Abiding Presence Lutheran Church and Preschool



Sixth Sunday After Pentecost Lectionary 16 Sunday 9:30am, July 20, 2025 Monday, 7:30pm, July 21, 2025

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Welcome to Worship! Sixth Sunday After Pentecost Lectionary 16 July 20, 2025, 9:30am Abiding Presence Church and Preschool

INTRODUCTION

The church, at its best, is "all ears." God urges the faithful, again and again, to "listen up!"—to heed the word that gives life. So it was with Abraham and Sarah, Mary and Martha, and the early church at Colossae. So it is today as we join the assembly to hear the word of God, the word of life.

PRELUDE

"Angel's Song"

Healey Willan

GATHERING – The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Please stand as you are able

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

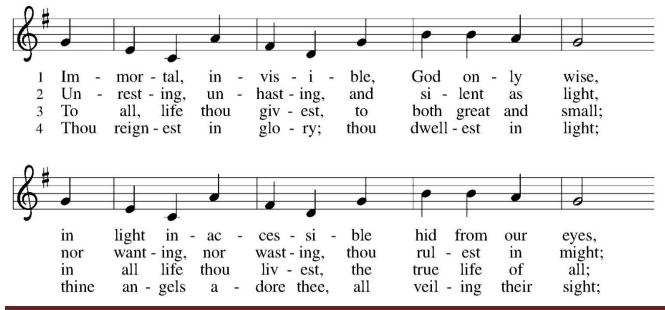
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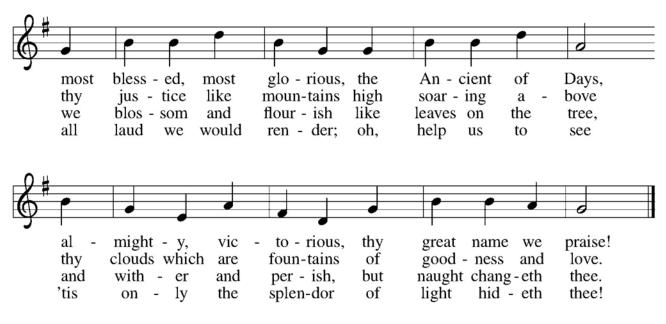
Merciful God, you free us to love others, but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way. You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace, but we turn away from the abundant life you offer. You surround us with patience, kindness, and generosity, but we grow weary in doing what is right. In your mercy, 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.

GATHERING HYMN 834 "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"





Text: Walter Chalmers Smith, 1824–1908, alt. Music: ST. DENIO, Welsh traditional

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.

HYMN OF PRAISE



PRAYER OF THE DAY The Lord be with you. And also with you. Let us pray together: Eternal God, you draw near to us in Christ, and you make yourself our guest. Amid the cares of our lives, make us attentive to your presence, that we may treasure your word above all else, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Please sit

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

First Reading: Genesis 18:1-10a

The Lord visits Abraham and Sarah to tell them that the long-awaited promise of the birth of a child will be fulfilled for them in their old age.

A Reading from Genesis

¹ The Lord appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. ² He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them and bowed down to the ground. ³ He said, "My lord, if I find favor with you, do not pass by your servant. ⁴ Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. ⁵ Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant." So they said, "Do as you have said." ⁶ And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah and said, "Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes." ⁷ Abraham ran to the herd and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. ⁸ Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared and set it before them, and he stood by them under the tree while they ate.

⁹ They said to him, "Where is your wife Sarah?" And he said, "There, in the

tent." ^{10a} Then one said, "I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son."

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Psalm: Psalm 15 (Cantor sings verses. All sing response.) Response



Psalm 15:1

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¹ Lord, who may dwell in your tabernacle?

Who may abide upon your holy hill?

² Those who lead a blameless life and do what is right, who speak the truth from their heart; **R**

³ they do not slander with the tongue, they do no evil to their friends; they do not cast discredit upon a neighbor.

