



**7th Sunday after Pentecost**

*Being*

12 July 2026, 10:00 a.m.

# WELCOME!



*As a community in the model of Christ, we warmly welcome all who have come seeking God in worship at Our Redeemer's Lutheran Church. We welcome people of every race, gender, ethnic background, social status, physical ability, sexual orientation, and gender identity. Together in our diversity and as a **Reconciling in Christ** congregation, we seek to embrace the love of God offered to us in Jesus Christ. We gather to experience the presence of God in Word and Sacrament and to give praise to God who loves us unconditionally.*

**OUR VISION** *In the model of Christ and for the life of the world, we are an inclusive, devoted, caring and spiritual community that accepts challenges, takes risks and grows.*

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## A Note About Worship Recordings.

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- **Communion can be taken at your seat; please let an usher know.**

*We are gathered on this land, which touches the shared waters of the peoples of the Suquamish, Tulalip, and Muckleshoot Nations. This is God's creation and home to the Coast Salish peoples, whose long history, voices, and practices call inhabitants to loving stewardship, faithful advocacy, and inclusive story-telling. We honor the Creator's presence in this land, confess our complicity in its brokenness, and proclaim our interconnectedness with God's creation and all its creatures.*

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*In this service:*

*ELW 512 - Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil 51985  
ELW 172 - Halle, Halle, Hallelujah 04366  
ELW 880 - O God, beyond All Praising 13032  
"Be Thou My Vision" (with "Lead, Kindly Light"),  
arranged by Cathy Stamegna PD  
ELW 679 - For the Fruit of All Creation 30684  
W&P 22 - Bring Forth the Kingdom 00026  
W&P 14 - Baptized and Set Free 85971*

*\*Asterisks: You are invited to stand in body  
or in spirit*

## WELCOME

## CENTERING MUSIC

Karen Lee

## \*BAPTISMAL REMEMBRANCE

Remember that we were at a time without Christ, being aliens...[and] strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world.

**But now in Christ Jesus we who once were far off have been brought near.**

He has made...in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, and so he might reconcile both to God in one body through the cross.

*(Ephesians 2:12-16)*

**The God who made the world and everything in it, God who is Lord of heaven and earth,...gives to all mortals life and breath and all things.**

From one ancestor God made all peoples to inhabit the whole earth...so that they would search for and perhaps fumble about for and find God—

**though indeed God is not far from each one of us.** *(Acts 17:24-27)*

So Christ came and proclaimed peace to us who were far off and peace to those who were near,

**for through him all of us have access in one Spirit to the Father.** *(Ephesians 2:17-18)*

So then, we are no longer strangers and aliens, but we are fellow citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone;

**in Christ the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord, in whom we also are being built together spiritually into a dwelling place of God.** *(Ephesians 2:17-22)*

For we are what he has made us,  
created in Christ † Jesus for good works. *(Ephesians 2:10)*

For 'In him we live and move and have our being.' (Acts 17:26-28)

**\*GREETING**

The grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with you all. (2 Corinthians 13:14)

**And also with you.**

**\*OPENING SONG**

*Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil*



Lord, let my heart be good soil, o-pen to the seed of your word.



Lord, let my heart be good soil, where love can grow and peace is un-der-stood.



When my heart is hard, break the stone a - way. When my heart is cold,



warm it with the day. When my heart is lost, lead me on your way.



Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart be good soil.

**\*PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Almighty God, we thank you for planting in us the seed of your word. By your Holy Spirit help us to receive it with joy, live according to it, and grow in faith and hope and love. **Raise us up as descendents of our ancestors in faith, and—like living stones—let us be built into a spiritual house through Jesus Christ, our Lord.**

**Amen.**

(adapted, Matthew 3:9, 1 Peter 2:4-5)

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

### FIRST READING

Romans 8:1-11

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly;  
teach and admonish one another in all wisdom;  
and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God.

*(Colossians 3:16)*

Hear what the Spirit is saying. **Our ears and hearts are open.**

Therefore there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.

For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, **but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit.** To set the mind on the flesh is death, **but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace.** For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law—indeed, it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, then the body is dead because of sin, but the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

Holy Wisdom. Holy Word.

**Thanks be to God!**

**\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

*Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!*

Hal-le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah.

**GOSPEL READING**

Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

The gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. (*2 Corinthians 4:4*)

**Glory to you, O Lord!**

That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: "Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell on a path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were scorched, and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. If you have ears, hear!"

"Hear, then, the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy, yet such a person has no root but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of this age and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. But as for what was sown on good soil, **this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit** and yields in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty."

