



**Third Sunday after Pentecost**

**June 26, 2022**

**SERVICE OF WORSHIP  
WITH HOLY COMMUNION  
AT 8:30 A.M. and 10:15 A.M.**

We are honored that you are joining our worship today. We hope to make you feel welcome whether you are visiting with us for the first time or have been worshipping with us for years.

**Welcome**

St. Thomas Lutheran Church is a Christ-centered community that lives, shares, and celebrates God's grace with all people!

**Land Acknowledgement**

We acknowledge the Miami, Delaware, Potawatomi, and Shawnee people, the traditional stewards of the land on which we worship today. We acknowledge that they have occupied and cared for this land over countless generations, and we celebrate their continuing contributions to the life of this region.

## **Worship Aids**

In this worship bulletin, worshipers are invited to stand at the places marked with an \* and bold type denotes the congregation's response. Everything you need to participate in worship is found in this bulletin, except for the hymns which are found in the back third of the red Evangelical Lutheran Worship under your seat. Assisted hearing devices and large print bulletins are available from an usher; the chairs with arms are reserved for people with mobility limitations.

## **Children in Worship**

We welcome all children to worship with us— including full participation in Holy Communion. Whether talking, crying, laughing, or singing, the sounds of children in worship are joyful sounds of praise. God put the wiggle in children, and we rejoice! Our Prayer Pond in the sanctuary and our unstaffed nursery are open for quiet, supervised play. Activity bags are available in the narthex. Children's bulletins are also available.

## **A Note About Our Livestream Service**

Today's 8:30 a.m. service is livestreamed. Most rear-row seats are out of view of the camera, but we cannot guarantee that any seat is off camera. By attending this service, you are giving permission to be in the video we produce.

## **A Few Requests**

We ask that you silence your cell phone or electronic devices.

We would love to pray for the concerns of your heart during this service.

Prayer request slips are located on the table near the main doors.

# + GATHERING +

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

**C: Amen.**

P: 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.

**C: Amen.**

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

P: Gracious God,

**C: have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

**Amen.**

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

\*ENTRANCE HYMN

O Holy Spirit, Enter In

ELW#786

# O Holy Spirit, Enter In



1 O Ho - ly Spir - it, en - ter in, and in our hearts your  
2 Left to our - selves, we sure - ly stray; oh, lead us on the  
3 O might - y Rock, O Source of life, let your good Word in



work be - gin, and make our hearts your dwell - ing. Sun of the soul,  
nar - row way, with wis - est coun - sel guide us; and give us stead -  
doubt and strife be in us strong - ly burn - ing, that we be faith -



O Light di - vine, a - round and in us bright - ly shine, your strength  
fast - ness, that we may fol - low you for - ev - er free, no mat -  
ful un - to death and live in love and ho - ly faith, from you



in us up - well - ing. In your ra - diance life from heav - en now is  
ter who de - rides us. Gent - ly heal those hearts now bro - ken; give some  
true wis - dom learn - ing. Lord, your mer - cy on us show - er; by your



giv - en o - ver - flow - ing, gift of gifts be - yond all know - ing.  
to - ken you are near us, whom we trust to light and cheer us.  
pow - er Christ con - fess - ing, we will cher - ish all your bless - ing.

Text: Michael Schirmer, 1606–1673; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, adapt.  
Music: WIE SCHÖN LEUCHTET, Philipp Nicolai, 1556–1608

## \*GREETING

**P:** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C:** And also with you.

# \*KYRIE



In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



**Lord, have mer - cy.**



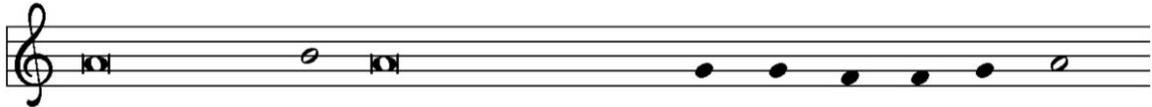
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



