

**Sanctuary Worship Service**  
**8<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost Sunday August 3, 2025 8:00 AM**

**GATHERING SONG**

**Gathering Medley**

Blessed Assurance, Jesus is mine!  
Oh, what a fore-taste of glory divine!  
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,  
born of his Spirit, washed in his blood  
This is my story, this is my song,  
praising my Savior all the day long  
This is my story, this is my song,  
praising my Savior all the day long

Jesus Loves me! This I know,  
for the Bible tells me so  
Little ones to him belong,  
they are weak, but he is strong  
Yes, Jesus loves me, yes, Jesus loves me  
Yes, Jesus loves me, the Bible tells me so.

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father,  
there is no shadow of turning with thee  
Thou changest not, thy compassion they fail not;  
as thou hast been, thou forever will be.  
Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning new mercies I see;  
all I have needed thy hand hath provided  
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me.

Will the circle be unbroken, by and by, Lord by and by?  
There's a better home awaiting, in the sky, Lord, in the sky.

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**WELCOME**

**PASTOR**

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

**PASTOR**

In the name of the Father,  
and of the ✠ Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

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.

**Amen.**

## OPENING HYMN

### Opening Medley

In the morning when I rise,  
in the morning when I rise  
in the morning when I rise  
give me Jesus Give me Jesus,  
give me Jesus .  
You may have all the rest,  
give me Jesus.

Morning has broken  
Like the first morning;  
blackbird has spoken  
like the first bird.  
Praise for the singing!  
Praise for the morning!  
Praise for them,  
springing fresh from the WORD!

Praise and Thanksgiving,  
God we would offer  
For all things living  
You have made good

Harvest of sown fields  
Fruits of the orchard  
Hay from the mown fields  
Blossom and wood.

O Christ the same,  
through all our story's pages,  
our loves and hopes,  
our failures and our fears;  
eternal Lord,  
the king of all the ages,  
unchanging still  
amid the passing years;  
O living Word,  
the source of all creation,  
who spread the skies,  
and set the stars ablaze,  
O Christ the same,  
who wrought our whole salvation,  
we bring our thanks  
for all our yesterdays.

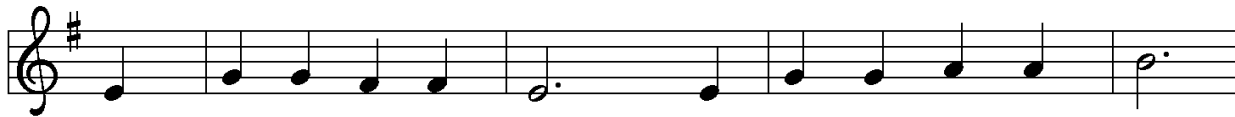
A mighty fortress is our God,  
a sword and shield victorious;  
he breaks the cruel oppressor's rod  
and wins salvation glorious.  
The old satanic foe  
has sworn to work us woe!  
With craft and dreadful might  
he arms himself to fight  
On earth he has no equal.

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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

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- 1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.  
2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.  
3 Have mer - cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part.



We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.  
Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.  
Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

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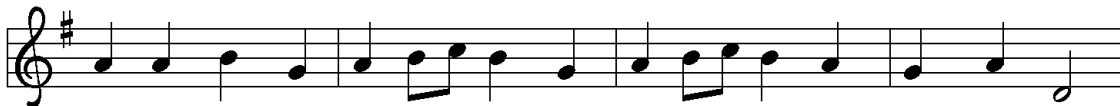
ELW P. 204



- 1 Glo - ry be to God in heav - en; peace, good - will to all the earth.  
2 Glo - ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.  
3 Ho - ly One we now ac - claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might - y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:  
Son of God and gra - cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;  
Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.  
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.  
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.  
Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.  
For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

PASTOR

Benevolent God, you are the source, the guide, and the goal of our lives. Teach us to love what is worth loving, to reject what is offensive to you, and to treasure what is precious in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

## FIRST READING

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### **Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23**

<sup>2</sup> Vanity of vanities, says the Teacher, vanity of vanities! All is vanity.

