



August 2, 2026

WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION

10th Sunday in Pentecost

Inviting All to Live the Gospel through Faith, Love, and Compassion

Welcome to Family of Christ

You are welcome to participate in worship this morning
the way you feel comfortable.

All Are Welcome, No Exceptions!

Everybody Is Somebody Here

PRELUDE

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

GATHERING HYMN

"Praise and Thanksgiving"

ELW #689

CONFESSION

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,
whose compassion endures forever.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin to God.

Compassionate God,

we confess to you all our sins.

Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves.

In your mercy, call us back to you.

Your yoke is easy and your burden is light.

Restore us to dwell in your peace.

In Christ's name we pray,

Amen.

Jesus says, "Come to me,

all you who are weary

and are carrying heavy burdens,

and I will give you rest."

In the name of God,

Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit,

your sins are forgiven.

Rest in God's love.

Amen.

WELCOME FAMILIES!

We are glad that you are
worshiping with your
children and want you to
feel welcome.

There is a **"Pray Ground"**
for quiet play in the front
right of the sanctuary.

We ask that families
stay with their little ones
and try to keep noise to a
minimum.

If you or your little one
needs "a break" or "louder
play", there is an **"Active
Worship"** room on the
West side of the sanctuary.
You can see and hear the
service from this room.

GATHERING



The Holy Spirit gathers us
together during this time
of worship

All young and young at heart are invited forward during the Children's time.

THE WORD

God speaks to us through scripture reading, preaching, and song.



SONG OF PRAISE

"Shout to the Lord"

ELW #821

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Glorious God, **your generosity waters the world with goodness, and you cover creation with abundance. Awaken in us a hunger for the food that satisfies both body and spirit, and with this food fill all the starving world; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

CHILDREN'S TIME

FIRST READING:

Psalm 17:1-7, 15

Hear a just cause, O Lord; attend to my cry;
give ear to my prayer from lips free of deceit.
From you let my vindication come;
let your eyes see the right.
If you try my heart, if you visit me by night,
if you test me, you will find no wickedness in me;
my mouth does not transgress.
As for what others do, by the word of your lips
I have avoided the ways of the violent.
My steps have held fast to your paths;
my feet have not slipped.
I call upon you, for you will answer me, O God;
incline your ear to me; hear my words.
Wondrously show your steadfast love,
O savior of those who seek refuge
from their adversaries at your right hand.
As for me, I shall behold your face in righteousness;
when I awake I shall be satisfied, beholding your likeness.

L: The word of the Lord

C: **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL READING:

Matthew 14:13-21

Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." They replied,

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THE MEAL

God feeds us with the
forgiveness and presence of
Christ.

All are invited to receive
these gifts of God.

No Exceptions!

Children are welcome to
come forward and receive
communion or a blessing
and Goldfish Crackers



"We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." And he said,
"Bring them here to me." Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the
grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven
and blessed and broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and
the disciples gave them to the crowds. And all ate and were filled, and
they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets
full. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women
and children.

L: The Gospel of our Lord

C: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Pastor Brent Erler

HYMN OF THE DAY

"Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service"

ELW #856

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilot,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come 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

SHARING OF THE PEACE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

L: Lord in Your Mercy

C: Hear our prayer

HOLY COMMUNION

THE SENDING

We are blessed and sent
out into the world to share
God's Love with all people.



Serving Today

Pastor

Brent Erler

Musician

Ann Mikiska

Sound and Video

Cheryl Wills

Gerry Wills

Acolyte

Maddie Bergquist

Communion Set-Up

Caitie Majewski

Communion Servers

Linda Burman

Chuck Halvorson

Caitie Majewski

Reader

Caitie Majewski

Ushers

Ed Hellier

Ethan Hellier

Fellowship Host

Amy Hellier

*Thanks to all those who
helped make worship
possible.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

PRAYER OF GOOD COURAGE

Lord God, you have called your servants
to ventures of which we cannot see the ending,
by paths as yet untrodden,
through perils unknown.
Give us faith to go out with good courage,
not knowing where we go,
but only that your hand is leading us
and your love supporting us,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

CLOSING HYMN

"Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ"

ELW #547

SENDING

POSTLUDE

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