**Lord, have mer - cy.**



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



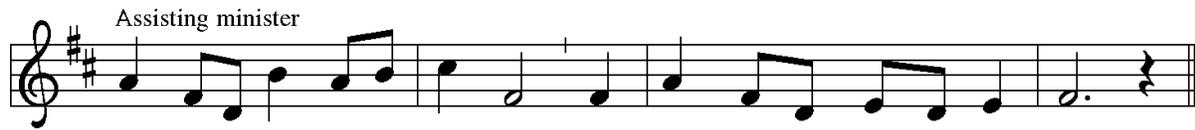
let us pray to the Lord. **Lord have mer - cy.**



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra-cious Lord. **A - men.**

# \*HYMN OF PRAISE

Assisting minister



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

All



Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al-might-y God and Fa-ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us;



you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re-ceive our prayer.



For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,



you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,



in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men.

## \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P:** Let us pray. God, you call us to go where Christ leads. Turn us from the ways of the world; guide us to fullness of joy in the Spirit, where bodies and souls rest secure; and grant us strength to follow the way of the cross, which frees us to love one another for the sake of all creation.

**C: Amen.**

## +WORD+

### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Pr. Lecia Beck

### FIRST READING

1 Kings 19:15-16, 19-21

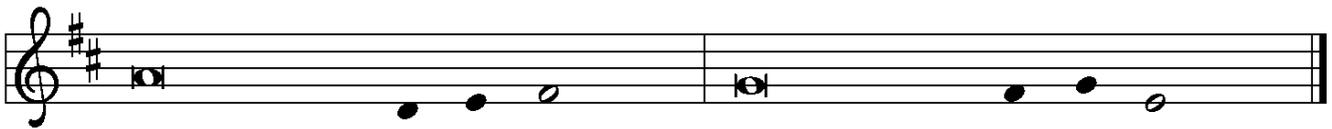
Then the LORD said to Elijah, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place." So Elijah set out from there, and found Elisha son of Shaphat, who was plowing. There were twelve yoke of oxen ahead of him, and he was with the twelfth. Elijah passed by him and threw his mantle over Elisha. He left the oxen, ran after Elijah, and said, "Let me kiss my father and

my mother, and then I will follow you." Then Elijah said to him, "Go back again; for what have I done to you?" Elisha returned from following Elijah, took the yoke of oxen, and slaughtered them; using the equipment from the oxen, he boiled their flesh, and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then Elisha set out and followed Elijah, and became his servant.

L: Word of God, word of life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM 16



<sup>1</sup>Protect me, O God, for I take ref- | uge in you;  
I have said to the LORD, "You are my Lord,  
my good a- | bove all other."

<sup>2</sup>**All my delight is in the godly that are | in the land,  
upon those who are noble a- | mong the  
people.**

<sup>3</sup>But those who run after | other gods  
shall have their troubles | multiplied.

<sup>4</sup>**I will not pour out drink offerings | to such gods,  
never take their names up- | on my lips.**

<sup>5</sup>O LORD, you are my portion | and my cup;  
it is you who up- | hold my lot.

<sup>6</sup>**My boundaries enclose a | pleasant land;  
indeed, I have a | rich inheritance.**

<sup>7</sup>I will bless the LORD who | gives me counsel;  
my heart teaches me night | after night.

<sup>8</sup>**I have set the LORD al- | ways before me;  
because God is at my right hand, I shall | not be  
shaken.**

<sup>9</sup>My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spir- | it  
rejoices;  
my body also shall | rest in hope.

<sup>10</sup>**For you will not abandon me | to the grave,  
nor let your holy one | see the pit.**

<sup>11</sup>You will show me the | path of life;  
in your presence there is fullness of joy,  
and in your right hand are pleasures for- |  
evermore.

## SECOND READING

Galatians 5:1, 13-25

For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery. For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.

