# September 14, 2025 9:00 am



ROSEVILLE LUTHERAN CHURCH

# **Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

9:00 am • Sunday, September 14, 2025

Words in **BOLD** are for congregational participation, either said or sung. Words to hymns are printed in this bulletin, but you are encouraged to open up and use the red ELW (Evangelical Lutheran Worship) hymnal found below or in front of your seat. Hymn numbers are provided.

**PRELUDE** 

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**CHORAL INVOCATION** 

This Is the Day

Opening Hymn Immortal, Invisible ELW 834

Immortal, invisible, God only wise, In light inaccessible hid from our eyes, Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days, Almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise!

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light, Nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might; Thy justice like mountains high soaring above Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all life thou givest, to both great and small; In all life thou livest, the true life of all; We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree, And wither and perish, but nought changeth thee.

Thou reignest in glory, thou dwellest in light; Thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight; All laud we would render, oh, help us to see 'Tis only the splendor of light hideth thee!

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

This is the day that the Lord has made.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

We gather for worship in the name of God our Creator, In whose image we are made beloved children of God.

In the name of Christ our Savior,

Whose death and resurrection has freed us from sin and death.

In the name of the Holy Spirit,

Who transforms and empowers us for lives of discipleship and service.

For the Lord is good and God's steadfast love endures forever.

Hallelujah! Praise the Lord!

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **Amen** 

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Together, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts and lives through faith.

Thanks be to God. Amen

In peace, in peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy.

For the reign of God, and for peace throughout the world,

For the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy.

For your people here, who have come to give you praise,

For the strength to live your word, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy.

Help, save, and defend us, O God.

Amen

HYMN OF PRAISE

Now the Feast and Celebration

**ELW 167** 

Refrain:

Now the feast and celebration, all of creation sings for joy

To the God of life and love and freedom:

Praise and glory for evermore!

Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain, Whose blood has freed and united us To be one great people of God. Refrain

Power and riches, wisdom and might, All honor and glory to Christ forever. Refrain

For God has come to dwell with us, to make us people of God; To make all things new. *Refrain* 

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

O God, overflowing with mercy and compassion, you lead back to yourself all those who go astray. Preserve your people in your loving care, that we may reject whatever is contrary to you and may follow all things that sustain our life in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen

STORYTIME

Storytime is for the entire congregation as we begin our exploration of our text for the day. Children are invited forward for Storytime as the congregation sings:

Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

As storytime ends, children in grades 1st-6th are invited to leave the worship center for RLC Kids time and activities in the Activity Center. They will rejoin families at offering time. Children in Pre-K through Kindergarten are welcomed to go to Room 45A at the beginning of the service and stay for the entirety of the worship service.

Preparing for the Word

Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil

**ELW 512** 

Lord, let my heart be good soil, open to the seed of your word.

Lord, let my heart be good soil, where love can grow and peace is understood.

When my heart is hard, break the stone away.

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

Exodus 32:7-14

The Lord said to Moses, "Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it and said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!' "The Lord said to Moses, "I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. Now let me alone so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them, and of you I will make a great nation."

But Moses implored the Lord his God and said, "O Lord, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? Why should the Egyptians say, 'It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains and to consume them from the face of the earth'? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, 'I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever.' "And the Lord changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

Word of God, word of life. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL

Luke 15:1-10

Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to him. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

So he told them this parable: "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? And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. 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.' 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.

"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? 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.' 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.** 

Message Pastor Marty Wyatt

HYMN OF THE DAY

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

**ELW 588** 

There's a wideness in God's mercy, like the wideness of the sea; There's a kindness in God's justice, which is more than liberty. There is no place where earth's sorrows are more felt than up in heav'n. There is no place where earth's failings have such kindly judgment giv'n.

There is welcome for the sinner, and a promised grace made good; There is mercy with the Savior; there is healing in his blood. There is grace enough for thousands of new worlds as great as this; There is room for fresh creations in that upper home of bliss.

For the love of God is broader than the measures of the mind; And the heart of the Eternal is most wonderfully kind. But we make this love too narrow by false limits of our own; And we magnify its strictness with a zeal God will not own.

'Tis not all we owe to Jesus; it is something more than all: Greater good because of evil, larger mercy through the fall. Make our love, O God, more faithful; let us take you at your word, And our lives will be thanksgiving for the goodness of the Lord.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

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 into hell.

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

## SHARING THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you all.

And also with you.

Let us share the peace of Christ with those around us. Introduce yourself to someone new.

**O**FFERING

We gather as a people of God, in the presence of God, to offer up our thanks and praise.

Offering is one way in which we support and sustain our shared ministry.

You may text your gift: Text <amount> to 651-383-1504,
or scan the QR code in this bulletin.

Children are invited to bring their offering up to the front of the Worship Center.



OFFERING MUSIC

**PRAYERS** 

Prayer response: God of grace, receive our prayer.

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

#### BIESSING

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

The Lord now sends us forth with hands to serve and give, To make of all the earth a better place to live. (Repeat)

The angels are not sent into this world of pain To do what we were meant to do in Jesus' name; That falls to you and me and all who are made free. Help us, O Lord, we pray, to do your will today. (Repeat)

The Lord now sends us forth with hands to serve and give, To make of all the earth a better place to live. (Repeat)

DISMISSAL

Go in peace and serve the Lord. Thanks be to God!

**POSTLUDE** 

# **Participants**

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