

HAINESVILLE LUTHERAN CHURCH ELCA



Sunday, July 26th, 2026

Nineth Sunday after Pentecost

"The Little Church with a Big Heart"

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WELCOME TO WORSHIP at HAINESVILLE LUTHERAN CHURCH.

We're glad you're here. If you are visiting with us, please sign a visitor card and place it in the offering plate. We thank you for joining us in worship and pray that our time together is a blessing to you. And.... please join us for our weekly fellowship brunch after worship. There's always plenty and you are very welcome. If you are looking for a faith community, we would be pleased to have you call HVLC your "church home".

PRELUDE AND RINGING OF THE BELL

WELCOME AND STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

CHILDREN'S CHAT AND NOISY OFFERING

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God, whose compassion endures forever.

C Amen.

P Let us confess our sin to God.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P Compassionate God,

C we confess to you all our sins. Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves. In your mercy, call us back to you. Your yoke is easy and your burden is light. Restore us to dwell in your peace. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.

P Jesus says, "Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest." In the name of God, Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Rest in God's love.

C Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

"Are You Washed in the Blood"

Verse 1

Have you been to Jesus for the cleansing power

Are you washed in the blood of the Lamb

Are you fully trusting in His grace this hour

Are you washed in the blood of the Lamb

Chorus

Are you washed in the blood

**In the soul cleansing blood of the Lamb
Are your garments spotless are they white as snow
Are you washed in the blood of the Lamb**

Verse 2

**Are you walking daily by the Savior's side
Are you washed in the blood of the Lamb
Do you rest each moment in the Crucified
Are you washed in the blood of the Lamb *Chorus***

Verse 3

**When the Bridegroom cometh will your robes be white
Are you washed in the blood of the Lamb
Will your soul be ready for the mansions bright
And be washed in the blood of the Lamb *Chorus***

Verse 4

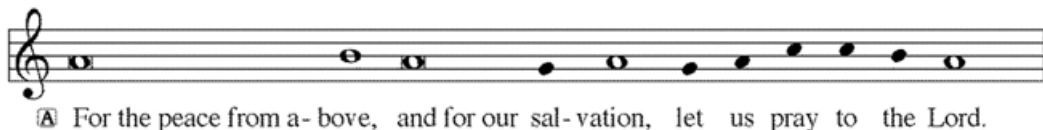
**Lay aside the garments that are stained with sin
And be washed in the blood of the Lamb
There's a fountain flowing for the soul unclean
O be washed in the blood of the Lamb *Chorus***

GREETING

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

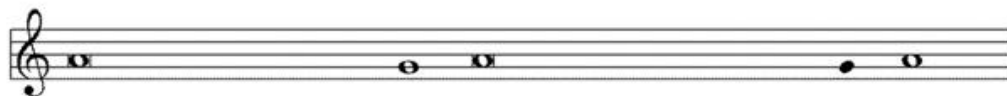
C And also with you.

KYRIE (*setting 4 pp 147-148*)





C Lord, have mer - cy.



A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor - ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.

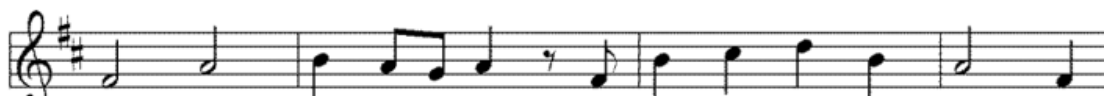


A Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra-cious Lord. **C** A - men

