

LUTHERAN CHAPEL



2 KINGS 25:1-21 AND LUKE 12:13-21

"Parable of the Rich Fool"

**HOLY COMMUNION
8TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
AUGUST 3, 2025**

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SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

***BOLD** indicates congregational responses - * Indicates that all who are able should stand to honor God.*

GATHER

WELCOME AND PRELUDE

“Andantino”

Cesar Franck

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: In the name of the Father, and of the +Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Matthew 28:19b

C: Amen.

CALL TO CONFESSION

1 John 1:8-9

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

P: Let us recite the gift of the Ten Commandments and the Great Commandment and use these teachings to examine our lives.

THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

Exodus 20:1-17

- 1. You shall have no other gods.**
- 2. You shall not make wrongful use of the Name of the LORD your God.**
- 3. Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.**
- 4. Honor your father and mother.**
- 5. You shall not murder.**
- 6. You shall not commit adultery.**
- 7. You shall not steal.**
- 8. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.**
- 9. You shall not covet your neighbor's house.**
- 10. You shall not covet your neighbor's wife or (husband).**

THE GREAT COMMANDMENT

Mark 12:28-31

C: You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength...you shall love your neighbor as yourself.

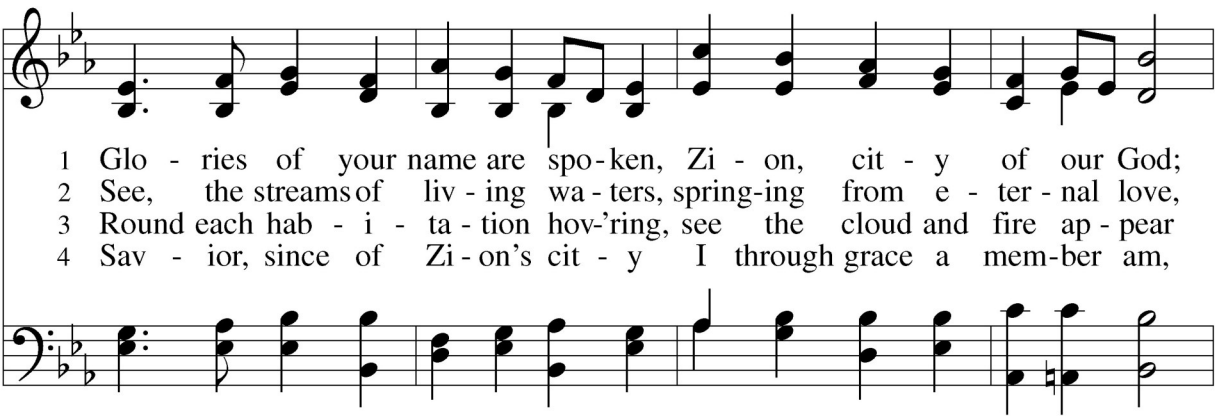
P: Let us kneel or sit for a time of silent confession and self-examination.

P: Most merciful God,

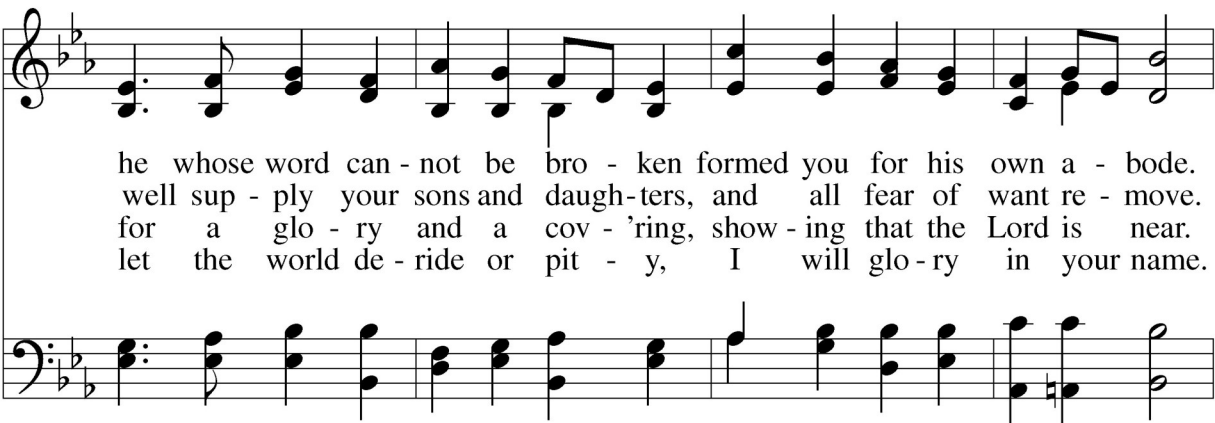
C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, 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.

P: 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.

