



# HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

August 10, 2025 - 10am

*Reaching*  
out in the Spirit

## THE SEVEN SEALS

*Christ is the only one found worthy of  
uniting all people in worship.*

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### Prelude

### Opening Hymn

*What Wondrous Love is This*

Hymn 666

- 1 What wondrous love is this,  
O my soul, O my soul!  
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!  
What wondrous love is this  
that caused the Lord of bliss  
to bear the dreadful curse  
for my soul, for my soul,  
to bear the dreadful curse for my soul?
- 2 When I was sinking down,  
sinking down, sinking down,  
when I was sinking down, sinking down,  
when I was sinking down  
beneath God's righteous frown,  
Christ laid aside his crown  
for my soul, for my soul,  
Christ laid aside his crown for my soul.
- 3 To God and to the Lamb  
I will sing, I will sing;  
to God and to the Lamb I will sing;  
to God and to the Lamb,  
who is the great I AM,  
while millions join the theme,  
I will sing, I will sing,  
while millions join the theme, I will sing.
- 4 And when from death I'm free,  
I'll sing on, I'll sing on;  
and when from death I'm free, I'll sing on;  
and when from death I'm free,  
I'll sing God's love for me,  
and through eternity  
I'll sing on, I'll sing on;  
and through eternity I'll sing on.

### 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

*Refrain*

Thy word is a lamp un-to my feet and a light un-to my path. Thy word is a lamp un-to my feet and a light un-to my path. When I feel a-fraid, and I think I've lost my way, still you're there right be-side me. Noth-ing will I fear as long as you are near. Please be near me to the end.

## Prayer of the Day

Let us pray, Relieve us of our relentless need to be right about all things, including you. Open our minds and our hearts to the reality that you are present in all things and in all peoples from the beginning of time to the end. Open our eyes to our neighbors, that we might be loving and accepting of different ways of encountering you. Unite all people in your divine will, of which love and justice are the fruits. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

## Welcome and Greeting

### Gospel Acclamation *stand*

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 Lesson

John 1:29-34

The gospel according to St. John, the 1<sup>st</sup> chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>29</sup> The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, "Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!" <sup>30</sup> This is he of whom I said, 'After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.' <sup>31</sup> I myself did not know him, but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel." <sup>32</sup> And John testified, "I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. <sup>33</sup> I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' <sup>34</sup> And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Chosen One."

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## Lesson

Revelation 5:1-13

<sup>1</sup> Then I saw in the right hand of the one seated on the throne a scroll written on the inside and on the back, sealed with seven seals, <sup>2</sup> and I saw a mighty angel proclaiming with a loud voice, "Who is worthy to open the scroll and break its seals?" <sup>3</sup> And no one in heaven or on earth or under the earth was able to open the scroll or to look into it. <sup>4</sup> And I began to weep bitterly because no one was found worthy to open the scroll or to look into it. <sup>5</sup> Then one of the elders said to me, "Do not weep. See, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has conquered, so that he can open the scroll and its seven seals."

<sup>6</sup> Then I saw between the throne and the four living creatures and among the elders a Lamb standing as if it had been slaughtered, with seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth. <sup>7</sup> He went and took the scroll from the right hand of the one who was seated on the throne. <sup>8</sup> When he had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell before the Lamb, each holding a harp and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. <sup>9</sup> They sing a new song:

"You are worthy to take the scroll

and to break its seals,

for you were slaughtered and by your blood you ransomed for God

saints from every tribe and language and people and nation;

<sup>10</sup> you have made them a kingdom and priests serving our God,

and they will reign on earth."

<sup>11</sup> Then I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels surrounding the throne and the living creatures and the elders; they numbered myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, <sup>12</sup> singing with full voice,

"Worthy is the Lamb that was slaughtered

to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might

and honor and glory and blessing!"

<sup>13</sup> Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea and all that is in them, singing,

"To the one seated on the throne and to the Lamb

be blessing and honor and glory and might

forever and ever!"

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Sermon

### Hymn

*Blessing and Honor*

Hymn 854

- 1 Blessing and honor and glory and pow'r,  
wisdom and riches and strength evermore,  
be to the Lamb who our battle has won,  
whose are the kingdom, the crown, and the throne;  
whose are the kingdom, the crown, and the throne!

- 2 Let all the heavens sound forth Jesus' name;  
let all the earth sing his glory and fame.  
Ocean and mountain, stream, forest, and flow'r  
echo his praises and tell of his pow'r;  
echo his praises and tell of his pow'r.
- 3 Ever ascending the song and the joy,  
ever descending the love from on high;  
blessing and honor and glory and praise--  
this is the theme of the hymns that we raise;  
this is the theme of the hymns that we raise.
- 4 Give we the glory and praise to the Lamb!  
Take we the robe and the harp and the palm;  
sing we the song of the Lamb who was slain,  
dying in weakness and rising to reign;  
dying in weakness and rising to reign!

### 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 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.**

### Ministry Announcements

**Prayers of Intercession**     **Response:** hear our prayer.

## LITURGY OF THE MEAL

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**Offertory**

*The Lord's Prayer*  
Tim Hudson, soloist

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**Offering**

*[www.engagedbygrace.org/offering](http://www.engagedbygrace.org/offering)*



### Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.     **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.     **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.     **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

We give you thanks, Father..., in your holy church, both now and forever.  
**Amen.**

### 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.**

## Communion

*All baptized believers of Christ as their Savior are invited to the table. Please approach the table as you are ready.  
Children are invited to receive a blessing. You may request gluten-free bread or grape juice by raising a finger to the communion server.*

## Blessing

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

## Closing Hymn

*All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!*

Hymn 634

- 1 All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name!  
Let angels prostrate fall;  
bring forth the royal diadem  
and crown him Lord of all.  
Bring forth the royal diadem  
and crown him Lord of all.
- 2 O seed of Israel's chosen race  
now ransomed from the fall,  
hail him who saves you by his grace  
and crown him Lord of all.  
Hail him who saves you by his grace  
and crown him Lord of all.
- 3 Hail him, you heirs of David's line,  
whom David Lord did call  
the God incarnate, man divine  
and crown him Lord of all.  
The God Incarnate, man divine  
and crown him Lord of all.
- 4 Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget  
the wormwood and the gall,  
go spread your trophies at his feet  
and crown him Lord of all.  
Go spread your trophies at his feet  
and crown him Lord of all.
- 5 Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe  
on this terrestrial ball  
to him all majesty ascribe  
and crown him Lord of all.
- 6 Oh, that with yonder sacred throng  
we at his feet may fall!  
We'll join the everlasting song  
and crown him Lord of all.

## Prayer after Communion

Let us pray. We thank you, generous God, for the refreshment we have received at your banquet table. Send us now to spread your generosity into all the world, through the one who is our dearest treasure, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

## SENDING

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### Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace. **Amen.**

Go in peace. Love everyone always. **Thanks be to God.**

### Postlude

**Chancel flowers today are given** to the Glory of God.

### Liturgical Ministers

**Preacher & Presiding Minister:** Pastor Steve Wachtman **Director of Equipping Ministers:** Laura Hudson  
**Minister of Music:** Joshua Brodbeck **Director of Faith Formation:** Noelle Fox