⁴ In their sight the wicked are rejected, but they honor those who fear the Lord.

They have sworn upon their health and do not take back their word.

⁵ They do not give their money in hope of gain, nor do they take bribes against the innocent.

Those who do these things shall never be overthrown. R

Second Reading: Colossians 1:15-28

This letter offers a mystical teaching, that the great mystery of God is "Christ in you." Because Christ is present in the church, Christians share in his life, suffering, and glory.

A Reading from Colossians

¹⁵ [Christ Jesus] is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation,¹⁶ for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things

visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷ He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸ He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. ¹⁹ For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰ and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

²¹ And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, ²² he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him, ²³ provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven. I, Paul, became a minister of this gospel.

²⁴ I am now rejoicing in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am completing what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church. ²⁵ I became its minister according to God's commission that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, ²⁶ the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations but has now been revealed to his saints. ²⁷ To them God chose to make known how great among the gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. ²⁸ It is he whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

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GOSPEL PROCESSIONAL

Gospel: Luke 10:38-42

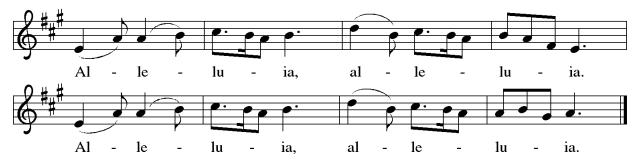
During his visit to the home of Mary and Martha, Jesus reminds Martha that her concern for her many tasks distracts from the one thing that precedes all else: abiding in the presence of God.

The Holy Gospel according to Luke Glory to You, O Lord

³⁸ Now as [Jesus and his disciples] went on their way, he entered a certain village where a woman named Martha welcomed him. ³⁹ She had a sister named Mary, who sat at Jesus's feet and listened to what he was saying. ⁴⁰ But Martha was distracted by her many tasks, so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her, then, to help me." ⁴¹ But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things, ⁴² but few things are needed—indeed only one. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

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

GOSPEL RECESSIONAL



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Please sit

REFLECTION

Pr. Schoepflin

Please stand as you are able

HYMN 519"Open Your Ears, O Faithful People""



Text: Hasidic traditional; Willard F. Jabusch, b. 1930, English version

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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 OF INTERCESSION (Response: "hear our prayer.")

In solidarity with all creation, we join our voice to the voice of the whole church and pray for the needs of the world, responding "hear our prayer."

A brief silence.

Inspire your church, like Sarah and Mary, to listen with eager longing for your words of life. Equip biblical interpreters and teachers with faithful discernment, that your word may be more fully known. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Every creature under heaven has been promised the hope of the gospel. From that promise, generate in humankind an eagerness to protect and care for creation. Bring healing to the earth with your words of life. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Peel away the distractions, worries, and fears of all who govern the nations of the world. May your word of love and life dispel all other voices. Provide gracious hospitality in places where hostile forces hold sway. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Speak your word of comfort to any who suffer pain, illness, grief, depression, or despair, especially Viv, Kristen, Annette, Laurie, Jennifer, John, Doris, Bill, Jim, Anthony, Karen, Joan, Matt, John, Grace, Richard, Lucille, Bobby, Mariette, Ella, Ron, Jessica, [____], those on our prayer list, and those we name before you, aloud or in our hearts *pause for names.* God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

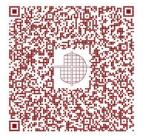
For Abraham, Sarah, Hagar, Mary, Martha, and all the saints who attended to your word, we give thanks. Open our ears to your voice until that day when we realize the promise of the gospel with all creation. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Trusting in your lovingkindness, we place our prayer and hope in you, in the name of Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

SHARING OF PEACE

Please sit

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ANTHEM"Because of Thy Great Bounty"Words by Grace Noll CrowellSung by Lisa PecchioMusic by Leon A. Hoffmeister

OFFERING

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OFFERING HYMN 465

"As the Grains of Wheat" Refrain: As the grains of wheat once scattered on the hill were gathered into one to become our bread; so may all your people from all the ends of earth be gathered into one in you.

