

BOLDLY SHARING THE GRACE OF GOD WITH THE WORLD

KING OF GLORY

L U T H E R A N C H U R C H

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost
July 26, 2026 ~ 10:15 a.m.

Evangelical Lutheran Worship – Holy Communion Setting Ten

Gathering

Opening Voluntary

Adagio on a submitted theme

Improvisation

American Guild of Organists National Competition in Organ Improvisation, St. Louis 2026.

(A variation of this piece was performed by Zvony Nagy, one of five semi-finalists, during the competition.
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Welcome and Community Life

The congregation may stand.

Entrance Hymn 757

All My Hope on God Is Founded

MICHAEL

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.

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, whose compassion endures forever.
Amen.

Because God loves us unconditionally, and is eager to forgive, we are given the freedom to confess before God and one another, the ways we fall short of sharing God's love and grace with the world.

Let us confess our sin to God.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Compassionate God,

we confess to you all our sins. Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves. In your mercy, call us back to you. Your yoke is easy and your burden is light. Restore us to dwell in your peace. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.

Jesus says, "Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest." In the name of God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Rest in God's love.

Amen.

Hymn of Praise



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

Beloved and sovereign God, through the death and resurrection of your Son you bring us into your kingdom of justice and mercy. By your Spirit, give us your wisdom, that we may treasure the life that comes from Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

The congregation may be seated.

Word

The First Reading

1 Kings 3:5-12

⁵ At Gibeon the Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream by night, and God said, "Ask what I should give you." ⁶ And Solomon said, "You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you, and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. ⁷ And now, O Lord my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. ⁸ And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. ⁹ Give your servant, therefore, an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil, for who can govern this great people of yours?" ¹⁰ It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. ¹¹ God said to him, "Because you have asked this and have not asked for yourself long life or riches or for the life of your enemies but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, ¹² I now do according to your word. Indeed, I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you, and no one like you shall arise after you."

The Second Reading

Romans 8:26-39

²⁶ The Spirit helps us in our weakness, for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with groanings too deep for words. ²⁷ And God, who searches hearts, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God. ²⁸ We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. ²⁹ For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. ³⁰ And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified. ³¹ What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? ³² He who did not withhold his own Son but gave him up for all of us, how will he not with him also give us everything else? ³³ Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. ³⁴ Who is to condemn? It is Christ who died, or rather, who was raised, who is also at the right hand of God, who also intercedes for us. ³⁵ Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will affliction or distress or persecution or famine or nakedness or peril or sword? ³⁶ As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered." ³⁷ No, in all these things we are more than victorious through him who loved us. ³⁸ For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹ nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

The congregation may stand.

Gospel Acclamation



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.

Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.

Al - le-lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

Gospel

Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

The holy gospel according to Matthew, the thirteenth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

³¹ [Jesus] put before [the crowds] another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field;³² it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches." ³³ He told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened." ⁴⁴ "The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and reburied; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. ⁴⁵ "Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; ⁴⁶ on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it. ⁴⁷ "Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; ⁴⁸ when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. ⁴⁹ So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous ⁵⁰ and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. ⁵¹ "Have you understood all this?" They answered, "Yes." ⁵² And he said to them, "Therefore every scribe who has become a disciple in the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old."

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

The congregation may be seated. Children ages 4 years through 3rd grade are invited to attend the children's sermon in room 115.

Sermon

Pastor Kenny Dickson

The congregation may stand. Children will return from the children's sermon.

Hymn of the Day 729

The Church of Christ, in Every Age

WAREHAM

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 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

... Lord, in Your mercy,
receive our prayer.

Receive these prayers, O God, and those in our hearts known only to you, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Prayer for our new Senior Pastor

God of hidden treasures and growing kingdoms,
**grant our call committee wisdom to recognize the gifts and calling of the pastor you are preparing for King
of Glory. Give them discerning hearts, clear minds, and joyful confidence as they seek what is precious in
your sight. Help them trust that even small steps in this process are part of your greater purpose unfolding
among us. Bless their faithful work, and through it reveal the riches of your grace for this congregation.
Amen.**

Peace

We make peace with God and each other before coming to the Lord's table.

