

June 29, 2025

After Pentecost, Lect. 13, Yr. C



NOISY
OFFERING
SUNDAY

Summer is a transient time and we won't all be together in these coming weeks, but we will remain united in Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit, who moves more freely than we can imagine! This Summer in worship, we will share a Journey together with Jesus and his disciples. Each week, we will join in a shared activity for reflection. Contemplative music will play following the sermon to give space to reflect and participate. Blessed be the Journey, and may Christ be with us always!

Ringin' of Bell

PRELUDE *Take My Life*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

◆ CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

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: We belong to Christ Jesus and we are
God's children through faith.
In the cross of ☩ Christ,
and through the power of the Holy Spirit,

our sins are forgiven.

Clothed with Christ, we are a new creation.

C: Amen.

HYMN *Be Thou My Vision*

No. 793

Tom Ersland / Guitar

- 1 Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
naught be all else to me, save that thou art: thou
my best thought both by day and by night,
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.
- 2 Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word;
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord. Thou my
soul's shelter, and thou my high tow'r, raise
thou me heav'nward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.
- 3 Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise,
thou mine inheritance, now and always: thou
and thou only, the first in my heart, great God
of heaven, my treasure thou art.
- 4 Light of my soul, after victory won, may I
reach heaven's joys, O heaven's Sun! Heart of
my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision,
O Ruler of all.

PRAYER OF THE DAY *We pray together*

L: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

L: Sovereign God, ruler of all hearts, you call us
to obey you, and you favor us with true freedom.

**C: Keep us faithful to the ways of your Son,
that, leaving behind all that hinders us, we
may steadfastly follow your paths, through
Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

Please be seated

FIRST READING: 1 KINGS 19:15-16, 19-21

GOOD NEWS TRANSLATION

¹⁵ The Lord said to Elijah, "Return to the wilderness near Damascus, then enter the city and anoint Hazael as king of Syria;" ¹⁶ anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king of Israel, and anoint Elisha son of Shaphat from Abel Meholah to succeed you as prophet.

¹⁹ Elijah left and found Elisha plowing with a team of oxen; there were eleven teams ahead of him, and he was plowing with the last one. Elijah took off his cloak and put it on Elisha. ²⁰ Elisha then left his oxen, ran after Elijah, and said, "Let me kiss my father and mother good-bye, and then I will go with you." Elijah answered, "All right, go back. I'm not stopping you!"

²¹ Then Elisha went to his team of oxen, killed them, and cooked the meat, using the yoke as fuel for the fire. He gave the meat to the people, and they ate it. Then he went and followed Elijah as his helper.

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

PSALM 16 We read responsively THE MESSAGE

L: Keep me safe, O God, I've run for dear life to you.

C: I say to God, "Be my Lord!" Without you, nothing makes sense.

L: And these God-chosen lives all around— what splendid friends they make! Don't just go shopping for a god. Gods are not for sale.

C: I swear I'll never treat god-names like brand-names.

L: My choice is you, God, first and only. And now I find I'm your choice!

C: You set me up with a house and yard. And then you made me your heir!

L: The wise counsel God gives when I'm awake is confirmed by my sleeping heart.

C: Day and night I'll stick with God; I've got a good thing going and I'm not letting go.

L: I'm happy from the inside out, and from the outside in, I'm firmly formed.

C: You canceled my ticket to hell— that's not my destination!

L: Now you've got my feet on the life path, all radiant from the shining of your face.

C: Ever since you took my hand, I'm on the right way.

SECOND READING: GALATIANS 5:1, 13-25

Free to live by the Spirit.

¹For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

¹³For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters, only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become enslaved to one another. ¹⁴For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." ¹⁵If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.

¹⁶Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. ¹⁷For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh, for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. ¹⁸But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. ¹⁹Now the works of the flesh are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity, debauchery, ²⁰idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, ²¹envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

²²By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, > >

faithfulness, ²³gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. ²⁴And those who belong to Christ have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. ²⁵If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

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

♦ THE HOLY GOSPEL: LUKE 9:51-62

C: Glory to you, O Lord

Jesus says 'Follow me and do not look back.'

⁵¹When the days drew near for [Jesus] to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. ⁵²And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to prepare for his arrival, ⁵³but they did not receive him because his face was set toward Jerusalem. ⁵⁴When his disciples James and John saw this, they said, "Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" ⁵⁵But he turned and rebuked them. ⁵⁶Then they went on to another village.