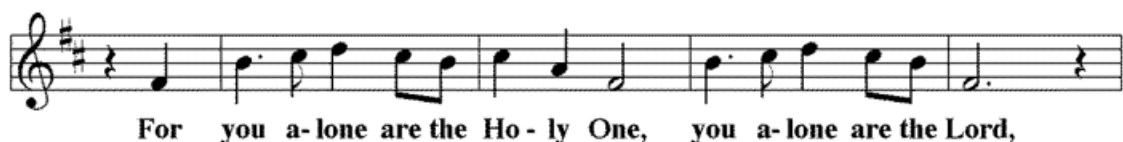
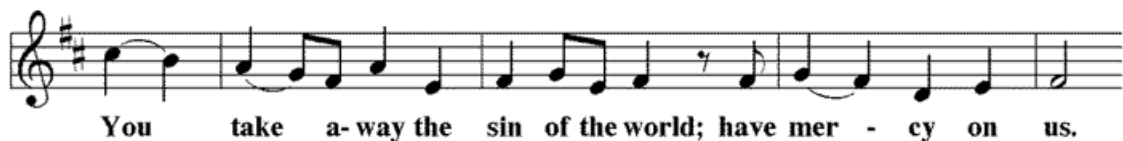
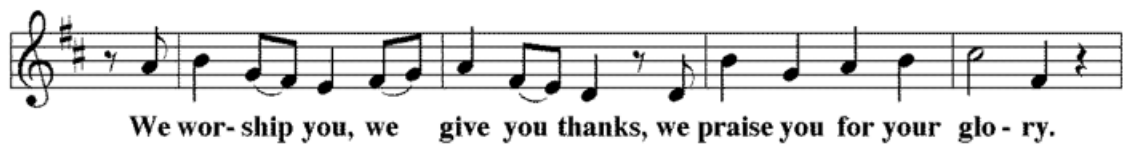
HYMN OF PRAISE *(setting 4 pp 149-150)*



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



C Lord God, heav - en - ly king, al - might - y God and Fa - ther:



PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray. Beloved and sovereign God,
C through the death and resurrection of your Son you bring us into
your kingdom of justice and mercy. By your Spirit, give us your
wisdom, that we may treasure the life that comes from Jesus
Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

FIRST READING: 1 Kings 3:5-12

⁵ At Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream by night, and God said, “Ask what I should give you.” ⁶ And Solomon said, “You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you, and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. ⁷ And now, O LORD my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. ⁸ And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. ⁹ Give your servant, therefore, an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil, for who can govern this great people of yours?”

¹⁰ It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. ¹¹ God said to him, “Because you have asked this and have not asked for yourself long life or riches or for the life of your enemies but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, ¹² I now do according to your word. Indeed, I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you, and no one like you shall arise after you.”

R The word of the Lord

C **Thanks be to God**

PSALM: Psalm 119:129-136 (*read responsively*)

¹²⁹ Your decrees are wonderful;
therefore I obey them with all my heart.

¹³⁰ **When your word is opened it gives light;
it gives understanding to the simple.**

¹³¹ I open my mouth and pant
because I long for your commandments.

¹³² **Turn to me and be gracious to me,
as you always do to those who love your name.**

¹³³ Order my footsteps in your word;

let no iniquity have dominion over me.

¹³⁴ **Rescue me from those who oppress me,
and I will keep your commandments.**

¹³⁵ Let your face shine upon your servant
and teach me your statutes.

¹³⁶ **My eyes shed streams of tears,
because people do not keep your teaching.**

SECOND READING: Romans 8:26-39

²⁶ The Spirit helps us in our weakness, for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with groanings too deep for words.

²⁷ And God, who searches hearts, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

²⁸ We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. ²⁹ For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. ³⁰ And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified.

³¹ What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? ³² He who did not withhold his own Son but gave him up for all of us, how will he not with him also give us everything else? ³³ Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. ³⁴ Who is to condemn? It is Christ who died, or rather, who was raised, who is also at the right hand of God, who also intercedes for us. ³⁵ Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will affliction or distress or persecution or famine or nakedness or peril or sword? ³⁶ As it is written,

“For your sake we are being killed all day long;
we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered.”

³⁷ No, in all these things we are more than victorious through him who loved us. ³⁸ For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹ nor height, nor depth,

nor anything else in all creation will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

R Word of God, Word of Life

C Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: *(please stand as you are able)*



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL: Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

Throughout Matthew's gospel, Jesus and his disciples proclaim the good news that "the kingdom of heaven is near!" Here, Jesus offers several brief parables that explore the implications of this announcement for people's lives.

Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 13th chapter

C Glory to you, O Lord.

³¹ [Jesus] put before [the crowds] another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field;³² it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches."

³³ He told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened."

⁴⁴ "The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and reburied; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

⁴⁵ “Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; ⁴⁶ on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.