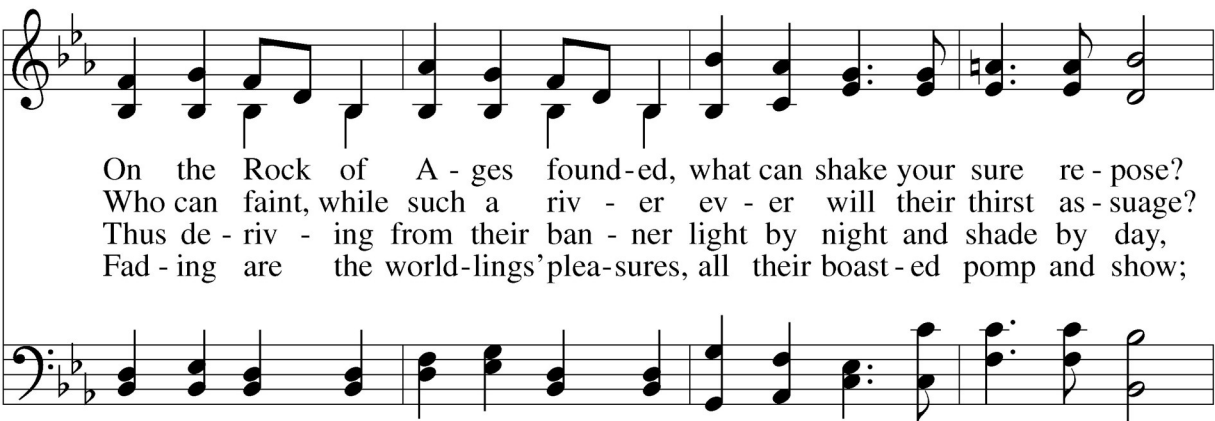
C: Amen.



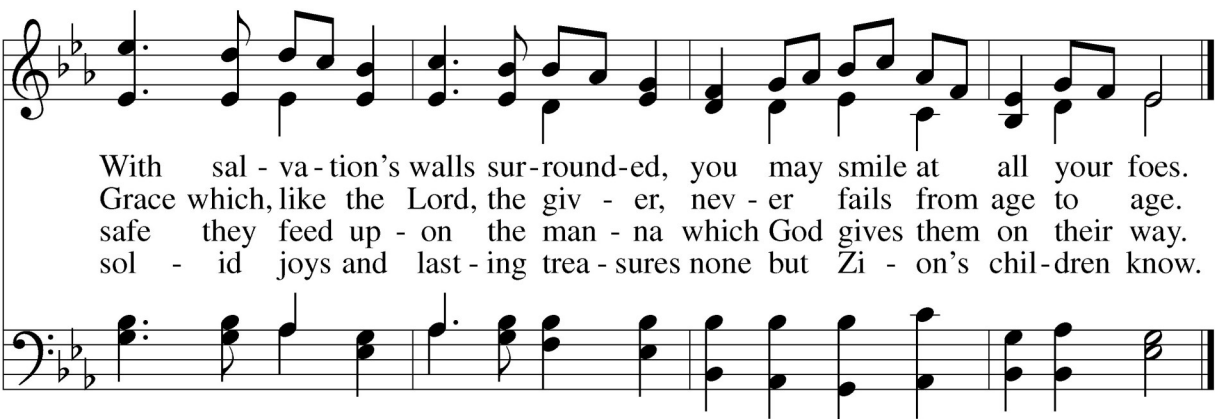
1 Glo - ries of your name are spo - ken, Zi - on, cit - y of our God;
 2 See, the streams of liv - ing wa - ters, spring - ing from e - ter - nal love,
 3 Round each hab - i - ta - tion hov'ring, see the cloud and fire ap - pear
 4 Sav - ior, since of Zi - on's cit - y I through grace a mem - ber am,



he whose word can - not be bro - ken formed you for his own a - bode.
 well sup - ply your sons and daugh - ters, and all fear of want re - move.
 for a glo - ry and a cov - 'ring, show - ing that the Lord is near.
 let the world de - ride or pit - y, I will glo - ry in your name.



On the Rock of A - ges found - ed, what can shake your sure re - pose?
 Who can faint, while such a riv - er ev - er will their thirst as - suage?
 Thus de - riv - ing from their ban - ner light by night and shade by day,
 Fad - ing are the world - lings' plea - sures, all their boast - ed pomp and show;



With sal - va - tion's walls sur - round - ed, you may smile at all your foes.
 Grace which, like the Lord, the giv - er, nev - er fails from age to age.
 safe they feed up - on the man - na which God gives them on their way.
 sol - id joys and last - ing trea - sures none but Zi - on's chil - dren know.

***THE APOSTOLIC GREETING**

2 Corinthians 13:13

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.

***THE KYRIE**

Mark 10:47, WOV pg. 28

AM: Kyrie eleison

C: Lord, have mercy.

