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IF ANYONE WOULD
COME AFTER ME,
LET HIM DENY
HIMSELF AND TAKE UP
HIS CROSS
AND FOLLOW ME.

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

14 PENTECOST

AUGUST 30, 2026 ✠ 9:30 AM

PREACHING TODAY:
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WELCOME TO ALL who join us today for worship!

Most everything you need is printed in this bulletin. Hymns are found in the red *Evangelical Lutheran Worship* (ELW) hymnal.

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*** The congregation please stand as you are able.**

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MUSIC FOR GATHERING

Partita on "Dix"

Tune by Conrad Kocher Arr. Dennis Janzer

Joanne Vasey, organ

Ode to Joy – Beethoven

Lennox White, piano

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

This Is My Father's World

Text: Maltbie D. Babcock Music: Franklin L. Sheppard

Lennox White, vocals Kailyn White, piano

* CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed by the Holy Trinity ✠ one God,
who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C **Amen.**

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

Brief silence

P Most merciful God,

C **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 neglected to nurture the new growth you cause to sprout among us. We have failed to protect those tender and vulnerable in faith from the choking weeds of our indifference and inflexibility. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, rededicate us, and compel us, So that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

P God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ✠ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

C **Amen.**

*** GATHERING HYMN**

Lift High the Cross - ELW # 660

*** GREETING**

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.

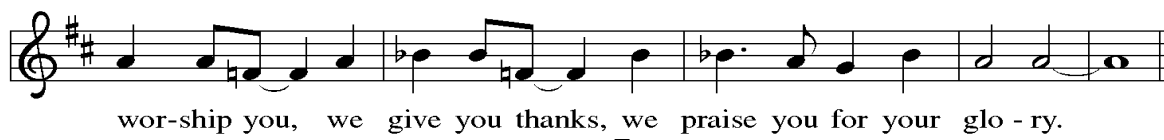
*** KYRIE**

Lord, Have Mercy

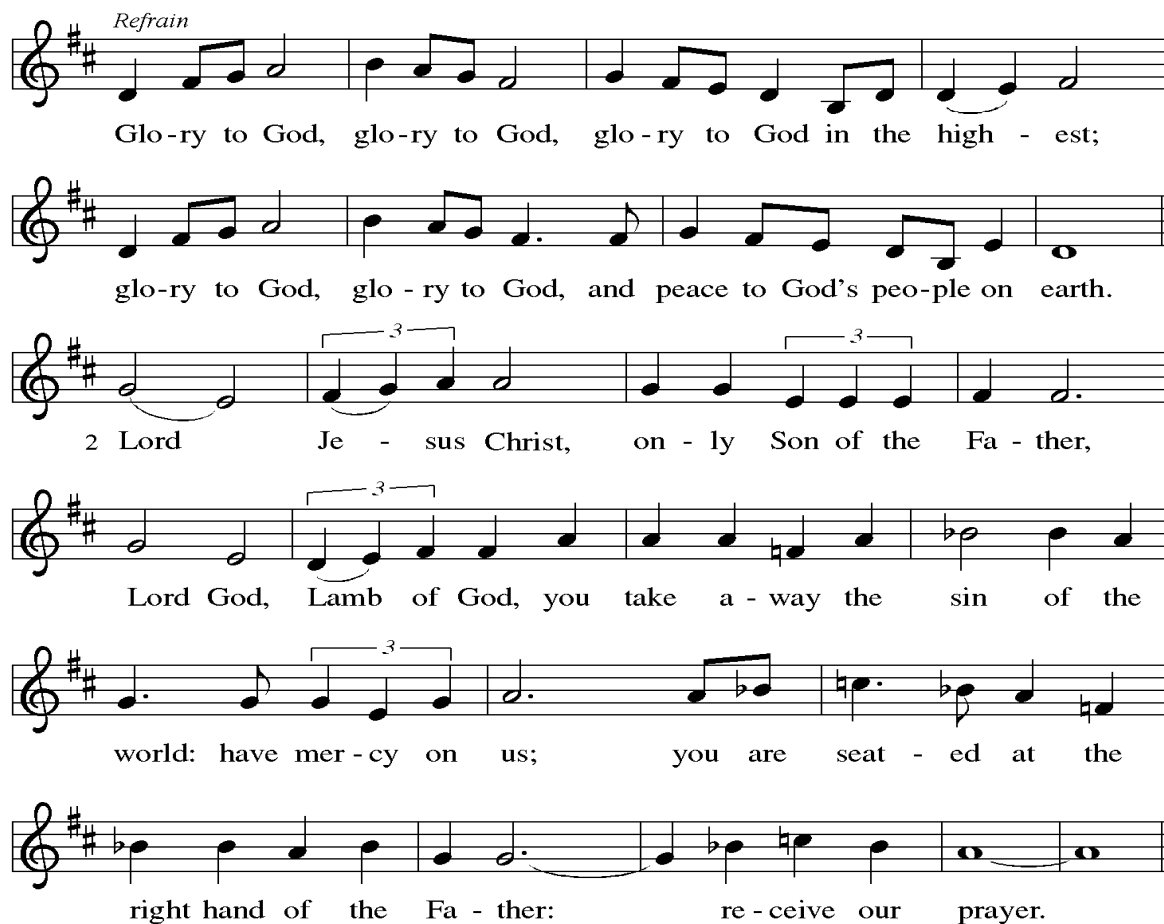
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*** HYMN OF PRAISE**



