

September 28, 2025

After Pentecost, Lectionary 26, Yr C



NOISY
OFFERING
SUNDAY

Ring of Bell

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

◆ CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,
our maker, our helper, and our keeper.

C: Amen.

P: Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our
sin

in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Merciful and loving God,

**C: Against you, and you alone, we have sinned.
In your compassion, cleanse us from our
sin and take away our guilt. Create in us a
new heart and give us a steadfast spirit.
Do not cast us away, but fill us with your
Holy Spirit and restore your joy within us.**

P: As tender as parent to child, so deep is God's
compassion for us. As high as heaven is above
earth, so vast is God's love for us. As far as
east is from west, so far God removes our sin
from us, renewing our life through Jesus Christ.
Blessed be God who crowns us with mercy
and love.

C: Blessed be God forever.

GATHERING SONG No. 532

Gather Us In verses 1,2,4

1 Here in this place the new light is streaming,
now is the darkness vanished away; see in this
space our fears and our dreamings, brought here
to you in the light of this day. Gather us in, the
lost and forsaken, gather us in, the blind and
the lame; call to us now, and we shall awaken,
we shall arise at the sound of our name.

2 We are the young, our lives are a mystr'y, we
are the old who yearn for your face; we have been
sung throughout all of hist'ry, called to be light to
the whole human race. Gather us in, the rich and

the haughty, gather us in, the proud and the
strong; give us a heart, so meek and so lowly,
give us the courage to enter the song.

4 Not in the dark of buildings confining, not in
some heaven, light years away—here in this place
the new light is shining, now is the kingdom, and
now is the day. Gather us in and hold us forever,
gather us in and make us your own; gather us in,
all peoples together, fire of love in our flesh and
our bone.

PRAYER OF THE DAY *We pray together*

L: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

L: O God, rich in mercy,

**C: You look with compassion on this troubled
world. Feed us with your grace, and grant us the
treasure that comes only from you, through
Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

Please be seated

FIRST READING: AMOS 6:1A, 4-7

Warnings to the comfortable or wealthy

^{1a} Woe to those who are at ease in Zion and for
those who feel secure on Mount Samaria.

⁴ Woe to those who lie on beds of ivory and lounge
on their couches and eat lambs from the flock and
calves from the stall, ⁵who sing idle songs to the
sound of the harp and like David improvise on
instruments of music, ⁶who drink wine from bowls
and anoint themselves with the finest oils but are not
grieved over the ruin of Joseph!

⁷ Therefore they shall now be the first to go into
exile, and the revelry of the loungers shall pass
away.

WORD OF GOD. WORD OF LIFE. **THANKS BE TO GOD.**

PSALM 146 *We read responsively*

1 Hallelujah! Praise the LORD, O my soul!

2 **I will praise the LORD as long as I live; I will
sing praises to my God while I have my being.**

3 Put not your trust in rulers, in mortals in whom
there is no help.

4 **When they breathe their last, they return to
earth, and in that day their thoughts perish.**

5 Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for
their help, whose hope is in the LORD their God;

6 **who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all
that is in them; who keeps promises forever;**

7 who gives justice to those who are oppressed,
and food to those who hunger. The LORD sets
the captive free.

8 **The LORD opens the eyes of the blind; the
LORD lifts up those who are bowed down;
the LORD loves the righteous. >>**

⁹ The LORD cares for the stranger; the LORD sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way of the wicked.

¹⁰ **The LORD shall reign forever, your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Hallelujah!**

SECOND READING: 1 TIMOTHY 6:6-19

Life goals in a life of faith

⁶ Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment, ⁷ for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it, ⁸ but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. ⁹ But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. ¹⁰ For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

¹¹ But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. ¹² Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. ¹³ In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you ¹⁴ to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁵ which he will bring about at the right time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. ¹⁶ It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

¹⁷ As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches but rather on God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. ¹⁸ They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, ¹⁹ thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

WORD OF GOD. WORD OF LIFE. **THANKS BE TO GOD.**

◆ **GOSPEL: LUKE 16:18-31**

C: Glory to you, O Lord

Story of Lazarus and the rich man

[Jesus said:] ¹⁹ “There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. ²⁰ And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, ²¹ who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man’s table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores.

²² The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. ²³ In Hades, where he was being tormented, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. ²⁴ He called out, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in agony in these flames.’ ²⁵ But Abraham said, ‘Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things and Lazarus in like manner evil things, but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. ²⁶ Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.’ ²⁷ He said, ‘Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father’s house ²⁸ for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.’ ²⁹ Abraham replied, ‘They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.’ ³⁰ He said, ‘No, father Abraham, but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent.’ ³¹ He said to him, ‘If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.’ ”

THE GOSPEL OF THE LORD. **PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST.**

Please be seated

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

SERMON *Pastor D.J. Chatelaine*

HYMN OF THE DAY

No. 710

Let Streams of Living Justice

1 Let streams of living justice flow down upon the earth; give freedom’s light to captives, let all the poor have worth. The hungry’s hands are pleading, the workers claim their rights, the mourners long for laughter, the blinded seek for sight. Make liberty a beacon, strike down the iron pow’r; abolish ancient vengeance: proclaim your people’s hour.

2 For healing of the nations, for peace that will not end, for love that makes us lovers, God grant us grace to mend. Weave our varied gifts together; knit our lives as they are spun; on your loom of time enroll us till our thread of life is run. O great weaver of our fabric, bind church and world in one; dye our texture with your radiance, light our colors with your sun.

