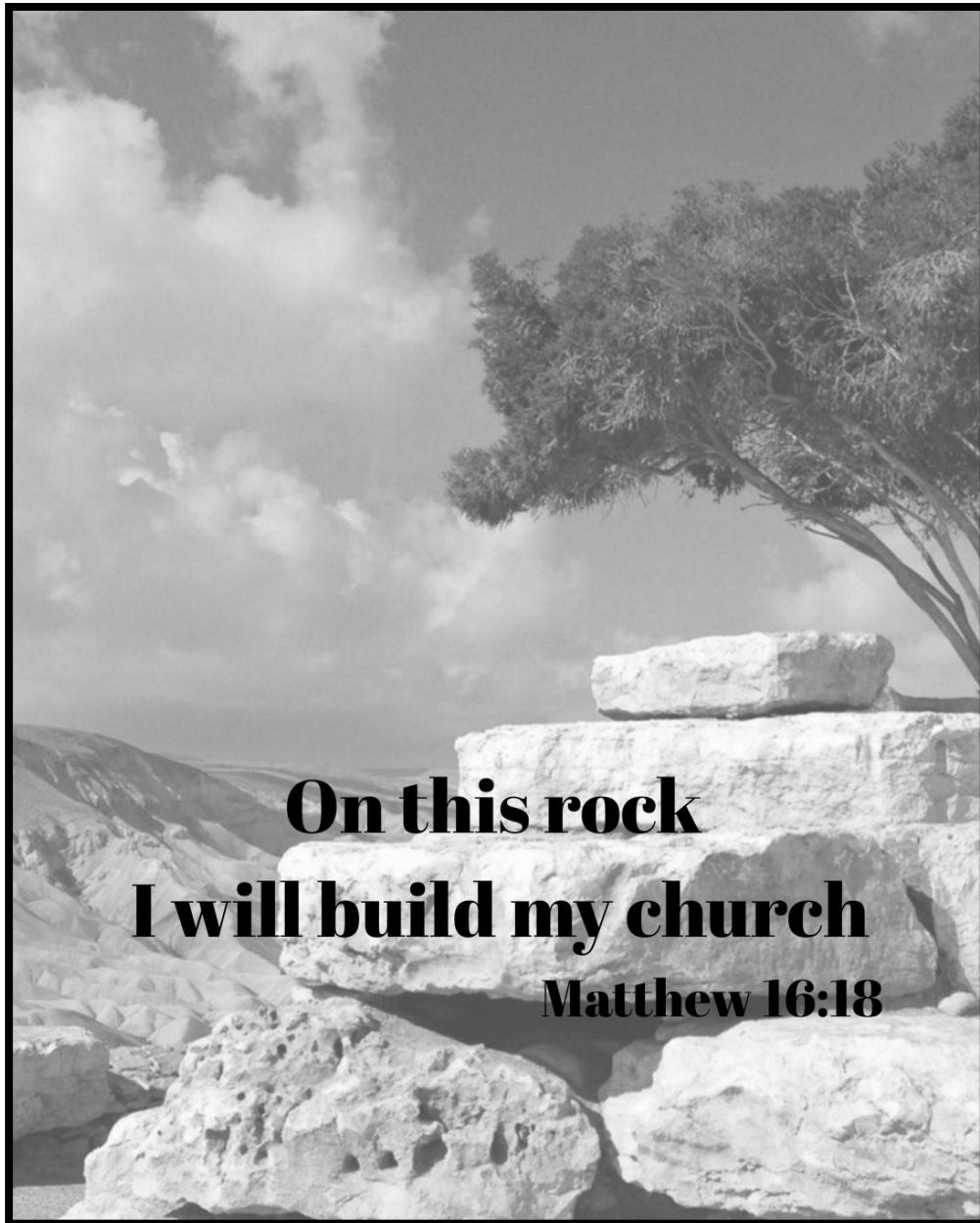


Sunday, August 23, 2026
The 13th Sunday after Pentecost
10:00 AM



Welcome to Worship!
As we prepare for worship, please silence your mobile devices.
We invite you to a time of silence and focus.



WELCOME TO WORSHIP: It is our joy to welcome you to worship today, in-person and from wherever you may be viewing. We give thanks for whatever brought you, and pray that you may experience the love of God surrounding you and upholding you as we gather together to give thanks to God through Word and Sacrament.