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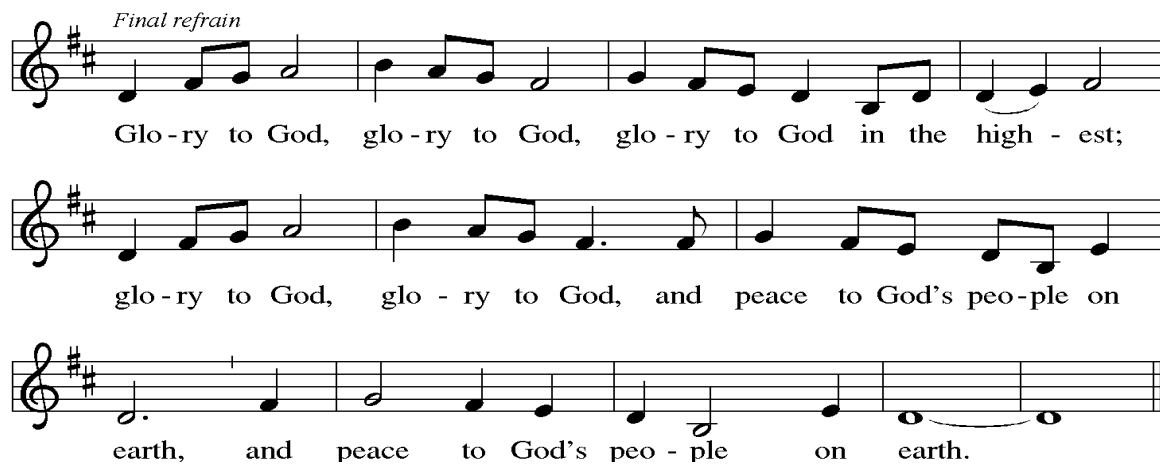


Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;
 glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.
 2 Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,
 Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
 world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the
 right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.

Refrain



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.
 3 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

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P O God, we thank you for your Son, who chose the path of suffering for the sake of the world. Humble us by his example, point us to the path of obedience, and give us strength to follow your commands, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C **Amen.**

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 15:15-21

¹⁵ O LORD, you know;
 remember me and visit me,
 and bring down retribution for me on my persecutors.

In your forbearance do not take me away;
 know that on your account I suffer insult.

¹⁶ Your words were found, and I ate them,
 and your words became to me a joy
 and the delight of my heart,
 for I am called by your name,
 O LORD, God of hosts.

¹⁷ I did not sit in the company of merrymakers,
 nor did I rejoice;
 under the weight of your hand I sat alone,
 for you had filled me with indignation.

¹⁸ Why is my pain unceasing,
 my wound incurable,
 refusing to be healed?

Truly, you are to me like a deceitful brook,
like waters that fail.

¹⁹ Therefore thus says the LORD:

If you turn back, I will take you back,
and you shall stand before me.

If you utter what is precious and not what is worthless,
you shall serve as my mouth.

It is they who will turn to you,
not you who will turn to them.

²⁰ And I will make you to this people
a fortified wall of bronze;

they will fight against you,
but they shall not prevail over you,

for I am with you
to save you and deliver you,

says the LORD.

²¹ I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked
and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless.

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING: Romans 12: 9-21

⁹ Let love be genuine; hate what is evil; hold fast to what is good; ¹⁰ love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. ¹¹ Do not lag in zeal; be ardent in spirit; serve the Lord. ¹² Rejoice in hope; be patient in affliction; persevere in prayer.

¹³ Contribute to the needs of the saints; pursue hospitality to strangers.

¹⁴ Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. ¹⁵ Rejoice with those who rejoice; weep with those who weep. ¹⁶ Live in harmony with one another; do not be arrogant, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. ¹⁷ Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. ¹⁸ If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all.

