

July 27, 2025

Prelude & Announcements

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

In the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

The assembly kneels or sits. Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The assembly stands.

GATHERING SONG What a Friend We Have in Jesus ELW 742

What a Friend We Have in Jesus



- 1 What a friend we have in Je - sus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
- 2 Have we tri - als and temp - ta - tions? Is there trou - ble an - y - where?
- 3 Are we weak and heav - y - lad - en, cum - bered with a load of care?



What a priv - i - lege to car - ry ev - 'ry - thing to God in prayer!
We should nev - er be dis - cour - aged—take it to the Lord in prayer.
Pre - cious Sav - ior, still our ref - uge—take it to the Lord in prayer.



Oh, what peace we of - ten for - feit; oh, what need - less pain we bear—
Can we find a friend so faith - ful who will all our sor - row share?
Do your friends de - spise, for - sake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer.



all be - cause we do not car - ry ev - 'ry - thing to God in prayer!
Je - sus knows our ev - 'ry weak - ness—take it to the Lord in prayer.
In his arms he'll take and shield you; you will find a so - lace there.

Text: Joseph Scriven, 1820–1886

Music: CONVERSE, Charles C. Converse, 1832–1918

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.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Assisting minister

Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

All

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.

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.

For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,

you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,

in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty and ever-living God, you are always more ready to hear than we are to pray, and you gladly give more than we either desire or deserve. Pour upon us your abundant mercy. Forgive us those things that weigh on our conscience, and give us those good things that come only through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

CHILDREN'S BIBLE STORY

FIRST READING Revelation 1:4-8

⁴ John to the seven churches that are in Asia:

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, ⁵ and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood ⁶ and made us a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

⁷ Look! He is coming with the clouds;

every eye will see him,

even those who pierced him,

and all the tribes of the earth will wail on account of him.

So it is to be. Amen.

⁸ "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

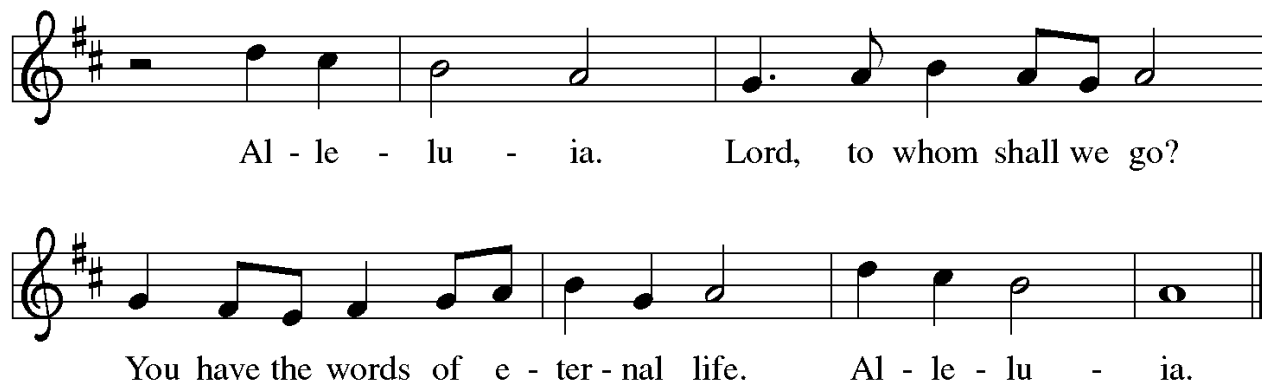
After the reading concludes:

Word of God, word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

The assembly stands to welcome the gospel.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



The gospel is announced.

The holy gospel according to John the seventeenth chapter

Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL John 8:13-20

¹³ Then the Pharisees said to him, “You are testifying on your own behalf; your testimony is not valid.” ¹⁴ Jesus answered, “Even if I testify on my own behalf, my testimony is valid because I know where I have come from and where I am going, but you do not know where I come from or where I am going. ¹⁵ You judge by human standards; I judge no one. ¹⁶ Yet even if I do judge, my judgment is valid, for it is not I alone who judge but I and the Father who sent me. ¹⁷ In your law it is written that the testimony of two witnesses is valid. ¹⁸ I testify on my own behalf, and the Father who sent me testifies on my behalf.” ¹⁹ Then they said to him, “Where is your Father?” Jesus answered, “You know neither me nor my Father. If you knew me, you would know my Father also.” ²⁰ He spoke these words while he was teaching in the treasury of the temple, but no one arrested him, because his hour had not yet come.

The gospel concludes:

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY Go, My Children with My Blessing ELW 543

Go, My Children, with My Blessing



1 "Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, nev - er a - lone.
2 "Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure.
3 "Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, clos - er to me.