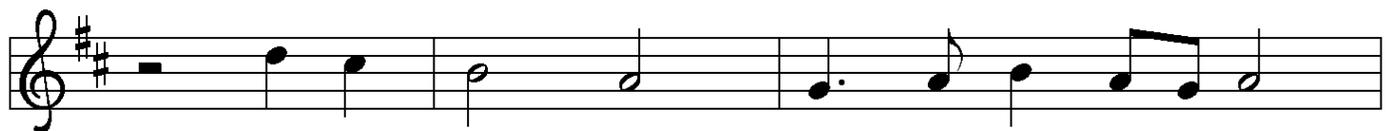
Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the dominion of God.

By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

L: Word of God, word of life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

The first line of musical notation is in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). It consists of four measures. The first measure contains a whole rest. The second measure has a quarter note G4. The third measure has a quarter note A4. The fourth measure has a quarter note B4, a quarter note C5, a quarter note B4, and a quarter note A4.



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

The second line of musical notation is in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). It consists of four measures. The first measure has a quarter note G4. The second measure has a quarter note A4. The third measure has a quarter note B4, a quarter note C5, and a quarter note B4. The fourth measure has a quarter note A4, a quarter note G4, and a whole note F#4.

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the ninth chapter.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

When the days drew near for Jesus to be received (into heaven), he set his face to go to Jerusalem. While on their way, he sent messengers ahead, and they entered a Samaritan village to prepare for Jesus' arrival; but the villagers would not receive him because his face was set toward Jerusalem. When the disciples James and John became aware of the rejection, they said, "Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" But, Jesus turned and rebuked the two; then they went on to another village.

As they were going along, someone said to Jesus, "I will follow you wherever you go!" And Jesus replied: "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." To another Jesus said, "Follow me!" But, the person replied, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father. Jesus answered, 'Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the

Reign of God." Another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but first, let me say farewell to those at my home." To this person Jesus said, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

P: The Gospel of Our Lord!