¹⁹ Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God, for it is written, “Vengeance is mine; I will repay, says the Lord.” ²⁰ Instead, “if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink, for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads.” ²¹ Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

*** GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia

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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.

*** THE HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 16: 21-28**

P The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the sixteenth chapter:

C Glory to you, O Lord.

²¹ From that time on, after Peter confessed that Jesus was the Messiah, Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes and be killed and on the third day be raised. ²² And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, “God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you.” ²³ But he turned and said to Peter, “Get behind me, Satan! You are a hindrance to me, for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.”

²⁴ Then Jesus told his disciples, “If any wish to come after me, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ²⁵ For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. ²⁶ For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life?

²⁷ “For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. ²⁸ Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.”

P The Gospel of our Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN’S SERMON

SERMON

The Rev. Katy Moran

*** HYMN OF THE DAY**

Take Up Your Cross, the Savior Said - ELW # 667

*** THE APOSTLES’ CREED**

P Living together in trust and hope with believers around the world, we confess our common faith:

C 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 THE PEOPLE**

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

A brief silence.

P For the church in every land, that its mission and ministry is anchored in the love of Christ. When threats or challenges arise, teach us to take up our cross and follow you in faith. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A For the well-being of your creation, that all that lives and grows on the earth may thrive. Bring relief to areas ravaged by droughts, floods, fires, storms, and other disasters. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

P For the nations and all in authority, that they seek to live in peace with one another. Bless the work of international and diplomatic organizations and all who work to bring peace to a world scarred by violence. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A For all those in need, that they be satisfied. Ensure all your children have safe access to food, water, shelter, and medical care. Bring healing to all who bear wounds in body, mind, and spirit especially those we name aloud or in our hearts (*brief pause*). Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

P For the congregation gathered here to serve you, that they remain strong in faith and united in purpose. Guide our committees, study groups, and other meetings toward honesty and humility, always seeking genuine love. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

A For the faithful departed, that their witness continues to strengthen and guide the church. Renew our hope in your promises in this life and the life to come. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

P 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.

* SHARING OF THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

(Worshippers are encouraged to share the greeting "Peace be with you" with one another.)

OFFERTORY INTERLUDE

*An Interlude - Dennis Eliot
Joanne Vasey, organ*

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* DOXOLOGY

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A musical score for a doxology, written in treble clef with a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#). The melody is simple and hymn-like. The lyrics are printed 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

- A 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.**

* 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.**
- P 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:

* SANCTUS

Holy, Holy, Holy

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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.

- P Jesus was always the guest. In the homes of Peter and Jairus, Martha and Mary, Joanna and Susanna, he was always the guest. At the meal tables of the wealthy where he pled the case of the poor, he was always the guest. Upsetting polite company, befriending isolated people, welcoming the stranger, he was always the guest.
- P But here, at this table, he is the host. Those who wish to serve him must first be served by him. Those who want to follow him must first be fed by him. For this is the table where God intends us to be nourished. This is the table where we who are broken are made whole. So, come, you who hunger and thirst for a deeper faith, for a better life, for a fairer world. Jesus Christ, who has sat at our tables, now invites us to be guests at his.
- 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 So now we do as Jesus did. We take this bread and wine, the produce of the earth and fruit of human labor. In these, Jesus has promised to be present; through these, Christ can make us whole. We ask, merciful God, that you send, in kindness, your Holy Spirit to settle on this bread and wine and fill them with the fullness of Jesus. Let that same Spirit rest on us, call us from the folly of this world, until in wisdom, we conform to the shape of him whose food we now share.
- P All this we ask through your son, Jesus Christ. By him, with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, All honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever.
- C **Amen.**

* THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

C **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

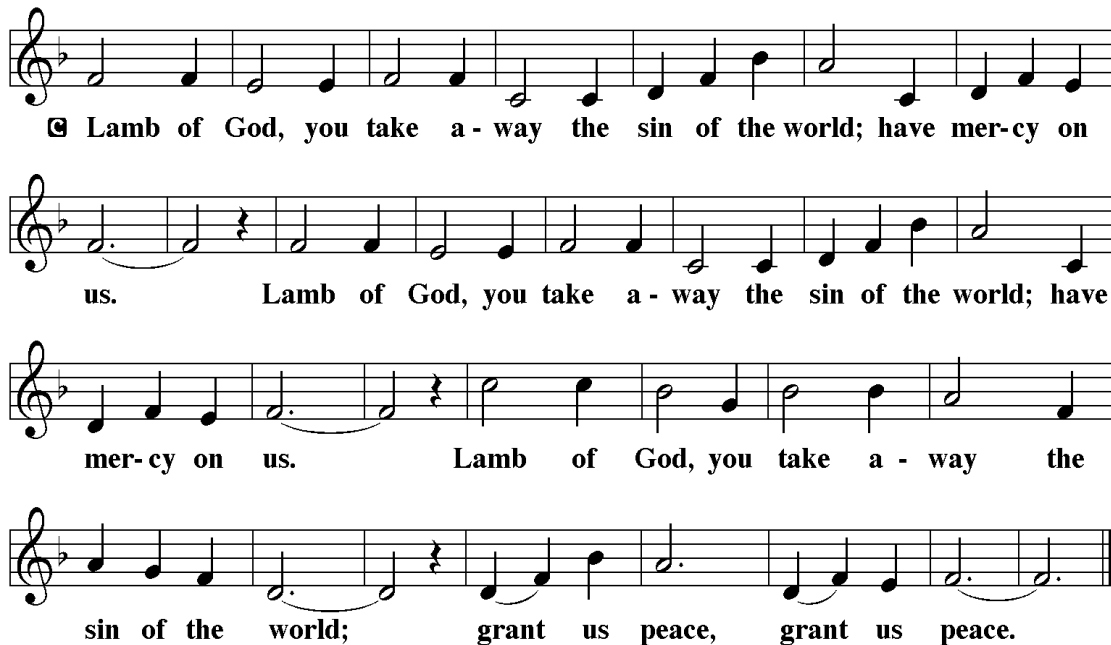
P Heaven has come near. Come, share in the feast!

C **Thanks be to God.**

AGNUS DEI

Lamb of God

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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 ANTHEM

Bind Us Together - Bob Gillman
Pop-Up Choir

(All interested singers welcome! Simply come forward and grab a binder. Folks not comfortable singing an alto, tenor or bass part may stay on the familiar melody.)

COMMUNION HYMN

Blest Be the Tie that Binds - ELW # 656

* POST COMMUNION BLESSING

P May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
C **Amen.**

* POST COMMUNION PRAYER

A 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.**

* BENEDICTION

P Neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus. God the creator, strengthen us; Jesus the beloved fill us; and the Holy Spirit the comforter ✠ keep us in peace.
C **Amen.**

* SENDING HYMN

Rise, O Church, like Christ Arisen - ELW # 548
Alternate Tune: PRAISE, MY SOUL

* DISMISSAL

P Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news!
C **Thanks be to God.**

* POSTLUDE

Trumpet Voluntary - Gordon Young
Joanne Vasey, organ

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The **WHITE CARNATION** on the Altar is placed there in loving memory of Maryellen Paulhamus, in remembrance of the one year anniversary of her passing on August 31, 2025.

THANKS to Lennox White, piano & vocals, Kailyn White, piano and the Pop-Up Choir for providing today's anthems for worship.

ORGAN UPDATE - Although the organ is playable today, work on the organ will be continuing in September. The upgrades that are completed so far are upgrades to the operating system. The preparations (voicings/sounds that complete the instrument as intended by Austin Organ) will be finished in September.

POP-UP ORCHESTRA FOR SEPT. 13, 2026: Calling all woodwind, string & brass instrumentalists! A pop-up orchestra will accompany the gathering and sending hymns on Sun., Sept. 13. Music will be provided in advance. All ages & experience levels welcome! If interested in participating, contact Joanne Vasey.

SPECIAL MUSIC: Musicians in the congregation are welcome to provide anthems for worship. All ages and experience levels welcome. If interested, contact Joanne Vasey.

August 30 – September 6, 2026

Sunday, Aug. 30 / 14 Pentecost Pastor Katy preaching WC Maryellen Paulhamus	9:30am Holy Communion
Monday, Aug. 31	9:15am Counters 7:00pm –8:00pm Al-Anon-YR
Tuesday, Sept. 1	2:00pm –4:00pm Transitions - LCH
Wednesday, Sept. 2	9:00am Holy Sew 'N' Sews-LCH 6:00pm Spiritual Growth
Thursday, Sept. 3	8:00am –3:00pm Preschool Orientation 9:30am Ladies Bible Study - Rm. 204-206 3:30pm Ladies Bible Study - Rm. 204-206 6:30pm Worship & Music Committee
Friday, Sept. 4	
Saturday, Sept. 5	
Sunday, Sept. 6 / 15 Pentecost Pastor Justin preaching	9:30am Holy Communion

ATTENDANCE: 9:30am: August 23, 2026: 77