

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 23, 2026 - 9:30 am

Prelude/ Bell/ Welcome and Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, who creates, redeems, and sustains us and all of creation. **C: Amen.**

L: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

All: To you, O God, all hearts are open, to you all desires known. We come to you, confessing our sins. Forgive us in your mercy, and remember us in your love. Show us your ways; teach us your paths; and lead us in justice and truth, for the sake of your goodness in Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

L: By water and the Holy Spirit God gives you a new birth, and through the death and resurrection of ☩ Jesus Christ, God forgives you all your sins. The God of mercy and might strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life.

Amen.

Gathering Hymn

Give Me Jesus

ELW 770

Greeting

Prayer of the Day

L: O God, **C: with all your faithful followers of every age, we praise you, the rock of our life. Be our strong foundation and form us into the body of your Son, that we may gladly minister to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

First Reading

Isaiah 51:1-6

Pew Bible pg. 1141

Responsive Reading

Psalms 138

L: I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole heart; before the gods I will sing your praise.

C: I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your name, because of your steadfast love and faithfulness; for you have glorified your name and your word above all things.

L: When I called, you answered me; you increased my strength within me.

C: All the rulers of the earth will praise you, O Lord, when they have heard the words of your mouth.

L: They will sing of the ways of the Lord, that great is the glory of the Lord.

C: The Lord is high, yet cares for the lowly, perceiving the haughty from afar.

L: Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand shall save me.

C: You will make good your purpose for me; O Lord, your steadfast love endures forever; do not abandon the works of your hands.

L: The Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation

Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil

ELW 512

Gospel Reading

Matthew 16:13-20

Pew Bible pg. 1524

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

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

Children's Welcome Song ***"Jesus loves the little children. All the children of the world. You are loved and you are light. You are precious in God's sight. Jesus loves the little children of the world."***

Children's Message & Sermon

Rev. Mindy Czycalla

Hymn of the Day

The Church's One Foundation

ELW 654

Offering / Offertory

Fragrant Offering

Screens

Prayers of the People

L: Merciful God, **C: receive our prayer.**

Sharing of the Peace

L: The peace of Christ be with you always. **C: And also with you.**

The Great Thanksgiving

L: The Lord be with you **C: And also with you.**

L: Lift up your hearts. **C: We lift them to the Lord.**

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

Communion Welcome: All who are hungry for God's love and mercy are welcome to this table of forgiveness.

Holy Communion Distribution

Post Communion Prayer

Blessing One Another

L: Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, ☩ one God, bless, heal, and hold you today and always.

C: Amen. Amen. Amen.

Sending Hymn

We Are All One in Mission

ELW 576

Dismissal

L: Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news!

C: We will! Thanks be to God.

Bell / Postlude

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We Thank

Ushers / Tech Desk

Pianist: RaNae Martinson

Reader & Communion: Nancy Drange

We remember in our prayers:

Nordland: Jerrod Quade (upcoming surgery/recovery), Kathy Chesness (illness), Terry Porter (illness), Nordland's Call Committee

Friends: Family of Ron Gilbertson (Al Gilbertson's brother), Carol Rohr (illness), Maggie & Michael Kihui (terminal illness),

Jacob & Emily Peterson (fertility), Wilder Christenson (infant illness), Nick Carlson (kidney transplant)

Nordland's Week & Notices

Today 9:30 / 10:30 Worship / Fellowship

Tue. 10:00 am Service at Koronis Place

Sun. 9:30 / 10:30 Worship / Fellowship

Join us on Sunday, Sept. 6, at 10:30 am fellowship for cake & coffee to celebrate Doris Nygaard's 95th Birthday!