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

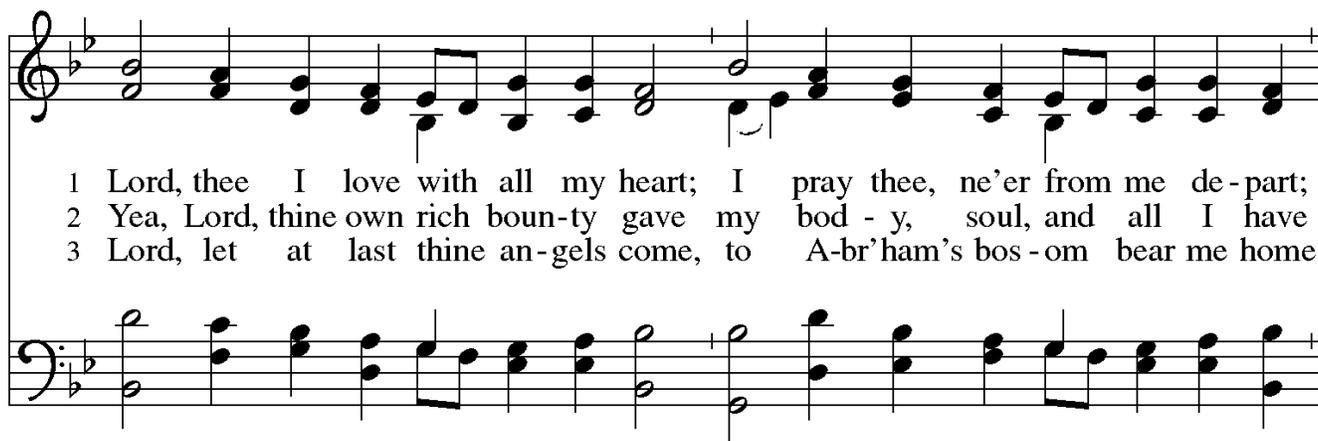
SERMON

Pr. Adrienne Meier

# \*HYMN OF THE DAY

## Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart

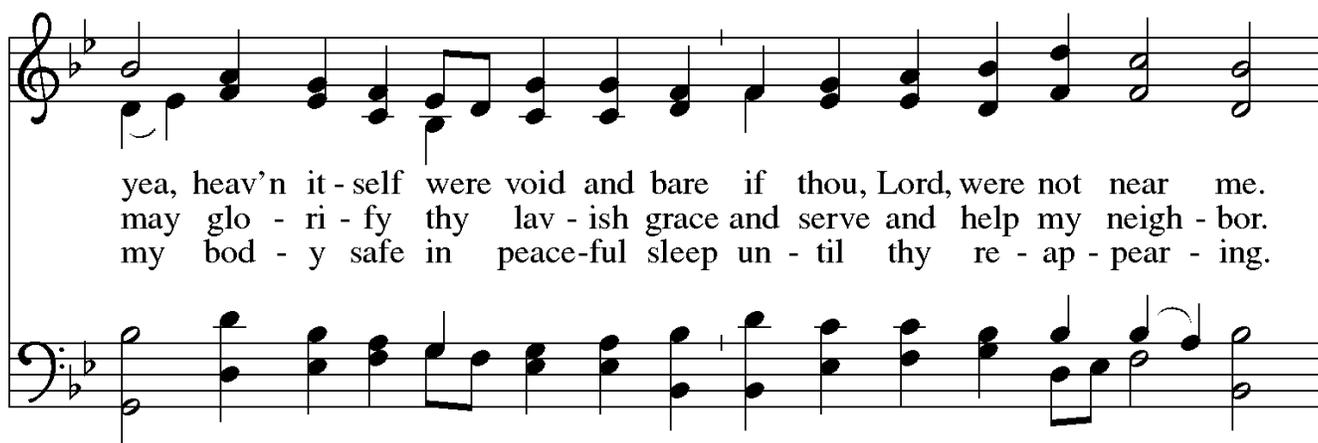
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1 Lord, thee I love with all my heart; I pray thee, ne'er from me de-part;  
2 Yea, Lord, thine own rich boun-ty gave my bod - y, soul, and all I have  
3 Lord, let at last thine an-gels come, to A-br'ham's bos - om bear me home,



with ten - der mer-cy cheer me. Earth has no plea - sure I would share,  
in this poor life of la - bor. Lord, grant that I in ev - 'ry place  
that I may die un - fear - ing; and in its nar - row cham-ber keep



yea, heav'n it - self were void and bare if thou, Lord, were not near me.  
may glo - ri - fy thy lav - ish grace and serve and help my neigh - bor.  
my bod - y safe in peace-ful sleep un - til thy re - ap - pear - ing.

And should my heart for sor-row break, my trust in thee can noth-ing shake.  
 Let no false teach-ing me be-guile, let Sa - tan not my soul de - file.  
 And then from death a-wak-en me, that these mine eyes with joy may see,

Thou art the por - tion I have sought; thy pre - cious  
 Give strength and pa - tience un - to me to bear my  
 O Son of God, thy glo - rious face, my Sav - ior

blood my soul has bought. Lord Je - sus Christ, my God and Lord,  
 cross and fol - low thee. Lord Je - sus Christ, my God and Lord,  
 and my fount of grace. Lord Je - sus Christ, my prayer at - tend,

my God and Lord, for - sake me not! I trust thy word.  
 my God and Lord, in death thy com - fort still af - ford.  
 my prayer at - tend, and I will praise thee with - out end!

*During the baptism, the congregation joins the baptismal party in a profession of faith:*

P: Do you believe in God the Father?

**C: I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

P: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**C: 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.**

P: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**C: 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.**

*The presider leads the congregation in thanksgiving at the font:*

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

*The congregation shares a welcome:*

P: Let us welcome the newly baptized.