ASSISTED LISTENING DEVICES are available to use in the Sanctuary for worship. They are located in the Sound Booth; ask the Sound Booth operator if you would like to use one.

WORSHIP IS LIVESTREAMED in the Faith and Family Center (located near the entrance doors to the large parking lot). Anyone is welcome to worship in that space.

HOLY COMMUNION: All are welcome at the Lord's table. Holy Communion is God's Word made visible in bread and wine. At communion distribution, the BREAD is placed in the hands. Red wine and White grape juice are offered by individual cups. Gluten free options are available, as well.

WE WELCOME CHILDREN IN WORSHIP! Like Jesus who welcomed children to his ministry, Saint Andrew's welcomes children to our worship services. Re-usable activity bags (for readers and non-readers) with books, stickers, crayons, paper, and a snack are available from the usher/hospitality team; please return the bags following worship.

- "Younger Disciples Tips" are in the bulletin with ideas to engage children in worship.
- "A Time for Younger Disciples" during worship invites all God's children to listen to a message.

Health Practices in place to help reduce the spread of viruses and illness:

- Mask wearing is optional. Anyone who wishes to mask is welcome to do so.
- Hand sanitizer is available throughout the building.

For other activities, events, meetings check our website: <https://SALC.church>

VIDEO AND AUDIO RECORDING IN PROGRESS

Saint Andrews livestreams and records its worship services to YouTube.

Video and Audio recording is currently in progress. It is possible that video footage and/or audio conversations of worshippers in the Saint Andrew's Sanctuary may appear on the YouTube livestream/recording.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

"Élégie"

Massenet

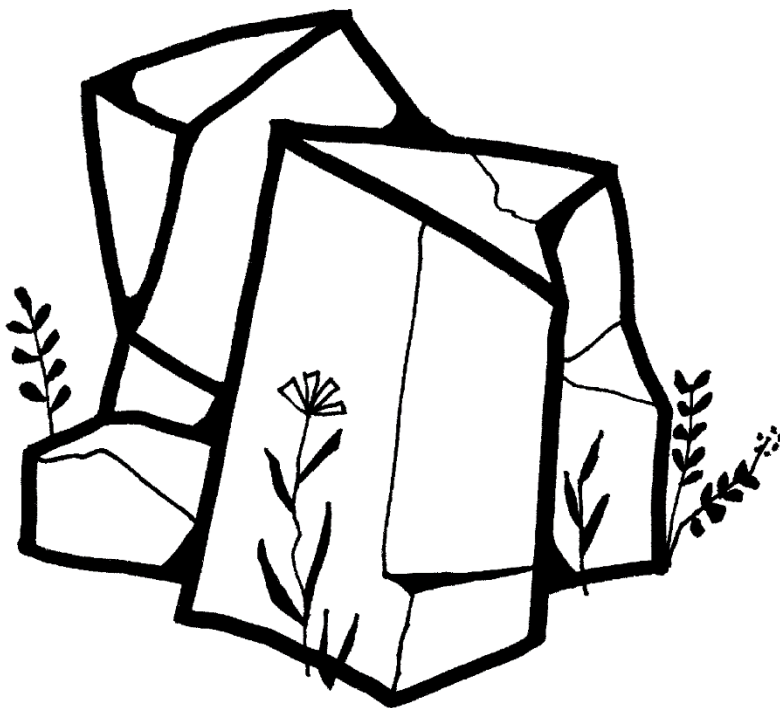
Mark Baker, flugelhorn and Elaine Koga, piano

WELCOME

Pastor Lara

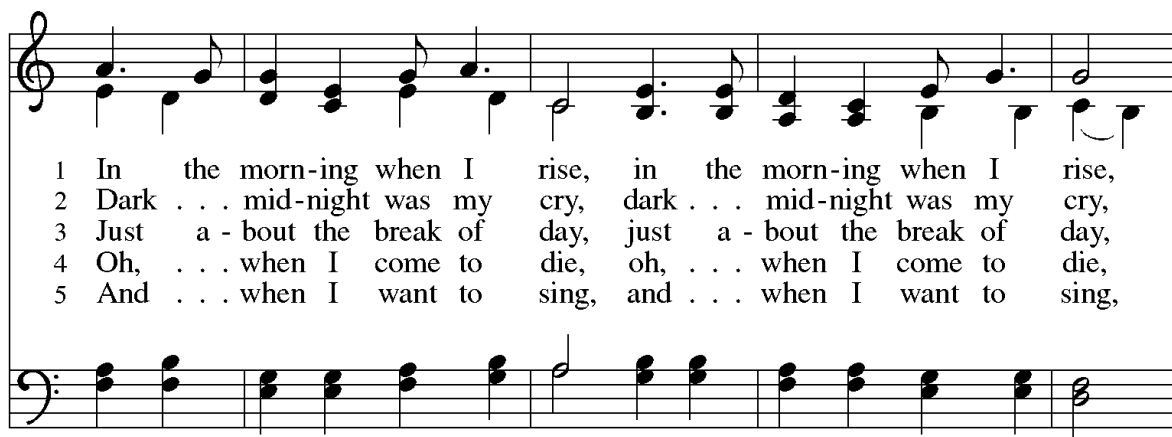
*Worship leaders will say text in light print.
Congregation will say/respond with **bold text**.*

