# Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost September 14, 2025 Lord of Life Lutheran Church



#### WELCOME

HYMN

O God, Our Help in Ages Past

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## **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,  $\pm$  one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

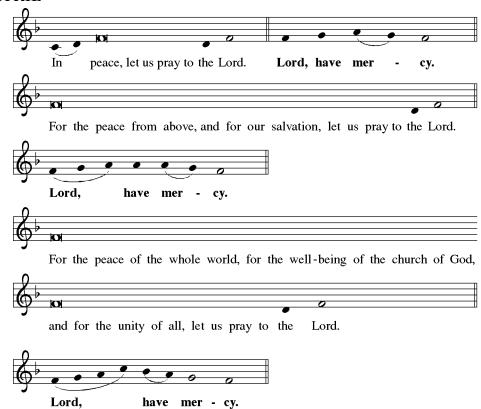
Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Faithful God.

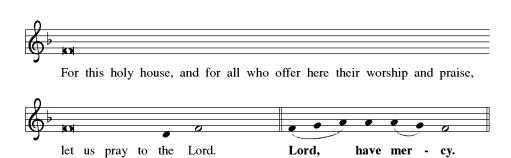
you have shown us the ways of your heart, yet we stray from your paths. We are stuck in sinful systems of oppression. We ignore our neighbors. We exploit the earth. We reject your abundance, trusting our impulses instead of your steadfast love. Repair our relationships, restore what we have broken, renew our hearts, and bring us to new life. Amen.

Hear the good news: God the Faithful One loves you, in Christ Jesus your sins are forgiven, and by the power of the Holy Spirit you are set free.

Amen.

## **KYRIE**

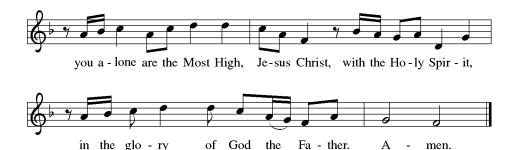






# **HYMN OF PRAISE**





#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

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.

#### CHILDREN'S SERMON

# PSALM: Psalm 51:1-10



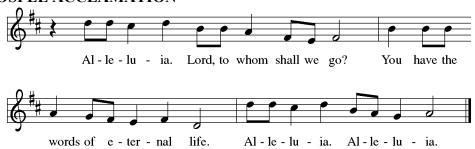
Have mer-cy on me, O God, ac-cord-ing to your stead - fast love

- <sup>1</sup> Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; in your great compassion blot out my offenses.
- <sup>2</sup> Wash me through and through from my wickedness, and cleanse me from my sin.
- <sup>3</sup> For I know my offenses, and my sin is ever before me.
- <sup>4</sup> Against you only have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight; so you are justified when you speak and right in your judgment. R
- <sup>5</sup> Indeed, I was born steeped in wickedness, a sinner from my mother's womb.
- <sup>6</sup> Indeed, you delight in truth deep within me, and would have me know wisdom deep within.
- <sup>7</sup> Remove my sins with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be purer than snow.
- <sup>8</sup> Let me hear joy and gladness; that the body you have broken may rejoice.
- <sup>9</sup> Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my wickedness.
- <sup>10</sup> Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. R

# **SCRIPTURE READING: 1 Timothy 1:12-17**

<sup>12</sup> I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he considered me faithful and appointed me to his service, <sup>13</sup> even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, <sup>14</sup> and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. <sup>15</sup> The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance: that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the foremost. <sup>16</sup> But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience as an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. <sup>17</sup> To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



#### THE HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 15:1-10

<sup>1</sup> Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to [Jesus.] <sup>2</sup> And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

<sup>3</sup> So he told them this parable: <sup>4</sup> "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? <sup>5</sup> And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. <sup>6</sup> 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.' <sup>7</sup> 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.

<sup>8</sup> "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? <sup>9</sup> 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.' <sup>10</sup> Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

## **SERMON**

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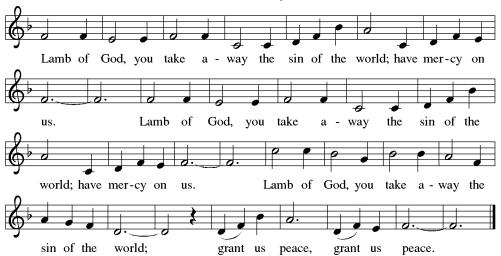
HYMN OF THE DAY

Blessed Assurance

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THE PRAYERS

**SHARING OF THE PEACE** 



## **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

## THE 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.

#### **EUCHARISTIC PRAYER AND WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

## DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

## **COMMUNION BLESSING**

## INSTALLATION OF PRESCHOOL AND SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

SENDING HYMN

I Know that My Redeemer Lives!

vs. 1-4, 7, 8

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## THE BLESSING

May you sing God's praises every day!

#### **SENDING**

Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord

Thanks be to God!

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