**C: We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.**

*As the newly baptized is introduced to the congregation, all sing:*

HYMN

Jesus Loves Me

ELW#595

# Jesus Loves Me!

1 Je - sus loves me! this I know, for the Bi - ble tells me so;  
2 Je - sus loves me! he who died heav - en's gates to o - pen wide;  
3 Je - sus loves me! he will stay close be - side me all the way;

The first system of the song features a treble and bass staff in G major (one sharp). The melody is in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics are aligned with the notes, with three verses provided.

lit - tle ones to him be - long, they are weak, but he is strong.  
he will wash a - way my sin, let his lit - tle child come in.  
when at last I come to die, he will take me home on high.

The second system continues the melody and bass line. The lyrics describe the love of Jesus for the weak and the promise of heaven.

*Refrain*

Yes, Je - sus loves me, yes, Je - sus loves me,

The refrain is marked with a repeat sign and consists of two phrases: 'Yes, Je - sus loves me, yes, Je - sus loves me,'. The musical notation shows a treble and bass staff with a repeat sign at the end of the phrase.

yes, Je - sus loves me, the Bi - ble tells me so.

The final system concludes the song with the phrase 'yes, Je - sus loves me, the Bi - ble tells me so.' The musical notation shows a treble and bass staff with a final cadence.

10:15 a.m. APOSTLES' CREED

A: With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

**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 THE CHURCH

A: United in Christ and guided by the Spirit, we pray for the church, the creation, and all in need.

*Each petition ends:*

A: God of grace,

**C: hear our prayer.**

*Concluding petition:*

A: God of every time and place, in Jesus' name and filled with your Holy Spirit, we entrust these spoken prayers and those in our hearts into your holy keeping.

**C: Amen.**

## \*SHARING OF THE PEACE

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C: And also with you.**

*Share the peace with a wave, a bow, or maybe an elbow, checking in with your neighbor for whatever feels safe and conveys the spirit of peace and reconciliation this ritual intends.*

## OFFERING

*Please sign and pass the **Together In Community** pads. Make note of the names of your neighbors so you can introduce yourself after the service. These pads and pencils are sanitized at the end of each service.*

*Gifts may be placed in the offering plate by the door or you can also give on our website ([stlconline.org](http://stlconline.org)). St. Thomas collects gifts to support our mission of sharing, living, and celebrating God's grace with all people. We support Lutheran Campus Ministries at IU/Rose House and many local, national, and international ministry partners.*

## ORGAN IMPROVIZATION

### \*OFFERTORY HYMN

Let the Vineyards

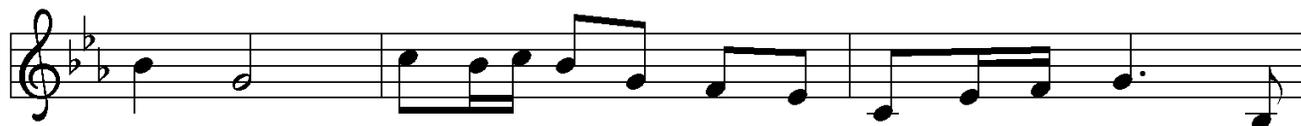
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# Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful

## *Offering Song*



Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of



bles-sing. 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.