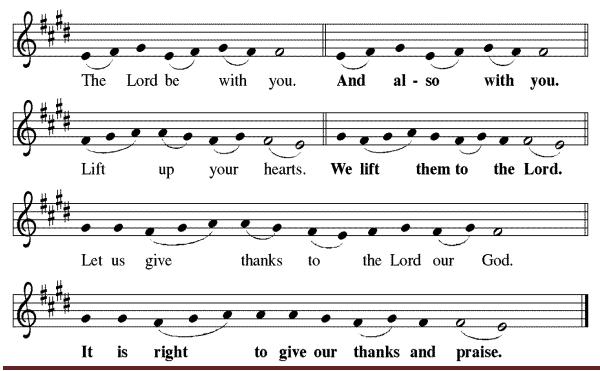
As this cup of blessing is shared within our midst, may we share the presence of your love. Refrain

Let this be a foretaste of all that is to come when all creation shares this feast with you. Refrain

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray: 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



P: 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,

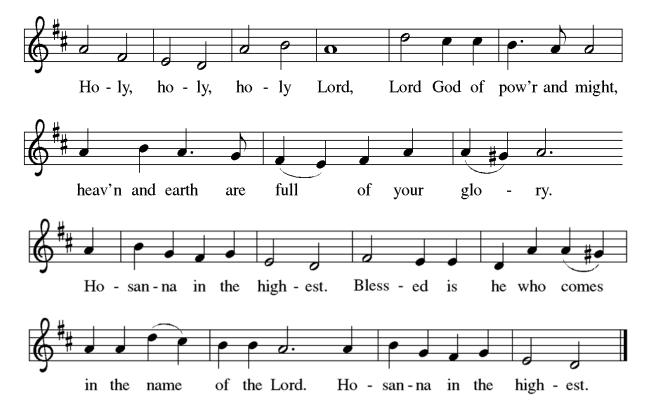
through our Savior Jesus Christ;

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 all the choirs of angels,

with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,

we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



THANKSGIVING AT TABLE

You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God. You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory.

You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have eternal life. We give you thanks for his coming into the world to fulfill for us your holy will and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Remembering, therefore, his salutary command, his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension, and the promise of his coming again, we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty, not as we ought but as we are able; we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants, and these your own gifts of bread and wine, so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace, and, receiving the forgiveness of sin, may be formed to live as your holy people and be given our inheritance with all your saints. To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever. **Amen.**

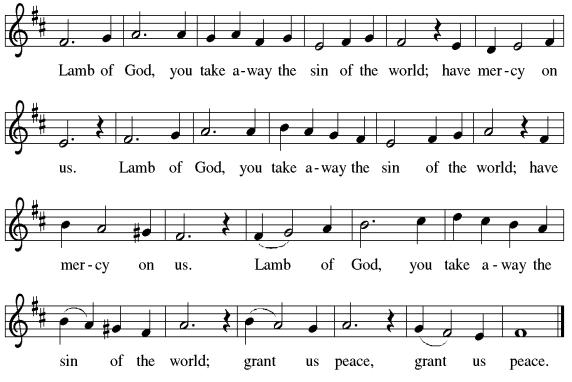
LORD'S PRAYER

C: 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

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The kingdom of God is set before you. Eat and rejoice. Thanks be to God.

