

HAINESVILLE LUTHERAN CHURCH - ELCA



Sunday, August 13th, 2023
Eleventh 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

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.**

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.**

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: *"Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling"* **WOV # 734**

GREETING

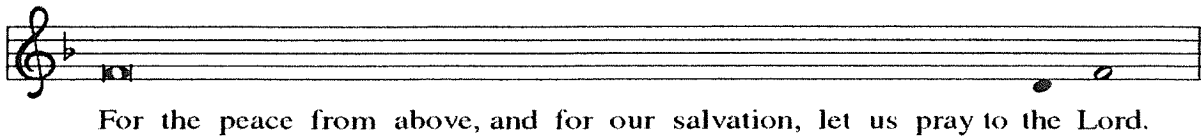
P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C **And also with you.**

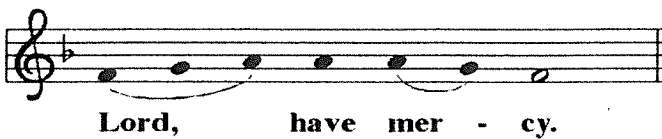
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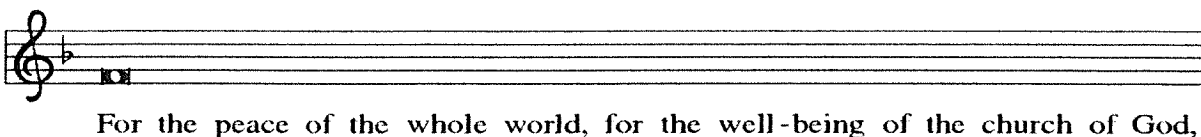
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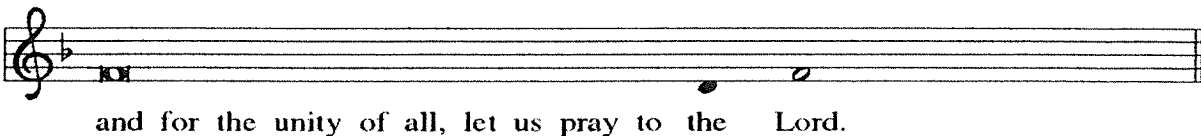
For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



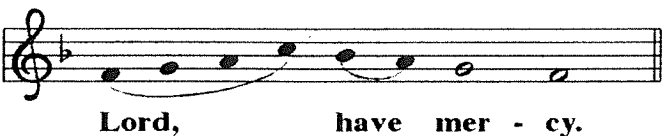
Lord, have mer - cy.



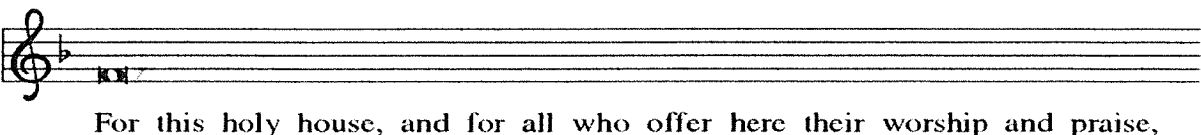
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



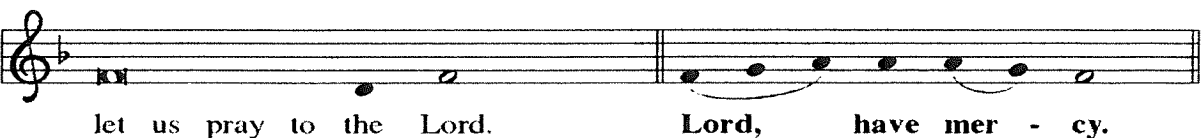
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



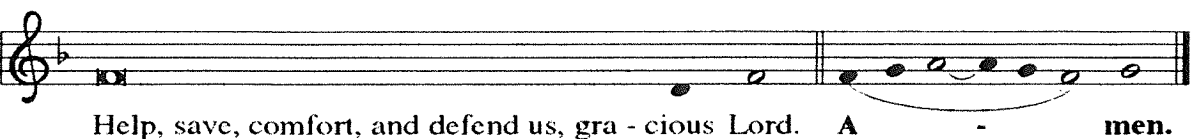
Lord, have mer - cy.



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

Refrain



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



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb



who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

Refrain



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




al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and



strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

Refrain



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



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of



God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,



glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.



Refrain

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



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 4 For the Lamb who was

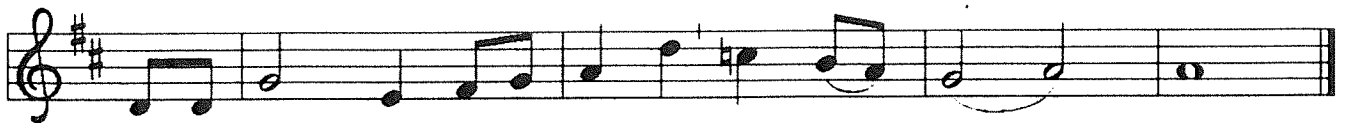


slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.



