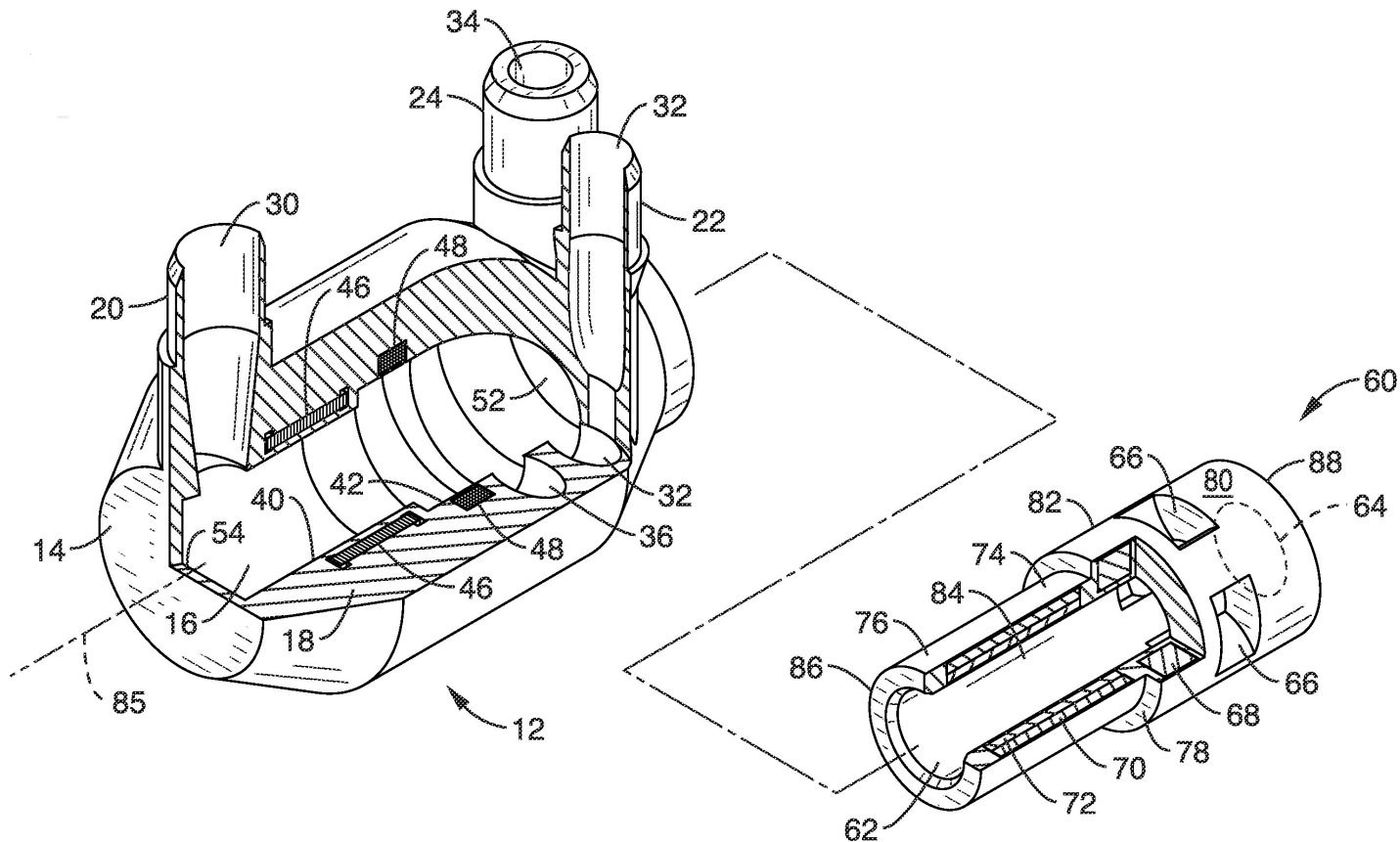


The **WORD of the LORD** came to me: What do you mean by repeating this proverb concerning the land of Israel, "The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge?"
 As I live, **SAYS the LORD GOD**, this proverb shall no more be used by you in Israel.
 Know that all lives are mine; the life of the parent as well as the life of the child is mine; it is only the person who sins who shall die.



Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, all of you according to your ways, **SAYS the LORD GOD**.
 Repent and turn from all your transgressions; otherwise iniquity will be your ruin.
 Cast away from you all the transgressions that you have committed against me, and get yourselves a new heart and a new spirit!
 Why will you die, O house of Israel? For I have no pleasure in the death of anyone, **SAYS the LORD GOD**. Turn, then, and live.

*As a community following Christ,
we **LOVE** with an open heart,
GROW with a curious mind,
and **SHARE** with a generous spirit.*

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.

RENEWAL & RESTORATION

18TH SUNDAY after PENTECOST

Sunday, September 27, 2026 • 8:15 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Stand.

CALL TO CONFESSION

*All are invited to make the sign of the cross, +
the sign that is marked at baptism,
as the presiding minister begins.*

The Lord spoke through Ezekiel, saying,
Cast away from you all the transgressions
that you have committed against me,
and get yourselves a new heart and a new spirit.
Therefore, let us confess our sins
before God and one another.

You are invited to kneel or continue to stand.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Righteous God,
we confess that we have not lived
as your obedient children.**

**We have honored you with our words,
but we have denied you with our actions.**

**We have not pursued the mind of Christ,
who took the form of a servant,
for we have acted with selfish ambition.**

**We have put our interests
before the interests of others.
and have not regarded them in humility.**

**Forgive us our arrogance,
awaken our hearts to sincere repentance,
and enable us to will
and to work for your good pleasure,
through Jesus Christ, our Lord.**

Amen.

Silence for reflection.

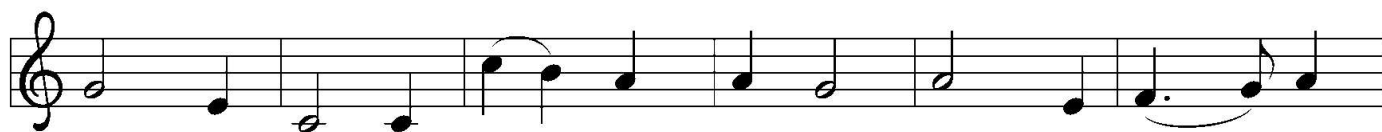
DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Children of God,
God offers forgiveness of our sin
and abundant life to those who repent.
Turn, then, and live in Christ, our Lord.

Stand.

GATHERING HYMN • "GOD IS HERE!"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 526



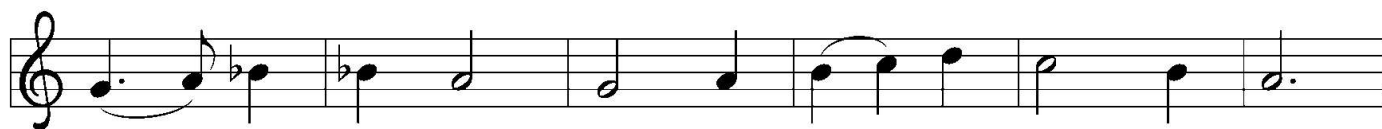
1 God is here! As we your peo - ple meet to of - fer
2 Here are sym - bols to re - mind us of our life - long
3 Here our chil - dren find a wel - come in the Shep - herd's
4 Lord of all, of church and king - dom, in an age of



praise and prayer, may we find in full - er mea - sure
need of grace; here are ta - ble, font, and pul - pit;
flock and fold; here as bread and wine are tak - en,
change and doubt, keep us faith - ful to the gos - pel;



what it is in Christ we share. Here, as in the
here the cross has cen - tral place. Here in hon - es -
Christ sus - tains us as of old. Here the ser - vants
help us work your pur - pose out. Here, in this day's



world a - round us, all our var - ied skills and arts
ty of preach - ing, here in si - lence, as in speech,
of the Ser - vant seek in wor - ship to ex - plore
ded - i - ca - tion, all we have to give, re - ceive;



wait the com - ing of the Spir - it in - to o - pen minds and hearts.
here, in new - ness and re - new - al, God the Spir - it comes to each.
what it means in dai - ly liv - ing to be - lieve and to a - dore.
we, who can - not live with - out you, we a - dore you! We be - lieve!

