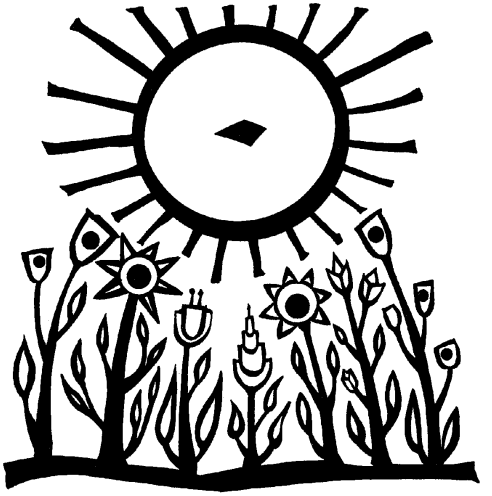
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Season of Pentecost

August 9—September 6, 2026

Please join us for worship in the Chancel at the front of the sanctuary.

Prelude

Welcome

Opening Dialog — Psalm 67

A: May God be gracious to us and bless us
C: and make his face to shine upon us,

A: that your way may be known upon earth,
C: your saving power among all nations.

A: Let the peoples praise you, O God;
C: let all the peoples praise you.

A: Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
C: for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth.

A: Let the peoples praise you, O God;
C: let all the peoples praise you.

A: The earth has yielded its increase;
C: God, our God, has blessed us.

A: May God continue to bless us;
C: let all the ends of the earth revere him.

Opening Hymn — [printed in insert]

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.

Prayer of the Day [printed in insert]

First Reading [printed in insert]

L: Word of God. Word of Life.
C: Thanks be to God.

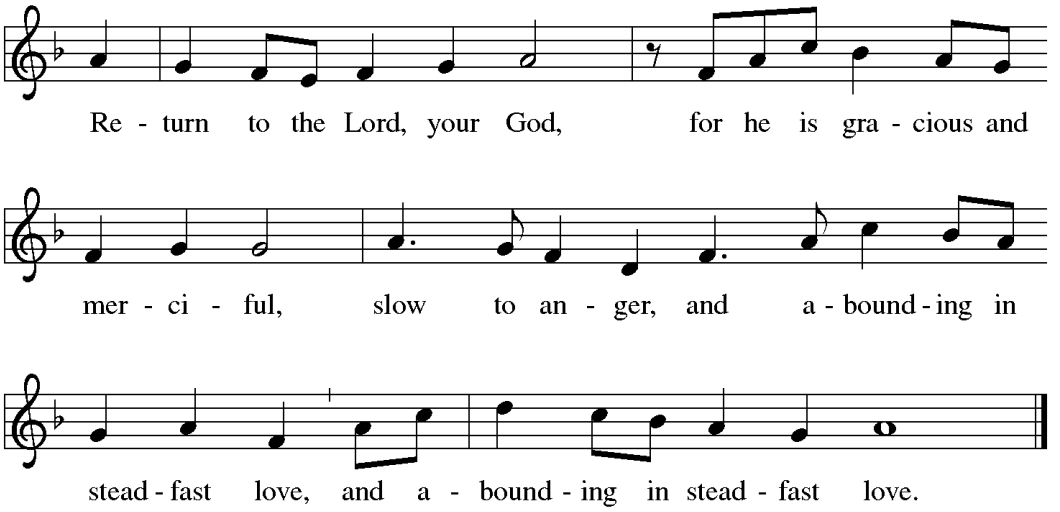
Anthem

Second Reading [printed in insert]

L: Word of God. Word of Life.
C: Thanks be to God.



Gospel Acclamation "*Alleluia*"



P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew.
C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel Reading [printed in insert]

P: The Gospel of the Lord.
C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Gospel Acclamation (Repeat acclamation)

Sermon Rev. Nicholas Zook

Hymn of the Day [printed in insert]

Apostle's Creed

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again 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.

Prayer Petitions

A: With bold trust in God's unfailing love, we pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

A brief silence.

A: For your church in every place, that it satisfies those who hunger for your word. Bless the ministry of all who witness to Christ's love through actions of grace and peace in the lives of others.
Merciful God,
C: receive our prayer.

A: For your wondrous creation and all the bounty it provides, that your creatures are fed and nourished. Bless the work of the farmers, farmworkers, those who fish, and all whose labor brings your abundance to our tables.
Merciful God,
C: receive our prayer.

A: For all who cry out with great sorrow and unceasing anguish, that they are comforted. Feed all who struggle with food insecurity; have mercy on all who are suffering in body, mind, and spirit, especially *[pause for names].*
Merciful God,
C: receive our prayer.

A: For this congregation, that it bears faithful witness to the abundance and joy of life in you. Bless all your faithful people gathered here, that they may become blessings for this community.
Merciful God,
C: receive our prayer.

A: Receive our prayers and answer, O God, as you have promised. All this we ask in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
C: Amen.

The Peace

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

You are invited to share the sign of peace with others.

The Offertory

We encourage you to use this time for reflection & gratitude as we prepare for communion.

