

HAINESVILLE LUTHERAN CHURCH — ELCA



Sunday, September 14th, 2025

Fourteenth 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, our maker, our helper, and our keeper.

C **Amen.**

P Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P Merciful and loving God,

C **we are your stiff-necked people. We trample on the needy. We grumble about your grace to others. We turn away from the poor. Have mercy on us and forgive our sins. Rejoice over us as ones who were lost and have been found. Amen.**

P Even when we are faithless, God remains faithful. Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners. You who were lost have been found. In the name of ☩ Jesus, your sins are forgiven!

C **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN "I've Got Peace Like a River"

Verse 1

I've got peace like a river

I've got peace like a river

I've got peace like a river in my soul

I've got peace like a river

I've got peace like a river

I've got peace like a river in my soul

Verse 2

I've got joy like a fountain
I've got joy like a fountain
I've got joy like a fountain in my soul
I've got joy like a fountain
I've got joy like a fountain
I've got joy like a fountain in my soul

Verse 3

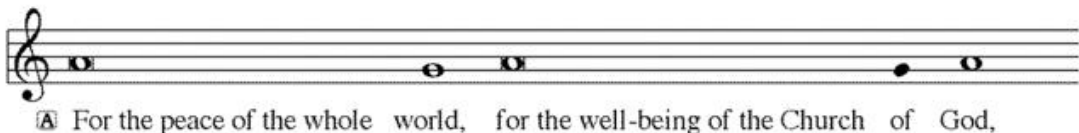
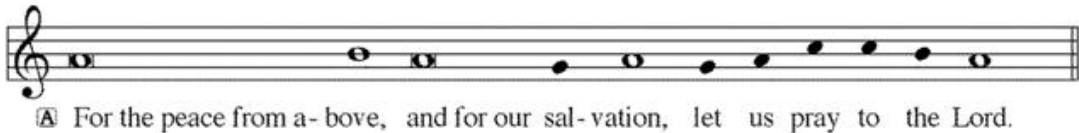
I've got love like an ocean
I've got love like an ocean
I've got love like an ocean in my soul
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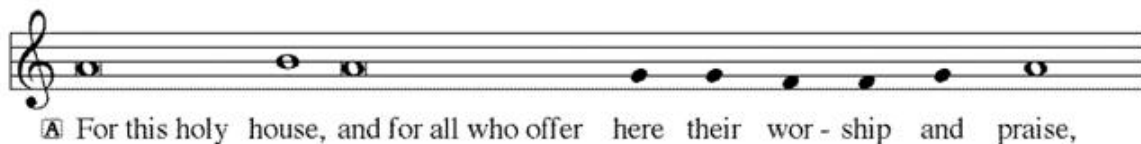
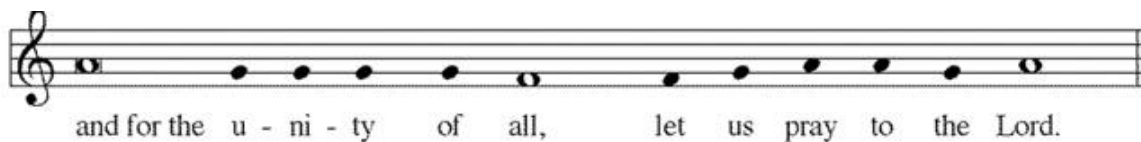
GREETING

