

<u>Complete Worship Folder</u> June 15, 2025 – 8:00 ą.m. & 10:30 ą.m. June 18, 2025 – 7:00 p.m.

ASCENSION LUTHERAN CHURCH

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The Holy Trinity

Welcome and Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

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

C: Amen.

P: Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God,...you free us to love others, but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way. You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace, but we turn away from the abundant life you offer. You surround us with patience, kindness, and generosity, but we grow weary in doing what is right. In your mercy, forgive us. Do not give up on us. Heal us, break our bonds, and show us the path of life. Amen.

P: 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. Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation. **C: Amen**

Hymn: "Holy God, We Praise Your Name" (ELW 414)

Holy God, we praise your name; Lord of all, we bow before you. All on earth your scepter claim, all in heav'n above adore you. Infinite your vast domain, everlasting is your reign.

Hark! The glad celestial hymn angel choirs above are raising; cherubim and seraphim, in unceasing chorus praising, fill the heav'ns with sweet accord: "Holy, holy, holy Lord!"

Lo, the apostolic train join your sacred name to hallow; prophets swell the glad refrain, and the white-robed martyrs follow; and from morn to set of sun through the church the song goes on.

Holy Father, holy Son, Holy Spirit, three we name you, though in essence only one; undivided God we claim you and, adoring, bend the knee while we own the mystery.

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.

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray... Almighty Creator and ever-living God: we worship your glory, eternal Three-in-One, and we praise your power, majestic One-in-Three. Keep us steadfast in this faith, defend us in all adversity, and bring us at last into your presence, where you live in endless joy and love, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Children's Message (10:30 a.m.)

First Reading: Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31 ¹ Does not wisdom call and understanding raise her voice? ² On the heights, beside the way, at the crossroads she takes her stand; ³ beside the gates in front of the town, at the entrance of the portals she cries out: ⁴ "To you, O people, I call, and my cry is to all who live. ²² "The LORD created me at the beginning of his work, the first of his acts of long ago. ²³ Ages ago I was set up, at the first, before the beginning of the earth. ²⁴ When there were no depths I was brought forth, when there were no springs abounding with water. ²⁵ Before the mountains had been shaped, before the hills, I was brought forth, ²⁶ when he had not yet made earth and fields or the world's first bits of soil. ²⁷ When he established the heavens, I was there; when he drew a circle on the face of the deep, ²⁸ when he made firm the skies above, when he established the fountains of the deep. ²⁹ when he assigned to the sea its limit, so that the waters might not transgress his command, when he marked out the foundations of the earth, ³⁰ then I was beside him, like a master worker, and I was daily his delight, playing before him always, ³¹ playing in his inhabited world and delighting in the human race. L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

Second Reading: Romans 5:1-5

¹ Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ² through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand, and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. ³ And not only that, but we also boast in our afflictions, knowing that affliction produces endurance, ⁴ and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵ and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

L: The Word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God!

Gospel Acclamation: "Come, Holy Spirit, Descend" (ACS 980 verse 1 only)

Come, Holy Spirit, descend on us, descend on us. We gather here in Jesus' name.

P: The Holy Gospel according to John, the sixteenth chapter. C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: John 16:12-15

[Jesus said,] ¹² "I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³ When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴ He will glorify me because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵ All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you."

P: This is the gospel of our Lord.C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Hymn of the Day: "There Is A Redeemer" (CCLI 11483)

There is a Redeemer Jesus God's own Son Precious Lamb of God Messiah Holy One

Chorus Thank You O my Father For giving us Your Son And leaving Your Spirit Till the work on earth is done

Jesus my Redeemer name above all names Precious Lamb of God Messiah O for sinners slain *Chorus*

When I stand in glory I will see His face There I'll serve my King forever In that holy place *Chorus* In this time of desperation When all we know is doubt and fear There is only one foundation We believe we believe In this broken generation When all is dark You help us see There is only one salvation We believe we believe

Chorus We believe in God the Father We believe in Jesus Christ We believe in the Holy Spirit And He's given us new life We believe in the crucifixion We believe that He conquered death We believe in the resurrection And He's coming back again (We believe)

So let our faith be more than anthems Greater than the songs we sing In our weakness and temptations We believe we believe *Chorus*

Let the lost be found and the dead be raised In the here and now let love invade Let the church live loud our God will save We believe we believe And the gates of hell will not prevail For the pow'r of God has torn the veil Now we know Your love will never fail We believe we believe *Chorus*

He's coming back again He's coming back again We believe we believe

<u>The Prayers of the Children of God</u> Each petition ends...God of grace, **Congregation responds...hear our prayer.**

<u>Sharing of the Peace</u>P: The peace of Christ be with you always.**C: And also with you.**

Offering

Offering Song: "As the Grains of Wheat" (ELW 465 refrain only)

As the grains of wheat once scattered on the hill were gathered into one to become our bread; so may all your people from all the ends of earth be gathered into one in you.

Offering Prayer

A: 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.

C: Amen.

<u>Thanksgiving</u>

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.

Lord's Prayer

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

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 / Distribution of Holy Communion

P: The kingdom of God is set before you. Eat and rejoice.

Communion Songs: "Let Us Break Bread Together" (ELW 471)

Let us break bread together on our knees; let us break bread together on our knees.

Refrain When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me.

Let us drink wine together on our knees; let us drink wine together on our knees. *Refrain*

Let us praise God together on our knees; let us praise God together on our knees. *Refrain* "Come to the Table" (ELW 481)

Come to the table of mercy, prepared with the wine and the bread. All who are hungry and thirsty, come, and your souls will be fed. Come at the Lord's invitation; receive from his nail-scarred hand. Eat of the bread of salvation; drink of the blood of the Lamb.

"Sanctuary" (CCLI 24140)

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, Pure and holy, tried and true; With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for You. *(repeat as needed to finish communion)*

Post-Communion Blessing

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

Post Communion Prayer

A: Let us pray. 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. **C: Amen**

Blessing

P: The love of God abound in you; the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts; and the life of the Spirit + bless you and give you peace.

C: Amen.

Sending Song: "Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!" (ELW 413)

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee. Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy! All the saints adore thee, casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee, which wert and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee, though the eye of sinfulness thy glory may not see, only thou art holy; there is none beside thee, perfect in pow'r, in love and purity.

Holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea. Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessed Trinity! Dismissal

A: We work together to spread Christ's love with our community

- C: Through Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Lives, and an Open Table.
- A: Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.
- C: Thanks be to God.

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