⁴⁷ “Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; ⁴⁸ when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. ⁴⁹ So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous ⁵⁰ and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

⁵¹ “Have you understood all this?” They answered, “Yes.” ⁵² And he said to them, “Therefore every scribe who has become a disciple in the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.”

P The Gospel of the Lord

C Praise to you O Christ.

GOD’S WORD FOR TODAY

Pastor Mary Lou Plummer

HYMN OF THE DAY “*Take My Life, That I May Be*”

Verse 1

Take my life and let it be
consecrated, Lord, to thee.

Take my moments and my days;
let them flow in endless praise,
let them flow in endless praise.

Verse 2

Take my hands and let them move
at the impulse of thy love.

Take my feet and let them be
swift and beautiful for thee,
swift and beautiful for thee.

Verse 3

**Take my voice and let me sing
always, only, for my King.**

**Take my lips and let them be
filled with messages from thee,
filled with messages from thee.**

Verse 4

**Take my silver and my gold;
not a mite would I withhold.**

**Take my intellect and use
every power as thou shalt choose,
every power as thou shalt choose.**

APOSTLES CREED (*please stand as you are able*)

P Let us confess our faith in the words of the Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by
the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered
under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He
descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into
heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come
again 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.**

THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.** (*please share Christ's peace with one another*)

OFFERING

(please stand as you are able)

OFFERTORY *“We Give Thee but Thine Own”*

HYMN 686

C **We give thee but thine own, whate’er the gift may be; all that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.**

OFFERING PRAYER

P 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.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P Trusting in God’s steadfast love for all God has made, let us pray for the church, the world, and all of creation.

RESPONSE TO PRAYERS **P** God of grace **C** **hear our prayer**
Sharon (Albert), Linda (Anderson), Tom (Angermeier), Bill & Sue (Aune), Cindy (B), John (B), Elaine (Caelwaerts), Mike & Rina (Clumpner), Dan (Fenrich), Pam (Freiberg), Alan (G), Pastor Hankermeyer, Betty (J), Dawn (Jeanquart), Charlotte (K), Patricia (Kehl), Cindy (Knapp), Keith (Knapp), Don (L), Kenny (Meyer), Beth (Pachniak), Monika (Perry), Kristin (Reinert), Matthew (Rocque), Delores (Schuyler), Irene (Thorson), Debby (Zahn), Brixanna, Marley, Carole, Russ, Christina, Gretchen, Katlyn, Sophia, and the family of Mike Smith.

C **Amen.**

THE LORD’S PRAYER

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

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

BLESSING

P Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, ✝ one God, bless, heal, and hold you today and always.

C Amen.

TABLE BLESSING

P Let us pray together the table blessing.

C Come Lord Jesus, be our guest and let these gifts to us be blessed. Amen.

SENDING HYMN “*My Life is in You, Lord*”

Chorus

My life is in You Lord

My strength is in You Lord

My hope is in You Lord

In You it's in You

My life is in You Lord

My strength is in You Lord

My hope is in You Lord

In You it's in You

Verse

I will praise You

With all of my life

I will praise You

With all of my strength

With all of my life

With all of my strength

All of my hope is in You Chorus

Ending

In You

SENDING FORTH

P Although we may be a little church...

C ...we will carry God's big heart into the world. AMEN!

POSTLUDE

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The Church council has decided to have a pictorial directory made because of requests. We are asking for your cooperation in getting this project completed. Pictures will be taken following worship in front of the pulpit. Please see Lori Langer-Flick or Lana Ferry to have your picture taken. Thank you.



Did you know that there are large print bulletins each week for worship? If this would make your enjoyment and participation in the service better, please ask an usher for a copy. NEW there are also large print copies of the words for the hymns that we are singing. The ushers have these as well.



We are looking for people to help with the streaming of our worship services. We are looking for people who would be willing to record the service perhaps once a month. It is not a difficult thing to do, but very important part of our ministry because there are some who are not able to make it to worship. There will be a schedule where you will be able to choose the Sunday(s) that you are able to help with, much like ushering. As with everything else, many hands make the load less for all. Please see Dean Larson to volunteer. Thank you for stepping up.

The stained-glass window committee is looking for possible themes for the windows at the back of the church sanctuary. Please pass on your suggestions to Jim Vogel, Jim Hanstad, Linda Monahan, or George Sincock.



