

Time after Pentecost  
August 10, 2025  
Facebook live  
10am Worship

**LOOK**

**UP**



# Welcome to worship at **tierrasantalutheranchurch**

We're excited that you have chosen to worship with us. We encourage you to fill out the green visitor sheet located in the pew pocket and place it in the offering basket.

We have "Busy Bags" for kids in the narthex, and children's bulletins are available from an usher. A Nursery for children 3 and under is at the west end of the hallway.

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Jesus says, "It is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom." It is God's promise from the beginning — to Abraham, to the early church, and to the "little flock" of which we are a part today in assembly. Faith, God's baptismal gift, trust the promises of God. Have no fear.

## **WELCOME TO WORSHIP BY PASTOR JAMES JERPSETH**

### **GATHERING SONG "Lord I Lift Your Name On High"**

#### *Verse*

Lord I lift Your name on high  
Lord I love to sing Your praises  
I'm so glad You're in my life  
I'm so glad You came to save us

#### *Chorus*

You came from heaven to earth  
To show the way  
From the earth to the cross  
My debt to pay  
From the cross to the grave  
From the grave to the sky  
Lord I lift Your name on high

#### *Tag*

Lord I lift Your name on high (x2)

*1989 Universal Music - Brentwood Benson Publishing (Admin. by Brentwood-Benson Music Publishing, Inc.)*

## **GATHERING PRAYER**

### **SONG "Refiner's Fire"**

#### *Verse 1*

Purify my heart  
Let me be as gold

And precious silver  
Purify my heart  
Let me be as gold  
Pure gold

*Chorus*

Refiner's fire  
My heart's one desire  
Is to be holy  
Set apart for You Lord  
I choose to be holy  
Set apart for You my Master  
Ready to do Your will

*Verse 2*

Purify my heart  
Cleanse me from within  
And make me holy  
Purify my heart  
Cleanse me from my sin  
Deep within

*(Repeat Chorus)*

*1990 Mercy / Vineyard Publishing (Admin. by Integrity Music)*  
*Vineyard Songs Canada (Admin. by Integrity Music)*

**SONG “Hungry”**

*Verse 1*

Hungry I come to You for I know You satisfy  
I am empty but I know Your love does not run dry

*Pre-Chorus*

So I wait for You  
So I wait for You

*Chorus*

I'm falling on my knees  
Offering all of me  
Jesus You're all this heart is living for

*Verse 2*

Broken I run to You for Your arms are open wide  
I am weary but I know Your touch restores my life

*(Repeat Pre-Chorus)*

*(Repeat Chorus x2)*

*1999 Vineyard Songs (UK/Eire) (Admin. by Integrity Music)*

## **THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**C: 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.**

## **THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT**

All Christians are invited by our Lord to receive His Body and Blood in the Eucharist. Children who have not yet received First Communion instructions are invited to come forward to receive a blessing, but are requested to wait with Communing until they have been properly instructed. If you would like to receive a blessing, please cross your arms across your chest. Wine is in the gold chalice and grape juice is in the pottery chalice.

## **SONG "Good Good Father"**

*Verse 1*

I've heard a thousand stories  
Of what they think You're like  
But I've heard the tender whisper  
Of love in the dead of night  
You tell me that You're pleased  
And that I'm never alone

*Chorus*

You're a Good Good Father  
It's who You are  
It's who You are  
It's who You are  
And I'm loved by You  
It's who I am  
It's who I am

It's who I am

*Verse 2*

I've seen many searching for answers  
Far and wide  
But I know we're all searching for answers  
Only You provide  
Because You know just what we need  
Before we say a word

*(Repeat Chorus)*

*Bridge*

You are perfect in all of Your ways  
You are perfect in all of Your ways  
You are perfect in all of Your ways to us

*(Repeat Bridge)*

*Verse 3*

Love so undeniable I can hardly speak  
Peace so unexplainable I can hardly think  
As You call me deeper still  
As You call me deeper still  
As You call me deeper still  
Into love love love

*(Repeat Chorus)*

*2014 Capitol CMG Paragon (Admin. by Capitol CMG Publishing)*

*Common Hymnal Digital (Admin. by Capitol CMG Publishing)*

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*Vamos Publishing (Admin. by Capitol CMG Publishing)*

*worshiptogether.com songs (Admin. by Capitol CMG Publishing)*

## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**P:** 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.

