



**KIMBALL MEMORIAL LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
101 VANCE ST. KANNAPOLIS, NC 28081

June 14, 2026

3rd Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 am

*Congregation responses in **Bold**.*

**WELCOME**

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

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

**C Amen.**

P Let us confess our sin to God. Silence is kept for reflection.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P Compassionate God,

**C 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.**

P 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.

**C Amen.**

**OPENING SONG**

*Be Unto Your Name*

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**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. Amen.**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

A God of compassion, you have opened the way for us and brought us to yourself. Pour your love into our hearts, that, overflowing with joy, we may freely share the blessings of your realm and faithfully proclaim the good news of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C Amen.**

**LET'S TALK**

*Children's Time*

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VERSE



1. We are a mo - ment, You are for - ev - er, Lord of the a - ges,  
2. We are the bro - ken, You are the heal - er, Je - sus, Re - deem - er,



God be - fore time; We are a va - por, You are e - ter - nal,  
might - y to save; You are the love song we'll sing for - ev - er,

CHORUS



Love ev - er - last - ing, reign - ing on high. Ho - ly, ho - ly  
bow - ing be - fore You, bless - ing Your name.



Lord God Al - might - y, wor - thy is the Lamb Who was slain; High - est



prais - es hon - or and glo - ry be un - to Your name,



be un - to Your name. name, be un -



to Your name.

## Reading Psalm 100

L A reading from Psalm 100.

<sup>1</sup> Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.

<sup>2</sup> Worship the Lord with gladness;  
come into his presence with singing.

<sup>3</sup> Know that the Lord is God. It is he that made us, and we are his;  
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

<sup>4</sup> Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise.  
Give thanks to him, bless his name.

<sup>5</sup> For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures for ever,  
and his faithfulness to all generations.

L Word of God, word of life.

**C Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL Matthew 9:35—10:8

*The mission of Jesus' followers is to continue the mission of Jesus himself. Here, he instructs his first disciples as to how they might proclaim the gospel through their words and deeds.*

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

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

**J**esus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness. <sup>36</sup> When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. <sup>37</sup> Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; <sup>38</sup> therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest." <sup>10:1</sup> Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. <sup>2</sup> These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee and his brother John; <sup>3</sup> Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus and Thaddaeus; <sup>4</sup> Simon the Cananaean and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him. <sup>5</sup> These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: "Do not take a road leading to gentiles, and do not enter a Samaritan town, <sup>6</sup> but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. <sup>7</sup> As you go, proclaim the good news, 'The kingdom of heaven has come near.' <sup>8</sup> Cure the sick; raise the dead; cleanse those with a skin disease; cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment.

P The Gospel of the Lord.

**C Praise to you, O Christ.**

## SERMON

*Pastor John Futterer*

**VERSE 1**

1. You choose the hum - ble and raise them high; You choose the weak  
 and make them strong; You heal our bro - ken-ness in - side and give us life.

**CHORUS**

The same love that set the cap-tives free, the same love that o-pened eyes to see is call  
 - ing us all by name; You are call - ing us all by name;

The same God that spread the heav-ens wide, the same God that was cru-ci-fied is call

The same God that spread the heav-ens wide, the same God that was cru-ci-fied is call

*2nd time to Coda*  $\oplus$

2. You take the faith - less one a - side and speak the words, "You are Mine";

*Coda*  $\oplus$  *D.S. al Coda*

You call the cy - nic and the proud, "Come to Me now". Oh,

oh; Oh, oh. Oh,

**BRIDGE**

*Play 4 times*

You're call - ing, You're call - ing, You're call - ing us to the cross;

Continued...

**CHORUS**

The same love that set the cap-tives free, the same love that o-pened eyes to see is call  
 - ing us all by name; You are call - ing us all by name;  
 The same God that spread the heav-ens wide, the same God that was cru-ci-fied is call  
 - ing us all by name; You are call-ing us all by name. Oh, oh;  
 Oh, oh. Oh,

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH***Apostles' Creed*

**A** With the people of God in Christ now and in every time, let us confess our faith.

**C** 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**

**A** Gathered together by the Holy Spirit, let us pray for the church and the needs of the world.

*Prayer petitions will conclude: "God of grace,"*

*The congregation's response is: "hear our prayer."*

**P** Trusting you receive all our prayers, we commend our spoken and unspoken prayers to you, O God, through Jesus our Savior.