<sup>12</sup> I, the Teacher, when king over Israel in Jerusalem, <sup>13</sup> applied my mind to seek and to search out by wisdom all that is done under heaven; it is an unhappy business that God has given to human beings to be busy with. <sup>14</sup> I saw all the deeds that are done under the sun; and see, all is vanity and a chasing after wind.

<sup>2:18</sup> I hated all my toil in which I had toiled under the sun, seeing that I must leave it to those who come after me <sup>19</sup> —and who knows whether they will be wise or foolish? Yet they will be master of all for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity. <sup>20</sup> So I turned and gave my heart up to despair concerning all the toil of my labors under the sun, <sup>21</sup> because sometimes one who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave all to be enjoyed by another who did not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil. <sup>22</sup> What do mortals get from all the toil and strain with which they toil under the sun? <sup>23</sup> For all their days are full of pain, and their work is a vexation; even at night their minds do not rest. This also is vanity.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## RESPONSIVE READING

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### **Psalms 49:1-12**

<sup>1</sup> Hear this, all you peoples; give ear, all you who dwell in the world,

<sup>2</sup> **you of high degree and low, rich and poor together.**

<sup>3</sup> My mouth shall speak of wisdom, and my heart shall meditate on understanding.

<sup>4</sup> **I will incline my ear to a proverb and set forth my riddle upon the harp.**

<sup>5</sup> Why should I be afraid in evil days, when the wickedness of those at my heels surrounds me,

<sup>6</sup> **the wickedness of those who put their trust in their own prowess, and boast of their great riches?**

<sup>7</sup> One can never redeem another, or give to God the ransom for another's life;

<sup>8</sup> **for the ransom of a life is so great that there would never be enough to pay it,**

<sup>9</sup> in order to live forever and ever and never see the grave.

<sup>10</sup> **For we see that the wise die also; like the dull and stupid they perish and leave their wealth to those who come after them.**

<sup>11</sup> Their graves shall be their homes forever, their dwelling places from generation to generation, though they had named lands after themselves.

<sup>12</sup> **Even though honored, they cannot live forever; they are like the beasts that perish.**

## SECOND READING

## ASSISTING MINISTER

### Colossians 3:1-11

<sup>1</sup> So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. <sup>2</sup> Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, <sup>3</sup> for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. <sup>4</sup> When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory. <sup>5</sup> Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). <sup>6</sup> On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. <sup>7</sup> These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. <sup>8</sup> But now you must get rid of all such things—anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. <sup>9</sup> Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices <sup>10</sup> and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. <sup>11</sup> In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

ELW p.172

Hal-le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal -

- le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le -

lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah.

The holy gospel according to Luke the 12<sup>th</sup> chapter.  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

## **GOSPEL**

**PASTOR**

### **Luke 12:13-21**

<sup>13</sup> Someone in the crowd said to [Jesus,] “Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me.” <sup>14</sup> But he said to him, “Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?” <sup>15</sup> And he said to them, “Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one’s life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.” <sup>16</sup> Then he told them a parable: “The land of a rich man produced abundantly. <sup>17</sup> And he thought to himself, ‘What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?’ <sup>18</sup> Then he said, ‘I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. <sup>19</sup> And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.’ <sup>20</sup> But God said to him, ‘You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?’ <sup>21</sup> So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God.”

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

## **SERMON**

### **HYMN OF THE DAY**

#### **Sermon Hymn Medley**

I was there to hear your borning cry,  
I'll be there when you are old.  
I rejoiced the day you were baptized  
to see your life unfold.  
I was there when you were but a child,  
with a faith to suit you well;  
in a blaze of light you wandered off to find where demons dwell.

Longing for light, we wait in darkness.  
Longing for truth, we turn to you.  
Make us you own, your holy people,  
light for the world to see.  
Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts.  
Shine through the darkness.  
Christ, be our light!  
Shine in our church gathered today.

