welcome to worship TIME AFTER PENTECOST

July 13, 2025 ♦ 10:00 am



The Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Atonement 5 Wyomissing Boulevard

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PRELUDE

WELCOME Pastor Katie

The assembly stands.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

A brief silence.

Holy God, we are sorry for the many times we have left you and chosen to satisfy our own selfish desires. For the times we have hurt those who love us.

Loving Creator, we have sinned. Forgive us.

For the times we were unkind and impatient with those who needed our time and concern. Jesus our Savior, we have sinned. Forgive us.

For the times we were too weak to stand up for what was right and allowed others to suffer because of our cowardice.

Spirit of life, we have sinned. Forgive us.

For the times we refused to forgive others.

Holy Three-in-One, we have sinned. Forgive us.

Hear now the good news! "If we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness." (1 John 1:9) Rejoice, for your sins are forgiven! Thanks be to God! Amen.

GATHERING HYMN 756

Eternal Father, Strong to Save

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

God of tender care, like a mother, like a father, you never forget your children, and you know already what we need. In all our anxiety give us trusting and faithful hearts, that in confidence we may embody the peace and justice of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

The assembly is seated.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Miss Caitlyn

READING

Proverbs 3:1-8 (The Message)

3 1-2 Good friend, don't forget all I've taught you; take to heart my commands.

They'll help you live a long, long time, a long life lived full and well.

³⁻⁴Don't lose your grip on Love and Loyalty.

Tie them around your neck; carve their initials on your heart.

Earn a reputation for living well in God's eyes and the eyes of the people.

5-12 Trust God from the bottom of your heart; don't try to figure out everything on your own.

Listen for God's voice in everything you do, everywhere you go;

he's the one who will keep you on track.

Don't assume that you know it all. Run to Goo! Run from evil!

Your body will glow with health, your very bones will vibrate with life!

Honor God with everything you own; give him the first and the best.

Your barns will burst, your wine vats will brim over.

But don't, dear friend, resent God's discipline; don't sulk under his loving correction.

It's the child he loves that God corrects; a father's delight is behind all this.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The assembly stands.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION 759

My Faith Looks Up to Thee – stanzas 1, 2

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 12:22-31 (The Message)

The holy gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

²²⁻²⁴ [Jesus] continued teaching his disciples. "Don't fuss about what's on the table at mealtimes or if the clothes in your closet are in fashion. There is far more to your inner life than the food you put in your stomach, more to your outer appearance than the clothes you hang on your body. Look at the ravens, free and unfettered, not tied down to a job description, carefree in the care of God. And you count far more.

²⁵⁻²⁸ "Has anyone by fussing before the mirror ever gotten taller by so much as an inch? If fussing can't even do that, why fuss at all? Walk into the fields and look at the wildflowers. They don't fuss with their appearance—but have you ever seen color and design quite like it? The ten best-dressed men and women in the country look shabby alongside them. If God gives such attention to the wildflowers, most of them never even seen, don't you think God will attend to you, take pride in you, do God's best for you?

²⁹⁻³² "What I'm trying to do here is get you to relax, not be so preoccupied with *getting* so you can respond to God's *giving*. People who don't know God and the way God works fuss over these things, but you know both God and how God works. Steep yourself in God-reality, God-initiative, God-provisions. You'll find all your everyday human concerns will be met. Don't be afraid of missing out. You're my dearest friends! The Father wants to give you the very kingdom itself.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

The assembly is seated.

SERMON

Pastor Katie

The assembly stands.

APOSTLES CREED

Let us affirm our faith together:

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

Each petition concludes ... God of grace, receive our prayer.

The prayers conclude ... in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

The assembly is seated.

OFFERING

If you brought an offering today, please place it in an offering plate that ushers will pass at this time. Thank you for your generous gifts! Did you know you can give using a credit card? Scan the QR code to the right.



OFFERING HYMN

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The assembly stands.