Please stand as you are able.



HYMN

Give Me Jesus

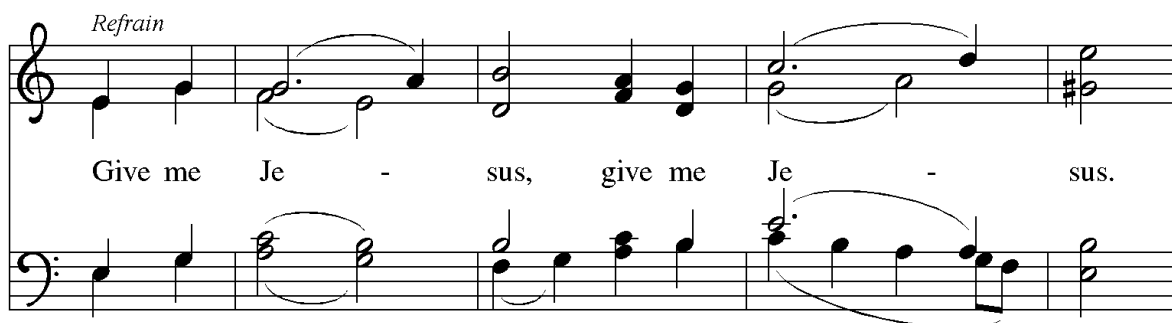


1 In the morn-ing when I rise, in the morn-ing when I rise,
 2 Dark . . . mid-night was my cry, dark . . . mid-night was my cry,
 3 Just a - bout the break of day, just a - bout the break of day,
 4 Oh, . . . when I come to die, oh, . . . when I come to die,
 5 And . . . when I want to sing, and . . . when I want to sing,



in the morn-ing when I rise, give me Je - sus.
 dark . . . mid-night was my cry, give me Je - sus.
 just a - bout the break of day, give me Je - sus.
 oh, . . . when I come to die, give me Je - sus.
 and . . . when I want to sing, give me Je - sus.

Refrain



Give me Je - sus, give me Je - sus.



You may have all the rest, give me Je - sus.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Compassionate God,
we confess to you all our sins.
Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves.
Forgive us, and in your mercy,
call us back to you.
Restore us to dwell in your peace.
In Christ's name we pray,
Amen.

Beloveds, you belong to Christ Jesus
and you are God's children through faith.
In the cross of † Christ,
and through the power of the Holy Spirit,
your sins are forgiven.
Amen.

GREETING

The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

HYMN OF PRAISE



☐ Glo-ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;



glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo- ple on earth.



I Lord God, heav-en - ly king, al- might- y God and Fa- ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



☐ Glo-ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;



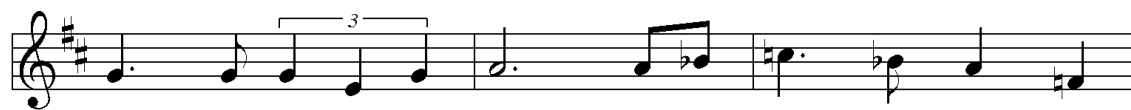
glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo- ple on earth.



II Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,



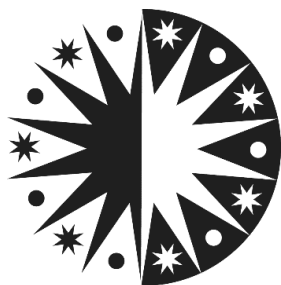
Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the



right hand of the Fa - ther: re- ceive our prayer.



PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. O God,
with all your faithful followers of every age, we praise you, the rock of our life. Be
our strong foundation and form us into the body of your Son, that we may gladly
minister to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Please be seated.

