

HAINESVILLE LUTHERAN CHURCH — ELCA



Sunday, August 24th, 2025

Eleventh 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 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.**

GATHERING HYMN "Shall We Gather at the River" HYMN WOV 690

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)



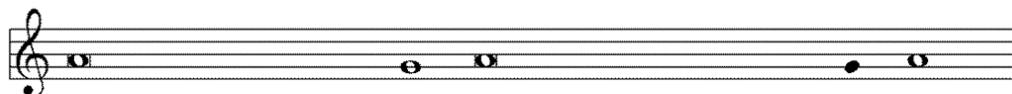
A In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **G** Lord, have mer - cy.



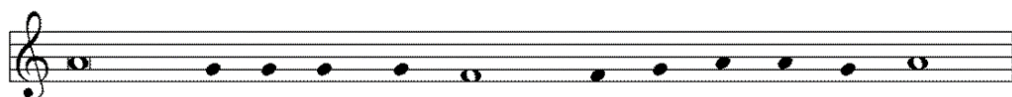
A For the peace from a - bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



G Lord, have mer - cy.



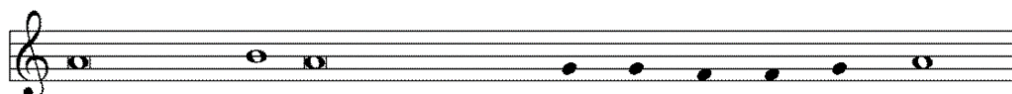
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



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



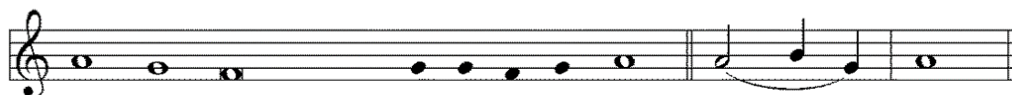
G Lord, have mer - cy.



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



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



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

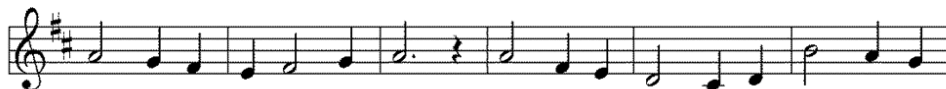
HYMN OF PRAISE *(setting 4 pp 149-150)*



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, mighty and immortal,
C **you know that as fragile creatures surrounded by great dangers, we cannot by ourselves stand upright. Give us strength of mind and body, so that even when we suffer because of human sin, we may rise victorious through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

FIRST READING: Isaiah 58:9b-14

^{9b} If you remove the yoke from among you,
the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil,
¹⁰ if you offer your food to the hungry
and satisfy the needs of the afflicted,
then your light shall rise in the darkness
and your gloom be like the noonday.
¹¹ The LORD will guide you continually
and satisfy your needs in parched places
and make your bones strong,
and you shall be like a watered garden,
like a spring of water
whose waters never fail.
¹² Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt;
you shall raise up the foundations of many generations;
you shall be called the repairer of the breach,
the restorer of streets to live in.
¹³ If you refrain from trampling the Sabbath,
from pursuing your own interests on my holy day;
if you call the Sabbath a delight
and the holy day of the LORD honorable;
if you honor it, not going your own ways,
serving your own interests or pursuing your own affairs;
¹⁴ then you shall take delight in the LORD,
and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth;

I will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob,
for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

R The word of the Lord C **Thanks be to God**

PSALM: Psalm 103:1-8 (*read responsively*)

- ¹ Bless the LORD, O my soul,
and all that is within me, bless God's holy name.
² **Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all God's benefits—**
³ who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases;
⁴ **who redeems your life from the grave**
and crowns you with steadfast love and mercy;
⁵ who satisfies your desires with good things
so that your youth is renewed like an eagle's.
⁶ **O LORD, you provide vindication**
and justice for all who are oppressed.
⁷ You made known your ways to Moses
and your works to the children of Israel.
⁸ **LORD, you are full of compassion and mercy,**
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

SECOND READING: Hebrews 12:18-29

¹⁸ You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, ¹⁹ and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. ²⁰ (For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death.") ²¹ Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear.") ²² But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, ²³ and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, ²⁴ and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

²⁵ See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking, for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! ²⁶ At that time his voice shook the earth, but now he has promised, “Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven.” ²⁷ This phrase, “Yet once more,” indicates the removal of what is shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. ²⁸ Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us show gratitude, by which we may offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe, ²⁹ for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

R Word of God, Word of Life

C Thanks be to God

GOSPEL: Luke 13:10-17 *(please stand as you are able)*

Jesus heals a woman on the sabbath, offering her a new beginning for her life. When challenged by a narrow reading of the sabbath command, Jesus responds by expanding “sabbath work” to include setting people free from bondage.

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 13th chapter

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

¹⁰ Now [Jesus] was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath. ¹¹ And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. ¹² When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, “Woman, you are set free from your ailment.” ¹³ When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. ¹⁴ But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the Sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, “There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured and not on the Sabbath day.” ¹⁵ But the Lord answered him and said, “You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the Sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger and lead it to water? ¹⁶ And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the Sabbath day?” ¹⁷ When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame, and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things being done by him.

P The Gospel of the Lord
(please be seated)

C Praise to you O Christ.

GOD'S WORD FOR TODAY

Pastor Mary Lou Plummer

HYMN OF THE DAY “We All Are One in Mission” HYMN WOV 576

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” 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 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 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 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 *“Soon and Very Soon”* **HYMN WOV 744**

SENDING FORTH

P Go in peace. Spread the Good News.

C Thanks be to God!!!

POSTLUDE

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Serving in worship today (August 24th)

Presiding minister: Pastor Mary Lou Plummer

Liturgist: Jim Hanstad

Reader: Dixner Young family

Ushers: Dixner Young family

Keyboard: Heidi Hintz

Serving in worship next week (August 31st)

Presiding minister: Pastor Ralph Hankermeyer

Liturgist: Jim Hanstad

Reader: Cheryl Larson

Ushers: Dean & Cheryl Larson

Keyboard: Heidi Hintz

Readings for next week (August 31st)

Proverbs 25:6-7a

Do not put yourself forward

Psalms 112

The righteous are merciful and full of compassion. (Ps. 112:4)

Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

God is with us: let acts of mutual love continue

Luke 14:1, 7-14

An image of God's reign: invite the poor, crippled to your banquet

Stewardship Opportunities Aug 24-31

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

Week at a Glance Aug 24-31

Tuesday Quilting for missions at 9
Wednesday Men's Bible Study at 8
Thursday Hainesville Lunch
Bunch at Waterfront Mary's at 11:30

Please let Marla know by Tuesday if you plan on attending.

Attendance last week:

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

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.

**Looking ahead.** September 17<sup>th</sup> is the Croissant Luncheon. Please get your tickets from Evelyn Breider to sell or purchase. Tickets are \$20.00. There will be a sign-up sheet in the fellowship area. Please sign up for the task that you are willing to help with.



### **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!!!**