



12th Sunday after Pentecost *Being*

16 August 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.*

WORSHIP ONLINE OR BY PHONE

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A Note About Worship Recordings.

We are livestreaming this service for those at home.

- *If you'd prefer not to appear on camera, the back rows are out of view.*
- *Families, please know there is no expectation to send children forward for the children's message if you'd rather they not be recorded.*
- **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, Duwamish, 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 618. Guide Me Ever Great Redeemer **PD**
ELW 172. Halle, Halle, Hallelujah **04366**
ELW 603. God When Human Bonds Are Broken **05037**
ELW 712. Lord Whose Love in Humble Service **10266**
"Christ Has Broken Down the Wall." - Mark A. Miller
CGA1224
ELW 605. Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive **17454**
ELW 769. If You but Trust in God to Guide You **61631**
ELW 611 I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say **95076***

**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

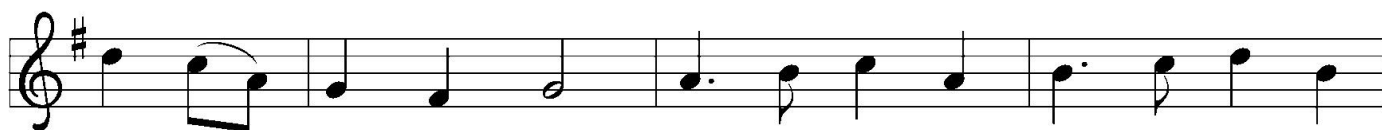
Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer



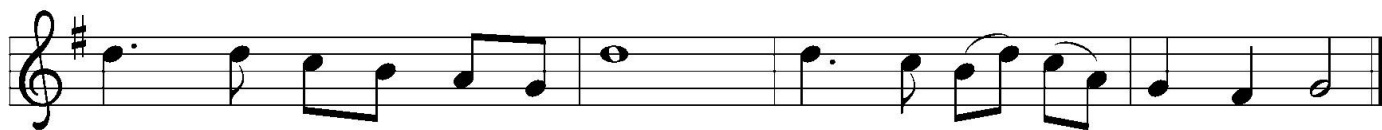
1 Guide me ev - er, great Re - deem - er, pil - grim through this
2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain where the heal - ing
3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious



bar - ren land. I am weak, but you are might - y; hold me
wa - ters flow; let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar lead me
fears sub - side; death of death and hell's de - struc - tion, land me



with your pow'r - ful hand. Bread of heav - en, bread of heav - en,
all my jour - ney through. Strong de - liv - 'rer, strong de - liv - 'rer,
safe on Ca - naan's side. Songs and prais - es, songs and prais - es



feed me now and ev - er - more, feed me now and ev - er - more.
shield me with your might - y arm, shield me with your might - y arm.
I will raise for - ev - er - more, I will raise for - ev - er - more.



grown in you and you in me?"
pray'r in you and you in me?"
mean in you and you in me?"
sound in you and you in me?"
grow in you and you in me.

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let all peoples praise you O God; may you be gracious and make your face shine upon us, to the ends of the earth. Guide nations with equity so your justice is done. May your way be known upon earth, so through your power to save, heal, and reconcile, all peoples may be drawn to you. *(adapted from lectionary; Psalm 67)*

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)

Gather ✠ **Proclaim** ✠ Commune ✠ Send

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

FIRST READING

Isaiah 56:1, 6-8

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.**

Thus says the Lord:

Maintain justice, and do what is right,
for soon my salvation will come
and my deliverance be revealed.
And the foreigners who join themselves to the Lord,
to minister to him, to love the name of the Lord,
and to be his servants,
all who keep the Sabbath and do not profane it
and hold fast my covenant—
these I will bring to my holy mountain
and make them joyful in my house of prayer;
their burnt offerings and their sacrifices
will be accepted on my altar,
**for my house shall be called a house of prayer
for all peoples.**