Wak - ing, sleep - ing, I am with you, you are my own.
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.
Grow in love and love by serv - ing, joy - ful and free.



In my love's bap - tis - mal riv - er I have made you mine for - ev - er.
Here you heard my dear Son's sto - ry, here you touched him, saw his glo - ry.
Here my Spir - it's pow - er filled you, here my ten - der com - fort stilled you.



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Text: Jaroslav J. Vajda, b. 1919, alt.
Music: AR HYD Y NOS, Welsh traditional
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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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

L: Lord in your mercy, C: receive our prayer.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.

The assembly is seated.

OFFERING

OFFERING SONG

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right

spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your pres - ence, and take

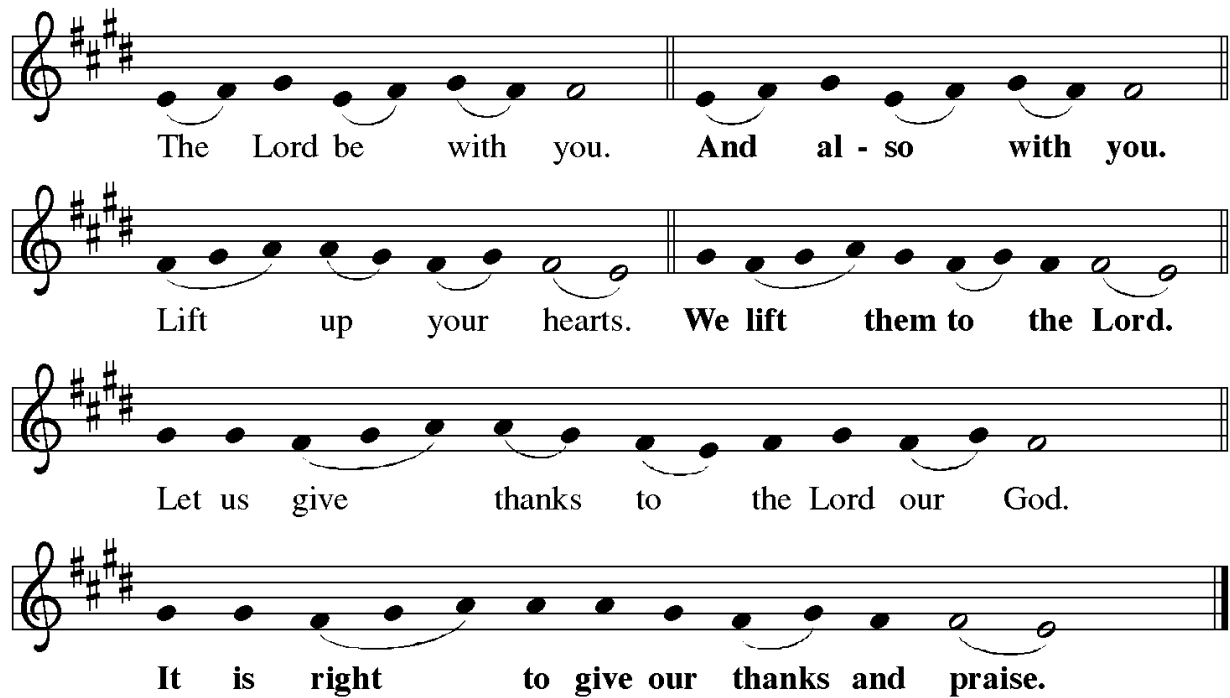
not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re - store to me the joy of

your sal - va - tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

OFFERING PRAYER

Creator God,
in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good
and the harvest is plentiful.
Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth
and our labor,
that we may work for the good of all;
through Jesus Christ, our Savior.
Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING DIALOGUE