We do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord. (*2 Corinthians 4:5*)

**Praise to you, O Christ!**

HYMN OF THE DAY

*O God, beyond All Praising*



1 O God be-yond all prais - ing, we wor-ship you to - day  
 2 The flow'r of earth - ly splen - dor in time must sure - ly die,  
 3 Then hear, O gra - cious Sav - ior, ac - cept the love we bring,



and sing the love a - maz - ing that songs can-not re - pay;  
 its frag - ile bloom sur - ren - der to you, the Lord most high;  
 that we who know your fa - vor may serve you as our King;



for we can on - ly won - der at ev - 'ry gift you send,  
 but hid - den from all na - ture the e - ter - nal seed is sown -  
 and wheth - er our to - mor - rows be filled with good or ill,



at bless - ings with - out num - ber and mer - cies with - out end:  
 though small in mor - tal stat - ure, to heav - en's gar - den grown:  
 we'll tri - umph through our sor - rows and rise to bless you still:



we lift our hearts be - fore you and wait up - on your word,  
 for Christ, your gift from heav - en, from death has set us free,  
 to mar - vel at your beau - ty and glo - ry in your ways,



we hon - or and a - dore you, our great and might - y Lord.  
 and we through him are giv - en the fi - nal vic - to - ry.  
 and make a joy - ful du - ty our sac - ri - fice of praise.

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Music accompanies the prayers, as they are spoken.*

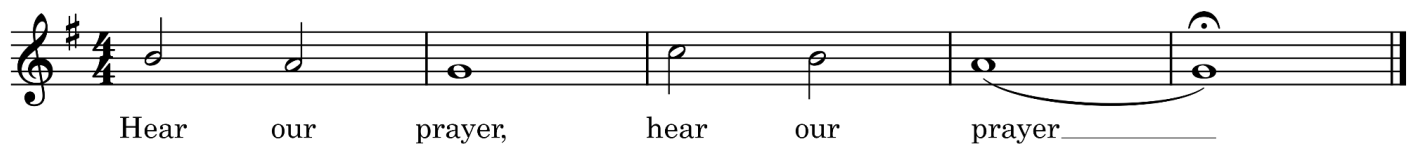
The same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him.

For “everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.” (*Romans 10:12-13*)

*Silence for contemplation.*

After offering a prayer, please close with the words,

“God in your mercy,” and we will all respond with the refrain:



Gracious God,

may we abide in the love of Christ,

that these prayers may be fulfilled in us,

doing as he commanded—that his joy may be in us,

and our joy may be complete.

All these things we have spoken

and those we’ve prayed in our hearts,

we commend to you, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

*(adapted, John 15:9-11)*

## LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Gather † Proclaim † **Commune** † Send

### \*PEACE

“Clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful.” (*Colossians 3:12-15*)

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*We greet each other with sign of Christ’s peace  
by gesture and word, such as “Peace be with you.”*

## OFFERING

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing. (*Ephesians 1:3-4*)

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or by scanning the QR Code.



## OFFERING MUSIC

“Be Thou My Vision” (with “Lead, Kindly Light”)  
arr. Cathy Stamegna

Double Duet -B. Dougherty, M. Nordquist, S. Running, J Schwensen

## \*OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray. Spirit of the Living God,  
**unite the varieties of gifts and services  
you have given us for the common good.**

As in one body we have many members,  
**so may we, who are many, be one in the body of Christ. Amen.**  
(*adapted, 1 Corinthians 12:4-7, and Romans 12:4-6*)

## \*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 God thanks and praise.**

We give you thanks, O God;  
When your goodness and loving kindness appeared, you saved us,  
not because of any works of righteousness that we had done,  
but according to your mercy,  
through the water of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit.  
This Spirit you have poured out on us richly  
through Jesus Christ our Savior. (*adapted, Titus 3:4-6*)

He was in the beginning with you.  
All things came into being through him,  
and without him not one thing came into being.  
And what has come into being in him is life. (*John 1:2-4*)

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 all people  
for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.  
(*1 Corinthians 11:23-24*)

Joined to Christ through these gifts,  
bring us to bear the fruits of salvation,  
giving thanks as your beloved people.  
By the power of your Holy Spirit,  
sanctify ☩ us, so we may keep the teachings of the gospel,  
and stand firm in the traditions of faith,  
so your church may live its call,  
and fulfill the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.**  
(*adapted, 2 Thessalonians 2:13-15*)

**\*THE LORD'S PRAYER** (*Matthew 6:10-13*)

*We speak in the languages of our hearts:*

**Our Father in heaven,  
holy be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our debts  
as we forgive our debtors.  
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**

Many of us have experienced rejection, exclusion, and marginalization at different times in our lives, but we come here, knowing we will not be turned away. So come, whether this is your first time, or your hundredth.