Text: John W. Arthur, 1922-1980  
Music: Ronald A. Nelson, b. 1927  
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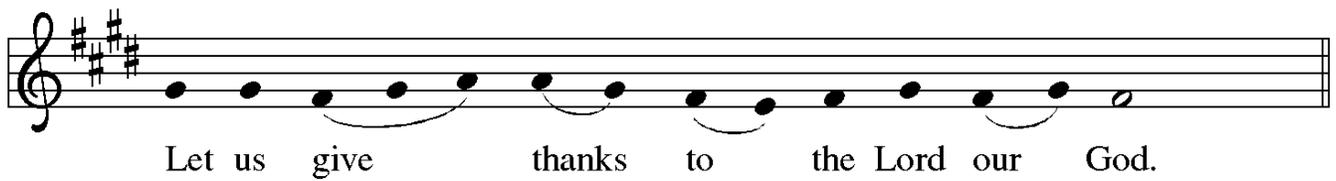
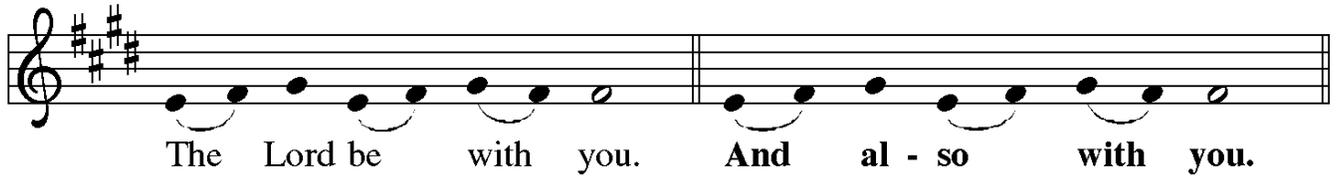
### \*OFFERTORY PRAYER

**A:** Let us pray. God of abundance: you have set before us a plentiful harvest. As we feast on your goodness, strengthen us to labor in your field, and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all, in the name of Jesus.

**C:** Amen.

# + MEAL +

## \*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of  
pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.  
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Blest is the one who comes  
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

### \*EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

*The thanksgiving may include this acclamation.*

**C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

**\*LORD'S PRAYER**

*Speak this prayer in your preferred language. The pastor will continue when all versions are complete.*

**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.**

## \*INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: In Christ's presence there is fullness of joy.  
Come to the banquet.

*We believe that God is our host and that all people are welcome to this feast of grace, community, and forgiveness. Come forward at the direction of the ushers. Hand-torn bread or gluten-free wafers are offered with pink wine or red grape juice in individual cups. If you wish to receive a blessing, cross your arms over your chest.*

## ANGUS DEI



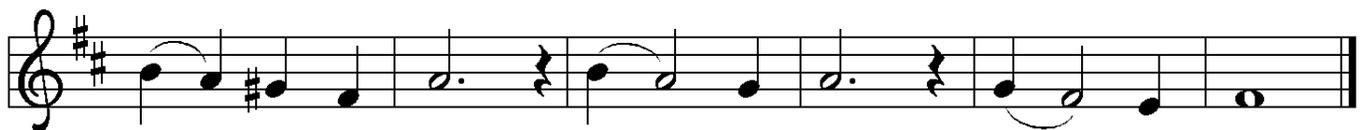
Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the



sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

# COMMUNION HYMN

## Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether

ELW#470

1 Draw us in the Spir-it's teth - er, for when hum - bly  
2 As dis - ci - ples used to gath - er in the name of  
3 All our meals and all our liv - ing make as sac - ra -

in your name two or three are met to - geth - er,  
Christ to sup, then with thanks to God the giv - er  
ments of you, that by car - ing, help - ing, giv - ing,

you are in the midst of them. Al - le - lu - ia!  
break the bread and bless the cup, Al - le - lu - ia!  
we may be dis - ci - ples true. Al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia! Touch we now your gar - ment's hem.  
Al - le - lu - ia! so now bind our friend - ship up.  
Al - le - lu - ia! We will serve with faith a - new.

Text: Percy Dearmer, 1867–1936, alt.  
Music: UNION SEMINARY, Harold Friedell, 1905–1958  
Text from *Songs of Praise* Enlarged Edition. © Oxford University Press 1931.  
Music © 1957, 1985 H. W. Gray, admin. CPP/Belwin.

