

**Ninth Sunday after Pentecost**

**August 7, 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!

As disciples of Christ who value the faith, gifts, and ministry of all God's people, and who seek justice and reconciliation, we welcome all God's children to an inclusive community. This welcome is extended without exception and regardless of sex, race, national origin, educational background, sexual orientation, gender identity, physical and mental ability, age, or economic condition.

## **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

Morning Prayer

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WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, whose steadfast love endures forever.

**C: Amen.**

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

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P: Merciful God,

**C: we confess that we have not followed your path but have chosen our own way. Instead of putting others before ourselves, we long to take the best seats at the table. When met by those in need, we have too often passed by on the other side. Set us again on the path of life. Save us from ourselves and free us to love our neighbors. Amen.**

P: Hear the good news! God does not deal with us according to our sins but delights in granting pardon and mercy. In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. You are free to love as God loves.

**C: Amen.**

**\*ENTRANCE HYMN**

**Awake, My Soul, and with the Sun**

**ELW#557**



1 A - wake, my soul, and with the sun thy  
 2 All praise to thee, who safe hast kept and  
 3 Lord, I my vows to thee re - new. Dis -  
 4 Di - rect, con - trol, sug - gest, this day, all  
 5 Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise



dai - ly stage of du - ty run; shake off dull sloth, and  
 hast re - freshed me while I slept. Grant, Lord, when I from  
 perse my sins as morn - ing dew; guard my first springs of  
 I de - sign or do or say, that all my pow'rs, with  
 God, all crea - tures here be - low; praise God a - bove, ye



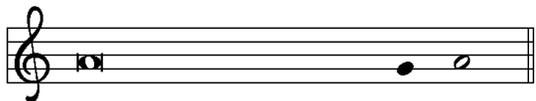
joy - ful rise to pay thy morn - ing sac - ri - fice.  
 death shall wake, I may of end - less light par - take.  
 thought and will; and with thy - self my spir - it fill.  
 all their might, in thy sole glo - ry may u - nite.  
 heav'n - ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

**\*GREETING**

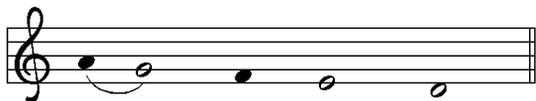
**P:** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C: And also with you.**

# \*KYRIE



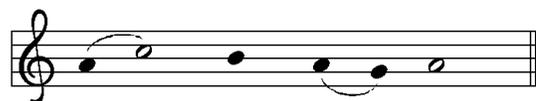
In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



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.



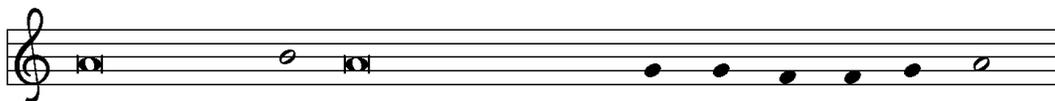
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



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

1. O be joy - ful in the Lord, ev - 'ry land be - neath the  
2. Come and join the grate - ful throng who Je - ho - vah's praise pro -

sun! In God's praise with glad ac - cord, let all tongues and hearts be  
claim, en - ter in with joy - ous song, speak the hon - ors of God's

one. For our God is God a - lone, whose we are, and not our  
name. Rich in boun - ty to our race, in - ex - haus - ti - ble in

own. We God's peo - ple are the sheep God will ev - er rule and keep.  
grace, read - y to for - give and bless, ev - er sure in faith - ful - ness.