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

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

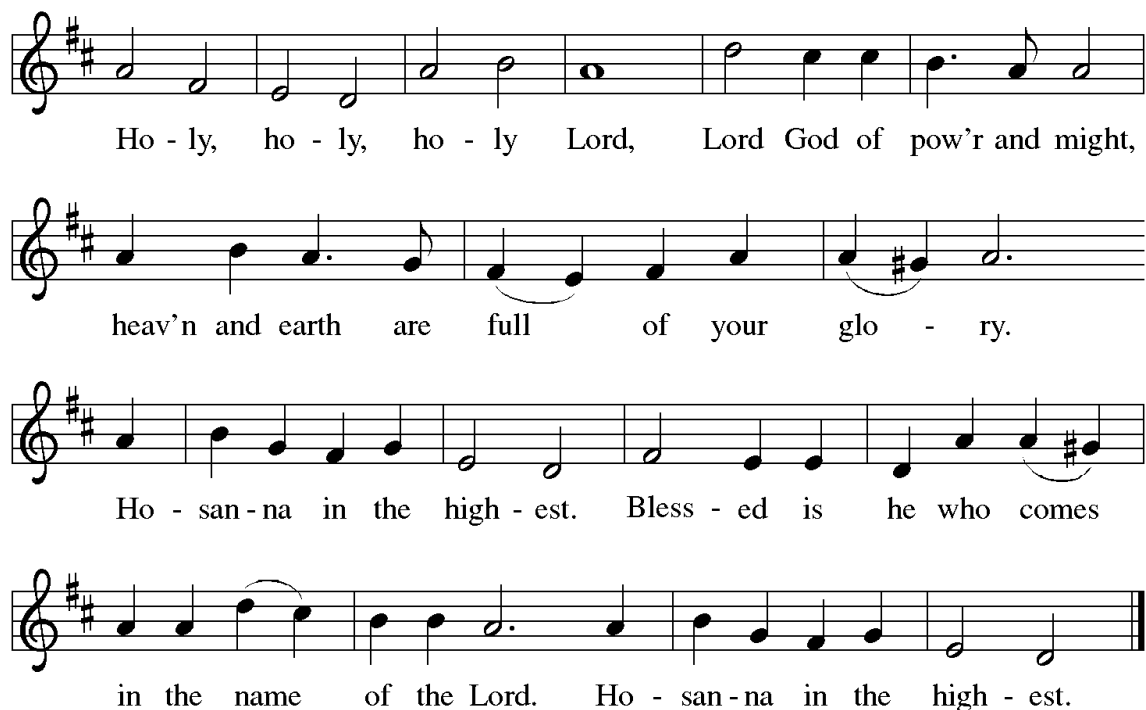
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Detailed description: This block contains four staves of music in G major (one sharp). The first staff has a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp. The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are 'The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.' The second staff continues the melody with the lyrics 'Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.' The third staff has the lyrics 'Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.' The fourth staff has the lyrics 'It is right to give our thanks and praise.' The music is written in a simple, accessible style with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp.

The Thanksgiving continues with the preface for the day; the assembly responds:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,

heav'n 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.

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THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

The presiding minister gives thanks and proclaims Christ's words instituting the Lord's Supper.

LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**

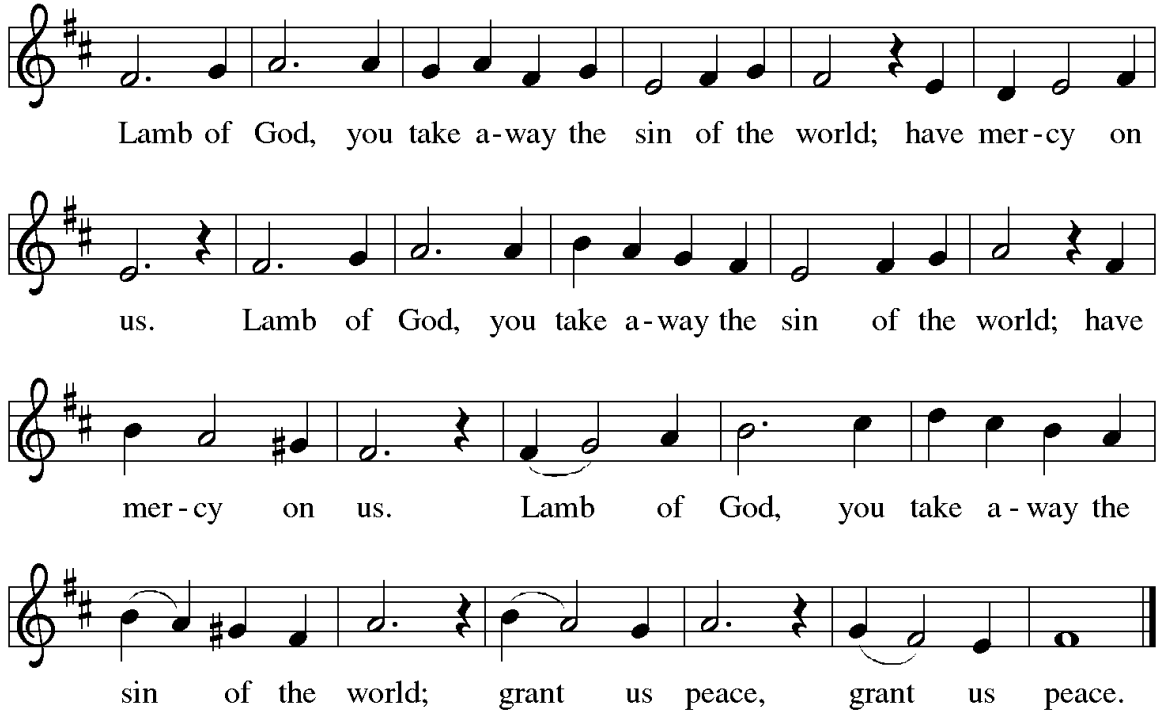
INVITATION TO COMMUNION

This is Christ's table and Christ welcomes each and every single one of you. Those of you communion at home, please join us.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

