

August 23, 2026 Bulletin Insert: 13th Sunday after Pentecost

We lift up in prayer:

Gloria Schultz, Roger & Bev Valentine, Ron & Esther Lunz, Peggy Morrison, Michael "Mic" Mickelson, Phyllis Jacobson, Joyce Paulson, Loni Bultman, Judy Wohlin; Laurie Brothen, mother of Joy White; Rondi Adams, daughter Jill Moore and grandson Noah;
Congratulations to Pastor Todd Mattson at Peace Lutheran on his retirement today!

Altar Flowers given by:

Eric Anderson in honor of Marti Carlson's birthday (August 22)! Happy Birthday!!!

GATHERING SONG

O, Holy Spirit Enter In, ELW 786

1 O Holy Spirit, enter in, and in our hearts your work begin, and make our hearts your dwelling. Sun of the soul, O Light divine, around and in us brightly shine, your strength in us upwelling. In your radiance life from heaven now is given overflowing, gift of gifts beyond all knowing.

2 Left to ourselves, we surely stray; oh, lead us on the narrow way, with wisest counsel guide us; and give us steadfastness, that we may follow you forever free, no matter who derides us. Gently heal those hearts now broken; give some token you are near us, whom we trust to light and cheer us.

3 O mighty Rock, O Source of life, let your good Word in doubt and strife be in us strongly burning, that we be faithful unto death and live in love and holy faith, from you true wisdom learning. Lord, your mercy on us shower; by your power Christ confessing, we will cherish all your blessing.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. O God, 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.

1st READING: Isaiah 51:1-6

PSALM (read responsively): Psalm 138

¹ I give you thanks, O Lord, with my whole heart; before the gods I sing your praise;

² I bow down toward your holy temple and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness, for you have exalted your name and your word above everything.

³ On the day I called, you answered me; you increased my strength of soul.

⁴ All the kings of the earth shall praise you, O Lord, for they have heard the words of your mouth.

⁵ They shall sing of the ways of the Lord, for great is the glory of the Lord.

⁶ For though the Lord is high, he regards the lowly, but the haughty he perceives from far away.

⁷ Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you preserve me against the wrath of my enemies; you stretch out your hand, and your right hand delivers me.

⁸ The Lord will fulfill his purpose for me; your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever. Do not forsake the work of your hands.

2nd READING: Romans 12:1-8

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL: Matthew 16:13-20

HYMN OF THE DAY

My Hope is Built on Nothing Less, ELW 596

1 My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness; no merit of my own I claim, but wholly lean on Jesus' name.

On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand, all other ground is sinking sand.

2 When darkness veils his lovely face, I rest on his unchanging grace; in ev'ry high and stormy gale my anchor holds within the veil. **Refrain**

3 His oath, his covenant, his blood sustain me in the raging flood; when all supports are washed away, he then is all my hope and stay. **Refrain**

4 When he shall come with trumpet sound, oh, may I then in him be found, clothed in his righteousness alone, redeemed to stand before the throne! **Refrain**

SENDING SONG

O Savior, Precious Savior, ELW 820

1 O Savior, precious Savior, whom yet unseen we love; O name of might and favor, all other names above: we worship thee; we bless thee; to thee alone we sing; we praise thee and confess thee, our holy Lord and King.

2 O bringer of salvation, who wondrously hast wrought, thyself the revelation of love beyond our thought: we worship thee; we bless thee; to thee alone we sing; we praise thee and confess thee, our gracious Lord and King.

3 In thee all fullness dwelleth, all grace and pow'r divine; the glory that excelleth, O Son of God, is thine. We worship thee; we bless thee; to thee alone we sing; we praise thee and confess thee, our glorious Lord and King.

4 Oh, grant the consummation of this our song above, in endless adoration and everlasting love; then shall we praise and bless thee where perfect praises ring, and evermore confess thee, our Savior and our King!

Sunday, August 30:

- **Noisy Offering** at both services for The Feast Meal, which helps keep meal prices low!
- **OWL Band** is leading the music at the 8:30am Stave Chapel Worship! Don't miss out!!

Rally Sunday – Sunday, September 13, back to 1 service at 9:00am at Faith. This will be an outdoor worship at the pergola with yummy treats and fun outdoor games to follow!

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