All who have tried to follow—  
all God's people needing healing and wholeness;  
Come to this simple feast. God's table is big enough for all of us.

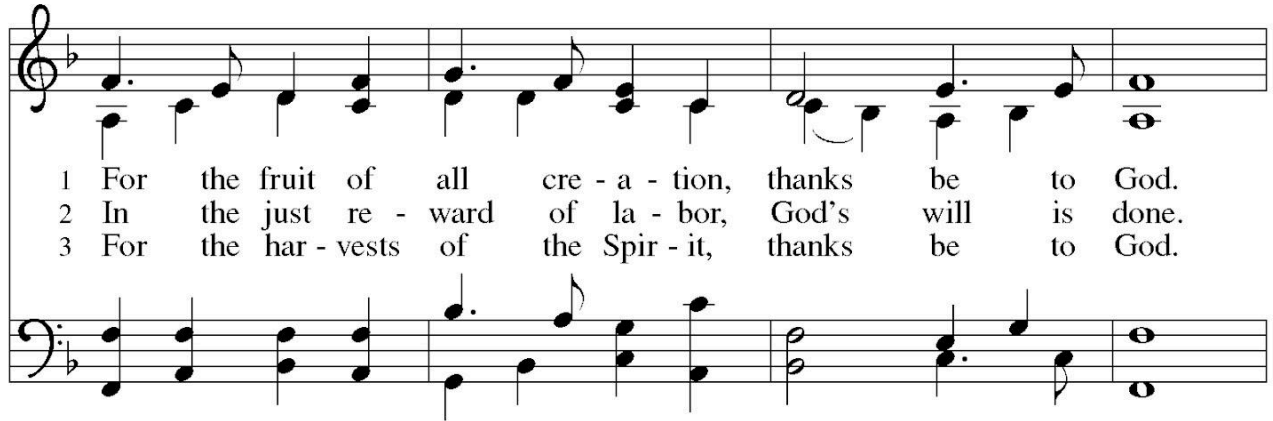
## **All Are Welcome**

*to commune, including children (as parents permit).*



# COMMUNION HYMN

## *For the Fruit of All Creation*



1 For the fruit of all cre - a - tion, thanks be to God.  
2 In the just re - ward of la - bor, God's will is done.  
3 For the har - vests of the Spir - it, thanks be to God.



For these gifts to ev - 'ry na - tion, thanks be to God.  
In the help we give our neigh - bor, God's will is done.  
For the good we all in - her - it, thanks be to God.



For the plow - ing, sow - ing, reap - ing, si - lent growth while we are sleep - ing,  
In our world - wide task of car - ing for the hun - gry and de - spair - ing,  
For the won - ders that as - tound us, for the truths that still con - found us,



fu - ture needs in earth's safe - keep - ing, thanks be to God.  
in the har - vests we are shar - ing, God's will is done.  
most of all, that love has found us, thanks be to God.



## \*TABLE BLESSING

Because there is one bread, **we, who are many, are one body.**  
Just as the body is one and has many members,  
**and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ.**  
(1 Corinthians 10:16-17, 12:12)

May the Body and Blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ  
strengthen you, and keep you in everlasting grace  
and in eternal life. **Amen.**

## \*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Faithful God, we give you thanks  
for these gifts of grace  
you have given us in Christ Jesus;  
**enrich us in every way, in speech and knowledge of every kind  
to strengthen our witness to Christ among us,  
and the partnership in him, through which you have called us. Amen.**  
(1 Corinthians 1:4-9)

Gather ✚ Proclaim ✚ Commune ✚ **Send**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- .Council Meeting - In Person*
- .Parking Lot Taskforce*
- .Events Team*
- .Sunday Service Sign Up Sheet (Narthex)*
- .Wonder Wanders + Lunch [Sundays, July 12, 26, August 2, 9 (16)]*  
Next Week: Skip - World Cup Final

## \*BENEDICTION

Whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ ✚ Jesus.  
(Philippians 4:8,7)

