

REPRESENTATIVE TYPES OF SHEEP.

TIME AFTER PENTECOST / SUMMER

14TH SUNDAY after Pentecost

Sunday, September 14, 2025 • 8:15 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

- Please turn off all cell phones.
- If you are visiting with us today, we extend to you a particular welcome and invite your questions and comments.
- Our entire worship service is printed in this worship folder for your convenience.
- Hearing assistance devices are available in the Narthex.
- Child care is available for children ages 5 years and under in the Child Care Area, across from the Life Together Hall.

In the order of service, the words
that are spoken by a leader are in regular type.

Words spoken by the assembly are in boldface type.

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Stand.

CALL TO CONFESSION

Sisters and brothers,
there is joy in the presence of the angels of God
every time we turn toward our home and remember whose we are.
With open hearts, let us pray.

Kneel or remain standing.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Creator of the universe,
we imagine that we are in familiar territory,
that we know what to expect of this hour,
that we will leave much the way that we came.**

Do not abandon us to our foolishness.

In judgment, illumine our darkness.

In mercy, bear us home—

**until we recognize your presence wherever
evil is confronted, truth is spoken, and life is restored.**

A moment is observed for silent confession.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

But this we call to mind and therefore have hope:
the steadfast love of the Lord never ceases,
God's mercies never come to an end;
they are new every morning.

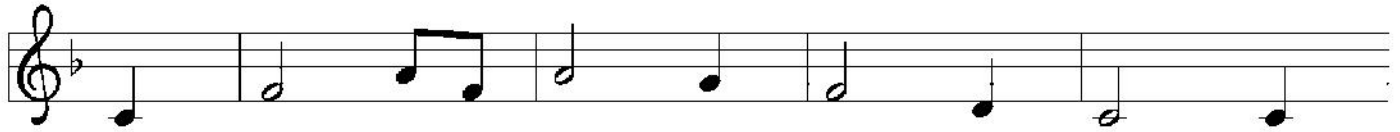
In the name of the Lord,
who is our portion and our hope,
I declare to you that our sin is forgiven.

May our mouths be filled with praise.

Amen.

GATHERING HYMN • “AMAZING GRACE, HOW SWEET THE SOUND”

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 779



1 A - maz - ing grace!— how sweet the sound— that
2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and
3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares I
4 The Lord has prom - ised good to me; his
5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright



saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but
grace my fears re - lieved; how pre - cious did that
have al - read - y come; 'tis grace has brought me
word my hope se - cures; he will my shield and
shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to



now am found; was blind, but now I see.
grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!
safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
por - tion be as long as life en - dures.
sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

GREETING

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

And also with you.

KYRIE

Now the Feast and Celebration

In peace, in peace,

Refrain

Assistant: Congregation:

Let us pray to the Lord, have mer - cy,
Christ, have mer - cy, Lord, have
mer - cy.

The musical score is written on three staves. The first staff is for the Assistant and the second and third staves are for the Congregation. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 2/4. The melody is simple and repetitive, with a final cadence on the third staff.

For the reign of God, and for peace throughout the world,
for the unity of all... ***Refrain.***

For your people here, who have come to give you praise,
for the strength to live your Word... ***Refrain.***

Assistant: Congregation:

Help, save and de - fend us, O God.
A - - - men.


The musical score is written on two staves. The first staff is for the Assistant and the second staff is for the Congregation. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 2/4. The melody is simple and repetitive, with a final cadence on the second staff.

HYMN OF PRAISE • "GLORY TO GOD"


Now the Feast and Celebration

Refrain (may be sung continuously):

Congregation:



Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and



peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

Verse 1:

(Refrain begins)



You are God; we praise you. You are



Lord; we ac - claim you. You are God e - ter - nal;




all cre - a - tion wor - ships you.