HOLY COMMUNION

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

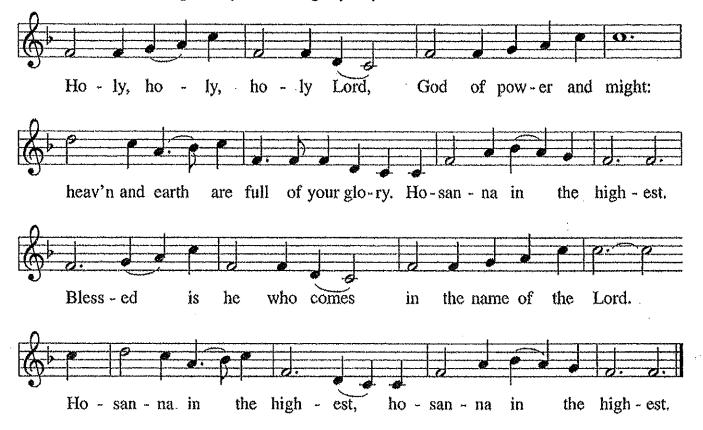
We lift them to you, Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to praise you, Lord.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, Always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Holy Triune God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. From the rising of the sun to its setting your name is raised among all peoples.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with your people on earth and all the company of heaven who for ever sing this hymn to the glory of your name:



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

On the night of your betrayal, Lord Jesus, you took bread, blessed it, broke it, gave it to your disciples and said, "This is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." You did the same with the cup after the supper, saying, "This cup that is poured out is the new covenant in my blood."

Blessed Trinity, in remembrance of all you have done to save us, we offer ourselves to you in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of our faith:

Christ has come among us. Christ has died. Christ has risen. Christ abides with us. Christ will come again.

Abba, Father!

Let your kingdom come!

Come, Lord Jesus!

Be our daily bread.

Come, Holy Spirit!

Send us to the world.

Holy, Blessed Trinity!

One God forever!

LORD'S PRAYER

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

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

The kingdom of God is set before you. Eat and rejoice!

The assembly is seated.

DISTRIBUTION

Everyone is welcome to receive Holy Communion at Atonement. Follow the directions of the ushers to receive bread and a pre-filled cup of wine or grape juice (in purple cups) from the communion assistants. Deposit your empty cup in the basket at the end of the front pew and return to your seat by the side aisles. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request, Children are welcome to receive communion with their parents' permission.

Please take a moment to sign and pass the attendance pads found in the pews, check in to Atonement on your favorite social media platform, share a photo with your digital community, and say something gentle in the spirit of Jesus!

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

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Come to Me, All Pilgrims Thirsty

The assembly stands.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Mothering God, you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace. Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus' name. Amen.

BLESSING

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.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN 769

If You But Trust in God to Guide You

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Live by the Spirit. Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Assisting with Worship

MaryLou Hall greeter Bill Long, head usher C. Louise Fair, lector

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WARMEST WELCOME to this congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America! We are a Lutheran church, but we're not just for Lutherans—we belong to our community! Together we are on the journey of discipleship with Jesus, who guides us from worship to formation, from formation to fellowship, and from fellowship to Christ-like servanthood.

CHILDREN are very welcome at Atonement! Activity bags and children's bulletins are e available at the entrance to the worship space.

THE PRIVACY ROOM at the back of the nave is available for children and families who would like a little extra wiggle room during the service.

RESTROOMS are located in the hall next to the worship space. A FAMILY RESTROOM including a changing table is also located in the Privacy Room at the back of the worship space.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS are Monday—Thursday, 10:30am—2:30pm, or by appointment.

ATONEMENT VOLUNTEERS SERVE AT OPPORTUNITY HOUSE the third Saturday of every month. Contact Bob Eisenbrown at 484-332-8788 if you would like to join the team.

PILATES AT ATONEMENT is open for anyone! Join us Tuesdays for chair Pilates at 9:30 or mat Pilates at 10:30am. Cost is \$5 per session.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION will continue throughout the summer in room F122 at 9am.

DONATING TO THE COMMUNITY AID THRIFT SHOP can benefit Common Ground. Use the code **50244** when you make a donation.

BEAR CREEK CAMP registration is now open for summer 2025! Use the code ATW200 when registering to receive \$200 off the registration fee.

PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION is open! Contact Jen Dauber at jdauber@atonementwyo.org for a tour or additional information.

DONATIONS FOR COMMON GROUND are being collected in the large bin next to the coatroom in the narthex. You can also donate using our Amazon wish list, available by going to atonementwyo.org and selecting Common Ground from the top menu of the home page.