**\*EUCCHARISTIC BLESSING**

**C: Amen.**

**\*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

A: Let us pray. Life-giving God, through this meal you have bandaged our wounds and fed us with your mercy. Now send us forth to live for others, both friend and stranger, that all may come to know your love. This we pray in the name of Jesus.

**C:Amen.**

**+ SENDING +**

**\*BENEDICTION**

P: The God of peace, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you, comfort you, and show you the path of life this day and always.

**C: Amen.**

**\*SENDING HYMN**

Come, Gracious Spirit, Heavenly Dove

ELW#404

# Come, Gracious Spirit, Heavenly Dove

1 Come, gra - cious Spir - it, heav'n - ly dove, with light and  
2 The light of truth to us dis - play and make us  
3 Lead us to Christ, the liv - ing way, nor let us  
4 Lead us to heav'n, that we may share full - ness of

com - fort from a - bove. Come, be our guard - ian  
know and choose your way; plant ho - ly fear in  
from his pas - tures stray. Lead us in ho - li -  
joy for - ev - er there; lead us to our e -

and our guide; o'er ev - 'ry thought and step pre - side.  
ev - 'ry heart, that we from God may ne'er de - part.  
ness, the road that we must take to dwell with God  
ter - nal rest, to be with God for - ev - er blest.

Text: Simon Browne, 1680–1732, alt.

Music: HERR JESU CHRIST, MEINS, German folk tune, 15th cent.

**\*DISMISSAL**

**P:** Go in peace. Love your neighbor.

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

**POSTLUDE**

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*We depart in peace to continue our worship  
in lives of witness to Christ's love  
in work, play, service, and care for creation.*

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## **At A Glance: This Week at St. Thomas**

### **Sunday June 26**

- 8:30 a.m.      Worship/Livestream Worship
- 10 a.m.        Each One Feed One
- 10:15 a.m.    Worship
- 12 p.m.        Vacation Bible School
- 5:30 p.m.     Ice Cream Meet Up

### **Monday June 27**

- 7 p.m.         Outreach Committee

### **Tuesday June 28**

- 7 p.m.         Mission Committee Book Club

### **Wednesday June 29**

- 6 p.m.         Splash Pad Party

### **Sunday July 3**

- 8:30 a.m.      Worship/Livestream Worship
- 10:15 a.m.    Worship

### **Monday July 4**

Office Closed

## **Welcome**

St. Thomas is honored to welcome **Reese Alice Madsen**, daughter of Leif and Amanda Madsen, who will be baptized into the Body of Christ at the 8:30 a.m. service today.

Today we welcome **Linlin Lian** as our guest organist.

## **Announcements**

### **Each One Feed One**

Here's an opportunity for you to share--every item helps! St. Thomas and Beth Shalom are collecting **non-perishable food, hygiene and cleaning items** this **Sunday, June 26 from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. in the parking circle**. To beat the heat we've moved our volunteer station inside! Be sure to stop by and have a cookie on us! Thank you for your generosity!

### **Ice Cream Meet-Up Today**

Calling all confirmation students and high school youth! Meet up with Pastor Lecia to hang out and have ice cream at Jiffy Treet (223 S Pete Ellis Dr.) **today from 5:30 - 7 p.m.**

### **Splash Pad Party This Week**

Join us at the **Splash Pad at Karst Farm Park** (2450 South Endwright Rd) on **Wednesday, June 29 6 - 9 p.m.** for an evening of fun! Folks of all ages are invited to join us - invite your neighbors and friends and grandchildren! Feel free to bring a picnic dinner and we'll provide a frozen treat at 7pm. Family-style Evening Prayer begins at 8 p.m.

## **Outreach Committee Meets Monday, June 27**

Would you like to help plan events at St. Thomas? Welcome visitors? Work on joint projects with Lutheran Campus Ministry? Affirm our commitment to LGBTQ+ equality? Help spread the word about our congregation? The Outreach Committee is meeting **Monday, June 27, at 7 p.m.** in the conference room. New members, associate members, and prospective members are especially welcome—we'd love to hear your ideas!