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

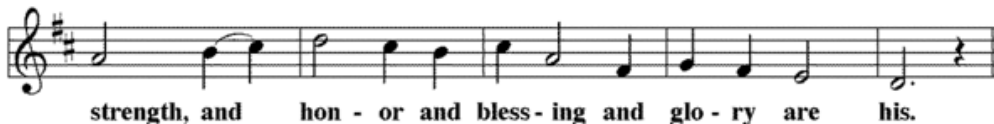
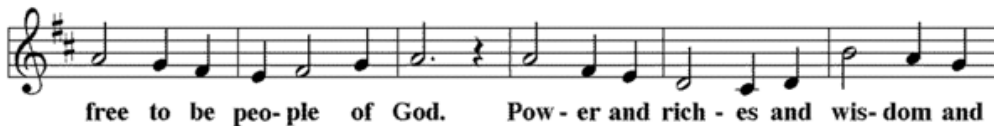
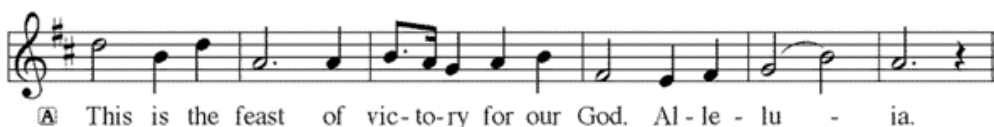
C And also with you.

KYRIE (*setting 4 pp 147-148*)





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





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. O God,

C **overflowing with mercy and compassion, you lead back to yourself all those who go astray. Preserve your people in your loving care, that we may reject whatever is contrary to you and may follow all things that sustain our life in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

FIRST READING: Exodus 32:7-14

⁷ The LORD said to Moses, “Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; ⁸ they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it and said, ‘These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!’ ” ⁹ The LORD said to Moses, “I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. ¹⁰ Now let me alone so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them, and of you I will make a great nation.”

¹¹ But Moses implored the LORD his God and said, “O LORD, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? ¹² Why should the Egyptians say, ‘It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains and to consume them from the face of the earth’? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. ¹³ Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, ‘I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever.’ ” ¹⁴ And the LORD changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

R The word of the Lord

C **Thanks be to God**

PSALM: Psalm 51:1-10 *(read responsively)*

¹ Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love;
in your great compassion blot out my offenses.

² **Wash me through and through from my wickedness,
and cleanse me from my sin.**

³ For I know my offenses, and my sin is ever before me.

⁴ **Against you only have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight;
so you are justified when you speak and right in your judgment.**

- ⁵ Indeed, I was born steeped in wickedness,
a sinner from my mother's womb.
- ⁶ **Indeed, you delight in truth deep within me,
and would have me know wisdom deep within.**
- ⁷ Remove my sins with hyssop, and I shall be clean;
wash me, and I shall be purer than snow.
- ⁸ **Let me hear joy and gladness;
that the body you have broken may rejoice.**
- ⁹ Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my wickedness.
- ¹⁰ **Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.**

SECOND READING: 1 Timothy 1:12-17

¹² I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he considered me faithful and appointed me to his service, ¹³ even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, ¹⁴ and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus.

¹⁵ The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance: that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the foremost. ¹⁶ But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience as an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. ¹⁷ To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

R Word of God, Word of Life

C **Thanks be to God**

GOSPEL: Luke 15:1-10 *(please stand as you are able)*

Jesus tells two stories that suggest a curious connection between the lost being found and sinners repenting. God takes the initiative to find sinners, each of whom is so precious to God that their recovery brings joy in heaven.

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

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

¹ Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to [Jesus.]
² And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, “This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them.”

³ So he told them this parable: ⁴ “Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? ⁵ And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. ⁶ And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found my lost sheep.’ ⁷ Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

⁸ “Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it?

⁹ And when she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.’ ¹⁰ Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.”

P The Gospel of the Lord
(please be seated)

C Praise to you O Christ.

GOD’S WORD FOR TODAY

Pastor David Raben

HYMN OF THE DAY “Shine, Jesus, Shine”

HYMN 651 WOV

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*”

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 Blessed are you, O God, source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C **Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P Gracious God, we come to you in prayer for the church, the world, and all in need.