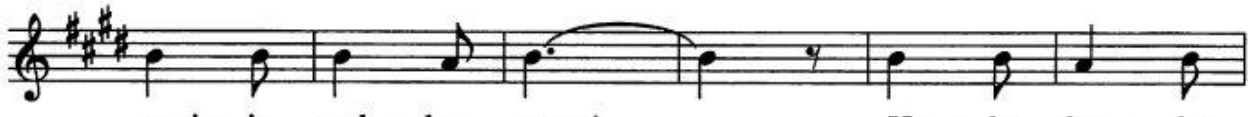
To refrain

Verse 2:

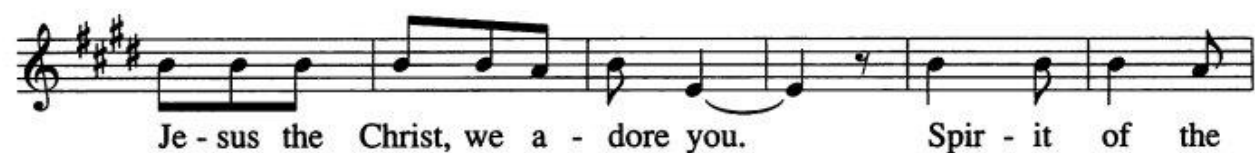
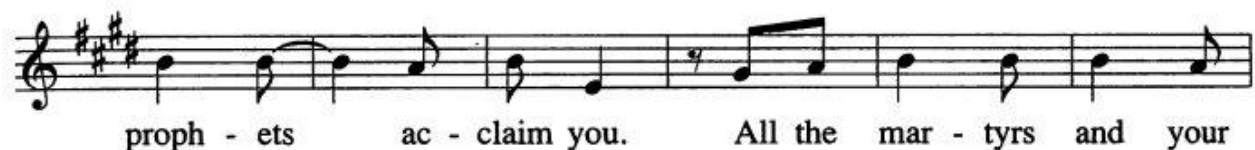
(Refrain begins)



All the an - gels in the heav - ens chant your



praise in end - less song! Ho - ly, ho - ly,



PRAYER OF THE DAY

Gracious God,
when our spirits lift at the beauty of the day,
 you are Lord;
and when chaos threatens to overwhelm
 and we dread the next news cycle—
 still you are Lord.
Always you are creating, redeeming, sustaining.

Speak then your mercy into this place
until we discover the courage to
 open our eyes,
 unclench our hands,
 and move toward our neighbor in need,
until all the world rises and moves
 with the rhythm of your grace;
for we long to honor the name of Jesus,
 by whose breath we pray.

Amen.

Sit.

READING

A reading from the first letter to Timothy.

1 Timothy 1:12-17

¹² I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he considered me faithful and appointed me to his service, ¹³ even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, ¹⁴ and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. ¹⁵ The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance: that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the foremost. ¹⁶ But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience as an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. ¹⁷ To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

READING

A responsive reading from the Psalms.

Psalm 51:1-10

- ¹ Have mercy on me, O God,
according to your steadfast love;
**according to your abundant mercy,
blot out my transgressions.**
- ² Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,
and cleanse me from my sin.
- ³ **For I know my transgressions,
and my sin is ever before me.**
- ⁴ Against you, you alone, have I sinned
and done what is evil in your sight,
**so that you are justified in your sentence
and blameless when you pass judgment.**
- ⁵ Indeed, I was born guilty,
a sinner when my mother conceived me.
- ⁶ **You desire truth in the inward being;
therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart.**
- ⁷ Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean;
wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.
- ⁸ **Let me hear joy and gladness;
let the bones that you have crushed rejoice.**
- ⁹ Hide your face from my sins,
and blot out all my iniquities.
- ¹⁰ **Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and put a new and right spirit within me.**

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

READING

Please stand for the reading of the Gospel.

The holy gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Luke 15:1-10

¹ Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to [Jesus.] ² And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, “This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them.”

³ So he told them this parable: ⁴ “Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? ⁵ And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. ⁶ And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found my lost sheep.’ ⁷ Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

⁸ “Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? ⁹ And when she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.’ ¹⁰ Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sit.

