#### \*PEACE

The Peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.** 

**OFFERTORY -** "Amazing Grace," by Shawn Kirchner

#### \*OFFERING SONG

"Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful"

ELW Hymn 184

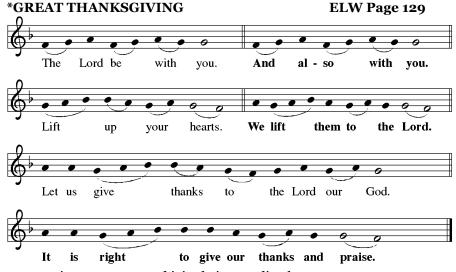
#### \*OFFERING PRAYER

Lord of the harvest,
we return to you a portion of what you have given to us.
Turn us to set our hope not on the uncertainty of riches,
but on you, who richly provides for us.
Multiply what we have gathered
to bless all who are suffering and in need,

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

#### **MEAL**



...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

#### SANCTUS: "Holy, Holy, Holy"

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We give you thanks, Father, through Jesus Christ your beloved Son... ...with the Holy Spirit, in your holy church, both now and forever.



#### \*LORD'S PRAYER

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## \*INVITATION TO COMMUNION

At the direction of the usher, please come forward to stand or kneel at the chancel rail to receive the gift of God's living Word in bread and wine. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request, and you may choose wine (glass) or alcohol-free juice (stainless steel). To receive communion at your seat, simply notify an usher. All are welcome to this table.

#### **COMMUNION HYMNS**

"Lamb of God" ELW Page 135
"Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound" ELW Hymn 779

#### \*TABLE BLESSING

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace. **Amen.** 

#### \*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

O God, through this meal you have strengthened us and appointed us to be your servants. Send us to do good and to share our possessions with all in need. We ask this in Jesus' name.

## **SENDING**

#### \*BLESSING

Amen.

The God of righteousness, who gives justice to the oppressed, who gives food to the hungry, who sets the prisoners free, + bless you now and forever.

## Amen.

#### \*SENDING HYMN

"Praise the Lord, Rise Up Rejoicing"

ELW Hymn 544

#### \*DISMISSAL

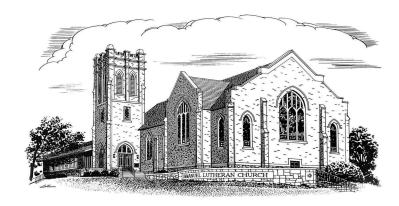
Go in peace. Do not lose heart. **Thanks be to God.** 

## **POSTLUDE**

"The Lord's My Shepherd," by Rodger Kalbfleisch (b. 1955) Based on ELW 778

## **Welcome to Worship**

# Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost



September 14, 2025 10:00 a.m

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#### **Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

September 14, 2025
10:00 a.m.
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(red hymnal), and hymns in the back.
Setting 2 begins on page 117
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\*Please stand as you are able

#### **PRELUDE**

"Gymnopédie No. 1," by Erik Satie (1866-1925)

#### **GATHERING**

#### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### \*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

Merciful and loving God,
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.

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! Amen.

## \*GATHERING HYMN

"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" ELW Hymn 807

#### \*GREETING

May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.** 

## \*GLORIA

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#### \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, 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.** 

#### WORD

## 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.

Word of God, word of life. Thanks be to God

## PSALMODY: Psalm 51:1-10



Have mer- cy on me, O God, ac-cord-ing to your stead - fast love.



- 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 ev- | er 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. R
- 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 pur- | er 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 spir- | it within me. R

#### **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.

Word of God, word of life. Thanks be to God.

#### \*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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#### \*GOSPEL: Luke 15:1-10

The Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke. 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."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.** 

#### **SERMON**

#### \*HYMN OF THE DAY

"Softly and Tenderly, Jesus is Calling"

ELW Hymn 608

#### \*APOSTLE'S CREED

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## \*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

... God of grace, receive our prayer.

...Eternal parent, you welcome all of our departed brothers and sisters into your presence. We pray for the saints and look forward to the day we join them in the Church Triumphant. **Amen**.