

HAINESVILLE LUTHERAN CHURCH - ELCA



Sunday, August 20th, 2023

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost Sunday

"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

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS *(please stand)*

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who greets us in this and every season, whose word never fails, whose promise is sure.

C Amen.

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of our neighbors.
Merciful God,

C **we confess that we have sinned. We have hurt our community. We have squandered your blessings. We have hoarded your bounty. In the name of Jesus, forgive us and grant us your mercy.**

Silence is kept for reflection.

P Righteous God,

C **we confess that we have sinned. We have failed to be honest. We have lacked the courage to speak. We have spoken falsely. In the name of Jesus, forgive us and grant us your mercy.**

Silence is kept for reflection.

P God is a cup of cold water when we thirst. God offers boundless grace when we fail. Claim the gift of God's mercy: you are freed and forgiven in the name of † Jesus Christ.

C Amen.

GATHERING HYMN: "My Faith Looks Up to Thee" **ELW # 759**

GREETING

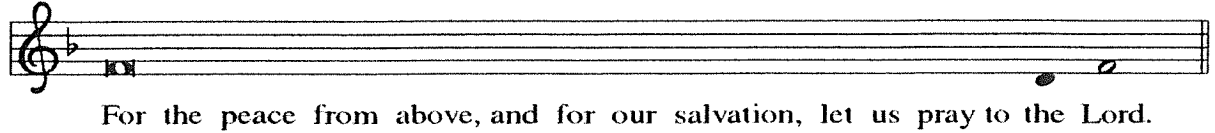
P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C **And also with you.**

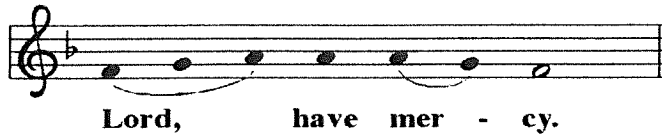
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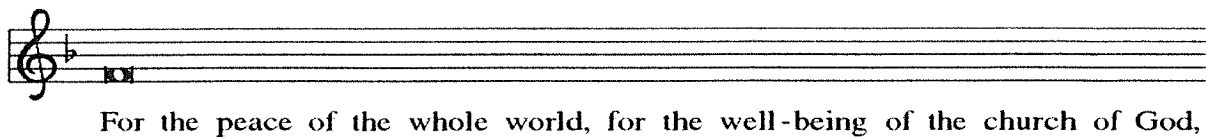
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.



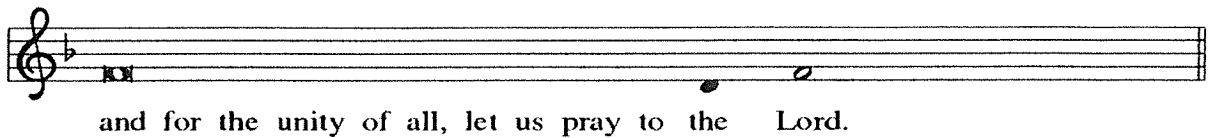
For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



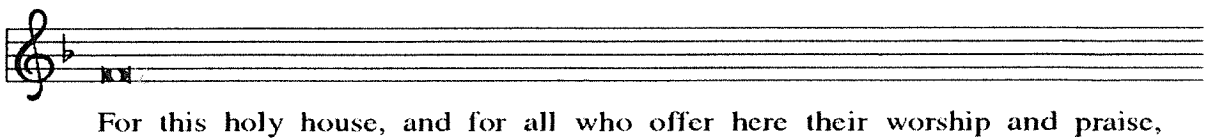
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



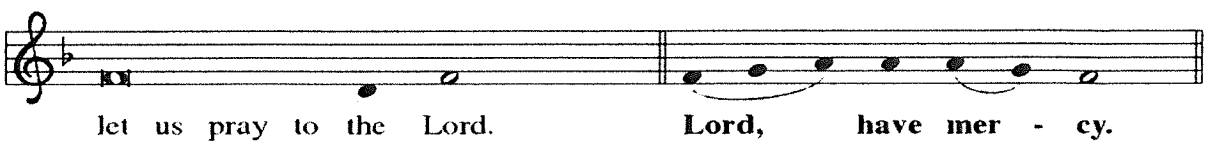
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



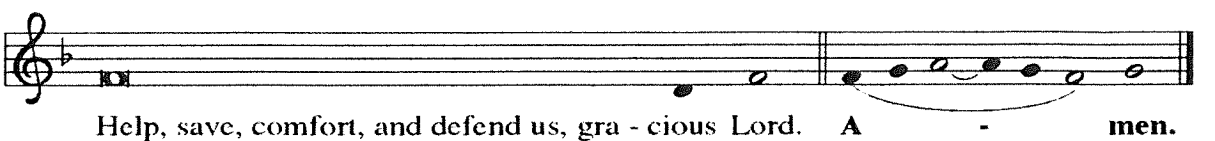
Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



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



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. A - men.