AM: Christe eleison

C: Christ, have mercy.

AM: Kyrie eleison

C: Lord, have mercy.

***GLORY TO GOD**

Luke 2:14, John 1:29, WOV pg. 29

Refrain

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest;

Glory to God, glory to God, and peace to God's people on earth.

Verse 1

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,

We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Refrain

Verse 2

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father

Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:

Have mercy on us;

You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.

Refrain

Verse 3

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,

You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,

in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Refrain

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

(In Unison)

P: The Lord be with you.

C: Benevolent God, you are the source, the guide, and the goal of our lives. Teach us to love what is worth loving, to reject what is offensive to you, and to treasure what is precious in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

MESSAGE FOR ALL OF GOD'S PEOPLE

All who want to come forward for the Message are welcome to do so.

STORY OF SALVATION LESSON

2 KINGS 25:1-21

¹ And in the ninth year of his reign, in the tenth month, on the tenth day of the month, King Nebuchadnezzar of Babylon came with all his army against Jerusalem and laid siege to it; they built siegeworks against it all around. ² So the city was besieged until the eleventh year of King Zedekiah. ³ On the ninth day of the fourth month, the famine became so severe in the city that there was no food for the people of the land. ⁴ Then a breach was made in the city wall; the king with all the soldiers fled by night by the way of the gate between the two walls, by the King's

Garden, though the Chaldeans were all around the city. They went in the direction of the Arabah.⁵ But the army of the Chaldeans pursued the king and overtook him in the plains of Jericho; all his army was scattered, deserting him.⁶ Then they captured the king and brought him up to the king of Babylon at Riblah, who passed sentence on him.⁷ They slaughtered the sons of Zedekiah before his eyes, then put out the eyes of Zedekiah; they bound him in fetters and took him to Babylon.

⁸ In the fifth month, on the seventh day of the month—which was the nineteenth year of King Nebuchadnezzar, king of Babylon—Nebuzaradan, the captain of the bodyguard, a servant of the king of Babylon, came to Jerusalem.⁹ He burned the house of the Lord, the king's house, and all the houses of Jerusalem; every great house he burned down.¹⁰ All the army of the Chaldeans who were with the captain of the guard broke down the walls around Jerusalem.¹¹ Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard carried into exile the rest of the people who were left in the city and the deserters who had defected to the king of Babylon—all the rest of the multitude.¹² But the captain of the guard left some of the poorest people of the land to be vinedressers and tillers of the soil.

¹³ The bronze pillars that were in the house of the Lord, as well as the stands and the bronze sea that were in the house of the Lord, the Chaldeans broke in pieces and carried the bronze to Babylon.¹⁴ They took away the pots, the shovels, the snuffers, the dishes for incense, and all the bronze vessels used in the temple service,¹⁵ as well as the firepans and the basins. What was made of gold the captain of the guard took away for the gold and what was made of silver for the silver.¹⁶ As for the two pillars, the one sea, and the stands that Solomon had made for the house of the Lord, the bronze of all these vessels was beyond weighing.¹⁷ The height of the one pillar was eighteen cubits, and on it was a bronze capital; the height of the capital was three cubits; latticework and pomegranates, all of bronze, were on the capital all around. The second pillar had the same, with the latticework.

¹⁸ The captain of the guard took the chief priest Seraiah, the second priest Zephaniah, and the three guardians of the threshold;¹⁹ from the city he took an officer who had been in command of the soldiers and five men of the king's council who were found in the city; the secretary who was the commander of the army who mustered the people of the land; and sixty men of the people of the land who were found in the city.²⁰ Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard took them and brought them to the king of Babylon at Riblah.²¹ **The king of Babylon struck them down and put them to death at Riblah in the land of Hamath. So Judah went into exile out of its land.**
L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

STORY OF SALVATION TIMELINE

The timeline below offers an overview of the Story of Salvation lesson from Genesis to Revelation. The + marks where we are now. The memory verse is in bold.

*Creation: Fall : Promise : Exodus : Conquest : Judges: + **Kings and Prophets** : Exile :
Restoration : 2nd Temple : JESUS : +Apostles : Last Day : New Creation*

PSALM 49:1-12



Psalm 49:3

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Hear this, all you peoples;
give ear, all you who dwell in the world,
you of high degree and low,
rich and poor together.

My mouth shall speak of wisdom,
and my heart shall meditate on understanding.

I will incline my ear to a proverb
and set forth my riddle upon the harp.

Refrain

Why should I be afraid in evil days,
when the wickedness of those at my heels surrounds me,
the wickedness of those who trust in their own prowess,
and boast of their great riches?

One can never redeem another,
or give to God the ransom for another's life;
for the ransom of a life is so great
that there would never be enough to pay it,
in order to live forever and ever
and never see the grave.