Text: Psalm 100 from *Church Psalmist* (1853), alt. P. G. Smith (b. 1948)  
Music: Joe Ridenour (b. 1934), arr. Mike Powell

SAINT DAVID'S NEW HUNDREDTH  
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## \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P:** Let us pray. Almighty God, you sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your church. Open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may be ready to receive you wherever you appear, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C: Amen.**

**+ WORD +**

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Pr. Lecia Beck

## FIRST READING

Genesis 15:1-6

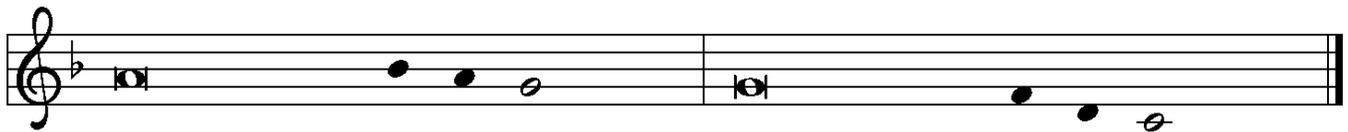
After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." But Abram said, "O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" And Abram said, "You have given 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." The LORD brought Abram outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then the LORD said

to him, "So shall your descendants be." And Abram believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness.

L: Word of God, word of life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM 33:12-22



<sup>12</sup>Happy is the nation whose God | is the LORD!  
Happy the people chosen to | be God's  
heritage!

<sup>13</sup>**The LORD looks | down from heaven,  
and sees all | humankind.**

<sup>14</sup>God sits firmly en- | throned and watches  
all who dwell | on the earth.

<sup>15</sup>**God fashions | all their hearts  
and observes | all their deeds.**

<sup>16</sup>A king is not saved by the size | of the army,  
nor are warriors rescued by | their great  
strength.

<sup>17</sup>**The horse gives vain | hope for victory;  
despite its great strength it | cannot save.**

<sup>18</sup>Truly, your eye is upon those who fear | you, O LORD,  
upon those who wait for your | steadfast love,  
<sup>19</sup>**to deliver their | lives from death,**  
**and to keep them alive in | time of famine.**  
<sup>20</sup>Our innermost being waits for | you, O LORD,  
our helper | and our shield.  
<sup>21</sup>**Surely, our heart rejoic- | es in you,**  
**for in your holy name we | put our trust.**  
<sup>22</sup>Let your lovingkindness, O LORD, | be upon us,  
even as we place our | hope in you.

## SECOND READING

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 Abraham 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 faithful the one 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, God has prepared a city for them.

L: Word of God, word of life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## \*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

## \*HOLY GOSPEL      Luke 12:32-40 NRSV, emended

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

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

[Jesus is speaking.] "Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kin-dom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make for yourselves purses that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure of heaven that 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 slaves who are waiting for their owner to return from the wedding banquet, so that they when they hear the knock on the door, they can

open it immediately. Blessed are those slaves who are found alert when their owner comes. Truly I tell you, the owner will don an apron and serve them as they sit down to eat. If the owner comes in the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them ready, blessed are those slaves.

"But know this, too: if the homeowner had known at what hour the thief was coming, the thief would have been stopped from breaking in. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

P: The Gospel of Our Lord!

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

SERMON

Pr. Adrienne Meier

# \*HYMN OF THE DAY

## God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heaven

ELW#771



1 God, who stretched the span - gled heav - ens in - fi - nite in time and place,  
2 We have ven - tured worlds un - dreamed of since the child-hood of our race;  
3 As each far ho - ri - zon beck - ons, may it chal-lenge us a - new:



flung the suns in burn-ing ra - diancy through the si - lent fields of space;  
known the ec - sta - sy of wing-ing through un - trav-eled realms of space;  
chil - dren of cre - a - tive pur - pose, serv - ing oth - ers, hon - 'ring you.



we, your chil - dren in your like-ness, share in-ven - tive pow'rs with you;  
probed the se - crets of the at - om, yield-ing un - i - mag - ined pow'r,  
May our dreams prove rich with prom-ise; each en-deav-or well be - gun;



great Cre - a - tor, still cre - at - ing, show us what we yet may do.  
fac - ing us with life's de - struc - tion or our most tri - um - phant hour.  
great Cre - a - tor, give us guid - ance till our goals and yours are one.

