

HAINESVILLE LUTHERAN CHURCH — E L C A



Sunday, August 17th, 2025

Tenth 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.

(please stand as you are able)

ENTRANCE HYMN "Precious Lord, Take My Hand" **HYMN 773**

GREETING

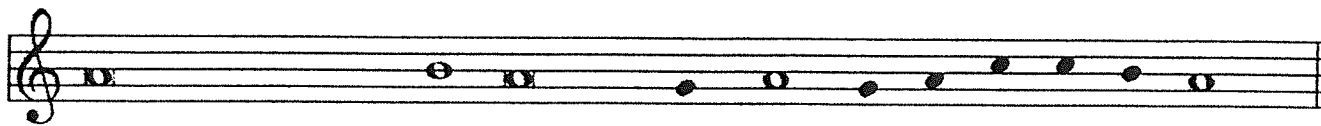
P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.

KYRIE (setting 4 pp 147-148)



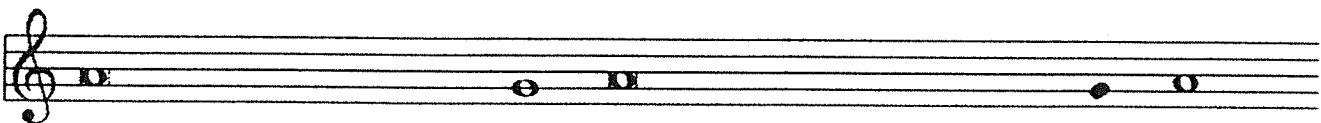
A In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



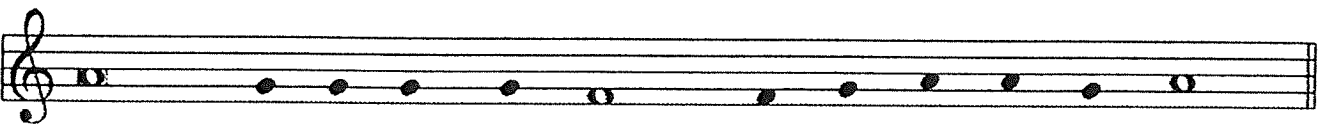
A For the peace from a- bove, and for our sal- vation, let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



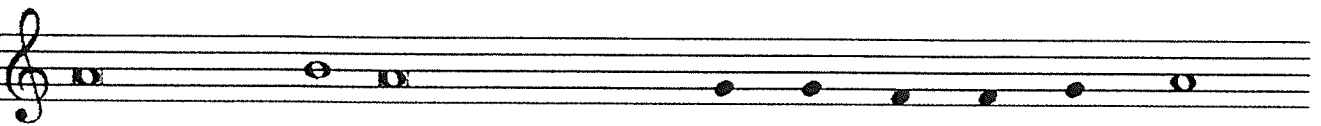
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



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



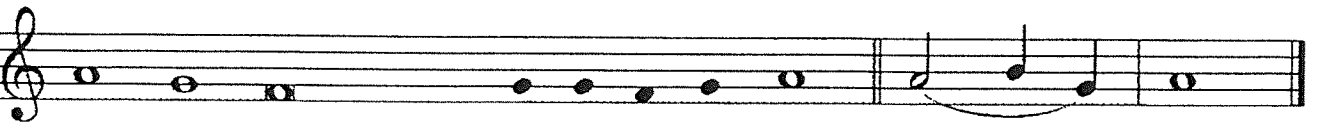
C Lord, have mer - cy.



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



B Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



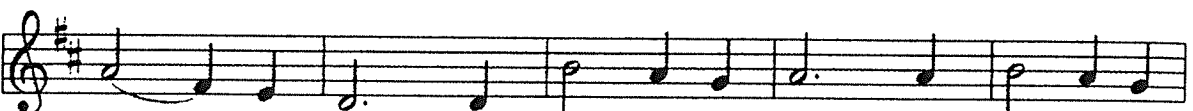
free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis-dom and



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. O God,

C **judge eternal, you love justice and hate oppression, and you call us to share your zeal for truth. Give us courage to take our stand with all victims of bloodshed and greed, and, following your servants and prophets, to look to the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 23:23-29

²³ Am I a God near by, says the LORD, and not a God far off? ²⁴ Who can hide in secret places so that I cannot see them? says the LORD. Do I not fill heaven and earth? says the LORD. ²⁵ I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, "I have dreamed! I have dreamed!" ²⁶ How long? Will the hearts of the prophets ever turn back—those who prophesy lies and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart? ²⁷ They plan to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, just as their ancestors forgot my name for Baal. ²⁸ Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let the one who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? says the LORD. ²⁹ Is not my word like fire, says the LORD, and like a hammer that breaks a rock in pieces?