For we see that the wise die also; like the dull and stupid they perish
and leave their wealth to those who come after them.

Their graves shall be their homes forever, their dwelling places from generation
to generation,
though they had named lands after themselves.

Even though honored, they cannot live forever;
they are like the beasts that perish.

Refrain

SECOND LESSON

COLOSSIANS 3:1-11

1 So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. 2 Set your minds on the things that are above, not on the things that are on earth, 3 for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. 4 When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory. 5 Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). 6 On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. 7 These

are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. 8 But now you must get rid of all such things: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. 9 Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices 10 and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. 11 In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, enslaved and free, but Christ is all and in all!

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

John 6:68

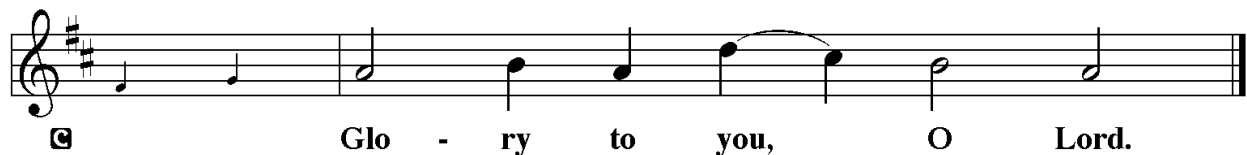
C: Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

***GOSPEL**

LUKE 12:13-21

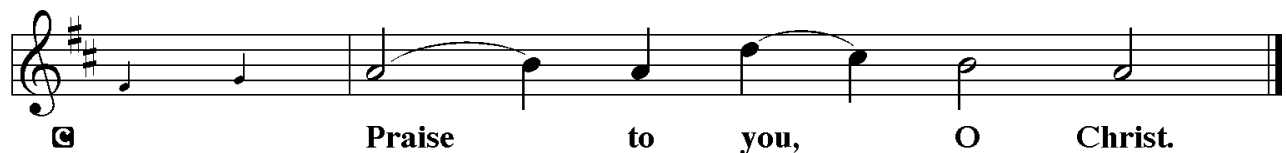
Those who are able may stand to honor Christ during the reading of the Gospel.

Response after the announcement:



¹³ Someone in the crowd said to [Jesus,] “Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me.” ¹⁴ But he said to him, “Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?” ¹⁵ And he said to them, “Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed, for one’s life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.” ¹⁶ Then he told them a parable: “The land of a rich man produced abundantly. ¹⁷ And he thought to himself, ‘What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?’ ¹⁸ Then he said, ‘I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. ¹⁹ And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.’ ²⁰ But God said to him, ‘You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?’ ²¹ So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.



MESSAGE

“Parable of the Rich Fool”

Fall of Judah – Lessons?

How Does One Become Rich Towards God?

The Law is an aspect in the Word that shows our brokenness, sin and need for Jesus’ saving power: Worldly stuff. What is truly important in my view? Could I be wrong?

The Gospel is an aspect in the Word that gives strength, wisdom and hope in Jesus’ ultimate saving power: Jesus invites us to become truly rich towards our Father in Heaven, breath by breath, day by day, now to forever.

So What?: Live in this moment given. Set your mind on things that are above: God, love of family and friends, the hope of Heaven, the example of the godly, sacred song, the good creation, the sharing of the good news with all, etc.

***THE APOSTLES' CREED**

All are invited to confess our faith in God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. If you have not received the gift of baptism or would like to affirm your faith in Jesus and join His mission here, please indicate on the attendance registry and talk to an usher or the pastor.

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.

The third day He rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven and

sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy Christian Church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body

and the life + everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

1 Timothy 2:1-4

AM: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

A brief silence may be kept. Each prayer will conclude: Lord in Your mercy, and the congregation may respond **Hear our prayers.**

Prayers are commended in Jesus' Name.

AM: All these prayers and whatever else You see that we need we ask in the Name of Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

***THE SHARING OF THE PEACE**

Matthew 5:22-24: Ephesians 4:1-3

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

THE MEAL

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

2 Corinthians 9:7-8

MUSICAL OFFERING

Offered by Debra Hoffman

"God So Loved the World"

John Stainer

***OFFERTORY**

“Create in Me a Clean Heart”

Psalm 51:10-12

**Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me.
Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit.**

***THE OFFERTORY PRAYER**

(In Unison)

C: Blessed are You, O God, maker of all things. Through Your goodness You have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered in feeding the world with Your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

***THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

2 Timothy 4:22, Colossians 3:1, Psalm 136

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.

***PREFACE AND THE HOLY, HOLY, HOLY**

Isaiah 6:3, Matthew 21:9 WOV pg. 36

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

***THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

Matthew 26, Mark 14, Luke 22, 1 Corinthians 11

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.

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.