CHILDREN'S SERMON + SERMON

Pastor Eric Bostrom.

Stand

HYMN OF THE DAY • "SHEPHERD, DO YOU TRAMP THE HILLS"

Hymns for the Gospels 68



1. "Shep - herd, do you tramp the hills, Track - ing down one
2. "Wom - an, do you scour the house Just to find one
3. "Fa - ther, does your heart still bleed For a child who
4. Shep - herd, search - er, par - ent's care— By what im - age



stray - ing sheep, Leav - ing nine - ty - nine be - hind
 coin that's lost? Since you have the oth - er nine,
 chose to roam— Reb - el, row - dy, far a - way,
 can we name Spend - thrift love, im - pas - sioned grace,



With no guard the watch to keep?" "But that one I
 Is it real - ly worth the cost?" "But that coin you
 Spurn - ing love and scorn - ing home?" "But that rest - less,
 In - can - des - cent as a flame? Christ, be - yond all



call by name; She will hear and know my voice.
 count so small Has for me a spe - cial worth.
 reck - less boy Nev - er can my love out - run!
 words you spoke, Sto - ries that with won - der glow,



Night and day I'll search the land
 When it's found, the sight will fill
 When his foot - steps lead him back,
 You have shown us on a cross



Till I find her and re - joice!"
 All my house and heart with mirth!"
 I'll re - joice to call him, 'Son!'"
 Love that will not let us go!

CREED

Together, let us confess our faith.

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the power of 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

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

At the conclusion of each petition:

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.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Sit.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

Time and again, God clears a path for us
to seek the way of life,
to do good,
to become a refuge for the poor.

That path lies before us.

With joy, let us offer our gifts and our lives in trust.

You can participate in the Offering electronically
by scanning the QR code and filling out the online form.



OFFERING

"Oh, Sing to the Lord a New Song" • John Leavitt
MVLC Sanctuary Choir

OFFERING PRAYER

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.

Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Now the Feast and Celebration

The musical score is written for a Presider and a Congregation. It consists of five staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are: '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 God thanks and praise.' The Presider's parts are marked 'Presider:' and the Congregation's parts are marked 'Congregation:'.

Presider: *Congregation:*

The Lord be with you. And al - so with

Presider: *Congregation:*

you. Lift up your hearts. We

Presider:

lift them to the Lord. Let us give

Congregation:

thanks to the Lord our God. It is

right to give God thanks and praise.

It is our duty and delight that we should everywhere and always
offer thanks and praise to you, O God,
through Jesus Christ
who calls us to follow his way
of humble service and love,
and so with the church on earth,
all creation and the host of heaven
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY

Now the Feast and Celebration

Congregation:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and
might; Heav - en and earth are filled with your
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est! Bless - ed is the
One who comes in your name. Ho - san - na in the
high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est!

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom
and teach us to pray:

**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

Jesus welcomes sinners and eats with them.
Come to this meal of mercy.

Sit.

DISTRIBUTION

At Mountain View Lutheran Church we practice open communion, which means that everyone is welcome at the Lord's table, because here we do not check credentials or polish our beliefs into shiny badges.

We come as we are: tired, tentative, hopeful, or curious because Christ is a generous host and warmly invites everyone.

If you need an alcohol-free element or a gluten-free element, then please let your server know.

If you are unable to come forward for communion, then please let an usher know and you will be served where you are seated.

LAMB OF GOD

Now the Feast and Celebration



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
you break the chains of ha - tred and



world:
fear: have mer - cy on us, mer - cy on us,



mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you



take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace,



grant us peace, grant us peace.

COMMUNION HYMN • "JESUS, REMEMBER ME"

With One Voice 740

Je - sus, re - mem-ber me when you come in-to your king - dom.