**C** Amen.

**SHARING OF GOD'S PEACE**

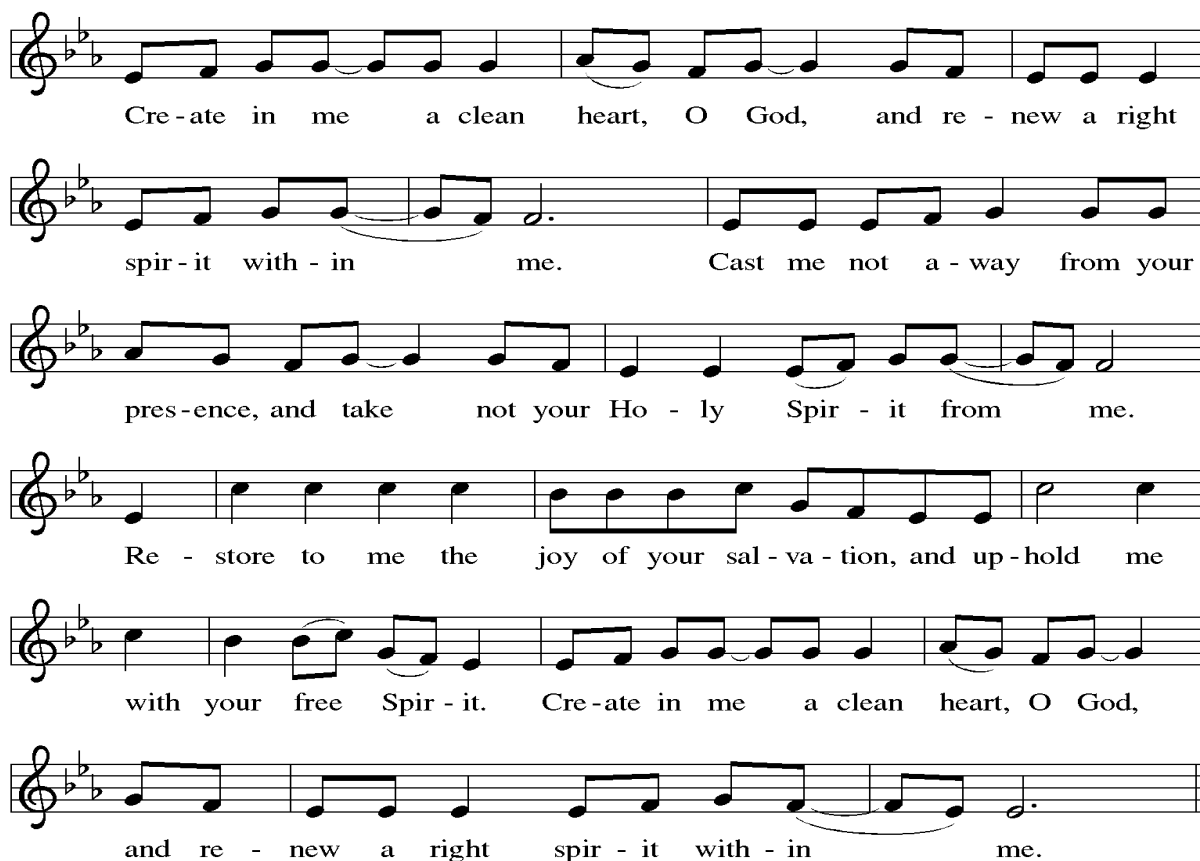
**A** The peace of Christ be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**A** Please greet those around you with words of peace.

## OFFERING SONG

### *Create in Me a Clean Heart*



Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right  
spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your  
pres - ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me.  
Re - store to me the joy of your sal - va - tion, and up - hold me  
with your free Spir - it. Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God,  
and re - new a right spir - it with - in me.

## OFFERING

*The offering plates are in the narthex for your use. You may also place your offering in the plate at the communion rail when you come to the altar for communion. Please ask an usher if you have any questions.*

## OFFERING PRAYER

**P** Loving God, we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts. Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love, so that all creation can taste your abundance. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## HOLY COMMUNION

*We have two options for Communion during this time. You are free to come forward to receive the bread and pre-filled cups of wine from our clergy and lay assistants, returning to your seats after you've deposited the empty cup and following the guidance of our ushers; or you may continue to use the pre-packaged Communion elements which are available from the ushers at the entrance to the Sanctuary. However you choose to receive Communion this morning, know that we are glad you're here for this Sacrament!*

## 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.

## LORD'S PRAYER

P Gathered as one by the Holy Spirit let us pray, as Jesus taught.