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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Holy God,
all lives are yours,
and you do not seek the death of any sinner.

Renew our hearts,
refresh our spirits,
and help us walk in your holy way,
that we may welcome the impartiality of your judgment
and accept your all-embracing goodness;
through Jesus Christ.

Amen.

Sit.

PSALM • "TO YOU, O LORD, I LIFT MY SOUL"

Psalms for All Seasons • Psalm 25

*Cantor sings refrain; **then all repeat.***

*Cantor: verses; **congregation: refrain.***

Refrain

To you, O Lord, I lift my soul,

to you, I lift my soul.

To you, O Lord,

I lift up my soul.

My God, I put my trust in you; let me not be put to shame,
nor let my enemies triumph over me.

Let none who look to you be put to shame;

rather let those be put to shame who are treacherous. **Refrain.**

Show me your ways, O Lord,
and teach me your paths.

Lead me in your truth and teach me,
for you are the God of my salvation;
in you have I trusted all the day long.

Remember, O Lord, your compassion and love,
for they are from everlasting.

Refrain.

Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions;
remember me according to your steadfast love
and for the sake of your goodness, O Lord. **Refrain.**

You are gracious and upright, O Lord;
therefore you teach sinners in your way.

You lead the lowly in justice
and teach the lowly your way.

All your paths, O Lord, are steadfast love and faithfulness
to those who keep your covenant and your testimonies. **Refrain.**

Stand.

ACCLAMATION OF SCRIPTURE • "LORD, LET MY HEART BE GOOD SOIL"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 512



Lord, let my heart be good soil, o-pen to the seed of your word.

Lord, let my heart be good soil, where love can grow and peace is un-der-stood.

When my heart is hard, break the stone a - way. When my heart is cold,

warm it with the day. When my heart is lost, lead me on your way.

Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart be good soil.

READING

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel.

Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32

¹ The word of the Lord came to me: ² What do you mean by repeating this proverb concerning the land of Israel, “The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children’s teeth are set on edge”? ³ As I live, says the Lord God, this proverb shall no more be used by you in Israel. ⁴ Know that all lives are mine; the life of the parent as well as the life of the child is mine: it is only the person who sins who shall die.

²⁵ Yet you say, “The way of the Lord is unfair.” Hear now, O house of Israel: Is my way unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair? ²⁶ When the righteous turn away from their righteousness and commit iniquity, they shall die for it; for the iniquity that they have committed, they shall die.

²⁷ Again, when the wicked turn away from the wickedness they have committed and do what is lawful and right, they shall save their life.

²⁸ Because they considered and turned away from all the transgressions that they had committed, they shall surely live; they shall not die. ²⁹ Yet the house of Israel says, “The way of the Lord is unfair.” O house of Israel, are my ways unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair?

³⁰ Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, all of you according to your ways, says the Lord God. Repent and turn from all your transgressions; otherwise iniquity will be your ruin. ³¹ Cast away from you all the transgressions that you have committed against me, and get yourselves a new heart and a new spirit! Why will you die, O house of Israel? ³² For I have no pleasure in the death of anyone, says the Lord God. Turn, then, and live.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sit.