AGNUS DEI



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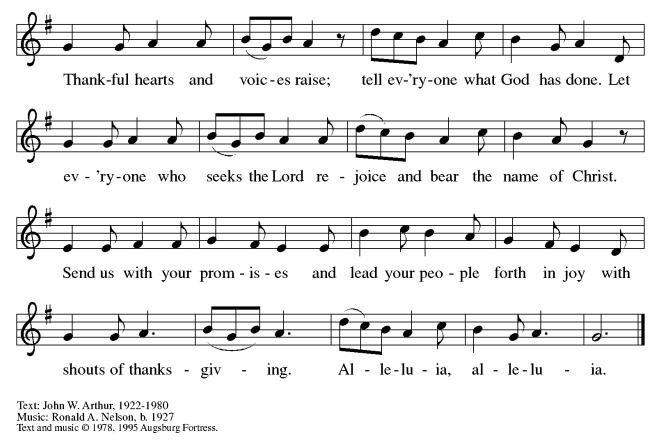
All who believe that along with the bread and wine we receive the true Body and Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ are invited to the Lord's table to receive the Sacrament. The Sacrament will be distributed in one or two continuous lines at the main aisle. The bread is received in the hand and the communicant then proceeds to a blue or gold chalice for intinction or to a crystal chalice to drink from the common cup, or if so desired, the communicant may receive only the bread. Please let your Communion Minister know if you wish to receive a gluten free wafer. Please follow the guidance of the ushers.

COMMUNION HYMN 820 "O Savior, Precious Savior" Sav - ior, whom yet 0 Sav - ior, pre-cious un-seen we love; 1 2 0 bring - er of sal - va - tion, who won - drous-ly hast wrought, all full-ness dwell - eth, all 3 In thee grace and pow'r di - vine; Oh, grant the con-sum - ma - tion of this our song a - bove, name of might and 0 fa - vor, all oth - er names a bove: be-yond our thy - self the rev - e - la - tion of love thought: glo - ry that ex - cel - leth, O of God, is the Son thine. in end - less ad - o ra - tion and ev - er - last - ing love: wor - ship thee; we bless thee; to thee we a - lone we sing; wor - ship thee; we bless thee; to we thee a - lone we sing; wor - ship thee; we bless thee We thee: to a - lone we sing; we praise and then shall bless thee where per - fect prais-es ring, praise thee and con - fess thee, our ho - ly Lord and King. we praise thee and con - fess thee, our gra-cious Lord and King. we praise thee and con - fess thee, our glo - rious Lord and King. we and ev - er-more con - fess thee, our Sav - ior and our King!

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879 Music: ANGEL'S STORY, Arthur H. Mann, 1850–1929

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POST COMMUNION HYMN 207 "Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise"



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POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray: 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.**

SENDING – God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

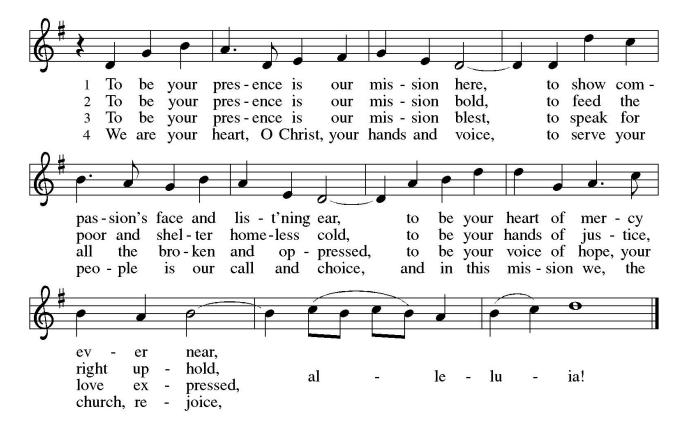
BLESSING

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Thanks be to God.

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor, and give you his peace, In the name of the Father and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN 546 "To Be Your Presence"



Text: Delores Dufner, OSB, b. 1939

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DISMISSAL

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POSTLUDE

"St. Denio Rosalie"

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

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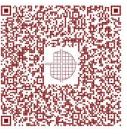
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THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up 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.