Longing for peace, our world is troubled,  
Longing for hope, many despair,  
Your word alone has pow'r to save us,  
Make us your living voice.  
Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts.  
Shine through the darkness.  
Christ, be our light!  
Shine in our church gathered today.

Seek ye first the kingdom of God  
and its righteousness,  
and all these things shall be added unto you.  
Allelu, Alleluia.

Ask and it shall be given unto you;  
Seek and you shall find;  
Knock and the door shall be opened unto you.  
Allelu, Alleluia.

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## **APOSTLES' CREED**

**PASTOR**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.\* On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

God of Grace,  
Hear our Prayer

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## **SHARING OF THE PEACE OF THE LORD**



## OFFERTORY HYMN

### Offertory Medley

Sing them over again to me, wonderful words of life;  
let me more of their beauty see, wonderful words of life;  
words of life and beauty teach me faith and duty ,  
Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of life.  
Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of life.

He's got the whole wide world in His hands,  
He's got the whole wide world in His hands,  
He's got the whole wide world in His Hands,  
He's got the whole world in His hands.

He's got all of His children, in His hands,  
He's got all of His children, in his hands,  
He's got all of His children, in His hands,  
He's got the whole world in His hands.

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## OFFERING PRAYER

**PASTOR**

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.  
**Amen.**

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

**ELW p. 206**

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.**

## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

ELW p. 207

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,  
heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PASTOR

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;  
 2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;  
 3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.  
 you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.  
 e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

COMMUNION

PASTOR

COMMUNION HYMNS

**Communion Medley**

Let There be Peace on Earth, and let it begin with me.  
 Let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be.  
 With God as our Father, brothers all are we.  
 Let me walk with my brother In perfect harmony  
 Let peace begin with me; let this be the moment now.  
 With every step I take, let this be my solemn vow.  
 To take each moment, and live each moment in peace eternally!  
 Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.

Just a closer walk with thee,  
 grant it, Jesus, is my plea  
 Daily walking close to thee,  
 let it be, dear Lord, let it be.

I am weak but thou art strong;  
 Jesus, keep me from all wrong;  
 I'll be satisfied as long  
 as I walk, let me walk close to thee.

Just a closer walk with thee,  
 grant it Jesus, is my plea

Daily walking close to thee,  
let it be, dear Lord, let it be.

Through this work of toil and snares,  
If I falter, Lord who cares?  
Who with me my burden shares?  
None but thee, dear Lord, none but thee.

Just a closer walk with thee,  
grant it Jesus, is my plea  
Daily walking close to thee,  
let it be, dear Lord, let it be.

When my feeble life is o'er,  
time for me will be no more;  
guide me gently, safely o'er  
to thy kingdom shore to thy shore.

Just a closer walk with thee,  
grant it Jesus, is my plea  
Daily walking close to thee,  
let it be, dear Lord, let it be.

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## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**PASTOR**

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.  
**Amen.**

## **BLESSING**

**PASTOR**

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

## **CLOSING HYMN**

### **Sending Medley**

I love to tell the story, 'twill be my theme in glory  
to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love

O how He loves you and me!  
O how He loves you and me!  
He gave His life; what more could He give?  
O how He loves you; O how He love me;  
O how He loves you and me!

Precious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, let me stand  
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn.  
Through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light.  
Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

What a fellowship, what a joy divine, leaning on the everlasting arms,  
what a blessedness, what a peace is mine,  
Leaning on the everlasting arms.  
Leaning, leaning, Safe and secure from all alarms;  
Leaning, leaning, Leaning on the everlasting arms.

Some glad morning when this life is o'er,  
I'll fly away;  
To a home on God's celestial show,  
I'll fly away.  
I'll fly away, O glory, I'll fly away.  
When I die, hallelujah, by and by, I'll fly away.

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**TEMPLE TALK**

**Kenneth Adix – A Message from Church Council**

**GOOD NEWS**

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**This Little Light of Mine**  
**ELW 677**

This little light of mine, I'm goin'-a let it shine;  
this little light of mine, I'm goin'-a let it shine;  
this little light of mine, I'm goin'-a let it shine,  
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

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