A TIME FOR YOUNGER DISCIPLES

Pastor Lara

You can find the Gospel story in your Spark Story Bible on page 322.

WORD

First Reading: Isaiah 51:1-6

*Just as God had called Abraham and Sarah and given them many descendants, so now
God offers comfort to Zion. God's deliverance will come soon and will never end.*

Listen to me, you who pursue righteousness,
you who seek the Lord.
Look to the rock from which you were hewn
and to the quarry from which you were dug.
Look to Abraham your father
and to Sarah, who bore you,
for he was but one when I called him,
but I blessed him and made him many.
For the Lord will comfort Zion;
he will comfort all her waste places
and will make her wilderness like Eden,
her desert like the garden of the Lord;
joy and gladness will be found in her,
thanksgiving and the voice of song.
Listen to me, my people,
and give heed to me, my nation,
for a teaching will go out from me
and my justice for a light to the peoples.

I will bring near my deliverance swiftly;
 my salvation has gone out,
 and my arms will rule the peoples;
 the coastlands wait for me,
 and for my arm they hope.
 Lift up your eyes to the heavens
 and look at the earth beneath,
 for the heavens will vanish like smoke,
 the earth will wear out like a garment,
 and those who live on it will die like gnats,
 but my salvation will be forever,
 and my deliverance will never be ended.

Word of God. Word of Life.
Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

Al - le - lu - ia. You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

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

ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE GOSPEL

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: Matthew 16:13-20

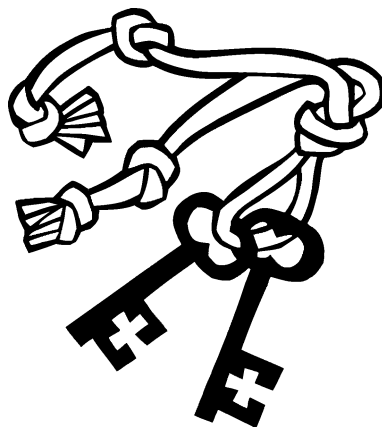
Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that the Son of Humanity is?” And they said, “Some say John the Baptist but others Elijah and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” Simon Peter answered, “You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.” And Jesus answered him, “Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.” Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Lara Forbes



Please stand as you are able.

HYMN

The Church's One Foundation

1 The church's one foun - da - tion is Je - sus Christ, her Lord;
 2 E - lect from ev - 'ry na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth,
 3 Though with a scorn - ful won - der this world sees her op - pressed,
 4 Through toil and trib - u - la - tion and tu - mult of her war,
 5 Yet she on earth has u - nion with God, the Three in One,

she is his new cre - a - tion by wa - ter and the word.
 her char - ter of sal - va - tion one Lord, one faith, one birth:
 by schisms . . rent a - sund - er, by her - e - sies dis - tressed,
 she waits the con - sum - ma - tion of peace for - ev - er - more;
 and mys - tic sweet com - mu - nion with those whose rest is won.

From heav'n he came and sought her to be his ho - ly bride;
 one ho - ly name she bless - es, par - takes one ho - ly food,
 yet saints their watch are keep - ing; their cry goes up: "How long?"
 till with the vi - sion glo - rious her long - ing eyes are blest,
 Oh, bless - ed heav'n - ly cho - rus! Lord, save us by your grace,

with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.
 and to one hope she press - es with ev - 'ry grace en - dued.
 and soon the night of weep - ing shall be the morn of song.
 and the great church vic - to - rious shall be the church at rest.
 that we, like saints be - fore us, may see you face to face.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostles' Creed

Trusting in God's baptismal promises, we affirm our faith using the words of the Apostles' Creed.

**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 power of 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.**

** here, "catholic" means the wholeness of the church in all times and places.*

Younger Disciples Tip ~ Prayers/Offering: Invite children to write down who they want to pray for this week and one way they can serve their family/community.

THE PRAYERS

After each petition, the leader will say, "Lord, in your mercy".

*Your response is, **hear our prayer.***

THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

We share God's peace to reconcile with one another so that we are at peace with each other before receiving the sacrament of Holy Communion.

Please be seated.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING Our ushers will be passing offering plates. We welcome your gifts to support the mission and ministry of Saint Andrew's Lutheran Church. There are envelopes in the pews, or you can give online using the QR code.

Pastor Lara



OFFERTORY MUSIC

"And Everything Is Still..."

