

HAINESVILLE LUTHERAN CHURCH — E L C A



Sunday, August 3rd, 2025

Eighth 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

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.

P Merciful God,

C 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.

ENTRANCE HYMN "Shine on Us"

Verse 1

Lord let Your light
Light of Your face shine on us
Lord let Your light
Light of Your face shine on us
That we may be saved
That we may have life
To find our way in the darkest night
Let Your light shine on us

Verse 2

Lord let Your grace
Grace from Your hand fall on us

Lord let Your grace
Grace from Your hand fall on us
That we may be saved
That we may have life
To find our way in the darkest night
Let Your grace fall on us

Verse 3

Lord let Your love
Love with no end come over us
Lord let Your love
Love with no end come over us
That we may be saved
That we may have life
To find our way in the darkest night
Let Your love come over us
Let Your light shine on us

Ending

Seek ye first the kingdom of God
And His righteousness
And all these things
Shall be added unto you
Allelu alleluia

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*)



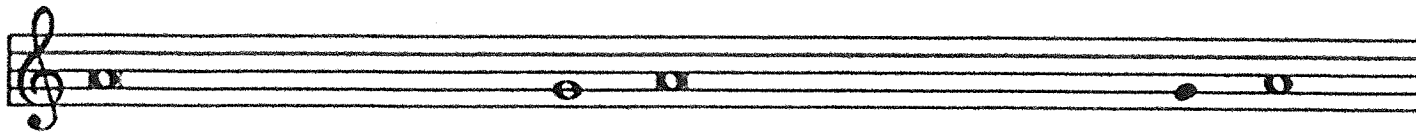
Ⓐ In peace, let us pray to the Lord. Ⓑ Lord, have mer - cy.



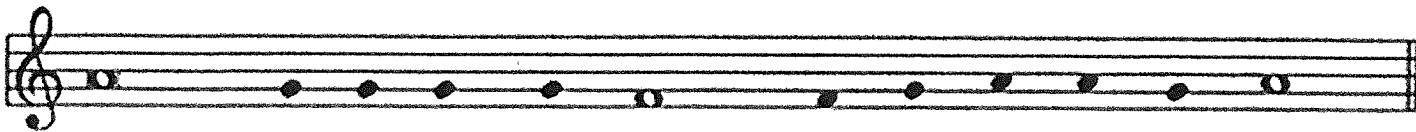
Ⓐ For the peace from a- bove, and for our sal- vation, let us pray to the Lord.



♩ Lord, have mer - cy.



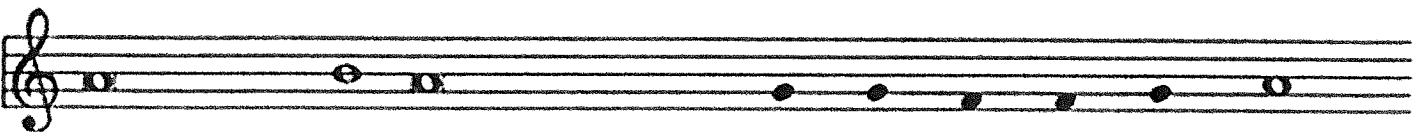
♩ For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



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



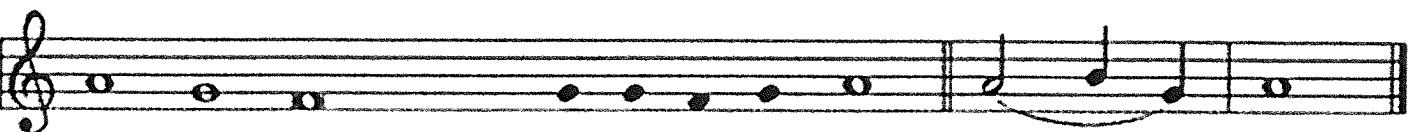
♩ Lord, have mer - cy.



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



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



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

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



♩ This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia.

Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us
free to be peo - ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and
strength, and hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are his.
This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia.
Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the
hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and
might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.
This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain
has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray. Benevolent God,

C 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.

FIRST READING: Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23

² Vanity of vanities, says the Teacher,
vanity of vanities! All is vanity.

¹² I, the Teacher, was king over Israel in Jerusalem. ¹³ I applied my mind to seek and to search out by wisdom all that is done under heaven; it is an unhappy business that God has given to humans to be busy with. ¹⁴ I saw all the deeds that are done under the sun, and see, all is vanity and a chasing after wind.

^{2:18} I hated all my toil in which I had toiled under the sun, seeing that I must leave it to my successor, ¹⁹ and who knows whether he will be wise or foolish? Yet he will be master of all for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity. ²⁰ So I turned and gave my heart up to despair concerning all the toil of my labors under the sun, ²¹ because sometimes one who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave all to be enjoyed by another who did not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil.

