



Tenth Sunday after Pentecost
August 2, 2026

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, whose compassion endures forever.

C: Amen.

L: Let us confess our sin to God.

Silence is kept for reflection.

L: Compassionate God,

C: we confess to you all our sins. Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves. In your mercy, call us back to you. Your yoke is easy and your burden is light. Restore us to dwell in your peace. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.

L: Jesus says, "Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest." In the name of God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Rest in God's love.

C: Amen.

GATHERING SONG

God Extends an Invitation, ELW 486



Nues-tro Pa - dre nos in - vi - ta a la me - sa de la
God ex - tends an in - vi - ta - tion to the ta - ble of cre -

vi - da, don - de hay vi - no, luz y pan; y no -
a - tion, where there's wine and light and bread. Here we

so - tros nos reu - ni - mos, y lo nues - tro com - par - ti - mos, pues a -
gath - er in thanks - giv - ing and we of - fer all our liv - ing. Here the

sí es la co - mu - ni - ón; pues a - sí es la co - mu - ni - ón.
feast of life is spread; here the feast of life is spread.

GREETING

L: 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

L: Glorious God, your generosity waters the world with goodness, and you cover creation with abundance. Awaken in us a hunger for the food that satisfies both body and spirit, and with this food fill all the starving world; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching and song

FIRST READING

Isaiah 55:1-5

- ¹ Hear, everyone who thirsts;
 come to the waters;
and you who have no money,
 come, buy and eat!
Come, buy wine and milk
 without money and without price.
- ² Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread
 and your earnings for that which does not satisfy?
Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good,
 and delight yourselves in rich food.
- ³ Incline your ear, and come to me;
 listen, so that you may live.
I will make with you an everlasting covenant,
 my steadfast, sure love for David.
- ⁴ See, I made him a witness to the peoples,
 a leader and commander for the peoples.
- ⁵ Now you shall call nations that you do not know,
 and nations that do not know you shall run to you,
because of the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel,
 for he has glorified you.

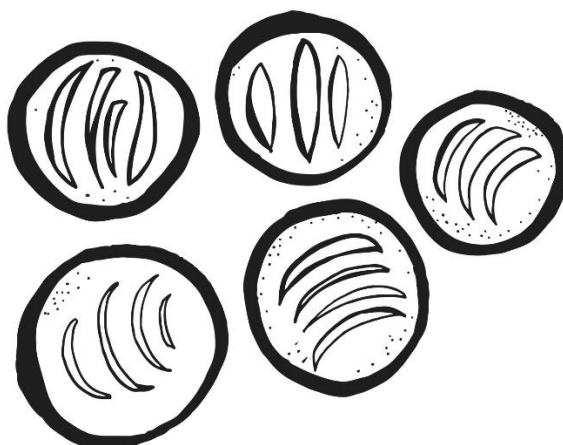
L: Word of God, Word of Life:

C: Thanks, be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

ELW p. 188 Setting 8

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, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



GOSPEL

Matthew 14:13-21

L: The Holy Gospel, according to Matthew, the 14th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹³ Now when Jesus heard [about the beheading of John the Baptist,] he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. ¹⁴ When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. ¹⁵ When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, “This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves.” ¹⁶ Jesus said to them, “They need not go away; you give them something to eat.” ¹⁷ They replied, “We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish.” ¹⁸ And he said, “Bring them here to me.” ¹⁹ Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and blessed and broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. ²⁰ And all ate and were filled, and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. ²¹ And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

L: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

SERMON

Reverend Bethany Ketchem

SONG OF THE DAY

We Come to the Hungry Feast, ELW 479



1 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry for a word of peace.
2 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry for a world re - leased
3 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry that the hun - ger cease,



To hun - gry hearts un - sat - is - fied the love of God is
from hun - gry folk of ev - 'ry kind, the poor in bod - y,
and know - ing, though we eat our fill, the hun - ger will stay



not de - nied. We come, we come to the hun - gry feast.
poor in mind. We come, we come to the hun - gry feast.
with us; still we come, we come to the hun - gry feast.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

L: Trusting in God's steadfast love for all God has made...

C: Hear our prayer.

PEACE

L: The peace of the Lord be with you all.

C: And also with you.