The first system of music is written for a single voice part. It consists of two staves: a treble staff and a bass staff. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is 7/8. The melody is primarily in the treble staff, with the bass staff providing a harmonic accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the staves, aligned with the notes.

Je - sus, re - mem-ber me when you come in-to your king - dom.

The second system of music continues the melody and accompaniment from the first system. It also consists of two staves (treble and bass) in the same key signature and time signature. The lyrics are repeated. The system concludes with a double bar line.

COMMUNION HYMN • "HERE IS BREAD"

Worship & Praise 58



1 Here is bread, here is wine, Christ is with us,
 2 Here is grace, here is peace, Christ is with us,
 3 Here we are, joined in one, Christ is with us,



he is with us. Break the bread, taste the wine,
 he is with us. Know his grace, find his peace,
 he is with us. We'll pro-claim till he comes



Christ is with us here.
 feast on Je - sus here.
 Je - sus cru - ci - fied.

Refrain



In this bread there is heal - ing, in this cup is



life for - ev - er. In this mo - ment,



by the Spir - it, Christ is with us here.

COMMUNION HYMN • "THAT WE MAY BE FILLED"

Worship & Praise 134

Not as we ought but as we are a - ble, we

of - fer our thanks as we come to your ta - ble. Through

Word and Spir - it bless us; through bread and wine re - fresh us that

we may be filled, that we may be filled with love.

Chord symbols: F, Bb/F, F, Bb/F, F/A, Bb, F/C, Bb, F/A, C/Bb, Bb, F/C, Bbm/Db, F/C, Bb, F/A, Gm7, C7, F.

Stand.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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.

Amen.

DEACON SENDING

Deacons are called to “make Christ and his redemptive love known by word and example.” (1 Timothy)

Such love is expressed in the extension of Holy Communion to those who are homebound or hospitalized.

Gracious God,

as you healed the sick and welcomed the stranger, bless those who leave this assembly to share the gifts of this table with our sisters and brothers who are sick or homebound.

May they be sustained by the love and prayers of this community, and by the Bread of Life that satisfies all hunger, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

BLESSING

The God of righteousness, who gives justice to the oppressed,
who gives food to the hungry, who sets the prisoners free,
+ bless you now and forever.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN • "SONG OF HOPE"

Sing! A New Creation 282

1. May the God of hope go with us ev - ery day, fill - ing all our
2. God will be our She-pherd as we go our way and will not for -
6 lives with love and joy and peace. May the God of just ice speed us on our way,
-sake us when we go as - tray. Ev - en though the load of life is hard to bear,
13 bring - ing light and hope to ev - ery land and race. Pray - ing, let us work for peace,
we must not for - get that God is al - ways there.
21 sing - ing, share our joy with all, work - ing for a world that's new,
29 faith - ful when we hear Christ's call.

SENDING

Go in peace. Do not lose heart.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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ASSISTING MINISTER: Janet Larson.

DIRECTOR of MUSIC: Amy Boers.

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ALTAR GUILD: Kathy Harris, Karen Lonn, Angela Machumu, Dotty Shireman.

8:15 a.m.

USHERS: Flora Larson, Gary Larson (head usher), Sandi Swanson, Betsy Tunstall.

GREETERS: Connie McCrossin, Eileen Newton.

ACOLYTES: Penelope Neptun, Chloe Sevigny.

LECTOR: Chris Schaefer.

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Carol Powers, Peggy Thurston.

SOUND: Henry Peck.

10:45 a.m.

USHERS: Mark Cantrell (head usher), John Dahle, Julie Kibler, Mark Kibler.

GREETERS: Karen Hansen, Rick Hansen, Linda Roa.

LECTOR: Karla Briggs.

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Terry Jensen, Steve Schumacher.

SOUND: Beth Ann Johnson.

Flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God:

- by Elmer and Sandra Hanson in honor of their 63rd wedding anniversary and in honor of Sandra's birthday.
- by Ed and Barb Egan in honor of their 60th wedding anniversary.

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