²² What do mortals get from all the toil and strain with which they toil under the sun? ²³ For all their days are full of pain, and their work is a vexation; even at night their minds do not rest. This also is vanity.

R The word of the Lord

C Thanks be to God

PSALM: Psalm 49:1-12 *(read responsively)*

¹ Hear this, all you peoples; give ear, all you who dwell in the world,

² **you of high degree and low, rich and poor together.**

³ My mouth shall speak of wisdom,
and my heart shall meditate on understanding.

⁴ **I will incline my ear to a proverb
and set forth my riddle upon the harp.**

⁵ Why should I be afraid in evil days,
when the wickedness of those at my heels surrounds me,
⁶ **the wickedness of those who put their trust in their own prowess,
and boast of their great riches?**

- ⁷ One can never redeem another, or give to God the ransom for another's life;
⁸ **for the ransom of a life is so great
that there would never be enough to pay it,**
⁹ in order to live forever and ever and never see the grave.
¹⁰ **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.**
¹¹ Their graves shall be their homes forever, their dwelling places from
generation to generation, though they had named lands after themselves.
¹² **Even though honored, they cannot live forever;
they are like the beasts that perish.**

SECOND READING: 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!

R Word of God, Word of Life C **Thanks be to God**

GOSPEL: Luke 12:13-21 *(please stand as you are able)*

In God's reign, the "rich will be sent away empty." Jesus uses a parable to warn against identifying the worth of one's life with the value of one's possessions rather than one's relationship with God.

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 12th chapter

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

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
(please be seated)

C Praise to you O Christ.

GOD’S WORD FOR TODAY

Pastor Mary Lou Plummer

(please stand as you are able)

HYMN OF THE DAY

“I’ll Fly Away”

Family Choir

(please join the choir on the chorus)

Chorus

**I’ll fly away, O glory, I’ll fly away;
When I die, hallelujah, by and by, I’ll fly away.**

APOSTLES CREED

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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P Let us pray for the church, the creation, and the whole people of God, for God is near.

RESPONSE TO PRAYERS **P** God of grace **C** hear our prayer
Bill & Sue (Aune), **John** (B), **Mike & Rina** (Clumpner), **Joan** (Goessel), **Barbara** (Hughes/Dean), **Barth** (Jeanquart), **Dawn** (Jeanquart), **Charlotte** (K), **Rachel** (Kriska), **Amie** (M), **Kenny** (Meyer), **David** (Plummer), **George** (Poh), **Martin** (Ruedinger), **Mike** (S), **Delores** (Schuyler), **Irene** (Thorson), **Betty, Carole & Russ, Chelsa, Jeff, and Laurie.**

C 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)*
(you may be seated)

OFFERING

OFFERTORY "Let the Vineyards" *(please stand)* **HYMN #184**

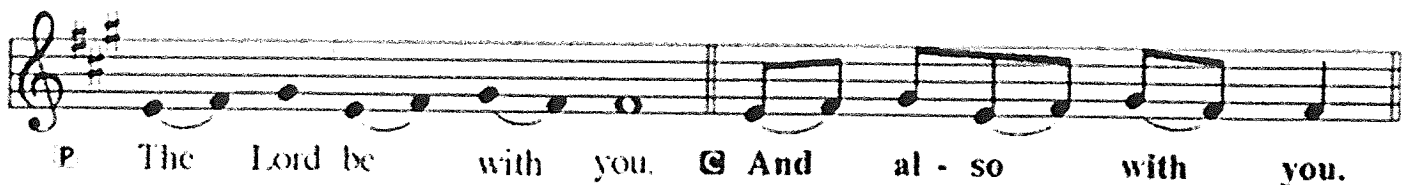
C Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing. Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life. Gather the hopes and the dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer. Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