MEAL

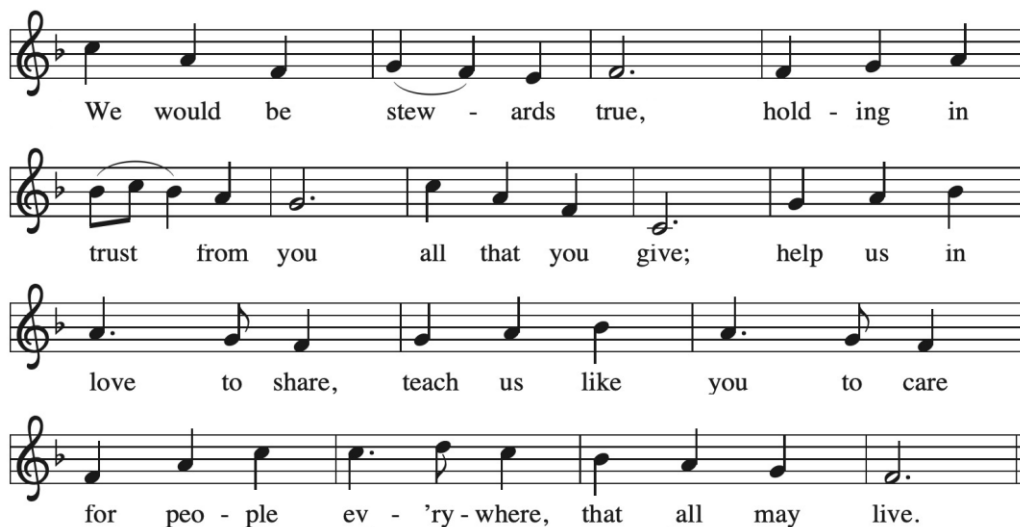
God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ

OFFERING

Suite III, Bourrée, J.S. Bach
Jeremy Mattson, Violin

OFFERING RESPONSE

God of the Fertile Fields, Georgia Harkness



We would be stew - ards true, hold - ing in
trust from you all that you give; help us in
love to share, teach us like you to care
for peo - ple ev - 'ry - where, that all may live.

OFFERING PRAYER

L: Loving God, we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts. Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love, so that all creation can taste your abundance. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever.

C: Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

DIALOGUE AND PREFACE

L: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

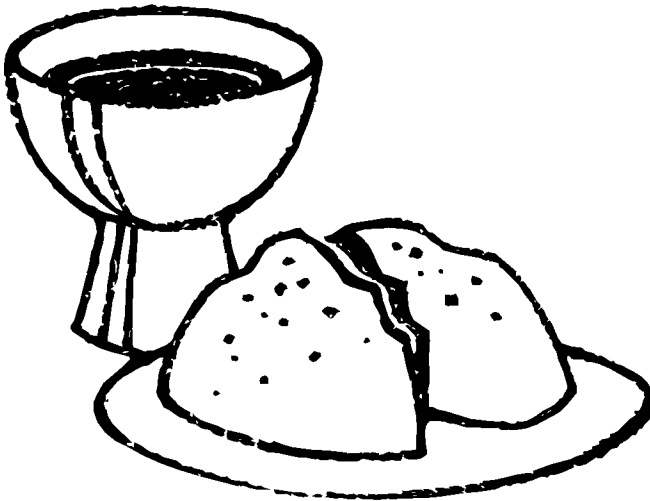
L: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them to the Lord.**

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

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

L: It is indeed right...and join your 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, full of your glo-ry. Ho -
 san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -
 est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
 san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

*WORDS OF INSTITUTION**LORD'S PRAYER*

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

LAMB OF GOD

ELW p. 191, Setting 8

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, Lamb of God.

COMMUNION SONG

Come to the Water of Life

1 All who are thirst-y for mer-cy, all who are thirst-y for
2 All who are thirst-y for heal-ing, all who are thirst-y for
3 All who are thirst-y for beau-ty, all who are thirst-y for
4 All who are thirst-y for jus-tice, all who are thirst-y for
love; all who are thirst-y for love, for mer-cy,
touch; all who are thirst-y for touch, for heal-ing,
truth; all who are thirst-y for truth, for beau-ty,
peace; all who are thirst-y for peace, for jus-tice,
come: come to the Wa-ter of life.
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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

L: Compassionate God, through the gifts of bread and wine our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love. Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal, may share your love freely, as you have shared with us. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world

BLESSING

L: Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, ✝ one God, bless, heal, and hold you today and always.