Text: Catherine Cameron, b. 1927

Music: HOLY MANNA, W. Walker, *Southern Harmony*, 1835

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## **\*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.**

## INSTALLATION OF INTERN AMY BARTLESON BALCAM

P: In the coming year, we, the members, staff, and clergy of this congregation, are asked to accept Amy as intern and partner in ministry: welcoming her into our homes; sharing in our learning and growth; and encouraging, supporting, and praying for her. Now I ask you, will you receive Amy as a partner in ministry and uphold and support her in every way? If so, answer, "Yes, by God's help."

**C: Yes, by God's help.**

## PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

A: Trusting in God's extraordinary love, let us come near to the Holy One in prayer.

*Each petition ends:*

A: Merciful God,

**C: receive our prayer.**

*Concluding petition:*

A: Receive the prayers of your children, merciful God, and hold us forever in your steadfast love; through Jesus Christ, our holy Wisdom.

**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.*

OFFERTORY

Pastorale

Wesley

# \*OFFERTORY HYMN

## Have No Fear, Little Flock

ELW#764



1 Have no fear, lit - tle flock; have no fear, lit - tle  
2 Have good cheer, lit - tle flock; have good cheer, lit - tle  
3 Praise the Lord high a - bove; praise the Lord high a -  
4 Thank - ful hearts raise to God; thank - ful hearts raise to



flock, for the Fa - ther has cho - sen to  
flock, for the Fa - ther will keep you in  
bove, for he stoops down to heal you, up -  
God, for he stays close be - side you, in



give you the king - dom; have no fear, lit - tle flock!  
his love for - ev - er; have good cheer, lit - tle flock!  
lift and re - store you; praise the Lord high a - bove!  
all things works with you; thank - ful hearts raise to God!

Text: Luke 12:32, st. 1; Marjorie Jillson, b. 1931, sts. 2-4  
Music: Heinz Werner Zimmermann, b. 1930  
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LITTLE FLOCK  
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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

The Lord be with you. And al - so 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.

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, God of pow'r and might,  
heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -  
san - na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Blessed 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.*

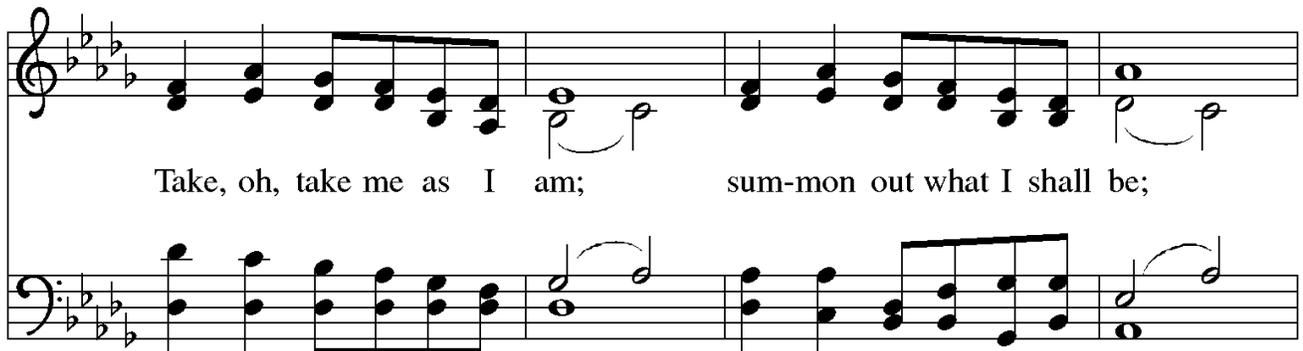
**C: Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on Earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins,  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the 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.*

## AGNUS DEI



Take, oh, take me as I am;      sum-mon out what I shall be;



set your seal up - on my heart and live in me.