Scott

Mark Baker, flugelhorn and Elaine Koga, piano

Inspired by a poem by Lemn Sissay

"Mist lies on a quiet crop
And sleeps on the hill
Sunlight rests on clifftops
And everything is still"

Please stand as you are able

OFFERTORY VERSE

Musical notation for the Offertory Verse, consisting of six staves of music in G major (one sharp). The lyrics are written below the notes.

Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of
bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were
sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gath - er the hopes and dreams of all; u - nite them with the prayers we
of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence,
Lord, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

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. Amen.



MEAL

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

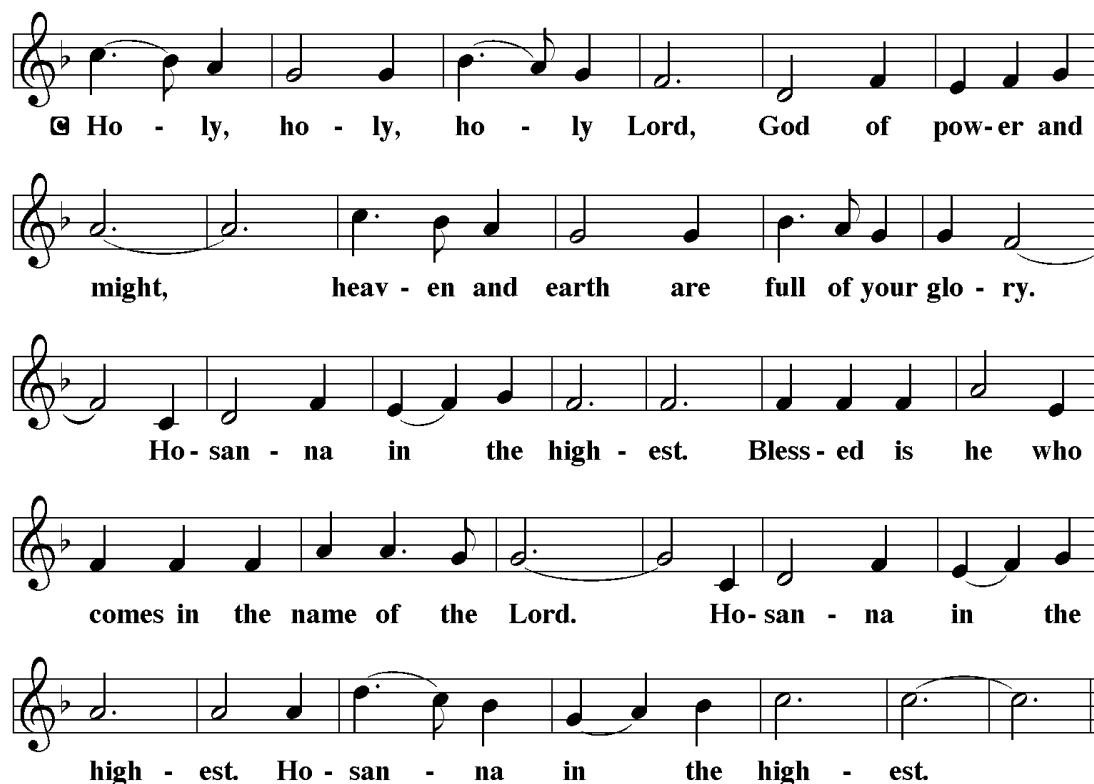
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who *on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

** We say "on this day" because we celebrate Easter every Sunday.*

SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and
might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the
high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

On the night that Jesus was betrayed, he took bread, blessed and broke it and shared it with his friends, saying, "Take and eat, this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After they had eaten, Jesus took the cup, blessed it, and shared it with his friends, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood which is shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

We pray together the prayer Jesus taught us:

