

# Holy Communion

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost Sunday, October 5, 2025 10:30 a.m.

Exploring the promise of God for all

# Welcome to Central Lutheran Church. You are welcome, no exceptions.

Here are a few notes you might find helpful for worship:

**Bold print** indicates responses spoken by all. Masks are welcomed. Congregational hymns are found printed in this bulletin or in the red hymnal, *Evangelical Lutheran Worship*.

#### **PRELUDE**

"Movement"

Elisabeth Sterling

(At the sound of the bell, please stand and face the font)

# Gathering

#### **OPENING SENTENCES**

There is great gain in godliness combined with contentment

# For we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it

But as for you pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness.

## Fight the good fight of the faith

Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called

## Be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share

Thus storing up for yourselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future

Take hold of the life that really is life.

## **GATHERING HYMN**

Hymn 597

"My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"

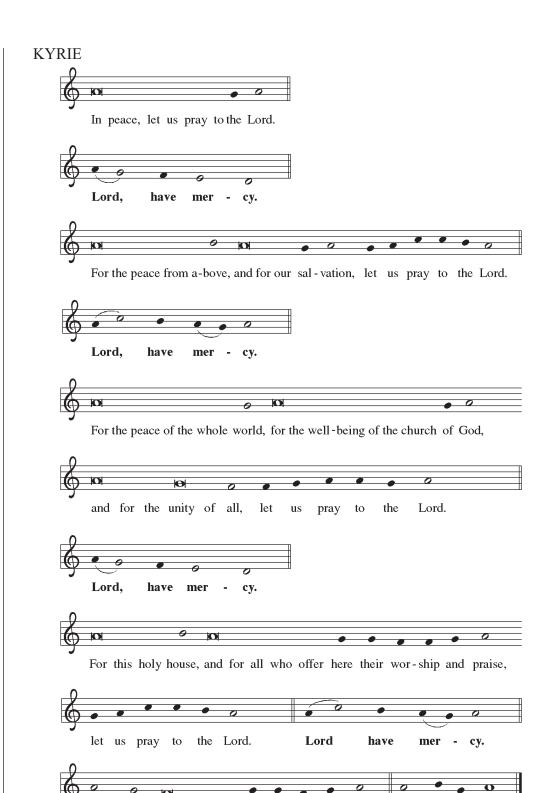
#### **GREETING**

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.



The Holy Spirit gathers us in unity on this first day of the week.



Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord.

men.

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Benevolent, merciful God: When we are empty, fill us. When we are weak in faith, strengthen us. When we are cold in love, warm us, that with fervor we may love our neighbors and serve them for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.** 

(Please be seated)

# Word

Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4

#### CHILDREN'S TIME

#### FIRST READING

<sup>1</sup> The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw.

<sup>2</sup>O Lord, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not listen?

Or cry to you "Violence!"

and you will not save?

<sup>3</sup> Why do you make me see wrongdoing and look at trouble?

Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise.

<sup>4</sup> So the law becomes slack, and justice never prevails.

The wicked surround the righteous; therefore judgment comes forth perverted.

<sup>2</sup>:<sup>1</sup>I will stand at my watchpost and station myself on the rampart;

I will keep watch to see what he will say to me and what he will answer concerning my complaint.

<sup>2</sup> Then the Lord answered me and said:

Write the vision;

make it plain on tablets,

so that a runner may read it.

<sup>3</sup> For there is still a vision for the appointed time; it speaks of the end and does not lie.

If it seems to tarry, wait for it;

it will surely come; it will not delay.

<sup>4</sup>Look at the proud!

Their spirit is not right in them, but the righteous live by their faithfulness.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.



*Choir:* <sup>1</sup> *Do not be provoked by* | *evildoers;* 

do not be jealous of those | who do wrong.

All: <sup>2</sup> For they shall soon wither | like the grass, and like the green grass | fade away.

Choir: <sup>3</sup>Put your trust in the Lord | and do good;

*dwell in the land and | find safe pasture.* 

All: <sup>4</sup> Take delight | in the Lord, who shall give you your | heart's desire.

Choir: <sup>5</sup> Commit your way to the Lord; put your trust | in the Lord,

and see what | God will do.

All: <sup>6</sup> The Lord will make your vindication as clear | as the light

and the justice of your case like the | noonday sun.

*Choir:* <sup>7</sup> *Be still before the Lord* | *and wait patiently.* 

Do not be provoked by the one who prospers, the one who

succeeds in | evil schemes.

All: Refrain from anger, leave | rage alone; do not be provoked; it leads on- | ly to evil.

*Choir:* <sup>9</sup> *For evildoers shall* | *be cut off,* 

but those who hope in the Lord shall pos- | sess the land.

(Please stand)

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**







GOSPEL Luke 17:5-10

The Holy Gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>5</sup> The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" <sup>6</sup> The Lord replied, "If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you.