Text: John L. Bell, b. 1949

Music: TAKE ME AS I AM, John L. Bell

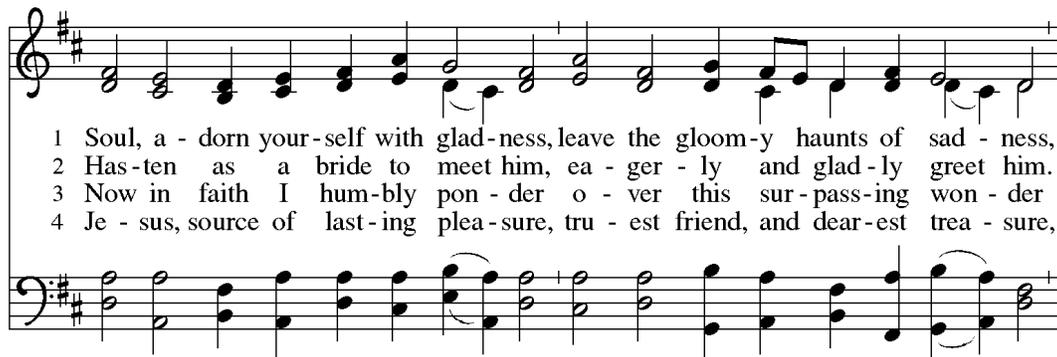
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# COMMUNION HYMN

## Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness

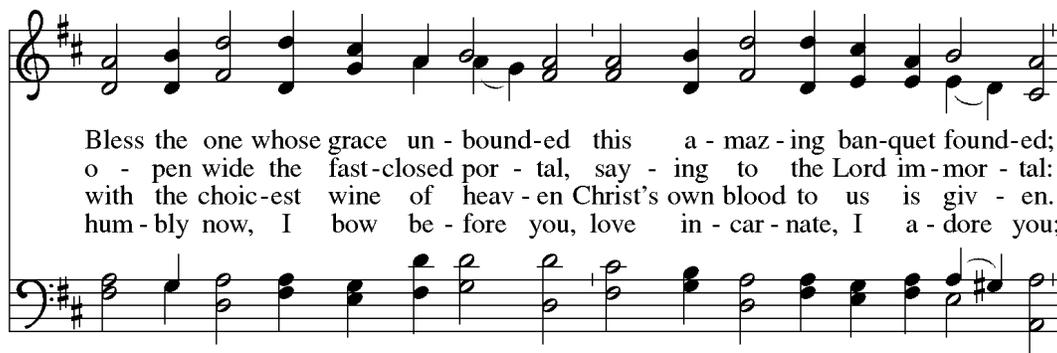
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1 Soul, a - dorn your - self with glad - ness, leave the gloom - y haunts of sad - ness,  
2 Has - ten as a bride to meet him, ea - ger - ly and glad - ly greet him.  
3 Now in faith I hum - bly pon - der o - ver this sur - pass - ing won - der  
4 Je - sus, source of last - ing plea - sure, tru - est friend, and dear - est trea - sure,



come in - to the day - light's splen - dor, there with joy your prais - es ren - der.  
There he stands al - read - y knock - ing; quick - ly, now, your gate un - lock - ing,  
that the bread of life is bound - less though the souls it feeds are count - less;  
peace be - yond all un - der - stand - ing, joy in - to all life ex - pand - ing:



Bless the one whose grace un - bound - ed this a - maz - ing ban - quet found - ed;  
o - pen wide the fast - closed por - tal, say - ing to the Lord im - mor - tal:  
with the choic - est wine of heav - en Christ's own blood to us is giv - en.  
hum - bly now, I bow be - fore you, love in - car - nate, I a - dore you;



Christ, though heav' n - ly, high, and ho - ly, deigns to dwell with you most low - ly.  
"Come, and leave your loved one nev - er; dwell with - in my heart for - ev - er."  
Oh, most glo - rious con - so - la - tion, pledge and seal of my sal - va - tion.  
wor - thi - ly let me re - ceive you, and, so fa - vored, nev - er leave you.