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

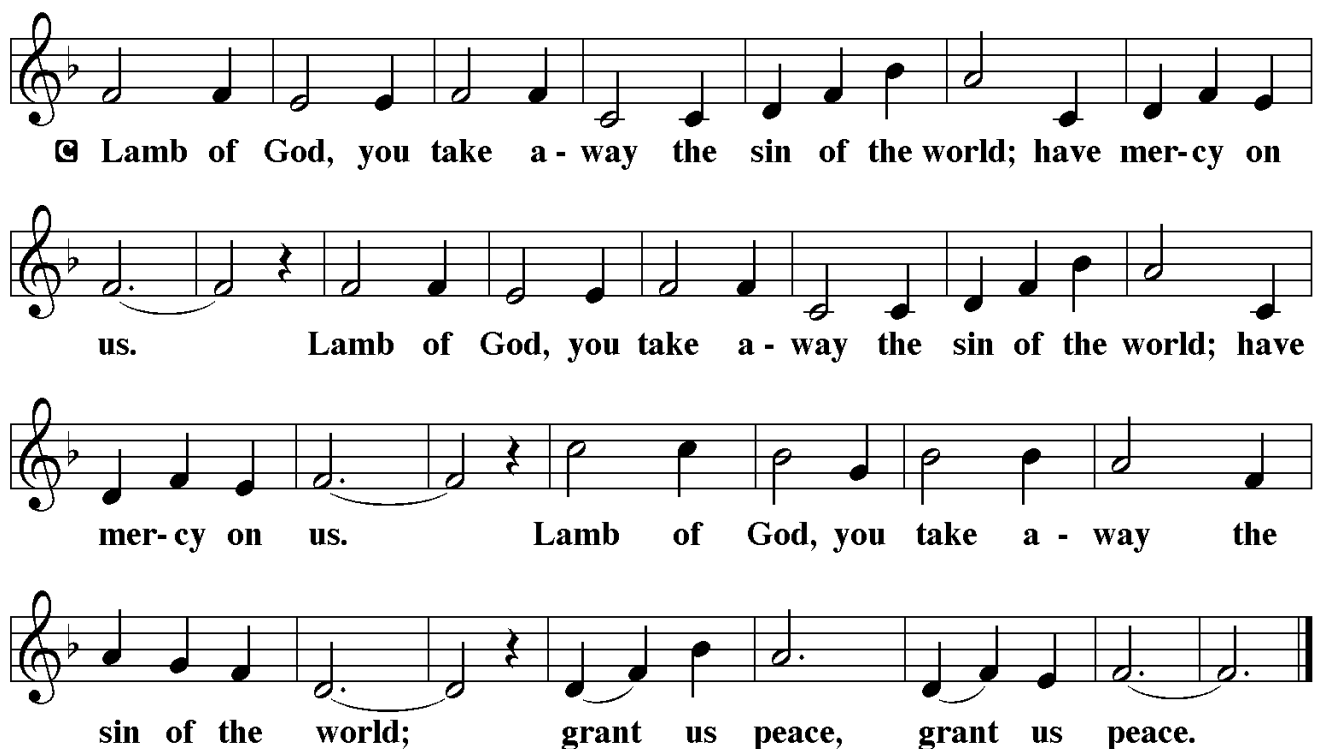
INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come to the table of God, where the fences are torn down and the harvest is shared.
The feast is ready and all are welcome!

Please be seated.

*We wait silently as the participants who are worshipping online are communed.
All are invited and welcome at the Lord's table.*

LAMB OF GOD



☞ 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.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

Today, Communion is received continuously at two stations.

Please follow the directions of the ushers and use the hand sanitizer provided.

Bread is placed in the hands. Red wine and White grape juice are offered by individual cup. Please ask if you would like a gluten-free option.

If you wish to be communed in your seat, please let one of the ushers/hospitality team know.

COMMUNION HYMN

Shall We Gather at the River



1 Shall we gath - er at the riv - er, where bright an - gel feet have trod,
2 On the mar - gin of the riv - er, wash - ing up its sil - ver spray,
3 Ere we reach the shin - ing riv - er, lay we ev - 'ry bur - den down;
4 Soon we'll reach the shin - ing riv - er, soon our pil - grim - age will cease;

