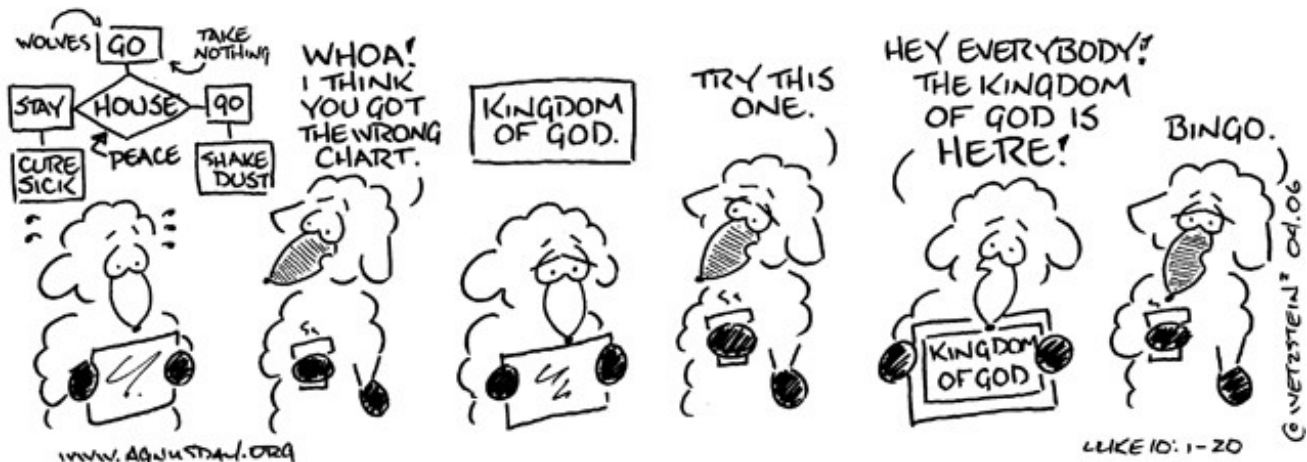
**8 July** – Psalm 119:73-80; Jeremiah 8:4-13; Acts 19:28-41

**9 July** – Psalm 119:73-80; Joshua 23:1-16; Luke 10:13-16

**10 July** – Psalm 25:1-10; Genesis 41:14-26; James 2:14-16

**11 July – Benedict of Nursia, Abbot of Monte Cassino, 540; Scholastica, monastic, 547** -- Proverbs 2:1-9; Psalm 1; Luke 14:27-33 -- *Benedict is known as the father of the Western monastic movement. Educated in Rome, he went to live as a hermit, and eventually gathered a community of monks around him. He wrote a rule for living in monasteries that is used by Benedictines and adapted by others. Scholastica is often venerated with Benedict. As his twin sister, Scholastica followed in Benedict's footsteps setting up monasticism for women in parallel with her brother.*

**12 July – Nathan Söderblom, Bishop of Uppsala, 1931** – Ezekiel 34:11-16; Psalm 84; Ephesians 3:14-21; John 21:15-17 -- *A winner of the Nobel Prize for peace for his efforts to unite peoples after the First World War, Söderblom also called attention to the revival of early church worship principles, and helped to lay the groundwork for the World Council of Churches.*



## CALENDAR

**MONDAY, JULY 7**

<b>TUESDAY, JULY 8</b>	10:00am	Magic Fingers Grace Group
	5:30pm	LIA (Lutherans in Action)

<b>WEDNESDAY, JULY 9</b>	11:15am	OWLS/Boarding for Victorian Princess Cruise
	4:30pm	Julia Hospice Meeting

**THURSDAY, JULY 10**

**FRIDAY, JULY 11**

**SATURDAY, JULY 12**

**SUNDAY, JULY 13, 2025**

**THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME**

**Worship** with us at 8:15am in Faith Chapel or 10:30am in the main church.

**Adult Forum** will be held at 9:30am

**Kenneth Snider Memorial Car Cruise** will be held from 1:00-4:00pm.

SUNDAY, JULY 13, 2025		
ASSISTING IN WORSHIP		
Assisting Minister	8:15am	Mark Howell
	10:30am	Chloe Meucci
Communion Assistants <i>(1 needed)</i>	10:30am	
Lector	10:30am	
Altar Guild	8:15am	Nancy Benacci
	10:30am	Martha & Tom Klomp
Greeter	8:15am	Vicky Blasco
	10:30am	
Video Streaming	10:30am	
Counters	10:30am	Liz Stroup, Pat Young
Ushers <i>(4 needed)</i>	10:30am	Carl Moore