**\*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

## Lord of All Hopefulness

ELW#765



1 Lord of all hope - ful - ness, Lord of all joy,  
2 Lord of all ea - ger - ness, Lord of all faith,  
3 Lord of all kind - li - ness, Lord of all grace,  
4 Lord of all gen - tle - ness, Lord of all calm,



whose trust, ev - er child - like, no cares could de - stroy:  
whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe:  
your hands swift to wel - come, your arms to em - brace:  
whose voice is con - tent - ment, whose pres - ence is balm:



be there at our wak - ing, and give us, we pray,  
be there at our la - bors, and give us, we pray,  
be there at our hom - ing, and give us, we pray,  
be there at our sleep - ing, and give us, we pray,



your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.  
your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.  
your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.  
your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

**\*DISMISSAL**

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

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

POSTLUDE

Voluntary

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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 August 7**

8:30 a.m.      Worship/Livestream Worship

9:45 a.m.      MEF Meeting

10:15 a.m.     Worship

11:30 a.m.     Congregational Meeting

### **Tuesday August 9**

6 p.m.          Word in the Woods

### **Saturday August 13**

10 a.m.          Bags, Boxes, and Brunch

### **Sunday August 14**

8:30 a.m.      Worship/Livestream Worship

10:15 a.m.     Worship

5:30 p.m.      Picnic for Grad Students/  
Early Career Folks

## **Announcements**

Today we welcome **Mary Thomason-Smith** as our guest organist.

### **Congregational Meeting Today**

A congregational meeting will be held today, Sunday, August 7, following the 10:15 a.m. service to vote on the sale of land to the State of Indiana for the purpose of widening the intersection at 3rd Street and Smith Road and the allocation of the resulting funds.

### **Welcome Vicar Amy**

Today we are honored to welcome [back] Amy Bartleson Balcam as pastoral intern. St. Thomas has a long history of being a place that forms and teaches pastors, and while Amy has certainly already received wisdom from the congregation, pastoral intern is a new role for her. The majority of Vicar Amy's internship will be spent in further formation as a chaplain at IU Health Bloomington Hospital, but Vicar Amy will spend 5-10 hours per week at St. Thomas emphasizing the sorts of pastoral leadership skills she has not had the opportunity to learn in her prior ministry among us including preaching, teaching adults, leading meetings, vision and planning, and public leadership. Pr. Adrienne will serve in a

supportive role accompanying Vicar Amy on this journey to offer both challenge and comfort and to serve as a resource. An internship committee is being formed to also support Vicar Amy and provide feedback and time for reflection.

## **Welcome IU Students!**

St. Thomas is excited to welcome new and returning undergraduate and graduate students to our community. We welcome you to engage in the life of the congregation however you are comfortable, and we encourage you to connect with Rose House LuMin, too! Pr. Amanda Ghaffarian will have a meet and greet table in the narthex beginning next week, August 14. St. Thomas members are encouraged to stop by the table, too, to share resources and to volunteer with Rose House LuMin.

## **Fall Worship Schedule**

Beginning **Sunday, August 21**, worship will be held at **8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m.** We will continue to livestream out 8:30 a.m. service, which is then available all week on our YouTube Channel. Sunday School for all ages begins on Sunday, September 11 at 9:45 a.m.

## **Call Process Update**

The Call Committee and Council have recommended the congregation call Pr. Lecia Beck as Pastor of Youth and Christian Nurture. The congregation will meet on **Sunday, August 21** after the 11 a.m. service to vote to extend a call to Pr. Lecia. This meeting will be hybrid, and those wishing to join via Zoom can do so at this link: <https://bit.ly/3JIP7D2>.