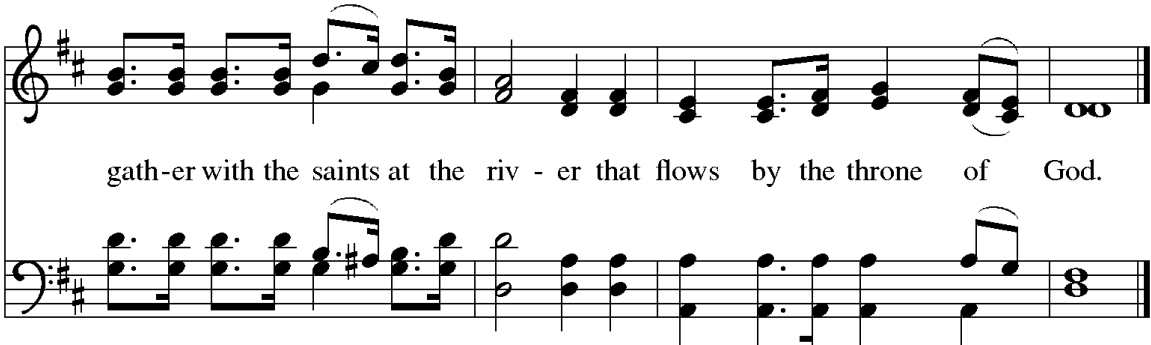


with its crys - tal tide for - ev - er flow - ing by the throne of God?
we will walk and wor - ship ev - er, all the hap - py gold - en day.
grace our spir - its will de - liv - er, and pro - vide a robe and crown.
soon our hap - py hearts will quiv - er with the mel - o - dy of peace.

Refrain



Yes, we'll gath - er at the riv - er, the beau - ti - ful, the beau - ti - ful riv - er;



gath - er with the saints at the riv - er that flows by the throne of God.

Please stand as you are able.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray together. 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. Amen.

SENDING

Younger Disciples Tip ~ Blessing: Mark the sign of the cross on your child's forehead as a reminder of this sending blessing

BLESSING

May the love of God abound in you.

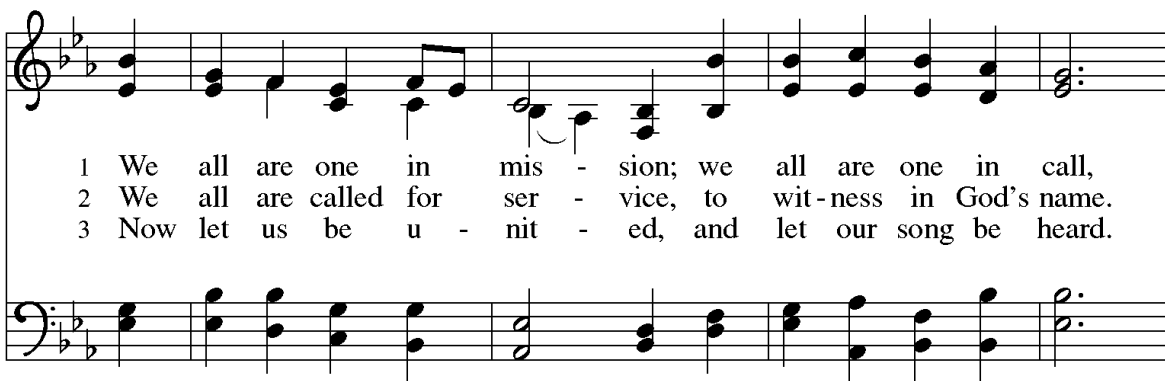
May the grace of our savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts.

May the life of the Holy Spirit ✠ bless you and give you peace. **Amen.**

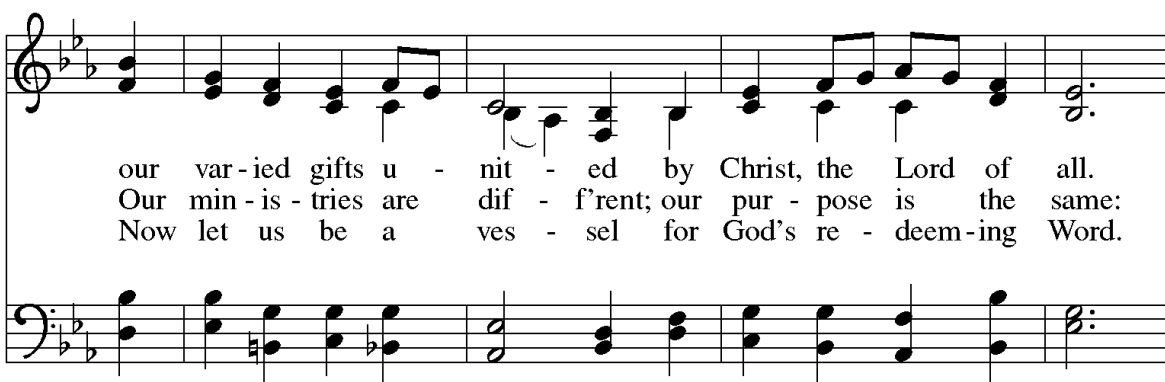


SENDING HYMN

We All Are One in Mission



1 We all are one in mis - sion; we all are one in call,
 2 We all are called for ser - vice, to wit - ness in God's name.
 3 Now let us be u - nit - ed, and let our song be heard.



our var - ied gifts u - nit - ed by Christ, the Lord of all.
 Our min - is - tries are dif - f'rent; our pur - pose is the same:
 Now let us be a ves - sel for God's re - deem - ing Word.