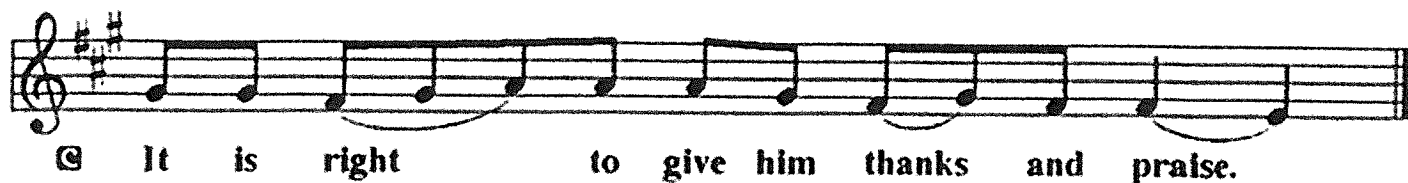
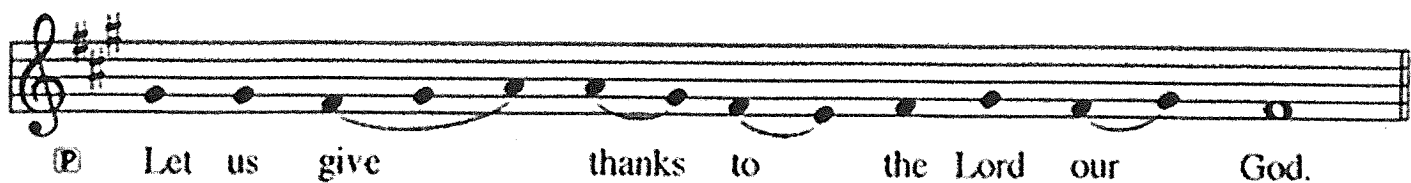
OFFERING PRAYER

P Risen One, you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring. Come among us again, breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world.

C Amen.

THE COMMUNION LITURGY





P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God. You comforted your people with the promise of the Redeemer, through whom you will also make all things new in the day when he comes again to judge the world in righteousness. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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

P Gathered in to 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**
P The kingdom of God is set before you. Eat and rejoice.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION *(you may be seated)*

We welcome all believers in Christ to share in God's Holy meal. Please come to the front and receive the Body and Blood of Christ. Grape juice and gluten free wafers are available on the stand in the center. Children who have not received their first communion instruction are invited to come forward and receive a pastoral blessing.

COMMUNION HYMN	"Let Us Break Bread Together"	HYMN 471
	"Here Is Bread"	HYMN 483
	"One Bread, One Body"	HYMN 496

COMMUNION BLESSING *(after the distribution has been completed - please stand)*

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

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P 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.

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 “Step By Step”

**O God You are my God
And I will ever praise You
O God You are my God
And I will ever praise You
I will seek You in the morning
And I will learn to walk in Your ways
And step by step You'll lead me
And I will follow You all of my days**

SENDING FORTH

- P** Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.
- C** Thanks be to God!!

POSTLUDE

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Now is the time of the year for sales on school supplies. Please consider helping with our school kits that we send to LWR. This year we are only in need of ~

- Wide ruled paper notebooks. 70 count
- 24 count crayons

Thank you to all who support this important ministry.



God's Work Our Hands Sunday is September 7th. We need to order shirts in advance. Cost is \$12.50 per shirt. Sizes run from Youth S to 5XL. There is a size for everyone. Please let Lana know what size you want by August 10th to insure delivery by the event. Make checks payable to the church with a notation of shirts on it. Thank you.



On the table at each entrance to the sanctuary are order forms for bricks, that month's newsletter, a hard copy of "The Wired Word" the Sunday before the study, Christ in Our Home, The Lutheran Message, and current copies of the directory. Please feel free to take as needed.



Door County Learning in Retirement registration begins August 6. If you aren't familiar with it this is a good way to take classes on a wide variety of subjects. There is no homework or tests. There is a flier in the fellowship area by the water fountain giving more details. Check it out.



Next Sunday "The Praise Hounds" will be joining Janet Anderson during worship.

Serving in worship today (August 3rd)

Presiding minister: Pastor Mary Lou Plummer
Liturgist: Jim Hanstad
Reader: Jan Shusta
Ushers: John Breider & John Melland
Communion Assist: Ellen Klister
Keyboard: Janet Anderson

Serving in worship next week (Aug 10th)

Presiding minister: Pastor Judy Deckert
Reader: Roy Jilburg
Ushers: Roy Jilburg, Kathy Schmitz, & Rilynn Brunette
Keyboard: Janet Anderson (Praise Hounds)

Stewardship Opportunities Aug 3-10

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

Week at a Glance Aug 3-10

Tuesday Book Club at Noon

Wednesday Men's Bible Study at 8

Friday 9-12

Office hours for Lana

Attendance last week: 43

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

Readings for next week (August 10th)

Genesis 15:1-6

God's promise of a child for Abram and Sarai

Psalm 33:12-22

Let your lovingkindness be upon us, as we place our hope in you. (Ps. 33:22)

Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

A model for us: Abraham's faith in a new home given by God

Luke 12:32-40

God will give you the treasure of the kingdom; sell all that you have

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

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In May, Hainesville received \$273,130 from the Trust of Janet Louise Scherer. It was suggested in this last council meeting to set aside 10% of these funds for a "Good Samaritan Fund", of which all council members present were in favor of. We have already donated \$1000 towards the Ecumenical Partnership on Housing here in Sturgeon Bay. If you have a non profit near and dear to your heart OR if you know of someone in need, please reach out to a council member.