## **Word in the Woods**

Let the rivers clap their hands and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord! (Psalm 98:9) Join us for Word in the Woods as we enjoy God's creation, build relationships, and contemplate scripture together. Meet us at Griffy Lake boathouse for a 1.5-mile hike which closes with Holy Communion. We will gather on **Tuesday, August 9 at 6 p.m.** Please let [Pastor Lecia](#) know if you plan to join us!

## **Bags, Boxes, and Brunch!**

On **Saturday August 13 at 10 a.m.**, Karen Rohlfing and the Fiber Arts Spiritual Growth Group invite you to a very special morning workshop in Community Hall and on Zoom. Karen will offer a presentation on making paper bags and boxes—she's a great teacher and an expert crafter. Then at 11:30 a.m., we'll have

brunch of quiche and lemonade. If you would like to bring something in addition, please check in with Karen via email at [karenann.rohlfing@gmail.com](mailto:karenann.rohlfing@gmail.com) or 812-935-5243. The limit for in-person attendees is ten people, so please sign up in advance on the bright yellow sign-up sheet at the Welcome Desk in the narthex. An adult bringing a craft-y child counts as one person. There's no limit on how many Zoomers can join and, if you sign up in advance, we'll get you a supplies packet. All participants will need a ruler, scissors, and glue Here is the zoom link: <https://bit.ly/3PTUUCG>.

### **Graduate Students and Early Career Folks**

Still feeling new to town? Wanting to connect with people outside of work and class? We're inviting graduate students and folks in their first few years of their career after high school, vocational school, college, or grad school to join us on **Sunday, August 14 at 5:30 p.m.** in the Shelter House at Building Trades Park (619 W. Howe St.) for a potluck. We'll provide hot dogs and veggie dogs; bring a side dish or dessert to share. If you need a ride, contact Moriah Reichert at [moriahreichert97@gmail.com](mailto:moriahreichert97@gmail.com) or Johnathan Frank at [johnathanmfrank@gmail.com](mailto:johnathanmfrank@gmail.com).

## **Rose House Wish List**

Help welcome IU students this fall! Contact Pr. Amanda with questions or to coordinate drop off or a time to volunteer.

- Restock the Rose House—Capri Suns, Bottled Water, Individual snacks (chips, popcorn, pretzels, crackers), toilet paper, trash bags, working vacuum cleaner, paper towels.
- Ready the Rose House—Volunteers who wish to do some painting, mowing/pulling weeds, cleaning, or other maintenance in preparation for the upcoming semester.

## **Faith Formation To Go**

This summer, you are invited to engage in faith formation in a new way! Rhythms of Grace is a podcast hosted by Pastor Lecia to introduce spiritual practices with some episodes geared for adults and some for children or youth with an adult. In the first episode, Pastor Lecia shares part of her journey into spiritual practice. In the episodes that follow, you are invited to learn about a particular spiritual practice and then be guided through the practice, starting with the examen. Look for a new episode to drop each week through the rest of the summer. Listen here: <https://anchor.fm/lecia-beck>

## **Sunday Morning Fellowship**

Coffee is back! On Sunday mornings, enjoy a cup of coffee and mask-optional fellowship in Heritage Hall. 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.

## **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, Erin Wyatt, Bob Osborn, Gwen Powell, Andrew Halvorson, Doug Bauder, Yvonne Leber, Jan Coulter, Jeff Theis, Michelle, and Shanna.

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: Barb Unger, Charlene Braun

Bread/Wine: Charlene Braun

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

Assisting Minister: Ashley Ahlbrand

Lector: Elaine Moore

Ushers: Jim & Marti Doering

Greeters: Mike & Jaydene Laros

Council Coordinator: Ashley Ahlbrand

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

Assisting Minister: Gail Seegert

Lector: Susan Hiller

Ushers: Dean Arnold, Kaye Hill

Greeters: Drew & Melissa Watters

Council Coordinator: Dawn Bakken

**The altar flowers this week** are given by Tim Smith and Mary Thomason-Smith in honor of their daughter Melody's 14<sup>th</sup> birthday.

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