Final refrain

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

C Beloved and sovereign God, 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.

CHILDREN'S CHAT AND NOISY OFFERING FOR HUNGER RELIEF

FIRST READING: FIRST READING: 1 Kings 19:9-18

⁹At [Horeb, the mount of God,][Elijah] came to a cave, and spent the night there.

Then the word of the LORD came to him, saying, "What are you doing here, Elijah?"

¹⁰He answered, "I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away."

¹¹He said, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the LORD, for the LORD is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake; ¹²and after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. ¹³When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" ¹⁴He answered, "I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." ¹⁵Then the LORD said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. ¹⁶Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place. ¹⁷Whoever escapes from the sword of Hazael, Jehu shall kill; and whoever escapes from the sword of Jehu, Elisha shall kill. ¹⁸Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him."

R The word of the Lord

C Thanks be to God

PSALM: Psalm 85:8-13 (read responsively)

⁸I will listen to what the LORD God is saying; for you speak peace to your faithful people and to those who turn their hearts to you.

⁹**Truly, your salvation is very near to those who fear you,
that your glory may dwell in our land.**

¹⁰Steadfast love and faithfulness have met together;
righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

¹¹**Faithfulness shall spring up from the earth,
and righteousness shall look down from heaven.**

¹²The LORD will indeed grant prosperity, and our land will yield its increase.

¹³**Righteousness shall go before the LORD and shall prepare for God a pathway.**

SECOND READING: Romans 10:5-15

⁵Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that “the person who does these things will live by them.” ⁶But the righteousness that comes from faith says, “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’ ” (that is, to bring Christ down) ⁷“or ‘Who will descend into the abyss?’ ” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). ⁸But what does it say?

“The word is near you,
on your lips and in your heart”

(that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); ⁹because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. ¹¹The scripture says, “No one who believes in him will be put to shame.” ¹²For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. ¹³For, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

¹⁴But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? ¹⁵And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!”

R Word of God, Word of Life

C Thanks be to God

GOSPEL: Matthew 14:22-33 (*please stand as you are able*)

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 14th chapter

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

²²[Jesus] made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side [of the Sea of Galilee], while he dismissed the crowds.²³ And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone,²⁴ but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them.²⁵ And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea.²⁶ But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear.²⁷ But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid."

²⁸Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water."²⁹ He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus.³⁰ But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!"³¹ Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?"³² When they got into the boat, the wind ceased.³³ And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

P The Gospel of the Lord

C **Praise to you O Christ.**

(*please be seated*)

GOD'S WORD FOR TODAY

Pastor Judy Deckert

HYMN OF THE DAY "*Little Brown Church in the Vale*"

Family Choir

(*please join on the chorus*)

O, come, come, come, come, come to the church in the wildwood,

O come to the church in the dale.

No spot is so dear to my childhood

As the little brown church in the vale.

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)*

(you may be seated)

OFFERING

OFFERTORY *"Create in Me"*

ELW #186

C **Create in me a clean heart O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit.**

OFFERING PRAYER

P Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C **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 LORD'S PRAYER *(please stand as you are able)*

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**

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 The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, the world, and those who live in it.

C **All here gathered, food from the land, all is gift from your gracious hand. Feed us today; feed all those who hunger; teach us to feed one another. We ask this in the name of the one who is our bread, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

SENDING HYMN *"Go, My Children, with My Blessing"* **WOV # 721**

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 13-Aug 20

Today the fellowship meal is being provided by the church council. Next week the folks whose last name begins L-Z will provide the meal.

Week at a Glance Aug 13th-Aug 20th**Wednesday 8 AM**

Men's breakfast and Bible Study

Friday 9 AM—Noon

Office hours for Lana

Attendance last week: 47

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

Serving in worship today (August 13th)

Presiding minister: Pastor Judy Deckert
 Liturgist: Jim Hanstad
 Ushers: Dave & Deb Grunwald
 Reader: Roy Jilburg
 Keyboard: Peggy Odegaard

Serving in worship next week (August 20th)

Presiding minister: Pastor David Raben
 Ushers: John Melland & John Brieder
 Reader: Pam Freiberg

Communion Assist: Ellen Klistner
 Keyboard: Peggy Odegaard

Readings for next week (August 20th)

Isaiah 56:1, 6-8

A house of prayer for all peoples

Psalm 67

Let all the peoples praise you, O God. (Ps. 67:3)

Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32

God's mercy to all, Jew and Gentile

Matthew 15:[10-20] 21-28

The healing of the Canaanite woman's daughter

Large print bulletins are available from the ushers or are located on the usher stand area.

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**

- inches on the other
- * ONE pair of blunt scissors
- * FIVE **unsharpened** #2 pencils
- * FIVE black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel pens)
- * ONE box of 16 or 24 crayons
- * ONE 2 1/2" eraser
- * ONE pencil sharpener

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)
- * ONE 30-centimeter ruler, or a ruler with centimeters on one side and

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 everything is still needed. Thank you for your help with this worthwhile project.

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 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.