***THE LORD’S PRAYER**

Matthew 6:9-13

P: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

**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.**

*LAMB OF GOD

John 1:29, WOV pg. 39

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

*DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

All baptized Christians are welcome to Holy Communion. Here we receive forgiveness, the gift of abiding in Jesus, the remembrance of His sacrificial love for us on the Cross, and the promise of eternal life (Luke 24:13-35, John 6:22-59, 1 Cor. 11:23-26). Please request grape juice or gluten free bread if needed. (Please take your communion cup as you leave and discard in trashcan.)

P: This is the body of Christ given for you. This is the blood of Christ shed for you.

COMMUNION MUSIC

"Seek Ye First"

W&P #122

Seek ye__ first the king - dom of God and its right - eous - ness,
Ask, and it shall be giv-en un - to you, seek, and ye shall find,
and all these things shall be add - ed un-to you; Al - le - lu, al-le - lu - ia!
knock, and the door shall be o - pened un-to you; Al - le - lu, al-le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,
Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!

"Oh Bread of Life"

ELW #480

SENDING

*THE BLESSING

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

C: Amen.

Luke 2:29-32

***POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

C: Amen.

*RECESSIONAL HYMN

“God of Grace and God of Glory”

ELW # 705

P: Go in peace, serve the Lord!

C: Thanks be to God.

“Voluntary in G”

Henry Heron



Serving the
CHURCH



Ministers.....	People of Lutheran Chapel
Pastor.....	Michael Comer
Administrative Assistant.....	Susan Hibschi
Director of Music Ministries.....	Kathie Riebe
Choir Accompanist.....	Anna Gilreath
Assistant Minister.....	Norman Overcash
Acolyte.....	Elena Hoffman
Lector.....	Jenny Williamson
Crucifer.....	Maddie Potter
Head Ushers.....	Steve Clark and Ervin Hoffman
First Aid/AED/CPR.....	Debra Hoffman
Council Members of the Month.....	Matt Hoffman and Jenny Williamson

Upcoming EVENTS



GENERAL INFORMATION: If your family is in need of a **nursery** attendant during the 10:00 service, please let our ushers know and they will contact one of our attendants. **Restrooms** are located on the bottom floor of the Sanctuary. Additional restrooms are located in the Educational Building and *do not require the use of stairs*. If needed, please see an usher for assistance in locating them.

TO GIVE TITHES AND OFFERINGS ONLINE: This QR code goes straight to the “Easy Tithe” page on the website that accepts tithes and offerings electronically.



FELLOWSHIP TIME: All are welcome for fellowship time on Sunday mornings at 8:30 am in the foyer of the education building before Sunday School/Bible Study and on Wednesday nights after the 7:00 Service. Decaffeinated coffee will be provided. Please bring a coffee mug if you want to keep it at the church. Tremendous apologies to the fellowship for leaky coffee cups that your cheap pastor has been using up over the summer months.



CLOTHING CLOSET: The next clothing closet giveaway will be held on **Saturday, August 16** from 9 am-12 pm. The clothing closet is in great need of summer clothing and shoes. Do you have some clothes that you don't like or that don't fit anymore? Please consider going through your closet and sharing! Thank you!

THE CHOSEN: Join us for the Evening Suffrages on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 pm, followed by an episode of the Chosen with a discussion and snacks to follow in the Memorial Chapel.

LOVE OFFERING FOR AUGUST: Our love offering for **August** will be for Crisis Assistance Ministry. It is vital to our community of neighbors who suffer under the burden of poverty and for those in financial crisis that we continue to support this ministry. Just this year, CAM has received 170 applications for assistance. Please prayerfully consider your donation and help CAM to meet the essential life needs of food, rent/mortgage, utilities, and prescription medicines of people in need. Please continue to place food donations in the blue box in our Sunday School wing and in the basket in the narthex of the sanctuary. Please check the expiration dates of all donated food items. Last year, our generous church family donated 188 bags of food. The Social Ministry Committee will continue to deliver to CAM as donations are given.



Weekly CALENDAR



Sunday, August 3

8:30 am Fellowship with coffee
9:00 am Sunday School / Bible Study
10:00 am Worship (Sanctuary)
8:00 pm Faith Group (Fellowship Hall)

Monday, August 4

Tuesday, August 5

8:30 am Preschool
10:00 am Clothing Closet Workday
6:00 pm Pickup basketball (Gym)

Wednesday, August 6

8:30 am Preschool
7:00 pm Evening Suffrages and Episode of the Chosen (Chapel)

Thursday, August 7

8:30 am Preschool
11:00 am Bible Study (Library)

Friday, August 8

Saturday, August 9

9:30 am Hungry Peeps in (Fellowship Hall)

Sunday, August 10

8:30 am Fellowship with coffee
9:00 am Sunday School / Bible Study
10:00 am Worship (Sanctuary)
8:00 pm Faith Group (Fellowship Hall)