⁵⁷As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." ⁵⁸And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." ⁵⁹To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." ⁶⁰And Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead, but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." ⁶¹Another said, "I will follow you, Lord, but let me first say farewell to those at my home." ⁶²And Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

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

Please be seated

SERMON *Pastor D.J. Chatelaine*

ACTIVITY for REFLECTION

How do you receive Jesus' invitation to "Follow me."? What does this look like in your life?

★ Take this time to journal or contribute to our shared art piece by writing a brief phrase on a piece of fabric and tying it to the chicken wire display in the front of the sanctuary.

HYMN OF THE DAY

Will You Come and Follow Me v.1,2,4,5 No. 798

¹ **"Will you come and follow me if I but call your name? Will you go where you don't know and never be the same? Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known, will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?"**

2 "Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name? Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same? Will you risk the hostile stare, should your life attract or scare? Will you let me answer pray'r in you and you in me?"

4 "Will you love the you, you hide if I but call your name? Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same? Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around, through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?"

5 Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name. Let me turn and follow you and never be the same. In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show. Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

◆ 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, **hear our prayer.**

SHARING OF PEACE

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

OFFERING—OFFERTORY—*NOISY* OFFERING

◆ OFFERING PRAYER

P: Creator God, in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good and the harvest is plentiful.

C: Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth and our labor, that we may work for the good of all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. 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 kingdom of God is set before you.
Eat and rejoice.*

Please be seated

DISTRIBUTION & HYMN

Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us No. 789

1 Savior, like a shepherd lead us; much we need your tender care. In your pleasant pastures feed us, for our use your fold prepare. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, you have bought us; we are yours. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, you have bought us; we are yours.

2 We are yours; in love befriend us, be the guardian of our way; keep your flock, from sin defend us, seek us when we go astray. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, hear us children when we pray. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, hear us children when we pray.

3 You have promised to receive us, poor and sinful though we be; you have mercy to relieve us, grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, early let us turn to you. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, early let us turn to you.

4 Early let us seek your favor, early let us do your will; blessed Lord and only Savior, with your love our spirits fill. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, you have loved us, love us still. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, you have loved us, love us still.

TABLE BLESSING

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

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: Mothering God, you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace.

C: Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus' name. Amen.

BENEDICTION

P: The love of God abound in you;
the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ
fill your hearts; and the life of the
Spirit ✠ bless you and give you peace.

C: Amen.

◆ SENDING SONG

*May the God of Hope God with Us
(Dios de la Esperanza)*

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MAY THE GOD OF HOPE GO WITH US



May the God of hope go with us ev-'ry day



to a world in need with news of joy & peace.



May the God of jus-tice speed us on our way



bringing light & hope to ev-'ry land and race.



Pray-ing, let us work for peace; sing-ing share our



joy with all; working for a world that's new



faith-ful when we hear Christ's call. REPEAT

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Music-ARGENTINA, Argentine folk melody
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Ring of Bell

DISMISSAL L: Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.
C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE *Little Rondo*

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CALENDAR

6-29	9 AM WORSHIP 10 AM Coffee
7-1	12-1 PM OPEN PRAYER TIME
7-3	4-7 PM <i>Farmer's Market</i>
7-6	9 AM WORSHIP 10 AM Coffee

ANNOUNCEMENTS

 June Stewardship Challenge: 1 Month/100 lbs donations to Kenyon Food Shelf. (Needs: canned chicken, Spam, coffee, Jelly, tomato soup, pudding, apple sauce, Depends (medium and XL size) Donation boxes located in the Narthex, handicap, & office door entrances.



Enrollment Open!
First Lutheran VBS
July 21-24!

It's time to enroll kids in VBS via Good Earth Village website link -
<https://goodearthvillage.org/kenyonwanamingo2025>
VBS is open to the community. All kids, grandkids, cousins, friends, are welcome. Same as last year we are requiring a \$50 fee per child to reserve the spot. As long as the child attends, that money will be returned to the family. If any families have hardships that make this fee a problem, they should reach out to Bryana Lothert. FLC members please send \$50/child Retainer fee to FLC Youth (check) or Venmo @Bryana-Lothert.

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