**C: Amen.**

**CHILDREN'S OFFERING - *Lutheran World Relief School Kits*** *We are gathering supplies to make school kits to be assembled on the ELCA Day of Service in September. In August we're collecting: Crayons - the 16 or 24 count boxes and also spiral notebooks - 70 page, wide or narrow ruled.*

## **CHILDREN'S TIME**

## **CHILDREN DISMISSED TO GODLY PLAY**

**FIRST READING** *God promises childless and aging Abram that a child of his own will be his heir, and that his descendants will number as many as the stars. Abram trusts God's promise, and through this faith he is considered righteous.*

### **Genesis 15:1-6**

After these things the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." But Abram said, "O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." But the word of the Lord came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." And he believed the Lord; and the Lord reckoned it to him as righteousness.

**SECOND READING** *Abraham and Sarah exemplify the vision of faith that people of God enact in every age. Their hope and trust in God's promise allowed them to face an unknown future and to receive the promise of God.*

### **Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16**

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible....By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old—and Sarah herself was barren—

because he considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, "as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore." All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

**GOSPEL** *Jesus encourages disciples to invest their hearts and live fully into God's reign. Instead of facing life with fear, those who know God's generosity are always ready to receive from God and to give to others.*

**Luke 12:32-40**

"Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves. But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

**MESSAGE BY PASTOR JAMES JERPSETH**

**SONG "There Is None Like You"**

*Chorus*

There is none like You

No one else can touch

My heart like You do

I could search

For all eternity long and find

There is none like You

*Verse*

Your mercy flows like a river wide  
And healing comes from Your hands  
Suffering children are safe in Your arms  
There is none like You

*(Repeat Chorus)*

*1991 Integrity's Hosanna! Music (Admin. by Integrity Music)*

## **COMMUNITY PRAYERS**

This week, please keep in your prayers: *Reid Bixler, Barbara Berg, James Vadis, Marianne d'Arnaud, Ellen Mize, Vicki Hansen, Donna Roberts, Audrey Russell, Brandi Vadis, Frank Fogg, Carol Bergdahl, and the Velasquez family at the death of Christophe.* Lord, please guide and protect our military personnel serving in harm's way.

## **COLLECTION OF THE OFFERING**

### **SONG "Sanctuary"**

*Chorus*

Lord prepare me  
To be a sanctuary  
Pure and holy  
Tried and true  
With thanksgiving  
I'll be a living  
Sanctuary for you

*(Repeat Chorus)*

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## **OFFERING PRAYER**

P: Creator God, in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good and the harvest is plentiful. Strengthen us with these gifts of the earth and our labor, that we may work for the good of all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

**C: Amen.**



## THE BENEDICTION

P: The love of God abound in you; the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts; and the life of the Spirit + bless you and give you peace.

**C: Amen.**

## SONG “Leaning On The Everlasting Arms”

### Verse 1

What a fellowship what a joy divine  
Leaning on the everlasting arms  
What a blessedness what a peace is mine  
Leaning on the everlasting arms

*Chorus*

Leaning Leaning  
Safe and secure from all alarms  
Leaning Leaning  
Leaning on the everlasting arms

### Verse 3

What have I to dread what have I to fear  
Leaning on the everlasting arms  
I have blessed peace with my Lord so near  
Leaning on the everlasting arms

*(Repeat Chorus)*

Leaning on the everlasting arms  
Leaning on the everlasting arms

## THE DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.

**C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

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*Reader: Tony Colson*  
*Comm: Howard Reese*  
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