RESPONSE TO PRAYERS **P** God of grace **C** **receive our prayer**
Linda (Anderson), **Tom & Alice** (Angermeier), **Bill & Sue** (Aune),
John (B), **Elaine** (Caelwaerts), **Mike & Rina** (Clumpner), **Erin**
(Culbertson), **Dan** (Fenrich), **Pat** (Fenrich), **Joan** (Goessel), **Barbara**
(Hughes/Dean), **Barth** (Jeanquart), **Dawn** (Jeanquart), **Charlotte** (K),
Judy (Krahn), **Myriah** (Krueger), **Amie** (M), **David** (Plummer),
Matthew (Rocque), **Mike** (S), **Todd** (S), **Delores** (Schuyler), **Deb**

(Ulrich), Irene (Thorson), Betty, Carole & Russ, Chelsa, Jeff, and Laurie.

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 The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, ✚ be upon you now and forever.

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 “*Lord, I Lift Your Name on High*”

Verse

**Lord, I lift Your name on high
Lord, I love to sing Your praises
I'm so glad You're in my life
I'm so glad You came to save us**

Chorus

**You came from heaven to earth
To show the way
From the earth to the cross**

**My debt to pay
From the cross to the grave
From the grave to the sky
Lord, I lift Your name on high**

SENDING FORTH

P Go in peace. Spread the Good News.
C Thanks be to God!!!

POSTLUDE

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Serving in worship today (Sept 14th)
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Liturgist: Jim Hanstad
Reader: Dixner Young Family
Ushers: Dixner Young Family
Keyboard: Janet Anderson

A shrewd manager: faithful in little, faithful in much; serving God/wealth

Serving in worship next week (Sept 21st)
Presiding minister: Pastor Mary Lou Plummer
Reader: Cheryl Larson
Ushers: Dean & Cheryl Larson
Communion Assist: Joanne Adlon
Keyboard: Janet Anderson

Readings for next week (September 21st)

Amos 8:4-7

Warnings to those who trample on the needy and poor

Psalms 113

1 Timothy 2:1-7

One God, one mediator—Christ Jesus—who gave himself for all people

Luke 16:1-13

Today is the first of our Youth Sundays for the fall. On Youth Sunday we will be making an effort to include the youth of the congregation in our worship service, have a special project or something for them to discuss, have a fun activity for all who would like to participate, and the Church Council will be providing the fellowship meal. This will generally be on the second Sunday of each month, however there will be an exception or two. On the fourth Sunday of each month there will be Sunday School learning the Fruits of the Spirit. This class will be led by Mary Ann Leary.

Stewardship Opportunities Sept 14-21

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

Week at a glance Sept 14-21

Monday Church Council at 6:00

Tuesday WELCA at noon

Wednesday Men's Bible Study at 8

Wednesday Chicken Salad

Croissant Luncheon 12-1

Thursday Grief Support Group at 6:00

Friday 9-12

Office hours for Lana

Attendance last week: 43

Birthdays in September

Sept 5th	Heidi Gutschow Edward Sawyer
Sept 7th	Jon Klister
Sept 10th	George Sincock Liam Schultz
Sept 11th	Julia Jacobson
Sept 12th	Arne Odegaard
Sept 15th	Taylor Brunette
Sept 16th	Carolyn Melland
Sept 18th	John Borkovetz Charley Carey Bransen Sawyer
Sept 22nd	Matt Dixner Young
Sept 24th	Tim Hanson

Sept 29th	Alice Angermeier Lana Ferry Jerry Langer
Sept 30th	Sue Peterson

Wedding Anniversaries in September

Sept 5th	Bob & Deb Larson
Sept 15th	Sam Sund & Heather Haese
Sept 16th	Dan & Cathy Lindal
Sept 22nd	Don & Ardy Lauscher
Sept 30th	Jerry & Lori Langer (Flick)

This Wednesday is the Chicken Salad Croissant Luncheon. Please get your tickets from Evelyn Breider. We need to know how many to plan on so that we can get the correct amount of food. There is a sign-up sheet in the fellowship area for working and bringing desserts. This year we are only making bars and cookies.

On October 5th there will be a Commitment Ceremony for Becca Anderson and Bob Pachniak following the regular Sunday morning service. There will be a potluck lunch following the ceremony. Please sign up what you would like to bring to help with planning. Becca and Bob would like to share their joy and commitment with the whole congregation.