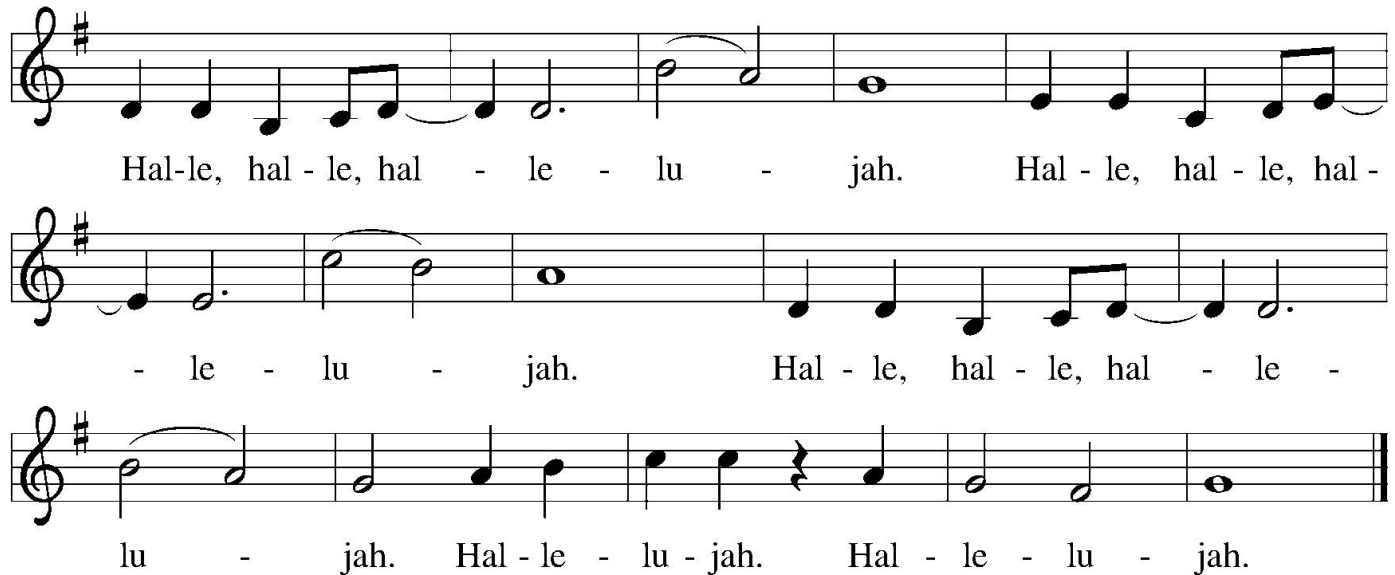
Thus says the Lord God,
who gathers the outcasts of Israel:
I will gather others to them
besides those already gathered.

Word of God. Word of Life.

Thanks be to God!

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!



GOSPEL READING

Matthew 15:10-28

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

Glory to you, O Lord!

[Jesus] called the crowd to him and said to them, "Listen and understand: it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, **but it is what comes out of the mouth that defiles.**" Then the disciples approached and said to him, "Do you know that the Pharisees took offense when they heard what you said?" He answered, "Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted. Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind. And if one blind person guides another, both will fall into a pit." But Peter said to him, "Explain this parable to us." Then he said, "Are you also still without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth enters the stomach and goes out into the sewer? But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this is what defiles. For out of the heart come evil intentions, murder, adultery, sexual immorality, theft, false witness, slander. These are what defile a person, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile." Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us." He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." 28 Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed from that moment.

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

Praise to you, O Christ!

HYMN OF THE DAY

God When Human Bonds Are Broken



1 God, when hu - man bonds are bro - ken and we lack the love or skill
2 You in us are bruised and bro - ken: hear us as we seek re - lease



to re - store the hope of heal - ing, give us grace and make us still.
from the pain of ear - l'ér li - ving; set us free and grant us peace.



Through that still - ness, with your Spir - it come in - to our world of stress,
Give us faith to be more faith - ful, give us hope to be more true,



for the sake of Christ for - giv - ing all life's fail - ures we con - fess.
give us love to go on lear - ning God, en - cour - age and re - new!

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Music accompanies the prayers, as they are spoken.

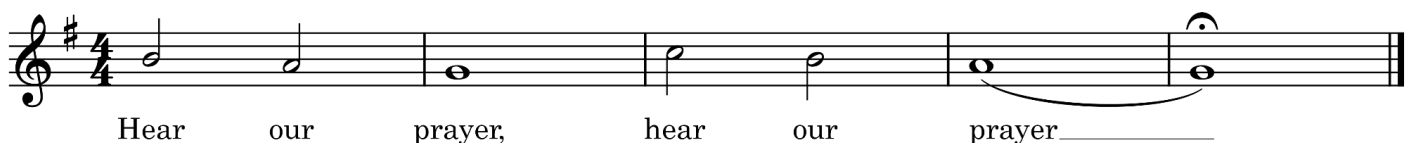
The same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him.

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

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*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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OFFERING MUSIC

trio, Gianfranco Foddai, Erica Lee, Karen Lee

“Christ Has Broken Down the Wall”
Mark A. Miller

***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)

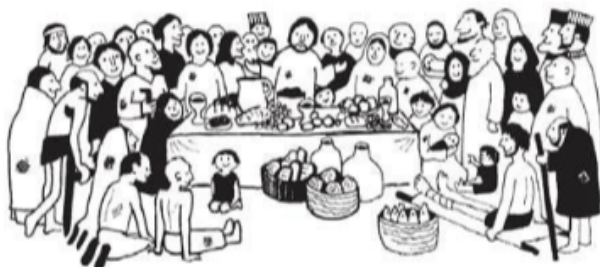
We speak in the languages of our hearts:

**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.

to commune, including children (as parents permit).



Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive



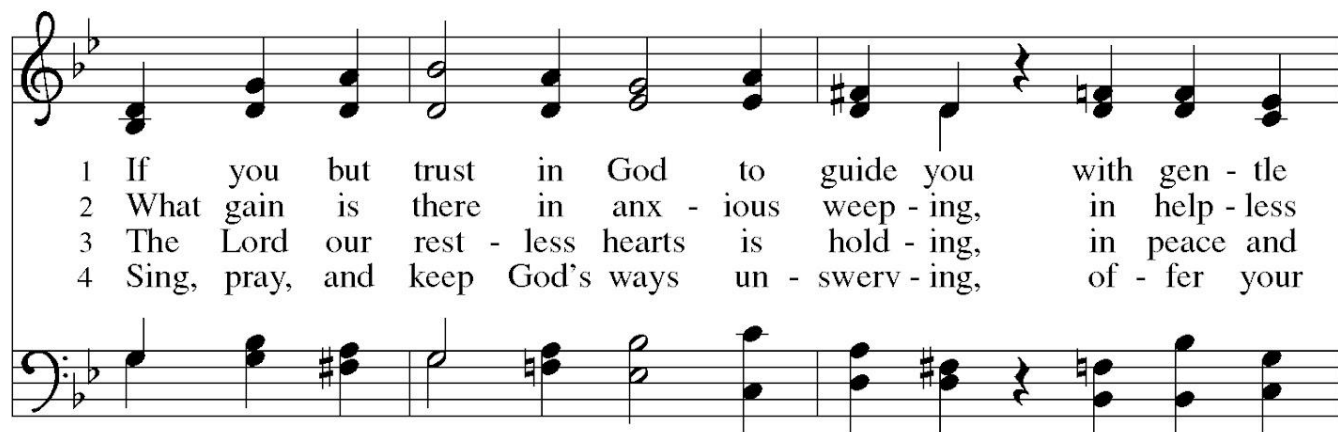
1 "For - give our sins as we for - give," you taught us, Lord, to pray;
2 How can your par - don reach and bless the un - for - giv - ing heart;
3 In blaz - ing light your cross re - veals the truth we dim - ly knew:
4 Lord, cleanse the depths with - in our souls and bid re - sent - ment cease;



but you a - lone can grant us grace to live the words we say.
that broods on wrongs and will not let old bit - ter - ness de - part?
how tri - fling oth - ers' debts to us; how great our debt to you!
then, by your mer - cy rec - on - ciled, our lives will spread your peace.

COMMUNION HYMN

If You but Trust in God to Guide You



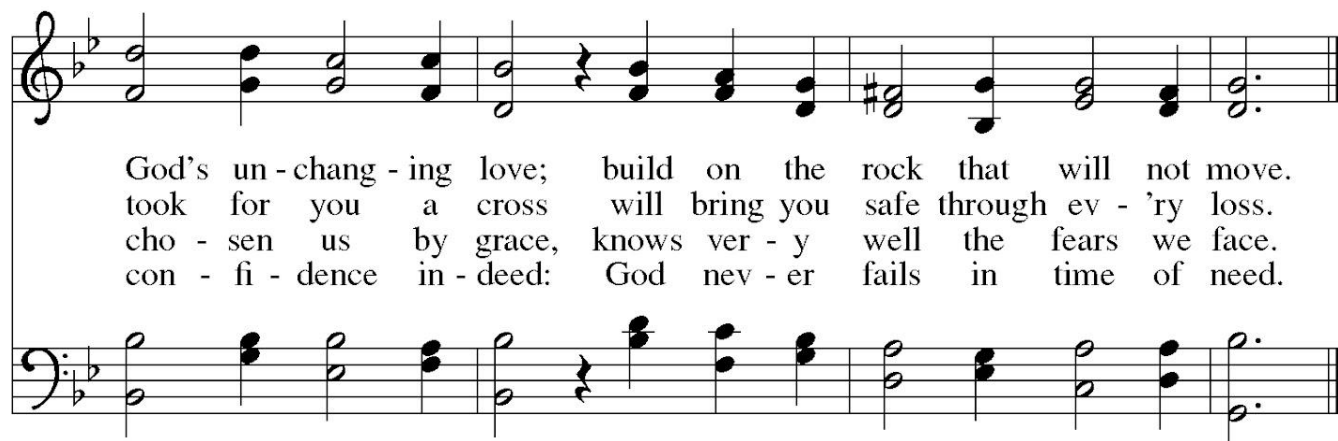
1 If you but trust in God to guide you with gen - tle
 2 What gain is there in anx - ious weep - ing, in help - less
 3 The Lord our rest - less hearts is hold - ing, in peace and
 4 Sing, pray, and keep God's ways un - swerv - ing, of - fer your



hand through all your ways, you'll find that God is there be -
 an - ger and dis - tress? If you are in your Sav - ior's
 qui - et - ness con - tent. We rest in God's good will un -
 ser - vice faith - ful - ly. Trust heav - en's word; though un - de -



side you when cross - es come, in try - ing days. Trust then in
 keep - ing, in sor - row will he love you less? For Christ who
 fold - ing, what wis - dom from on high has sent. God, who has
 serv - ing, you'll find God's prom - ise true to be. This is our