## \*SENDING SONG

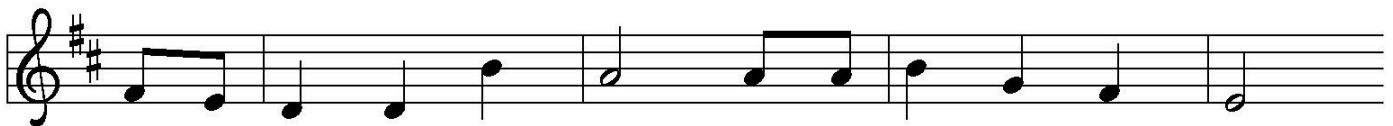
## *Baptized and Set Free*



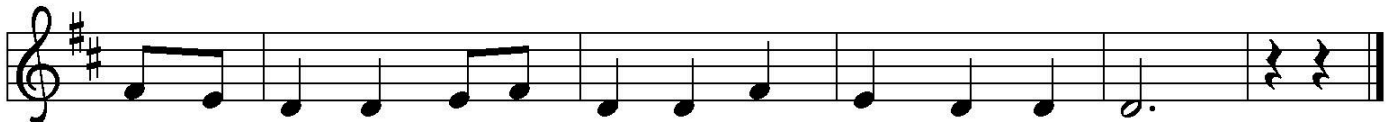
- 1 We are peo - ple cre - at - ed, cho - sen by God.
- 2 We are fed and we're nour - ished, filled and re - freshed.
- 3 We are nour - ished by wa - ter, all liv - ing things,
- 4 Now with praise and thanks - giv - ing, we join the song.



Then we're washed, ev - er gent - ly, in mer - cy and love.  
Then our hun - ger re - turns and a - gain we are blessed.  
and by life that the Spir - it a - bun - dant - ly brings.  
All are wel - come! We gath - er to sing loud and strong.



Sin has pow - er no more. Je - sus o - pened the door  
For what - ev - er the need, God is great - er in - deed:  
As we jour - ney toward home, may your pres - ence be known:  
Not en - slaved, but set free! From now on, all will be



to a foun - tain bring - ing heal - ing, and whole - ness and more.  
end - less o - cean, al - ways deep - er than all of our need.  
pre - cious riv - er, ev - er - flow - ing, now car - ry us home.  
one in Je - sus, one in wa - ter, bap - tized and set free!

## \*DISMISSAL

God calls into being the things that do not exist. (*Romans 4:17*)

**Thanks be to God!**

## POSTLUDE

*Many thanks  
for serving today!*

*Nursery Attendant: Kenna Hight  
Online Host: Erica Lee  
Musicians: Gianfranco Foddai, Karen Lee,  
Coffee Setup: John McDermott  
Communion Setup:  
Usher/Greeter:  
Worship Assistant:  
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Communion Assistant: Linda Carbone  
Communion Cleanup:  
Coffee Cleanup: John McDermott*

## IN OUR PRAYERS

Faye Buckalew, Jennifer Carter,  
Pete D'Amico, Barb Dougherty, Ethan Duke and  
family, Meggan Ellingboe, Gerry & Bob Faley,  
Helene Fowler, Fowler family, Cindy Funai,  
Jakhobi Hale and family,  
Don Hansen and family, Donnalyn Hansen,  
Margaret & Hlastala family, Holt family,  
Tyson Hunter, Helen Jones, Ian Jones,  
Steve King, Bud Knapp, Maddox and family,  
Judy Malmgren, Roger Mandery, Holly Mangold,  
Martin, Melanie, Elaine Merceruio, Alan Murray,  
Iko Rodenberger, Rosing family,  
Michelle Rundle, Kjersti Sangrey,  
Michael Schieffer, David Schrader, Carleen See,  
Dave Shumway, Shirley Smith, Letty Silverberg,  
Sharon Stearns, Lars Sveum-Hanson,  
Carolyn Swanson,  
Eliot Wright and family, Jon Wright;  
Trinity United Methodist, St John United Lutheran,  
UW Lutheran Campus Ministry.  
asylum seekers, refugees, and those seeking  
housing and a home;  
those living with mental illness and loneliness;  
those outside in the elements;  
children and parents; immigrant families remaining  
separated;  
Ballard Food Bank; Road to Housing guests.

*Those grieving the loss of  
Julie Rosing, Barbara Elise Moe, Jack Zingleman,  
Erling Berg, Norm.*

*Please contact Pastor Thomas to request  
additions to our prayer list.*

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Be a familiar face in worship, and  
share the gifts of the service!

Sign up in the narthex to help  
with Summer-schedule services!

## Happening This Week!

*Sunday, July 12*

*7th Sunday After Pentecost*

**10 AM. Worship Service**

(after service/lunch) Wonder Wanders

*Monday, July 13*

*Nathan Söderblom*

*Tuesday, July 14*

7 PM. Council Meeting, **In Person**

*Wednesday, July 15*

*Thursday, July 16*

*Friday, July 17*

*Bartolomé de Las Casas*

*Saturday, July 18*

*Sunday, July 19*

*8th Sunday After Pentecost*

**10 AM. Worship Service**

*Thursday, July 23*

*Birgitte of Sweden*

Men's Night Out, TBD



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