SUMMER CHOIR will sing the Sunday mornings of July 27 and August 24. All teens and adults are invited to sing fun, easy-to-learn music in a relaxed, non-judgemental setting. Show up for rehearsal at 9am, then stay for 10am worship. Email Deacon Tom at tyenser@atonementwyo.org with questions.

ATONEMENT IS HOSTING FAMILY PROMISE July 14 & 21. We currently need people to prepare and deliver meals, and donations of grocery gift cards, cleaning supplies, and toiletries such as shampoo, soap, baby wipes, toothpaste, and deodorant. Use the link from the home page of atonementwyo.org for the sign-up genius.





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OFFERING HYMN 785

love to thee

When Peace like a River – stanzas 1, 2, 4

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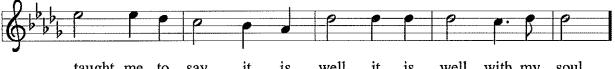


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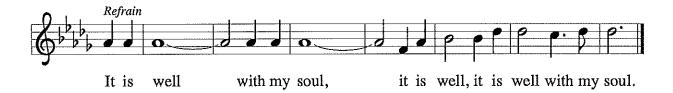
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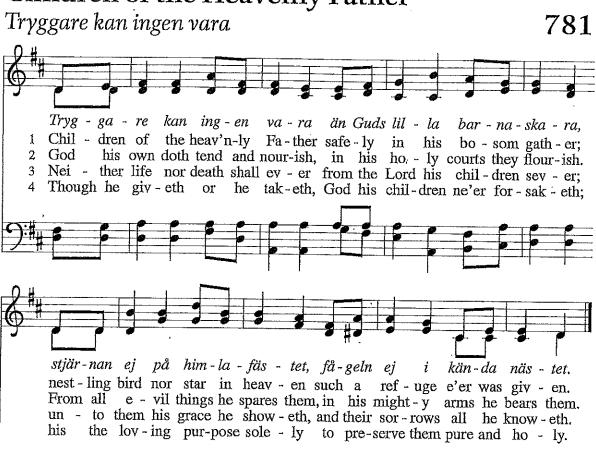
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Children of the Heavenly Father



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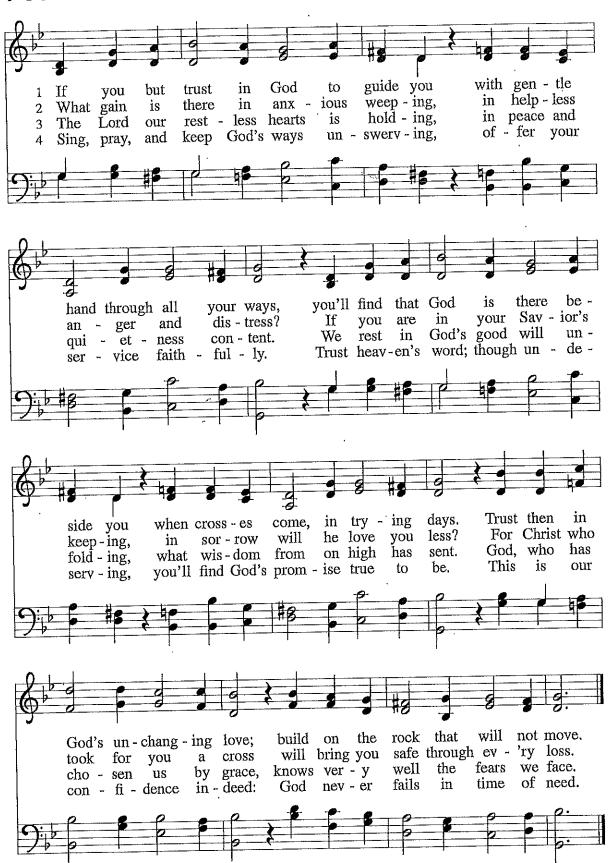
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- 5 "Come to me, distressed and needy; I would be your trusted friend. Come and seek the gift I offer, come, your open hands extend." Refrain
- 6 "Come to me, abandoned, orphaned; lonely ways no longer roam.

 Come and take the gift I offer, let me make in you my home." Refrain

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