God's un - chang - ing love; build on the rock that will not move.
 took for you a cross will bring you safe through ev - 'ry loss.
 cho - sen us by grace, knows ver - y well the fears we face.
 con - fi - dence in - deed: God nev - er fails in time of need.

*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)

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

.*Thanksgiving Team Leads*
.Generosity Team (Begin September)
.Ballard Food Bank - Peanut Butter Competition
.TODAY August 16, Ballard Sunday Dinner
.LWR School Kits, LWR Supplies
.The Journey/Prospective Members
.Breaking Bread Dinner, August 29th/30th
.NEXT SUNDAY August 23, Welcoming Wisdom Lunch
.Wonder Wanders + Lunch TODAY - Golden Gardens w/ Mandy Neill
.Safety Training and Refresher
.TODAY Staff Meeting - Office
.August 19, 6:30pm, All About Confirmation (2026-2028) [entering Fall 2026]
.August 29, Time 1-4pm, Summer Block Party (w/ Bounce House/games/Ice Cream!)
If you have lawn games, canopies, and time/hands we can borrow, contact staff!

Of Note:

Bob Carlson Presents on Alzheimer's, Aug 30

Save-the-Dates:

September 13 God's Work, Our Hands. September 20 Altar Dedication
September 26 Neighborhood Oktoberfest. September 27 Kick-Off Sunday

*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

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say



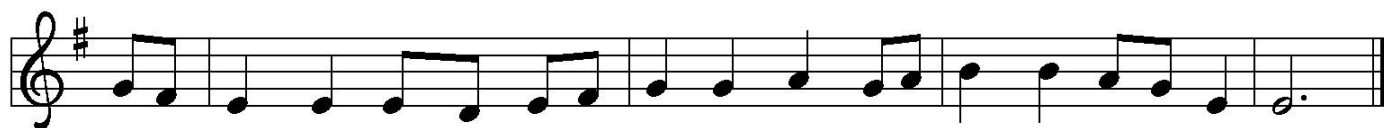
1 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Come un - to me and rest;
2 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Be - hold, I free - ly give
3 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "I am this dark world's light;



lay down, O wea - ry one, lay down your head up - on my breast."
the liv - ing wa - ter, thirst - y one; stoop down and drink and live."
look un - to me, your morn shall rise, and all your day be bright."



I came to Je - sus as I was, so wea - ry, worn, and sad;
I came to Je - sus, and I drank of that life - giv - ing stream;
I looked to Je - sus, and I found in him my star, my sun;



I found in him a rest-ing-place, and he has made me glad.
my thirst was quenched, my soul re - vived, and now I live in him.
and in that light of life I'll walk till trav-'ling days are done.

*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, Erica Lee,
Karen Lee

Coffee Setup:

Communion Setup:

Usher/Greeter: Doug Gresham

Worship Assistant:

Reader: Tamara Anderson

Communion Assistant: Linda Carbone

Communion Cleanup:

Coffee Cleanup: Linda Carbone

IN OUR PRAYERS

Faye Buckalew, Jennifer Carter,
Pete D'Amico, Barb Dougherty, Ethan Duke and
family, 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,
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, Todd,
Eliot Wright and family, Jon Wright;
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.
Neighborhood, families of teen driver and man
killed.

Those grieving the loss of
Man killed on 85th/24th, Julie Rosing, Norm,
Miranda Gamayunov.

*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, August 16

12th Sunday After Pentecost

10 AM. Worship Service

(after service) Lunch,

Wonder Wanders:

Mandy Neill, Golden Gardens

11:30 AM. Staff Meeting

2 PM+. Ballard Sunday Dinner

Monday, August 17

6:30 PM. Faith Formation Team (Zoom)

Tuesday, August 18

Wednesday, August 19

6:30 PM. All About Confirmation

Thursday, August 20

St Bernard

Friday, August 21

Saturday, August 22

Sunday, August 23

12th Sunday After Pentecost

10 AM. Worship Service

(after service) Lunch,

Welcoming Wisdom

Mandy Neill, TBA

Saturday, August 29

1-4 PM. Summer Block Party



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