<sup>7</sup> "Who among you would say to your servant who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, 'Come here at once and take your place at the table'? <sup>8</sup> Would you not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me; put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink'? <sup>9</sup> Do you thank the servant for doing what was commanded? <sup>10</sup> So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, 'We are worthless servants; we have done only what we ought to have done!' "

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

(*Please be seated*)

**SERMON** 

(Please stand)

HYMN OF THE DAY "O Spirit of Life"

Hymn 405

#### PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

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

Each petition concludes:

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.** 

#### **PEACE**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

(Please be seated)



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God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

#### MUSICAL OFFERING

# "The Lord Is My Shepherd"

John Rutter

The Lord is my shepherd; therefore can I lack nothing.

He shall feed me in a green pasture, and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort.

He shall convert my soul and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness, for his Name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil;

For thou art with me: Thy rod and thy staff comfort me.

Thou shalt prepare a table before me against them that trouble me:

Thou hast anointed my head with oil and my cup shall be full.

But thy loving-kindness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: And I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

-Psalm 23

# Meal

(Please stand)

# PRESENTATION HYMN

Hymn 748

"O God in Heaven"

#### **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

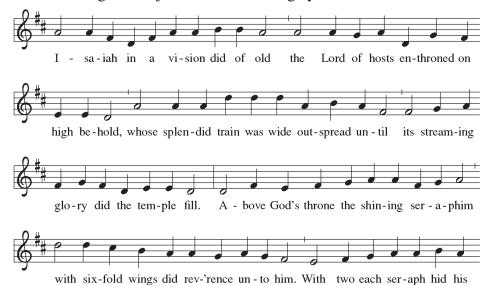
Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

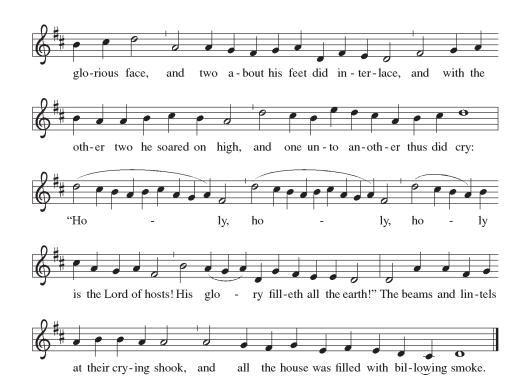
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right...and join in their unending hymn:



"Isaiah in a Vision Did of Old" is a chorale by Martin Luther, setting the Sanctus (or "Holy") of the mass. This was part of his effort to translate and sing the mass in German. The text is based on a story from Isaiah, and traditionally begins with the seraphim's cry of "holy, holy, holy." However, here (uniquely), Luther also included the scripture leading up to and contextualizing that moment.

We will be singing this Sanctus for several weeks, leading up to Reformation Sunday. Think of these weeks as "practice" for Reformation. Jump in and sing as best you can even if it's not familiar, and remember that mistakes are okay!



Indeed we give you thanks, O mothering God, ... ... O Living One, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy church, now and forever. **Amen.** 

## LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one, we pray as Jesus has taught us:

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.

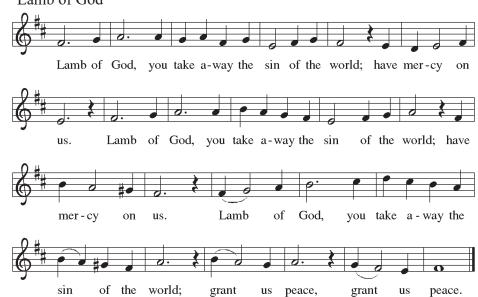
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All are invited to receive these gifts of God.

Children are welcome to come forward and receive communion or a blessing.

## **COMMUNION**

"Lamb of God"



"We Walk by Faith"

Hymn 635

(Please stand)

## POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Gracious God, in this meal you have drawn us to your heart, revealing that your home is among us. Now send us forth to be your people in the world, and to proclaim your love and mercy this day and evermore, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.** 



God blesses us and sends us for shared mission in our shared world.

# Sending

## 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

"Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises"

Hymn 535 Leader sings refrain once, then all join refrain and verses

## DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Do not lose heart. **Thanks be to God.** 

# **POSTLUDE**

Jubilate, Op. 67, No. 2

William Mathias

# Serving Today

Pastor Peter Nycklemoe preacher
Pastor Melissa Pohlman presider
Pastor Stephanie Friesen hospitality

Sara Masters
Ben Longman
Joey Jones
Central Choir
Joe Osowski

Sarsisting
reading
crucifer
ensemble
choir director

Isaac Drewes organist
Henry Rye organ scholar
Mark Kieffer video/sound

Karen Snyder host

# Thanks to: Sacristans, Usher, and Hospitality Ministry Teams, and all who are serving.

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