HYMN OF PRAISE



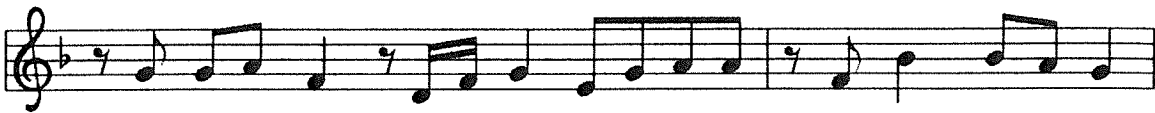
Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.



Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther,



we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



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.



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 Let us pray.

C **God of all peoples, your arms reach out to embrace all those who call upon you. Teach us as disciples of your Son to love the world with compassion and constancy, that your name may be known throughout the earth, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

(you may be seated)

CHILDREN'S CHAT

FIRST READING: Isaiah 56:1, 6-8

¹Thus says the LORD:

Maintain justice, and do what is right,
for soon my salvation will come,
and my deliverance be revealed.

⁶And the foreigners who join themselves to the LORD,
to minister to him, to love the name of the LORD,
and to be his servants,

all who keep the sabbath, and do not profane it,
and hold fast my covenant—

⁷these I will bring to my holy mountain,
and make them joyful in my house of prayer;
their burnt offerings and their sacrifices

will be accepted on my altar;
for my house shall be called a house of prayer
for all peoples.

⁸Thus says the Lord GOD,
who gathers the outcasts of Israel,
I will gather others to them
besides those already gathered.

R The word of the Lord

C Thanks be to God

PSALM: Psalm 67 (read responsively)

¹May God be merciful to us and bless us; may the light of God's face shine upon us.

²**Let your way be known upon earth, your saving health among all nations.**

³Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

⁴Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the nations on earth.

⁵Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

⁶The earth has brought forth its increase; God, our own God, has blessed us.

⁷May God give us blessing, and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe.

SECOND READING: Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32

[Paul writes:] ¹I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. ^{2a}God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew.

²⁹For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. ³⁰Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, ³¹so they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. ³²For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

R Word of God, Word of Life

C Thanks be to God

GOSPEL: Matthew 15:[10-20] 21-28

Jesus teaches his disciples that true purity is a matter of the heart rather than outward religious observances. Almost immediately, this teaching is tested when a woman considered to be a religious outsider approaches him for help.

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 15th chapter

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

[¹⁰Jesus] called the crowd to him and said to them, "Listen and understand:¹¹it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but it is what comes out of the mouth that defiles." ¹²Then the disciples approached and said to him, "Do you know that the Pharisees took offense when they heard what you said?" ¹³He answered, "Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted. ¹⁴Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind. And if one blind person guides another, both will fall into a pit." ¹⁵But Peter said to him, "Explain this parable to us." ¹⁶Then he said, "Are you also still without understanding? ¹⁷Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth enters the stomach, and goes out into the sewer? ¹⁸But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this is what defiles. ¹⁹For out of the heart come evil intentions, murder, adultery, fornication, theft, false witness, slander. ²⁰These are what

defile a person, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile.”]

²¹Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. ²²Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, “Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon.” ²³But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, “Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us.” ²⁴He answered, “I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.” ²⁵But she came and knelt before him, saying, “Lord, help me.” ²⁶He answered, “It is not fair to take the children’s food and throw it to the dogs.” ²⁷She said, “Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters’ table.” ²⁸Then Jesus answered her, “Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.” And her daughter was healed instantly.

P The Gospel of the Lord C Praise to you O Christ.

GOD’S WORD FOR TODAY

Pastor David Raben

HYMN OF THE DAY (*please stand*) “Will You Come and Follow Me” ELW # 798

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 Confident that God receives our joys and concerns, let us offer our prayers for the church, those in need, and all of creation.