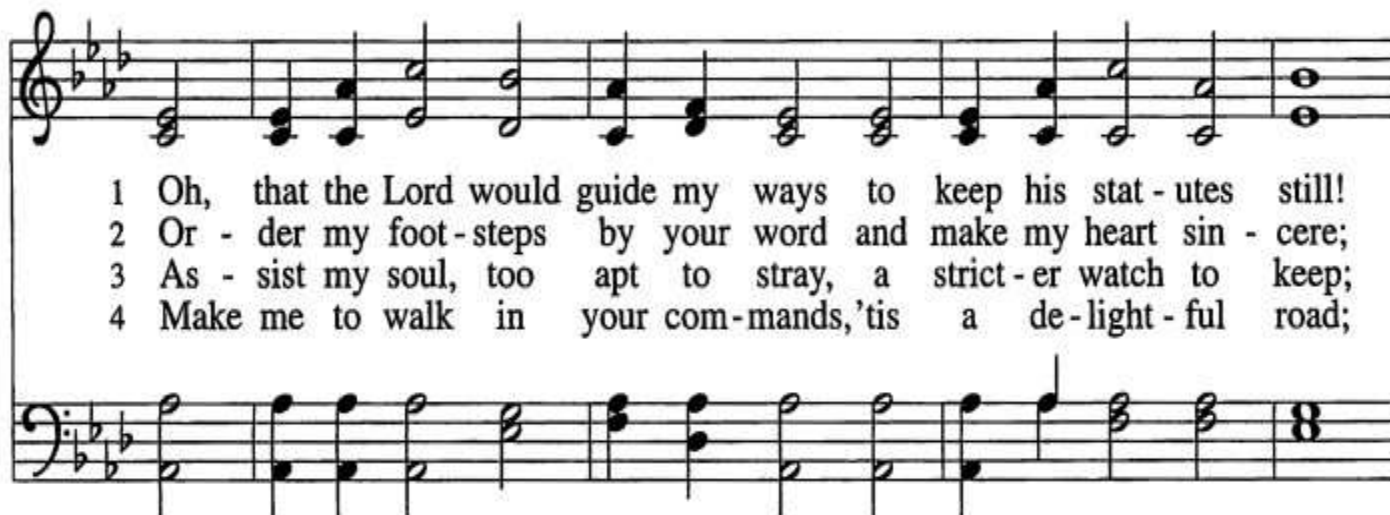
CHILDREN'S SERMON + SERMON

SERMON NOTES

Stand.

HYMN OF THE DAY • "OH, THAT THE LORD WOULD GUIDE MY WAYS"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 772



1 Oh, that the Lord would guide my ways to keep his stat - utes still!
2 Or - der my foot - steps by your word and make my heart sin - cere;
3 As - sist my soul, too apt to stray, a strict - er watch to keep;
4 Make me to walk in your com - mands, 'tis a de - light - ful road;



Oh, that my God would grant me grace to know and do his will!
let sin have no do - min - ion, Lord, but keep my con - science clear.
and should I e'er for - get your way, re - store your wan - d'ring sheep.
nor let my head or heart or hands of - fend a - gainst my God.

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

Reminded of God's gracious and abundant love,
we offer our prayers,
confident that God hears us.

At the conclusion of each petition:

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Grant the prayers we have offered,
what we have forgotten to ask,
and whatever else you see that we need.

We ask this in the name of Jesus.

Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Sit.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

With grateful hearts,
let us offer our gifts,
trusting in God's goodness.

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



OFFERING

Repairs are now complete on both the Sanctuary fascia and the wall of the Music Director's office. The money for these projects comes from years of planning and stewardship by the Church Council and the Property Team. Your generous giving to MVLC means that we can take the best care of our property and LOVE, GROW, and SHARE on this campus and beyond. Thank you!

Sit.

OFFERING SONG • "LET THE VINEYARDS BE FRUITFUL"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 182

Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of
bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be
fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u -
nite them with the prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your
pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

The musical score is written on five staves in treble clef. The key signature has one flat (B-flat). The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The first staff ends with a double bar line. The second staff continues the melody. The third staff continues the melody. The fourth staff continues the melody. The fifth staff ends with a double bar line.

OFFERING PRAYER

God of creation,
you send rain and the earth springs forth abundantly.

All blessings are from you;
make us generous with what we have.

Use our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts
in service to you and in love to our neighbors,
today and always.

Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

ELW, Holy Communion, Setting Eight

The Lord be with you.

And also 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.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,
through our Savior Jesus Christ;

who on this day overcame death and the grave,
and by his glorious resurrection
opened to us the way of everlasting life.

And so, with the choirs of angels,
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS • "HOLY, HOLY, HOLY"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 191

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

Christ invites you to this table.

All who are thirsty, all who are hungry, come!

Sit.

DISTRIBUTION

At Mountain View Lutheran Church
we practice an open communion table.

The bread and wine of this table
do not belong to any church or any pastor;
they belong to Jesus Christ.

Jesus openly shares his life with you now
because he loves you and welcomes you.

And we pray that this open table
will open our hands, hearts, and home tables
to more and more,
so that the world might experience
the openness of God's love and welcome.