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Offertory Hymn

ELW #583 *"Take My Life. That I May Be"*

One verse per week to be announced



Offertory Prayer

A: Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

The Liturgy of the Holy Eucharist

The Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

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

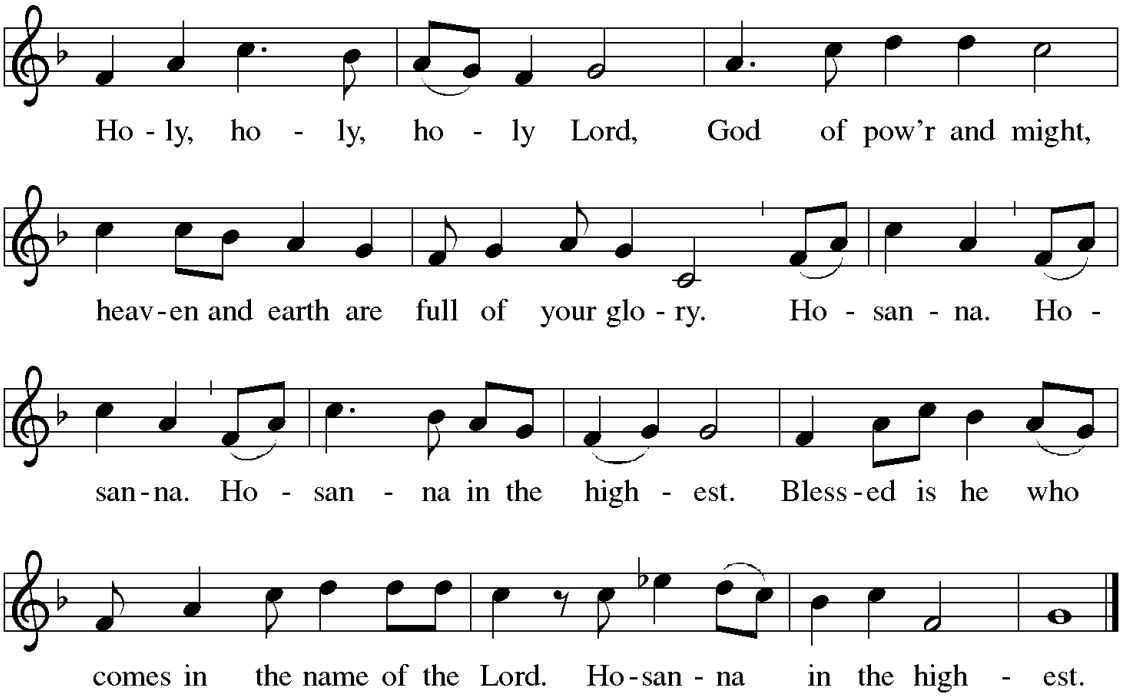
C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.



Preface

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should and at all times……. we praise your name and join their unending hymn.

Sanctus

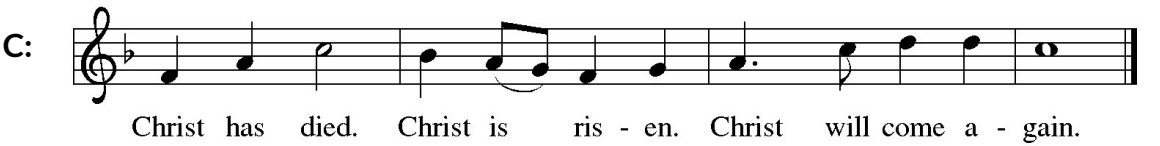


P: Blessed are you, O God of the universe.
Your mercy is everlasting
and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

P: 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.

P: 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 for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

P: With this bread and cup
we remember our Lord's passover from death to life
as we proclaim the mystery of faith:



P: O God of resurrection and new life:
Pour out your Holy Spirit on us
and on these gifts of bread and wine.
Bless this feast.
Grace our table with your presence.
C: Come, Holy Spirit.

P: We praise you, O God,
blessed and holy Trinity,
now and forever.



P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

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.

Communion Invitation

We invite all who are baptized in Christ to come forward for communion. All are welcome at the Lord's table. Parents of young children are asked to let the pastor know if they want their child to receive communion or a blessing.

Communion is served by continuous table around the altar, and you are asked to take a place as openings appear.

Communion Anthem

Post Communion Blessing

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

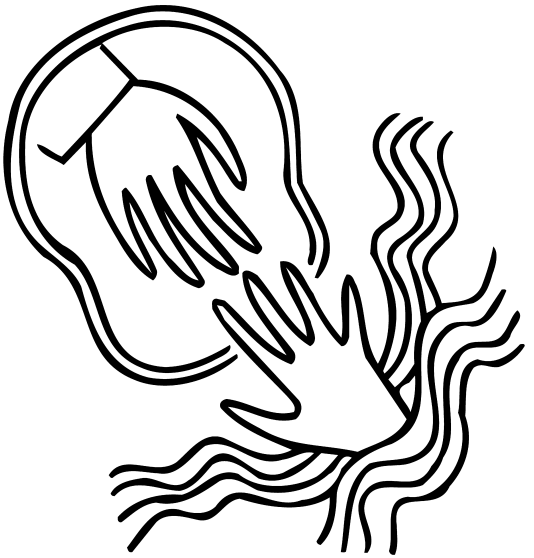
Post Communion Prayer

A: Lord, you renew us at your table with the bread of life. May this food strengthen us in love and service to each other. We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord.

C: Amen.

Closing Hymn

[printed in insert]



Announcements

Benediction

P: Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father, who loves us and gives us eternal comfort and good hope through grace, comfort your hearts and establish them in every good work and word.
C: Amen.

Dismissal

A: You are the body of Christ raised up for the world.
Go in peace. Share the good news.
C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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Holy Communion happens at every service and is open to all baptized.

Restrooms are located in the fellowship hall; exit the sanctuary through the back and follow the stairwell downstairs.

Masks and hand sanitizer are located in the back of the sanctuary should you need either.

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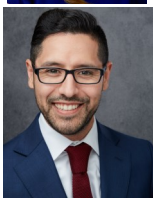
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