R The word of the Lord

C **Thanks be to God**

PSALM: Psalm 82 *(read responsively)*

¹ God stands to charge the divine council assembled,
giving judgment in the midst of the gods:

² **"How long will you judge unjustly, and show favor to the wicked?**

³ Save the weak and the orphan; defend the humble and needy;

⁴ **rescue the weak and the poor;**

deliver them from the power of the wicked.

⁵ They do not know, neither do they understand; they wander about in darkness; all the foundations of the earth are shaken.

⁶ **Now I say to you, 'You are gods,
and all of you children of the Most High;**

⁷ nevertheless, you shall die like mortals, and fall like any prince.' "

⁸ **Arise, O God, and rule the earth,
for you shall take all nations for your own.**

SECOND READING: Hebrews 11:29—12:2

²⁹ By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. ³⁰ By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. ³¹ By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace.

³² And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets, ³³ who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, ³⁴ quenched the power of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, were made strong out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. ³⁵ Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. ³⁶ Others suffered mocking and flogging and even chains and imprisonment. ³⁷ They were stoned to death; they were sawn in two; they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented ³⁸ of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains and in caves and holes in the ground.

³⁹ Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, ⁴⁰ since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect.

^{12:1} Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, ² looking to Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

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

GOSPEL: Luke 12:49-56 *(please stand as you are able)*

Jesus delivers harsh words about the purifying and potentially divisive effects of obedience to God's call. The way of the cross often leads followers to encounter hostility and rejection, even from those they love.

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 12th chapter
C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus said:] ⁴⁹ “I have come to cast fire upon the earth, and how I wish it were already ablaze! ⁵⁰ I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what constraint I am under until it is completed! ⁵¹ Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! ⁵² From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; ⁵³ they will be divided:

father against son
and son against father,
mother against daughter
and daughter against mother,
mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law
and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.”

⁵⁴ He also said to the crowds, “When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, ‘It is going to rain,’ and so it happens. ⁵⁵ And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, ‘There will be scorching heat,’ and it happens. ⁵⁶ You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?”

P The Gospel of the Lord

C Praise to you O Christ.

(please be seated)

GOD’S WORD FOR TODAY

Pastor Mary Lou Plummer

HYMN OF THE DAY “O Master, Let Me Walk with You” **HYMN 818**

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.

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 Hear us, O God C **Your mercy is great**
Tom & Alice (Angermeier), **Bill & Sue** (Aune), **John** (B), **Elaine**
(Caelwaerts), **Mike & Rina** (Clumpner), **Erin** (Culbertson), **Joan**
(Goessel), **Barbara** (Hughes/Dean), **Barth** (Jeanquart), **Dawn**
(Jeanquart), **Charlotte** (K), **Judy** (Krahn), **Amie** (M), **David**
(Plummer), **George** (Poh), **Matthew** (Rocque), **Martin** (Ruedinger),
Mike (S), **Delores** (Schuyler), **Deb** (Ulrich), **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 *"We Give Thee but Thine Own"* *(please stand)* **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 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 The Lord be with you