The peace of the Lord be with you always.
And also with you.

The congregation may be seated.

Meal

Offering

We give back to God out of the abundance with which He has blessed us.

Faithful Ones offerings received during the month of **July** will support the **Lutheran World Relief for Venezuela**. Your Faithful Ones gifts will help with emergency medical care, clean water, emergency shelter, and food assistance for those impacted by the devastating earthquakes in Caracas and La Guaira. If you wish to offer additional funds for this ministry, please use an envelope found in the pew rack or the Narthex. Checks should be made out to King of Glory with "Faithful Ones" in the memo.



*We will now present our offerings. You can share your gifts online at koggives.com or
via Venmo @kingofglory. You may also place your offering in the offering plate.*

God Be in My Head

John Rutter

God be in my head and in my understanding; God be in mine eyes and in my looking; God be in my mouth and in my
speaking; God be in my heart and in my thinking; God be at mine end and at my departing.

The congregation may stand.

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 dreams of
all; u-nite them with the prayers we of-fer. Grace our ta-ble
with your pres-ence, and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

Prayer

Let us pray: Loving God,

we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts. Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love, so that all creation can taste your abundance. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever. Amen.

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.

Preface

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places ... and join their unending hymn:

Sanctus, Holy, holy, holy

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

In the night in which he was betrayed, Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

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.

The congregation may be seated.

Celebrating Communion

At King of Glory we welcome all who believe Jesus Christ is present for and with us in the bread and wine.

If you choose to share in our table of communion while at home, consider that your table is part of ours, and your bread and wine is the body and blood of Christ we all share. Please only use bread and wine (or grape juice) as we remain faithful to our Lord's command.

If you would prefer not to receive wine, simply request white grape juice when served. Gluten-free wafers may also be requested. Children and adults not communing are invited to come forward for a word of blessing. Open hands show you wish to receive communion; folded hands show you want a blessing.

Agnus Dei, Lamb of God



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.

Hymns

518 *We Eat the Bread of Teaching*

WISDOM'S FEAST

Communion Meditation

Meditation on Beautiful Savior
arr. Cathy and David Moglebust

SILESIA FOLK TUNE

The communion table is cleared.

The congregation may stand.

Blessing

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

Amen.

Prayer after Communion

Compassionate God, through the gifts of bread and wine our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love. Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal, may share your love freely, as you have shared with us. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever.

Amen.

Sending

Sending of Communion

O God of tender compassion, 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 and 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.

Benediction

Just as we began, we end worship in the Name of the Triune God.

Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, ✠ one God, bless, heal, and hold you today and always.

Amen.

Sending Hymn 763

My Life Flows On in Endless Song

HOW CAN I KEEP FROM SINGING

Dismissal

Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news!

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Closing Voluntary

Scherzo on a submitted theme

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SERVING OUR WORSHIP

Pastor Kenny Dickson, Pastor Kirsten Wee

Valerie Remmers, *liturgist*

Molli Harris, *reader*

Savannah Calvert, *acolyte*

Sam Muros, *crucifer*

The King of Glory Choir

Zvony Nagy, *Director of Music and Worship*

Jan Fischer & Karen Normandin, *cymbells*

Ross Weir, *audio visual*; Brian Berggren, Keith Prim, *av volunteer*

Andy & Kristin Calvert, Elise Dixon, Michelle Hild, Becky & David Pederson *ushers*

Colleen Halverson, Jan Rollow, *communion assistants*

Louise McNett, Beckie Robinson, *altar guild*

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Visiting for the first time?

We are glad you are here! Please fill out the Friendship Pad, Scan the QR Code or a Connect Card so we can get to know you and share more about KOG and our ministries.

Our worship is liturgical; rooted in Scripture. We follow a pattern of worship that embraces the diversity and richness of modern language and traditions.