DAILY PRAYER - A HOME ALTAR ALTERS THE HOME!: Sunrise, noon, sunset and at meals are times for daily prayer (*Psalm 1 55:17*). *May God bless you as you turn to Him day by day.*

THE BIBLE IN A YEAR - Week 32 August 3 to August 10, 2025

08/03 Morning Reading: Romans 6—Evening Reading: Psalms 63, 64, 65
08/04 Morning Reading: Romans 7—Evening Reading: Psalms 66, 67
08/05 Morning Reading: Romans 8:1-21—Evening Reading: Psalms 68, 69
08/06 Morning Reading: Romans 8:22-39—Evening Reading: Psalms 70, 71
08/07 Morning Reading: Romans 9:1-15—Evening Reading: Psalms 72, 73
08/08 Morning Reading: Romans 9:16-33—Evening Reading: Psalms 74, 75, 76
08/09 Morning Reading: Romans 10—Evening Reading: Psalms 77, 78
08/10 Morning Reading: Romans 11:1-18—Evening Reading: Psalms 79, 80

This QR code goes straight to the Daily prayers page on the website that lists the commemorations and Psalms appointments for the week.



PRAYER LIST FOR FELLOWSHIP: Margaret Berghello, Shirley Bradley, Gail Brown, Miles Carpenter, **George Cashion**, Ruby Cook, Judy Gault, Baker Hampton, Henry Hoffman, James Hovis, Pat Lindler, Ann Lowe, Janet McKinney, Trish Ratchford, Kay Robinson.

FRIENDS OF THE FELLOWSHIP: Kyle Banes, Rick Belton, Kathy Bradley, Gage Brown, Deborah Carpenter, Zandra Chavis, Jeff Cobb, Doris Coggins, Tucker Doyne, Jameson Franklin, Al Froneberger, Jan Green, Jerry Green, Millie Holland, John, Kathy Jenkins, Kirk Jordan, Debbie Kersprie, Don Kincaid, Sherry McCart, Bobby Myers, Betty Parlier, Rita Pasour, Jeff Smith, Christy Carpenter Smith, Mickey and Shelia Smith, Charlene Sorenson, Judy Turner, Don Wankel, Sr. and Kennedy Williams.

To share concerns and updates for the prayer list you can contact the church office (704-864-6491) or call/text Pastor Comer (704-787-6439)

NEXT WEEK'S LESSONS:

Wednesday, August 6 ~ Evening Suffrages

Psalm 76 “*Vows to the Lord Your God*” - Chosen “*The Perfect Opportunity*”

Thursday, August 7 ~ Story of Salvation Bible Study

2 Kings 25:1-21 “*Fall of Jerusalem*”

Sunday, August 10 ~ Ante Communion

Ezekiel 36:24-28 and Luke 12:32-40 “*Simplicity*”



Series on the Holy Communion Service

Part 2

Why do we pray this almost every Sunday service?

The Lutheran Confessions assert that “The chief Service of God is to preach the Gospel” (**Apology of the Augsburg Confession**, 15:42). So, where is the good news in the Service millennia by millennia, Sunday by Sunday? Consider this little commentary on the Holy Communion Service. If the Holy Spirit has passed these scriptures and songs down to us, then maybe they are worth putting in our hearts, right?

Glory to God in the Highest (Gloria in Excelsis) – This is the song of the angels (Luke 2:14) and the confession of John the Baptist (John 1:29) combined as one of the earliest Christian songs. We can give glory to Jesus and, as the shepherds of old, we can join in the cosmic song. Re-joice!