## **Mission Committee Book Club**

On **June 28 at 7 p.m.** the Mission Committee continues a discussion of the book, *The Ungrateful Refugee: What Immigrants Never Tell you*, written by Dina Nayeri, who was herself a refugee. The discussion will be in-person in our conference room, **masks required**. Copies of the book are available in the church office to borrow.

## **Worship in the Park**

On **Sunday, July 10**, the church will leave the building! We will have our 8:30 worship service in person and live-streamed. After that, you'll find us at the Sycamore Shelter at Lower Cascades Park for a strum-along worship and a potluck to follow. We'll begin worship a little later that day - about **10:45**. Bring a dish to share and table service for your household. If you'd like to sit on something other than a picnic table for worship, you'll want to bring a lawn chair.

## **Sunday Morning Fellowship**

Coffee is back! On Sunday mornings, enjoy a cup of coffee and mask-optional fellowship in Heritage Hall (please wear your mask if you head into the rest of the building after about 10 a.m.). Fill your personal mug or a visitor mug with fair trade coffee or tea and, when you're done, leave it on the marked tray to be washed and reused next week. There are plenty of mugs available for adoption as a personal mug, too, just talk to Debbie Selk. In good weather, the parking circle and patio will also be available for conversations and coffee, and we'll have a tub of toys (bubbles, sidewalk chalk) for our youngest Children of God.

## **Coffee Crew**

Are you a caffeine-fiend? Have an opinion about the right way to brew a good cuppa? We are looking for dedicated volunteers to set out coffee on Sunday mornings, replenish between services, and clean up afterwards. If you are willing to volunteer once every six weeks or so, please let the office know. Training will begin in the fall.

## **Landscape Committee Call Out**

Those of you that enjoy feeling rich soil run through your fingers might enjoy helping weed areas at church. Some areas have been started but there are several more that need some work. If you can help, young or older, contact Kathleen Boggess via email at [kboggess44@gmail.com](mailto:kboggess44@gmail.com) and she can show you what needs to be done. You can do it on your own time or find a partner to share the task. The landscaping committee is looking to complete this work before it gets too hot outside. Wood chips will be available at the Community Garden so once an area is weeded, then chips can be laid.

## **Prayers for those with health and safety concerns**

Elif Ogan, Jan Ellis, Caretta Van Ruler, Anne Smith, Carole Kirsch, Tim Kirsch, Roger Sasse, Paula Ionescu, Audrey Alpers, Deborah O'Brien, Casey-Marie, Mike Ost, Seth Lahn, Erin Wyatt, Bob Osborn, Gwen Powell, Andrew Halvorson, Doug Bauder, Yvonne Leber, Jan Coulter, and Jeff Theis.

Contact the church office for inclusion in this list of concerns and to be included in the Sunday prayers.

A separate, confidential prayer chain is also available. Contact **Susan Colston** at [skcolston@aol.com](mailto:skcolston@aol.com) to join the prayer chain or make a request for prayer.

## **Today's Worship Leaders**

Altar Care: Dawn Smith, Haley Hatton, Jennifer Garl

Bread/Wine: Mary Thomason-Smith

### **8:30 a.m. Service**

Assisting Minister: Robin Hershberger

Lector: David Ellies

Ushers: Jim & Marti Doering

Greeters: Lynn & Ute Coyne

Council Coordinator: Kari Esarey

### **10:15 a.m. Service**

Assisting Minister: Tim Smith

Lector: Noah Smith

Ushers: Phil & Lissa May

Greeters: Tim & Jennifer Garl

Council Coordinator: Tim Smith

**The altar flowers this week** are given by  
Mark and Elizabeth Ellson  
in honor of today's baptism of their grandchild,  
Reese Alice Madsen  
and  
David Ellies  
in thanksgiving for  
the wonderful music ministry of Mike Powell.

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