Listening Devices are available during worship services. Ask an usher to acquire one of these devices.

A Sensory Room is located at the back of the Sanctuary. This room is equipped with comfortable seating, adjustable lighting and sound, and is a safe place for those with disabilities.

Children are welcome in worship!

Clipboards with activity pages and fidgets are available in the Narthex. The nursery is available for infants through Kindergarten in the renovated Children's Area Suite 117 Rm. B. The Cry Room, where you can sit with your child and watch the service via livestream, is in Rm 116.



FAITH FORMATION

GROWING IN FAITH

[Sunday Mornings at 9:00]

Children's Summer Activities

Nursery: Room B
Children's Sermon: Room 115

Adult Sunday School

Rebels With A Cause Fellowship
Understanding Faith & Civic Hall
Life



Dallas Childcare Works

Today in the Atrium: Stop by to sign the petition or scan the QR code to send a pre-written email supporting affordable childcare and quality early childhood education.



Also, scan the QR code to register for our Community Conversation with Dallas County Commissioner Andy Sommerman on Monday, July 27, at 7:00 PM at King of Glory. Thank you for helping advocate for children, families, and our community.

Thank You for Your Faithful Generosity

Your generosity helps King of Glory boldly share God's grace through worship, service, faith formation, and outreach. As summer comes to a close, consider setting up a



secure recurring gift to make giving simple and consistent throughout the year. Simply scan the QR code to get started.

2026 Giving Statements have been distributed. If you have questions or did not receive yours, please contact the church office.

Thank you, for your faithful partnership in ministry!



Disability Independence Day

Disability Independence Day reminds us that every person is wonderfully made by God and has unique gifts to share. At King of Glory, we celebrate a community where everyone is welcomed, valued, and invited to belong. Join us for Joyful Spirit, our inclusive worship service, every Sunday at 5:00 PM, where people of all abilities and their families gather to worship, grow in faith, and experience God's love together.

Last Opportunity to Give

Today is the final Sunday to support July's Faithful Ones offering benefiting Lutheran World Relief's earthquake response in Venezuela. Your gifts provide emergency medical care, clean water, shelter, and food assistance to families in need. Please use a Faithful Ones envelope or write "Faithful Ones" in the memo line of your check. Thank you for your compassionate generosity.



EASY WAYS TO CONNECT

Joyful Spirit

Sundays at 5 PM

Extend an invitation to this inclusive and uplifting service and join them in worship. Streams monthly, on last Sunday. Find out more at kingofglory.com/joyful-spirit-worship.

Let's Eat Out! (LEOs)

Thursday, August 6, at 6:30 PM

Join us for laughter and Tex-Mex at Manny's in Richardson. Everyone is welcome! RSVP by Tuesday, August 4, to Margaret Pierce mizpah4@sbcglobal.net or 214-334-7261.

Family Ministry End-Of-Summer Event

Friday, July 31 at 6 PM

Save the date! Join us at Slick City in Plano for an evening of family fun, fellowship, and celebration. Watch for registration details coming soon!

Martin's Music Cafe'

Friday, August 7 at 7:30 PM

Experience an evening of exceptional live music as Jack Barksdale, with special guest Kirsten Kirk, on the Martin's Music Café stage. Text "MARTINS" to 972-661-9435 for tickets

Community Worship Service

3rd Sunday of the Month

Join us on the third Sunday of each month as we gather for an interactive worship experience centered on conversation, connection, and growing in faith together.

Reservations for Six

Monthly

Groups of 6 share brunch, lunch, or dinner out at a restaurant each month (March - November). Sign up now! For more information, email hildchitchat@att.net

Upcoming Events:

Take a look at our Event Calendar at kingofglory.com/events

Church office hours:

Mondays and Fridays 8:30 - Noon
Tuesdays - Thursdays 8:30 - 3:30

Ways you can give:

Venmo @kingofglory
kingofglory.com/koggives