A sin - gle great com - mis - sion com - pels us from a - bove
 to touch the lives of oth - ers with God's sur - pris - ing grace,
 We all are one in mis - sion; we all are one in call,



to plan and work to - geth - er that all may know Christ's love.
 so ev - 'ry folk and na - tion may feel God's warm em - brace.
 our var - ied gifts u - nit - ed by Christ, the Lord of all.

SENDING

All children and youth are invited to come forward to participate in the sending.

Go in peace. Praise the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

"Scherzino"

arr. Schorr

Mark Baker, trumpet and Elaine Koga, piano

*Flowers today are given by Linda Behrendson in memory of her husband,
Dwayne Behrendsen's, August 12th birthday.*



Thank you to all who are assisting with worship today:

Pastor Lara Forbes, *Preaching and Presiding*

Will Simpson, *Director of Music*

Vanessa Rykaczewski, *Bell Choir Director*

Elaine Koga, *Accompanist*

Shana Nielsen, *Assisting Minister*

Carol Schneider, *Lector*

Avery Laub, *Acolyte*

Erik Nielsen and Mark Davis, *Ushers*

JoAn Eklof and Jay Baxter, *Altar Guild*

Johannes Grad, *Livestream video*

Sharon Gurtel, *Audio*

Joyce and John Arnold, *Greeters*

Gale Baullinger, *Coffee Host*

Worship Texts for August 30
Isaiah 51:1-6 and Matthew 16:13-20

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Join us for a BBQ with our Porchlight friends on Saturday, August 29th at 6:30 pm. Mark Davis will be setting up the grills (do you have a charcoal grill to bring?) and SALC will be providing hot dogs and buns, pop, baked beans, potato salad, condiments, and chips. **Our church members are invited to bring a salad or dessert** and join us for the best kosher, all-beef hot dogs. RSVP with Cheryl Jurrus so we know how many we'll be feeding. The men are looking forward to it and have already volunteered to help.



Education Forum Recording Help Needed: As you may know, Sunday morning Forums are recorded and posted online. We are in need of additional volunteers to record these Forums! We use a camcorder that is easy to operate - only three buttons to learn. The time commitment is 8:45 am - 10:00 am, about one Sunday every 4-5 weeks. If you are interested in helping or are just curious and have questions, please contact Susan Hegedus, susanhegedus

Root Beer Float Sunday

Summer's Signature Treat

Enjoy a tasty Fellowship Hour after worship service on **Sunday, August 30.**

We will be serving root beer floats.

We need a few good volunteers to scoop ice cream.

Volunteer to Fellowship
Coordinator Sherry Grindeland at 425-746-2529
or sherry@sakc.church.

Be sure to bring your **Chasing Wonder Bingo** card and win a prize!!!



Our FINAL Summer Evening Worship!! Sunday, September 6th 5:00 PM

Remember – there is NO 10:00 AM worship that day!

Soak up the ‘end of summer’ vibe ~ sleep in, go to brunch, tend to the garden, shop, watch a game....

THEN – gather at 5:00 PM for worship!!

Calendar

Sunday, August 23

10:00 AM Worship
11:00 AM Coffee and Conversation

Monday, August 24

1:00 PM Staff Meeting
7:00 PM Outreach committee, Online
Discipleship Committee, Online

Tuesday, August 25

8:30 AM Tuesday Morning Men, Online

Wednesday, August 26

7:00 PM JEDI Committee, Online

Thursday, August 27

Friday, August 28

Saturday, August 29

6:00 PM All Church BBQ with Porchlight

Sunday, August 30

10:00 AM Worship
11:00 AM Coffee and Conversation

Monday, August 31

10:00 AM Health and Wholeness Meeting
1:00 PM Staff

Tuesday, September 1

Porchlight moves out today
8:00 AM Tuesday Morning Men

Wednesday, September 2

Thursday, September 3

2:00 PM Timber Ridge Worship

Friday, September 4

Saturday, September 5

Sunday, September 6

5:00 PM Worship

Monday, September 7

Office is Closed / Labor Day

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