RESPONSE TO PRAYER P *Hear us, O God*

C **Your mercy is great**

Rusty (Allen), Tom (Angermeier), Devin (Bartos), Joe (Bartos), Lyle (Berndt), Karen & Del (Brewer), Eugene (Clark), Mike & Rina (Clumpner), Robert (Connrey), Danielle (Davis), Emery (Freiberg), Ruth (Grainger), Mathilde & Richard (Hannemann), Donna (Kaat), Cindy (Knapp), Shari (Krueger), Ellie (Krull), Joe (May), Fran (McCarthy), Ken (Overland), Jodi (P), Matthew (Rocque), Alice (Rocque-Angermeier), Lexi & Laci (S), Isaac (T), Eric (Thorson), Charlotte, and Joe.

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)* **ELW #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 God of field and forest, sea and sky, you are the giver of all good things. Sustain us with these gifts of your creation, and multiply your graciousness in us, that The world may be fed with your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

THE COMMUNION LITURGY *(sung — setting # 3 pp144)*

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 him thanks and praise.

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:

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

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 Come. Be filled with light and life. .

COMMUNION HYMN	<i>"Here Is Bread"</i>	ELW # 483
	<i>"As The Grains of Wheat"</i>	ELW # 465

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 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 We thank you, generous God, for the refreshment we have received at your banquet table. Send us now to spread your generosity into all the world, through the one who is our dearest treasure, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C Amen.

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- 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 May God, whose power working in us can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine, grant you the gifts of faith and hope. Almighty God, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.
- C Amen.

TABLE BLESSING

- P Let us pray together the table blessing.
- C **Come Lord Jesus, be our guest and may these thy gifts to us be blessed. Amen.**

SENDING HYMN

"On Our Way Rejoicing"

ELW # 537

SENDING FORTH

- P Go in peace. The Spirit sends us forth to serve.
- C **Thanks be to God.... AND WE WILL !!**

POSTLUDE

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Stewardship Opportunities Aug 20-27

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

Week at a Glance August 20th—27th

Monday 6 PM

Church Council Meets

Tuesday Noon

WELCA meeting followed by set up for luncheon

Wednesday 8 AM

Men's breakfast and Bible Study

Wednesday Noon-1

Chicken Salad Croissant Lunch

Friday 9 AM—Noon

Office hours for Lana

Attendance last week: 53

Serving in worship today (August 20th)

Presiding minister: Pastor David Raben

Reader: Pam Freiberg

Ushers: John Breider & John Melland

Keyboard: Peggy Odegaard

Serving in worship next week (August 27th)

Presiding minister: Pastor Mary Lou Plummer

Liturgist: Jim Hanstad

Ushers: Sue Nusbaum & Marie Weber

Reader: Marie Weber

Keyboard: Heidi Hintz

Birthdays in August

August 2nd Linda Zolnosky

August 4th Jean Hovik

August 5th Elliott Brown

Riley Sawyer

August 13th Michelle Brunette

Erik Jilburg

Nick Schultz

August 14th Mike Zolnosky

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

Readings for next week (August 27th)

Isaiah 51:1-6

The enduring foundation of God's salvation

Psalm 138

O LORD, your steadfast love endures forever. (Ps. 138:8)

Romans 12:1-8

One body in Christ, with gifts that differ

Matthew 16:13-20

The profession of Peter's faith

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Over the summer, keep in mind that we still can be collecting items for LWR School kits. Peggy Odegaard has approximately 100 school bags ready to be filled. ONLY THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE PERMITTED

Watch for sales to stock up! All items for the school kits are to be new. Here is the list.

- * FOUR 70-sheet notebooks of wide-ruled or college-ruled paper (no loose

leaf paper)

- * FIVE unsharpened #2 pencils
- * FIVE black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel pens)
- * ONE box of 16 or 24 crayons

Shipping date is October 6, 2023. Now is the time to get the supplies when they are on sale. There is a collection box and a chart as to what is still needed in the basement. At this time these are the things that are still needed. Thank you for your help with this worthwhile project.

THIS Wednesday August 23rd Chicken Salad Croissant Lunch Noon—1pm Tickets \$15 each See Evelyn Breider

September and God's Work, Our Hands Sunday will soon be upon us. If you are wanting to have a t-shirt with Hainesville's name on the back please let the office know by August 20th, TODAY, so that we can get them here for the day. Shirts are \$10.00 each.

From the Stained Glass Window Committee

Currently a fundraising drive is underway to raise funds to purchase and install stained glass windows on the north side of the sanctuary. Money for this project does not come from the church budget but is through donations. All donations are confidential. So far about \$42,500 has been donated which is about \$27,000 short of what is needed. If you wish to contribute to this fund please indicate on your contribution that it is to go for the windows. Please contact Linda Monahan, Bill Albert, Jim Vogel, Evelyn Breider, or any Council member with any questions.