*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

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 195

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, grant us peace.

COMMUNION HYMN • "LET US BREAK BREAD TOGETHER"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 471



1 Let us break bread to - geth-er on our knees;
2 Let us drink wine to - geth-er on our knees;
3 Let us praise God to - geth-er on our knees;



let us break bread to - geth-er on our knees.
let us drink wine to - geth-er on our knees.
let us praise God to - geth-er on our knees.



When I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris - ing



sun, O Lord, have mer-cy on me.

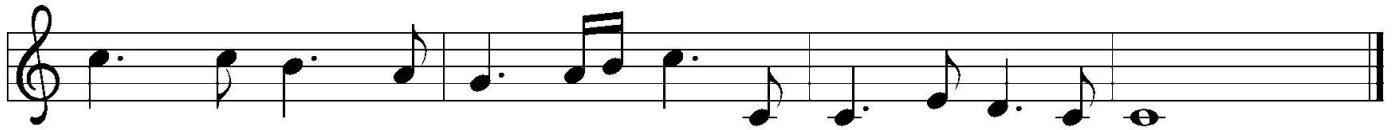
COMMUNION HYMN • "BREAD OF LIFE FROM HEAVEN"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 474

Refrain



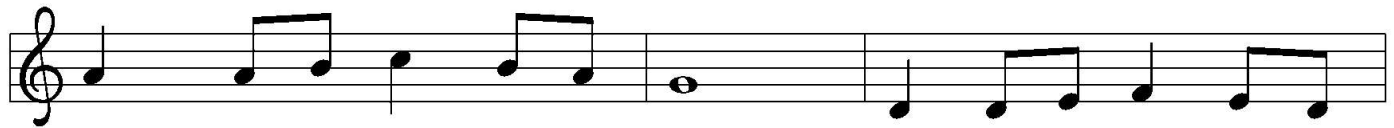
Bread of life from heav-en, your blood and bod - y giv - en, we



eat this bread and drink this cup un - til you come a - gain.



1	Break	now	the	bread	of	Christ's	sac - ri - fice;	giv - ing
2	Seek	not	the	food	that	will	pass a - way;	set your
3	Love	as	the	one	who,	in	love for you,	gave him -
4	Dwell	in	the	one	who	now	dwells in you;	make your
5	Drink	of	this	cup	and	de - clare	his death;	eat this



thanks, hun - gry ones,	gath - er round.	Eat, all of you, and be
hearts on the food	that en - dures.	Come, learn the true and the
self for the life	of the world.	Come to the one who is
home in the life - giv - ing	Word.	Know on - ly Christ, Ho - ly
bread and be - lieve	Eas - ter morn;	trust his re - turn and, with

Refrain



sat - is - fied;	in Christ's pres - ence	the loaves will a - bound.
liv - ing way,	that the full - ness of	life may be yours.
food for you,	that your hun - ger and	thirst be no more.
One of God,	and be - lieve in the	truth you have heard.
ev - 'ry breath,	praise the one in whom	you are re - born.

COMMUNION HYMN • "TAKE, OH, TAKE ME AS I AM,"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 814

Take, oh, take me as I am; sum-mon out what I shall be;

set your seal up - on my heart and live in me.

Stand.

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

Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**Sustaining God,
with this bread and cup,
you nourish us with mercy and abundant life.**

By your Spirit, send us from this table to serve a needy world.

**Make us living signs of your liberation, healing, and love,
following the way of Jesus, in whose name we pray.**

Amen.

DEACON SENDING

Deacons are called to “make Christ and his redemptive love known by word and example.” Such love is expressed in the extension of Holy Communion to those who are homebound or hospitalized.