~CHARLOTTE CHAPTER~
American Guild of Organists

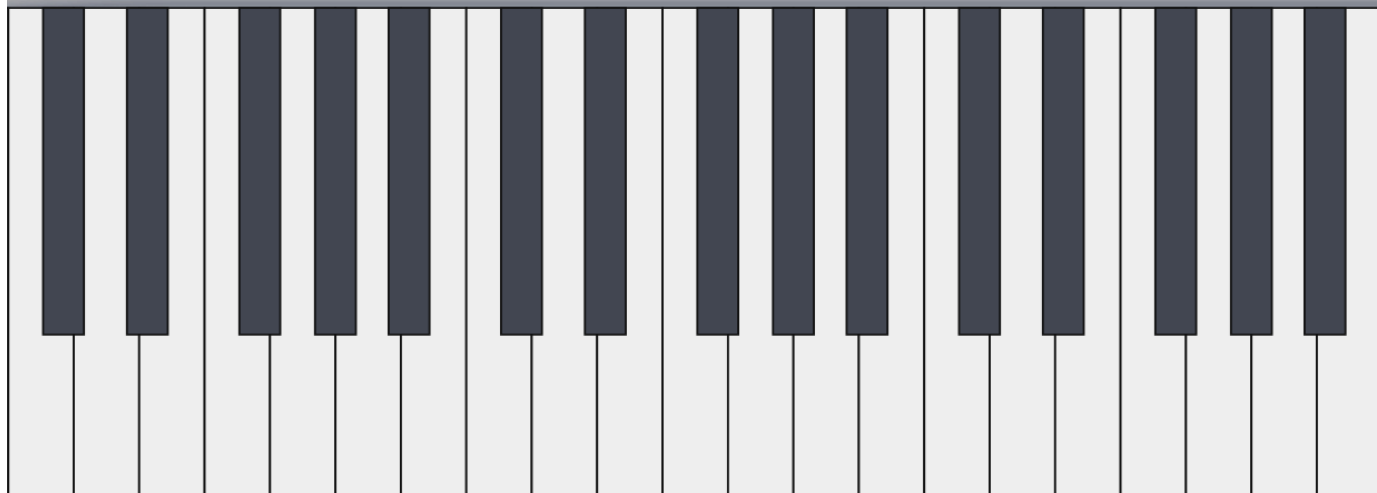
**2025 Summer
Recital Series**
SUNDAY, AUGUST 10
4:00PM

**Kathie Riebe
and Kevin Haney**

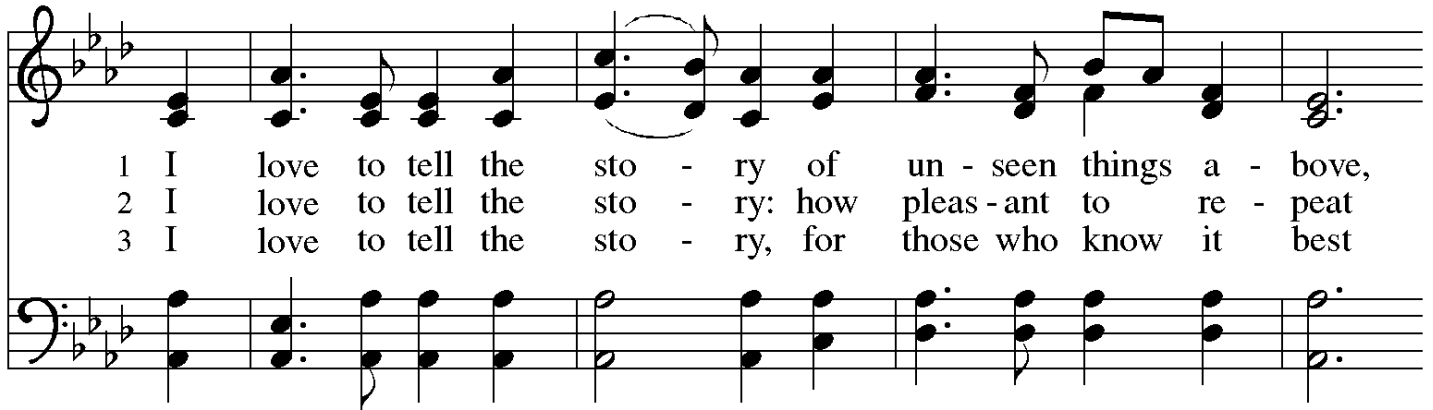
**ST. JOHN'S
BAPTIST CHURCH**
300 Hawthorne Ln, Charlotte

**Free and open
to the public!**

A freewill offering will be accepted at each recital to benefit the Robert and Ann Stigall Scholarship Fund (est. 2004), which honors the Stigalls' many years of inspiring music at Myers Park Presbyterian Church and throughout the Charlotte community. This fund helps cover private organ lesson costs for students in grades 6–12.



I Love to Tell the Story



1 I love to tell the sto - ry of un - seen things a - bove,
2 I love to tell the sto - ry: how pleas - ant to re - peat
3 I love to tell the sto - ry, for those who know it best



of Je - sus and his glo - ry, of Je - sus and his love.
what seems, each time I tell it, more won - der - ful - ly sweet!
seem hun - ger - ing and thirst-ing to hear it like the rest.



I love to tell the sto - ry, be - cause I know it's true;
I love to tell the sto - ry, for some have nev - er heard
And when, in scenes of glo - ry, I sing the new, new song,

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it sat - is - fies my long - ings as noth - ing else would do.
 the mes - sage of sal - va - tion from God's own ho - ly word.
 I'll sing the old, old sto - ry that I have loved so long.