There is a basket in the fellowship area for receipts from Tadych's Market Place. We ask that you bring them and place the whole receipt in the basket. They are kind enough to give us a percentage back for our projects. Unfortunately, Pick'n Save no longer has this service so there is no need to bring those receipts at this time. Dianne Eskildsen has generously agreed to tally up the receipts and bring them in. If you have any questions, please ask one of the ladies in WELCA.



Items needed for each school bag

- * FOUR 70-sheet notebooks of wide-ruled or college-ruled paper (no loose-leaf paper)
- * ONE box 16-24 count crayons
- * ONE pencil sharpener
- * FIVE unsharpened pencils
- * ONE pair of blunt scissors
- * FIVE black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel pens)
- * ONE 2 1/2" eraser



In today's bulletin there is a survey on your feelings about the outdoor worship services. Please fill it out and place it in the offering plate. Thank you.

Serving in worship today (July 26th)

Presiding minister: Pastor Mary Lou
Plummer

Liturgist: Jim Hanstad

Reader: Mary Ann Leary

Ushers: Dave & Deb Grunwald

Keyboard: Janet Anderson

Video Tech: Dean Larson

Serving in worship next week (Aug 2nd)

Presiding minister: Pastor Mary Lou
Plummer

Liturgist: Jim Hanstad

Reader: Roy Jilburg

Stewardship Opportunities July 26-Aug 2

Today the fellowship meal is being provided by the folks whose last name begins L-Z. Next week the fellowship meal will be provided by the folks whose last name begins A-K.

Week at a glance July 26-August 2

Tuesday Quilting at 9:00

**Wednesday Men's Bible Study at 8:00
at Tanum Forest**

Friday 9-12

Office hours for Lana

Attendance last week: 61

Birthdays in July

July 1st Derek Hannemann
Don Lauscher

July 2nd Kaden Borkovetz
Laura Borkovetz

July 3rd Shanna Schmitz
Joey Wilke

Ushers: Roy Jilburg & John Melland

Communion Assist: Joanne Adlon

Music Tech: Gordy Hughes

Video Tech:

Readings for next week (Aug 2nd)

Isaiah 55:1-5

Eat and drink that which truly satisfies

Psalms 145:8-9, 14-21

Romans 9:1-5

The glory of God's people Israel

Matthew 14:13-21

Christ feeding five thousand

July 4th Meggie Lumaye-Sawyer

July 6th Kraig Aune
Dianne Eskildsen

July 8th Linda Monahan

July 9th Don Heldmann

July 10th Ellen Klister

July 16th Dean Larson

July 17th Adam Gutschow

Ceres Sawitzki

July 19th Ardy Lauscher

July 21st Gary Hannemann

July 22nd Samuel Sund

July 24th Carrie LaPlante

July 27th Jim Vogel

Leslie Petersen

July 31st Cheryl Larson

Wedding Anniversaries in July

July 8th Jim & Linda Monahan

July 16th Arne & Peggy Odegaard
Dean & Cheryl Larson

Birthdays in August

August 4th Jean Hovik
August 5th Elliott Brown
Riley Sawyer
August 13th Michelle Brunette
Erik Jilburg
Nick Schultz
August 16th Kyler Borkovetz
Wyatt Wilke
August 18th Merle Eskildsen
August 19th Irene Thorson
August 22nd Dan Kostichka
August 29th Sue Aune
August 30th Lori Flick-Langer

Wedding Anniversaries in August

August 7th Michelle & Brian
Brunette
August 18th Gloria & Gene LaPlante
August 19th Deb & Dave Grunwald
August 22nd Barb & Richard Dunlap
August 23rd Sue & Bill Nusbaum
August 27th Kirsten & Matt Dixner
Young

Jun 2026						
	TOTAL					
	Jun	Budget	Variance	YTD	Budget	Variance
Offerings	5,887	8,375	(2,488)	55,052	50,250	4,802
Total Income	8,004	10,067	(2,063)	61,684	60,402	1,282
Total Expenses	14,360	8,645	5,715	55,896	51,870	4,026
Siding	17,500			17,500		
Church Windows				2,314		
Outdoor Sign				5,894		