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

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he (+) who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever. **Amen.**

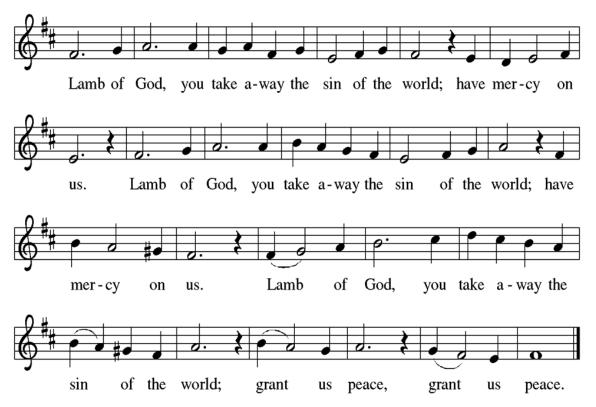
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INVITATION TO COMMUNION

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AGNUS DEI



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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

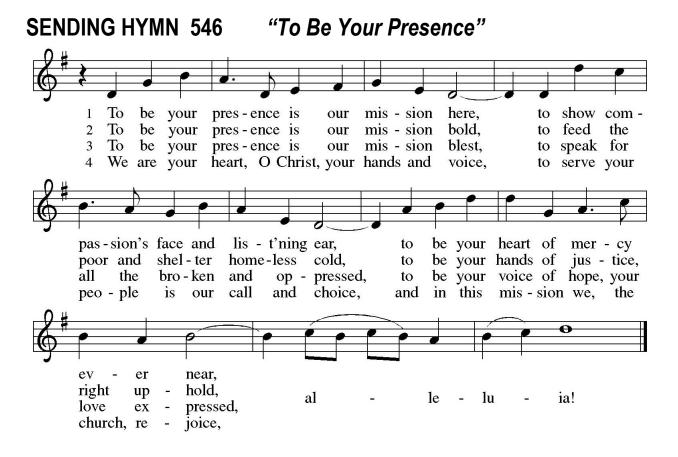
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SENDING A: Gathered by Christ, Growing in Faith, Sent to serve **C: All are welcome!**

- A: Co in popo Sorvo in k
- A: Go in peace. Serve in love.
- C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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Our prayers and sympathies are with the family of Marilyn Poggenburg. Rest eternal grant her O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon her.

THE SANCTUARY CANDLE burns this week signifying the Presence of God among His people.

Daily Bible Readings for Year C (July 20 – July 27) From EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN WORSHIP

The foundational premise of this set of daily readings is their relationship to the Sunday lectionary. The readings are chosen so that the days leading up to Sunday (Thursday through Saturday) prepare for the Sunday readings. The days flowing out from Sunday (Monday through Wednesday) reflect upon the Sunday readings.

Sun 7/20	<i>Lectionary 16</i> Genesis 18:1-10a Psalm 15 Colossians 1:15-28 Luke 10:38-42	
Mon 7/21	Psalm 119:97-104 Exodus 18:1-12 Colossians 1:27—2:7	
Tues 7/22	Psalm 119:97-104 Proverbs 9:1-18 1 John 2:1-6	<i>Mary Magdalene, Apostle</i> Ruth 1:6-18 Psalm 73:23-28 Acts 13:26-33a John 20:1-2, 11-18
Wed 7/23	Psalm 119:97-104 Deuteronomy 12:1-12 John 6:41-51	
Thurs 7/24	Psalm 138 Esther 2:19—3:6 Acts 1:15-20	
Fri 7/25	Psalm 138 Esther 3:7-15 Acts 2:22-36	<i>James, Apostle</i> 1 Kings 19:9-18 Psalm 7:1-10 Acts 11:27-12:3a Mark 10:35-45
Sat 7/26	Psalm 138 Esther 4:1-17 Luke 8:22-25	
Sun 7/27	<i>Lectionary</i> 17 Genesis 18:20-32 Psalm 138 Colossians 2:6-15 [16-19] Luke 11:1-13	

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