Refrain



I love to tell the sto - ry; 'twill be my theme in glo - ry



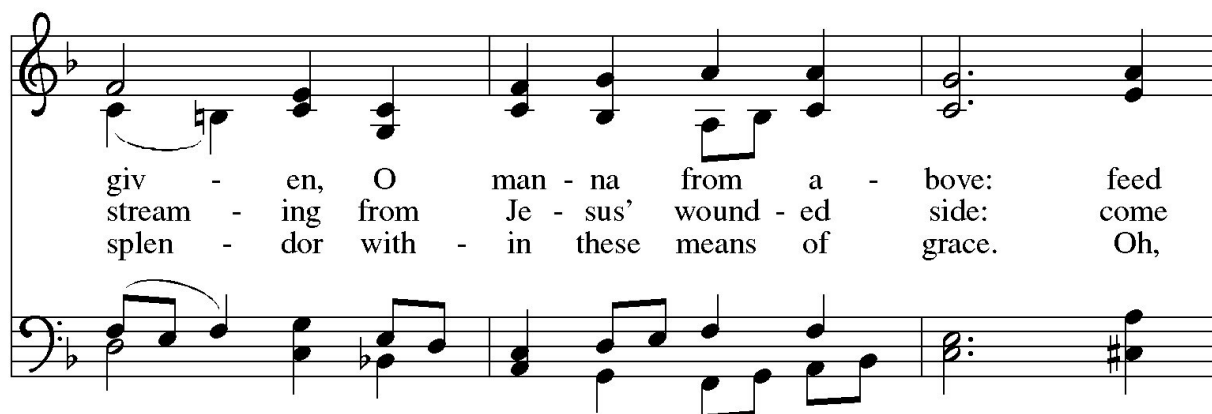
to tell the old, old sto - ry of Je - sus and his love.

Text: Katherine Hankey, 1834–1911
 Music: HANKEY, William E. Fischer, 1849–1936

O Bread of Life from Heaven



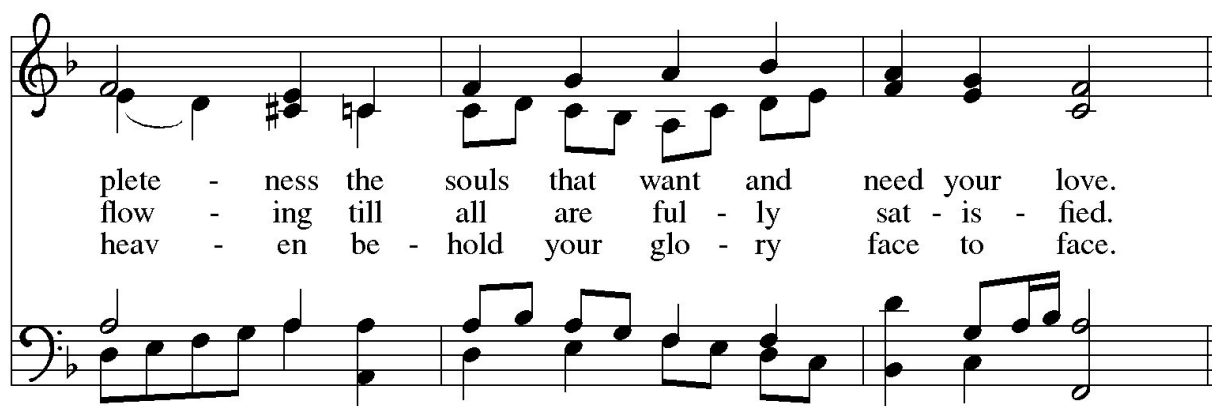
1 O bread of life from heav - en, O food to pil - grims
 2 O fount of grace re - deem - ing, O riv - er ev - er
 3 We love you, Je - sus, ten - der, in all your hid - den



giv - en, O man - na from a - bove: feed
 stream - ing from Je - sus' wound - ed side: come
 splen - dor with - in these means of grace. Oh,



with the bless - ed sweet - ness of your di - vine com -
 now, your love be - stow - ing on thirst - ing souls, and
 let the veil be riv - en, and our clear eye in



plete - ness the souls that want and need your love.
 flow - ing till all are ful - ly sat - is - fied.
 heav - en be - hold your glo - ry face to face.

God of Grace and God of Glory

1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, on your peo - ple
 2 Lo! The hosts of e - vil round us scorn the Christ, as -
 3 Cure your chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness; bend our pride to
 4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils

pour your pow'r; crown your an - cient chur - ch's sto - ry;
 sail his ways! From the fears that long have bound us
 your con - trol; shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness,
 we de - plore; let the gift of your sal - va - tion

bring its bud to glo - rious flow'r. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age
 free our hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age
 rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
 be our glo - ry ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,

for the fac - ing of this hour, for the fac - ing of this hour.
 for the liv - ing of these days, for the liv - ing of these days.
 lest we miss your king - dom's goal, lest we miss your king - dom's goal.
 serv - ing you whom we a - dore, serv - ing you whom we a - dore.

Text: Harry E. Fosdick, 1878–1969

Music: CWM RHONDDA, John Hughes, 1873–1932