3 Your city’s built to music; we are the stones you seek; your harmony is language; we are the words you speak. Our faith we find in service, our hope in others’ dreams, our love in hand of neighbor; our homeland brightly gleams. Inscribe our hearts with justice; your way—the path untried; your truth—the heart of stranger; your life—the Crucified.

◆ APOSTLES CREED

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 Pilate, 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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

SHARING OF PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

OFFERING—OFFERTORY—"NOISY" OFFERING

◆ OFFERING PRAYER

P: Lord of the harvest, we return to you a portion of what you have given to us.

C: 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.

GREAT THANKSGIVING *Spoken*

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION & LORD'S PRAYER

INVITATION TO COMMUNION:

The Lord's table is set. Come to this meal of mercy.

Please be seated

DISTRIBUTION & HYMN

We Come to the Hungry Feast No. 479

- 1 We come to the hungry feast, hungry for a word of peace. To hungry hearts unsatisfied the love of God is not denied. We come, we come to the hungry feast.
- 2 We come to the hungry feast, hungry for a world released from hungry folk of ev'ry kind, the poor in body, poor in mind, we come, we come to the hungry feast.
- 3 We come to the hungry feast, hungry that the hunger cease, and knowing, though we eat our fill, the hunger will stay with us; we come, we come to the hungry feast.

Build a Longer Table

ACS 1062

- 1 Build a longer table, not a higher wall, feeding those who hunger, making room for all. Feasting together, stranger turns to friend, Christ breaks walls to pieces; false divisions end.
- 2 Build a safer refuge, not a larger jail; where the weak find shelter, mercy will not fail. For any place where justice is denied, Christ will breach the jail wall, freeing all inside.
- 3 Build a broader doorway, not a longer fence. Love protects all people, sparing no expense. When we embrace compassion more than fear, Christ tears down our fences: all are welcome here.
- 4 When we lived as exiles, refugees abroad, Christ became our doorway to the reign of God. So must our tables welcome those who roam. None can be excluded; all must find a home.

TABLE BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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

BENEDICTION

- P: The God of righteousness, who gives justice to the oppressed, who gives food to the hungry, who sets the prisoner's free, + bless you now and forever. **C: Amen.**

◆ SENDING SONG: No. 705 *God of Grace & God of Glory*

- 1 God of Grace and God of glory, on your people pour your pow'r; crown your ancient church's story; bring its bud to glorious flow'r. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage for the facing of this hour, for the facing of this hour.
- 2 Lo! The hosts of evil round us scorn the Christ, assail his ways! From the fears that long have bound us free our hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage for the living of these days, for the living of these days.
- 3 Cure Your children's waring madness; bend our pride to your control; shame our wanton, selfish gladness, rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, lest we miss your kingdom's goal, lest we miss your kingdom's goal.

>> v.4

4 Save us from weak resignation to the evils we deplore; let the gift of your salvation be our glory evermore. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, serving you whom we adore, serving you whom we adore.

Ring of Bell

DISMISSAL L: Go in peace. Do not lose heart.
C: **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

PARTICIPANTS

PASTOR—D.J. Chatelaine
ACOLYTE—TBD
WORSHIP ASSISTANT—Eric Hoversten
PIANO—Tammy Hanson
GREETERS—Allen & Lenice Hoversten
COMMUNION SET-UP—Erica Aronson
SERVERS—Erica Aronson, Sharon Homeier, Dave Kolsrud
COFFEE—Candy & Don Herrlich
TECH CREW—Heidi Haugen, Steve Johnson, Holly Aldorfer, Jack Aronson, Luke Cordes.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Jennifer Lurfald, Lavon Underdahl, Jim Fountaine, Dax Eggert, Larry Walker, Renee Spidahl-Carmichael.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

LITURGICAL TEXTS: Used with permission under Augsburg Fortress Liturgies Annual License # SB180061
BIBLICAL TEXTS from NRSVue unless otherwise noted.
PUBLIC DOMAIN: *God of Grace & God of Glory*
REPRINT & PODCAST/STREAMING: UNDER ONE LICENSE.NET
#A709489 & CCLI LICENSE #11502929 --
OL/SKU#00031 *Gather Us In* ELW 532
OL/SKU#AF20201302 *Let Streams of Living Justice* ELW 710
OL/SKU #85920 *We Come to the Hungry Feast* ELW 479
OL/SKU #11922 *Build A Longer Table* ACS #1062.

CALENDAR

Su 9-28	9 am WORSHIP 10 AM Sunday School 10 AM Coffee
Mo 9-29	2 pm Grief Support Group
Thu 10-2	4-7 pm Farmer's Market
Fri 10-3	5:30 First & Gol Tailgating at KWHS prkg lot
Su 10-5	9 am WORSHIP 10 AM Sunday School 10 AM Coffee

PASTOR—D.J. CHATELAINE Phone 507-213-0708
flickenyonpastor@gmail.com
CHURCH OFS Phone: 507-789-5261
firstlutherankenyon@gmail.com
YOUTH DIRECTOR—BRYANA LOTHERT
Phone 507-210-0814 flcyouth45@gmail.com
WEBSITE flickenyon.org
FACEBOOK First Evangelical Lutheran Kenyon MN
YOUTUBE CHANNEL:
<https://www.youtube.com/@flickenyon>