Gracious God,

**you took the form of a servant, offering yourself as food,
comfort, and strength to a sick and hurting world.**

**Anoint with a servant heart those who take your word and
sacrament to our siblings in their homes and in hospitals.**

**Grant grace, mercy, healing, and hope to those who feast on
your body and blood and receive your words of new life.**

**May we all recognize that we have a place and a home in the
body of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.**

BLESSING OF “THE FOOTSTEPS OF PAUL” TRAVELERS

SENDING HYMN • "SENT FORTH BY GOD'S BLESSING"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 547



1 Sent forth by God's bless - ing, our true faith con - fess - ing,
2 With praise and thanks - giv - ing to God ev - er - liv - ing,



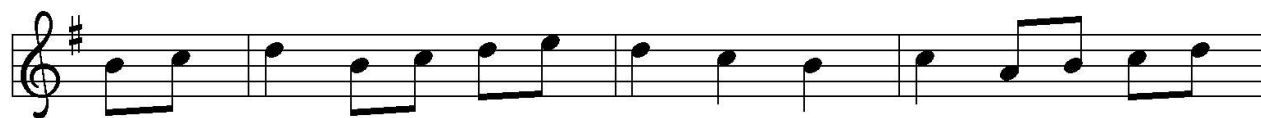
the peo - ple of our God from this dwell - ing take leave.
the tasks of our ev - 'ry - day life we will face—



The sup - per is end - ed. Oh, now be ex - tend - ed
our faith ev - er shar - ing, in love ev - er car - ing,



the fruits of this ser - vice in all who be - lieve.
em - brac - ing God's chil - dren, the whole hu - man race.



The seed of Christ's teach - ing, re - cep - tive souls
With your feast you feed us, with your light now



reach - ing, shall blos - som in ac - tion for God and for all.
lead us; u - nite us as one in this life that we share.



Your grace shall in - cite us, your love shall u - nite us
Then may all the liv - ing with praise and thanks - giv - ing



to work for your king - dom and an - swer your call.
give hon - or to Christ and his name that we bear.

SENDING

Go out in joy. Be led forth in peace.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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MUSIC LEADER: Lia Koenig.

VIDEOGRAPHER: David Burch.

ALTAR GUILD: Sue Bradley, Kathy Harris, Janice Harrison.

8:15 a.m.

USHERS: Walt Freed, Skip Harrison (head usher), Mike Lindstrom, Terry Wolfe.

GREETERS: Joanne Lindstrom, Vic Lindstrom.

LECTOR: Charlotte Thompson.

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Terry Freed, Janice Harrison.

SOUND: Clayton Hashley.

10:45 a.m.

USHERS: Mark Cantrell (head usher), John Dahle, Tom Fairchild, Michelle Schweikl.

GREETER: Steve Petersen.

LECTOR: Michelle Schweikl.

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Terry Jensen, Cathy Kostecky.

SOUND: Megan Hutton.

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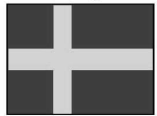
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“More Than Dust: Reclaiming LGBTQ+ Voices of the Holocaust”
18th Annual Powell-Heller Conference for Holocaust Education

November 4-6, 2026 at Pacific Lutheran University

Pacific Lutheran University will host the 18th annual Powell Heller Conference from November 4–6, a gathering dedicated to challenging traditional archives to recover the intimate histories of queer and marginalized histories of the Holocaust. This year’s conference, titled “More Than Dust: Reclaiming LGBTQ+ Voices of the Holocaust,” focuses on LGBTQ+ experiences of the Holocaust. We are honored to welcome historian Anna Hájková as our Raphael Lemkin speaker. Her book, *People Without History Are Dust: Queer Desire in the Holocaust*, serves as the foundation for this year’s programming. As Dr. Hájková argues, “thinking about the marginalized can help us to develop a less judgemental, more inclusive past”—a project we aim to collectively engage in during our time together.

► Learn more and/or register at www.plu.edu/holocaustconference

“Reading the Bible with the Community of Creation”
Dr. T. Christopher Hoklotubbe

Tuesday, November 10, 2026 • 7:00 p.m.
in the PLU Scandinavian Culture Center and live-streamed

What changes when we read the Bible as part of a larger community that includes the earth and our more-than-human kin?

This lecture explores what difference an Indigenous perspective that embraces creational kinship brings to interpreting Christian Scripture. For example, Chris will survey biblical stories and descriptions concerning “the land” and show how ancient Hebrew relationships with and understandings of land resonate with Indigenous life ways and values.

Reading the Bible alongside of Indigenous stories can illuminate the ancient significance of these stories for their earliest audiences in ways that modern Western readings have often obscured.

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