**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.**

## INVITATION

P Heaven has come near.

Come, share in the feast!

**You may receive the Elements as the words are said:**

***The Body of Christ given for you; The Blood of Christ shed for you.***

*Healing Prayer is available under the balcony during Communion if you desire prayer.*

## COMMUNION SONG

*I Love to Tell the Story*

*Katherine Hankey*

1 I love to tell the story of unseen things above,  
of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love.  
I love to tell the story, because I know it's true;  
it satisfies my longings as nothing else would do.

### **Refrain**

I love to tell the story;  
'twill be my theme in glory  
to tell the old, old story  
of Jesus and his love.

2 I love to tell the story: how pleasant to repeat  
what seems, each time I tell it,  
more wonderfully sweet!  
I love to tell the story, for some have never heard  
the message of salvation  
from God's own holy word. **Refrain**

3 I love to tell the story, for those who know it best  
seem hungering and thirsting  
to hear it like the rest.  
And when, in scenes of glory,  
I sing the new, new song, I'll sing the old, old story  
that I have loved so long. **Refrain**

## POST COMMUNION BLESSING

P The Body and Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His Grace.

**C Amen.**

## BLESSING

P Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, † one God,  
bless, heal, and hold you today and always.

C Amen.

## SENDING SONG

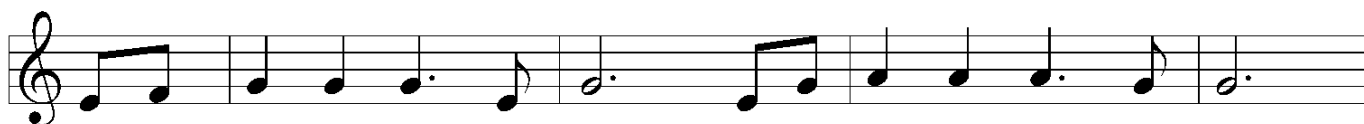
*Go In Peace and Serve the Lord*



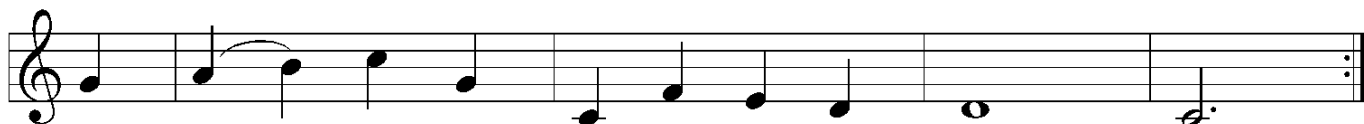
Go in peace and serve the Lord. God is call - ing you to - day.



Go and tell gos - pel news ev - 'ry - where.



Go in peace and serve the Lord. God is call - ing you to - day



to bring truth and love to ev - 'ry na - tion.

## DISMISSAL

A Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

## UPCOMING COMMEMORATIONS

**Sunday, June 21, 2026—Onesimos Nesib, translator, evangelist, died 1931**

Onesimos was born in Ethiopia. Captured, enslaved, and taken to Eritrea, he was there freed by Swedish missionaries. He translated the Bible into his native Oromo and returned to preach there.

**Wednesday, June 24, 2026—John the Baptist**

John said, "[Jesus] must increase, but I must decrease." And so his birth is celebrated half a year before Jesus', just as the daylight in the northern hemisphere begins to wane. Jesus honored John as being the greatest prophet.

**Thursday, June 25, 2026—Presentation of the Augsburg Confession, 1530**

On this day in 1530 the German and Latin editions of the Augsburg Confession were presented to the Emperor Charles of the Holy Roman Empire. The Augsburg Confession was written by Philipp Melanchthon and endorsed by Martin Luther, and consists of a brief summary of points in which the reformers saw their teaching as either agreeing with or differing from that of the Roman Catholic Church of the time.

**Thursday, June 25, 2026—Philipp Melanchthon, renewer of the church, died 1560**

Though he died on April 19, Philipp Melanchthon is commemorated today because of his connection with the Augsburg Confession. Colleague and co-reformer with Martin Luther, Melanchthon was a brilliant scholar, known as "the teacher of Germany."