C **And also with you**

P Lift up your hearts

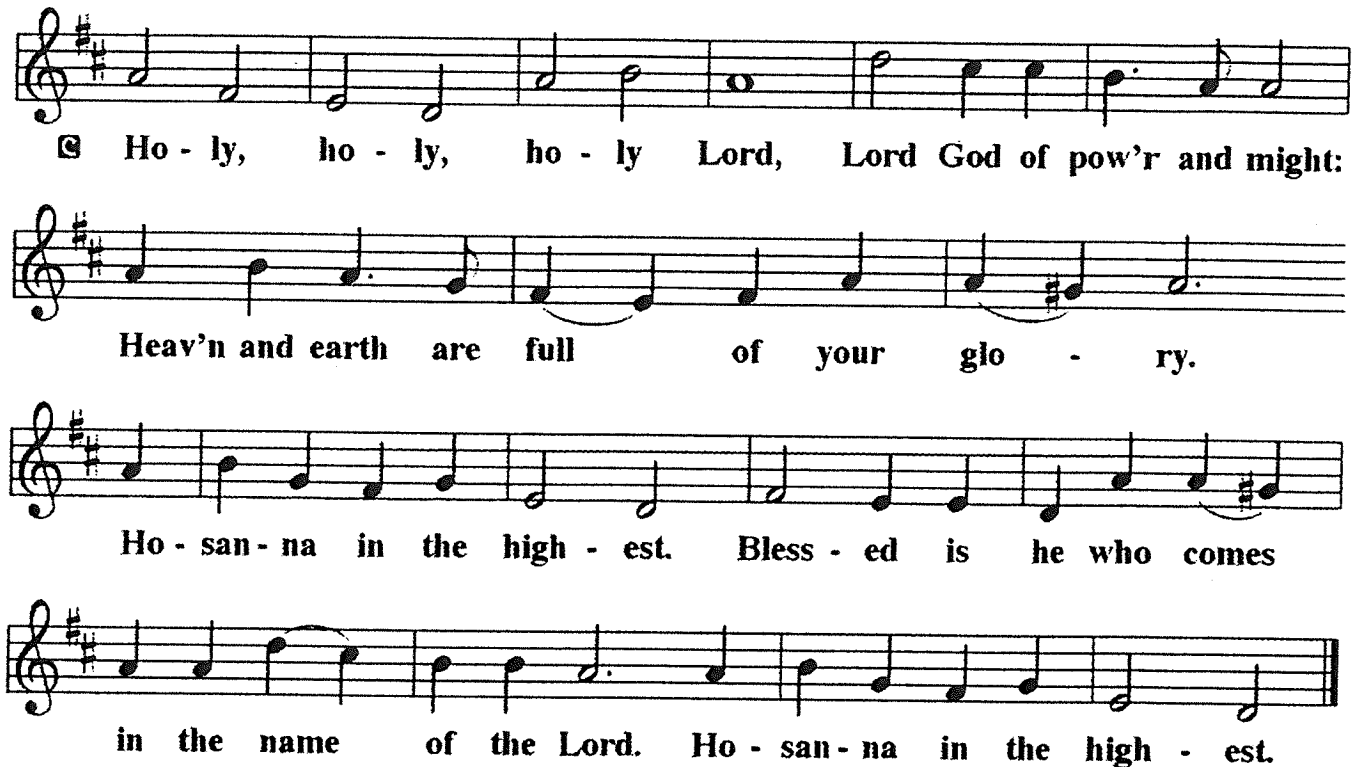
C **We lift them up to the Lord**

P Give thanks to the Lord our God

C **It 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:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might:
Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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 joy of the Lord is our strength. Come, eat this meal of gladness.

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	<i>"Let Us Break Bread Together"</i>	HYMN 471
	<i>"Here Is Bread"</i>	HYMN 483
	<i>"One Bread, One Body"</i>	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 Living One, in this feast you have made yourself known to us. Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory, and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world.

C Amen.

BLESSING

P The triune God, who was, who is, and who is to come, Sovereign, + Savior, and Spirit, light your way with resurrection dawn, now 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	<i>"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"</i>	HYMN 742
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SENDING FORTH

P Go in peace. Live in hope.
C Thanks be to God!!

POSTLUDE

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Stewardship Opportunities Aug 17-24

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 can bring goodies for the Ice Cream Social. There will be no meal.

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

Week at a Glance Aug 17-24

Tuesday 9-12 (NOTE CHANGE)

Office hours for Lana

Tuesday WELCA noon

Wednesday Men's Bible Study at 8

Thursday Grief Support Group at 6

Attendance last week: 47

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

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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.

The Synod Golf Outing was a great success!! It collected \$1,726.00 for LWR. Details will be in the newsletter.

Serving in worship today (August 17th)

Presiding minister: Pastor Mary Lou Plummer  
Liturgist: Jim Hanstad  
Reader: Jim Vogel  
Ushers: Jim & Marla Vogel  
Music Tech: Gordy Hughes

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Liturgist: Jim Hanstad  
Reader: Dixner Young Family  
Ushers: Dixner Young Family  
Keyboard: Heidi Hintz

Readings for next week (August 24th)

**Isaiah 58:9b-14**

*Do not trample the sabbath, but feed the hungry*

**Psalms 103:1-8**

*The LORD crowns you with mercy and steadfast love. (Ps. 103:4)*

**Hebrews 12:18-29**

*You have come to the city of the living God and to Jesus*

**Luke 13:10-17**

*Jesus heals a crippled woman on the sabbath and is condemned*

**Have you taken the time to notice how nice our property looks?**

We have amazing members who keep our property inside and out looking great.

- Our new cleaning crew not only keeps the bugs out of the windows but keeps the inside spotless. Our bathrooms will be painted this fall/winter.
- A shout out to the 'behind the scenes' women who keep our kitchen in order. This requires constant organization.
- Our grounds are groomed. When driving by, it always looks great.
- The outside-lower window frames that have been slowly rotting, have been replaced and caulked. Treated wood was used. They will be ready for staining in a year or two.
- Watch for our next project. The steeple shingles will be sanded and repainted. Replacing them where needed. This is the project we approved last October at a special Congregational meeting. It will be fun to watch this one in progress.
- Our ditches have been dredged preventing floods. This is an on-going project.
- Dead or dying trees have been removed.

Kudos to all of you for donating your time and dollars to make these happen.

**We have the best members/friends!!!**