C. **Amen**

SENDING SONG

Glory to God Forever

Verse 1

Before the world was made
Before You spoke it to be
You were the King of kings
Yeah You were yeah You were
And now You're reigning still
Enthroned above all things
Angels and saints cry out
We join them as we sing

Chorus

(We sing)
Glory to God
Glory to God

Glory to God forever
Glory to God
Glory to God
Glory to God forever
(Yeah)

Verse 2

Creator God You gave me breath
So I could praise
Your great and matchless name
All my days all my days
So let my whole life be
A blazing offering
A life that shouts and sings
The greatness of our King

Bridge

Take my life and let it be
All for You and for Your glory
Take my life and let it be Yours
Take my life and let it be
All for You and for Your glory
Take my life and let it be Yours

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DISMISSAL

L: Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news!

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Gift Cards Sales today. Stop by the table to see what is available for purchase. Thanks for your support.

National Night Out is a go! All Churches Potluck August 4, from 5-8 pm. ORLC inside Fellowship Hall. All are welcome. Bring a friend and a dish to share. If you'd be willing to help with it, please contact Deb Spencer at djspencer12@yahoo.com. Volunteers still needed.

Prayers & Praises of the People:

- Prayers for Sharon Peterson as she continues to recover.
- Prayers for Kathi Kirchoff: prayers for her continued treatment.
- Prayers for healing for Judy Koza.

Worship in the Park & Picnic

Sunday, August 9 • 10:00 a.m.

Keller Regional Park – Pavilions 5 & 6

Come celebrate what God is doing through the East Side Collaborative Churches (ESCO) as we gather for a morning of outdoor worship, fellowship, and a community picnic in one of Saint Paul's beautiful parks. This annual gathering is an opportunity for members and friends from our five East Side ELCA congregations to worship together, build new friendships, and celebrate our shared ministry in the neighborhoods we call home. Worship Begins at 10:00 a.m. We are grateful to welcome Pastor Sharon Kelly as our preacher for the day. Music will be led by Amy & Adams, and singers from all five congregations are invited to participate in a Pop-Up Choir. No long-term

commitment is required—just arrive early for a brief rehearsal and join your voice with others in praise. Following worship, everyone is invited to remain for a picnic and time together.

Picnic Details

First Lutheran and Arlington Hills Lutheran are delighted to serve as hosts this year and will provide the main meal, including roast chicken and vegetarian options, as well as beverages! Guests are invited to bring a favorite side dish, salad, fruit, dessert, or beverage to share if they are able (please bring packed in your cooler, if refrigeration is needed). Most importantly, bring yourself, your family, your lawn chair (if you prefer—there is bench seating!), and your appetite for good food and good conversation. A Shared Community Project Following worship, we'll create a collaborative piece of art called "Leaves of Hope." Every participant—from children to adults—will decorate a leaf by sharing a hope for our East Side or a gift they bring to our shared ministry. Together these leaves will become a beautiful tree that will travel among our congregations throughout the coming year as a reminder that we are growing together in Christ.

Why We Gather

The East Side Collaborative Churches believe that we are stronger together than apart. As we worship, pray, sing, eat, and serve alongside one another, we bear witness that Christ's love extends beyond the walls of any one congregation. This picnic is more than a meal—it's a celebration of the relationships, partnerships, and shared mission that continue to grow across Saint Paul's East Side. Invite a friend, neighbor, or family member to join us. Everyone is welcome!

East Side Collaborative Worship Information

Date: Sunday, August 9, 2026

Time:

- 9:20 a.m. – Pop-Up Choir Rehearsal
- 10:00 a.m. – Outdoor Worship
- 11:00 a.m. – "Leaves of Hope" Community Art Project

- 11:20 a.m. – Community Picnic

Location: Keller Regional Park – Pavilions 5 & 6

Hosted by: Arlington Hills Lutheran Church and First Lutheran Church

Featuring:

- Pastor Sharon Kelly, preacher
- Amy & Adams, music leadership
- ESCO Pop-Up Choir

Come celebrate, worship, and enjoy a wonderful summer day together

Participants in Today's Service

Pastor	Rev. Bethany Ketchem
Worship & Music Director	Jeremy Mattson
Director of Choir and Handbells	Alex Carlson
Soundboard & Livestream	Beth Renfors
Lector	Lana Larsen

Lessons for next Sunday, August 9:

1 Kings 19:9-18 and Matthew 14:22-33

Next week's lector: Janelle Wong



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