All who desire the Lord's Supper are invited to come forward to receive Holy Communion. Following the usher's invitation, come forward along the side aisle and remain standing as you gather around the altar railing. When everyone has gathered at the railing, you may kneel or remain standing. Receive the wafer of bread in your hands. You may also request a gluten-free wafer. Then take a small cup from the tray: white grape juice is in the center and red wine is around the edge. Deposit your cup in the basket when you are finished and return to your seat down the center aisle. We invite children and those not receiving the bread and wine to come forward to receive a blessing at the altar railing.

COMMUNION SONG



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.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Mothering God, you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace. Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

BLESSING

From Revelation 21:3-5

See, the home of God is among you.

you are God's people.

God will wipe every tear from your eyes.

Death will be no more;

mourning and crying and pain will be no more.

See, I am making all things new. Amen.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Live in God's Spirit. **Thanks be to God.**

Serving our congregation this morning:

Acolytes –Oliver Hearl

Altar Guild – Chris Knaggs and Diane Schuyler

Fellowship Hour – Laurie Sherman and Kim Zietlow w/donations from
Terry Adams and Kim Williams

Liturgical Minister – Jen Hemry

Media – Kelsey DeLand

Organist – Ray Smith

Ushers – Nick Hearl, Head Usher; Erin & Clara Hearl, Grace Hudson

Schedule:

Sunday: Holy Communion - 9:00 AM

Fellowship Hour – 10:00 AM

Monday: PoP at Monroe County Fair

Tuesday: AA - 7:00 PM

Wednesday: Mid-Week Service – 7:00 PM

Thursday: Holy Grounds – 9 AM

Pickleball – 7 PM

Coming Soon...

Sun., Aug. 03 – Blessing of the Backpacks

Sun., Aug. 03 – WELCA Meeting – 10 :15 AM

Sun., Aug. 03 – Education Committee Meeting

Thur., Aug. 07 – Blood Drive

Thurs., Aug. 07 – Pickleball – 7:00 PM

Aug. 11 – 15 – Vacation Bible School

Sun., Sept. 07 – Rally Day

Tues., Sept. 09 – Adult Bible Study Begins – 9:30 AM

Sun., Sept. 14 – Sunday School Begins/Catechism Orientation

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This morning we **welcome Nikki Nowak**, our **pianist** this morning. Be sure to thank her for sharing her talents and filling in for Ray.

All of the tags for the back-to-school collection have been taken. If you'd like to **cover the cost** of a **backpack** or two to put everything in, 24 were purchased, by Prince of Peace @ approx. **\$4 ea.** Simply note "backpack" on your donation.

The **back-to-school supplies** will be **sorted** by Holly Jenuwine **on Wed., July 30 @ 1 PM** in the high school room. **Help filling the backpacks** would be appreciated. Someone also needs to **deliver them to the UMC** in Dundee on Monday or Tuesday the following week. Email the office if you are available.

Pastor Barry Osterbur will lead our worship service **next Sun., Aug. 03**; Licensed Lay Minister Jim Puhl will lead worship on Wed., Aug. 6. Pastor Aaron will be on vacation. If you have a pastoral need Aug 3 – 9, contact one of our Deacons Julie Bunge, Shawn Kreps, Lynne Zabawa, or the church office. Pastor Janice Locke will be available for emergencies.

There's a **WELCA meeting next Sunday, August 03 at 10:15 AM** in the Community Center lobby. **All confirmed women of Prince of Peace** are members of WELCA. Get your coffee and goodies and **join in the meeting** to find out what is being planned, offer your input and decide which project(s) you can help with.

Pastor Aaron and Prince of Peace Church, The Woelmer Family would like to thank you for the beautiful funeral service for Cheryl Woelmer. Your kindness has touched the hearts of our entire family .

– The Woelmer Family



 Prince of Peace
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PICKLEBALL

OPEN PLAY

 Thursday, June 26th
 Thursday, July 3rd
 Thursday, July 24th
 Thursday, August 7th
 Thursday, August 14th
 7:00-9:00 PM

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9AM-Noon

Ages 4-11 years

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