

Sunday, July 13, 2025 Bulletin Insert – 5th Sunday after Pentecost

We lift up in prayer:

Lila Burmeister; Tina Magner; The family and loved ones of Clifford Wig on his death; Ken Kruger and family on the death of his wife, Patty Kruger

Altar flowers given by:

Odetta Hanson in honor of the Siegfried Family celebration!

Accompanist: Sue Rime, **8:30am:** **Reader:** Tom/Phyllis Jacobson, **Ushers:** Tom & Norma Monson, **Communion Servers:** Dave & Karen Spears, **10:00am:** **Reader:** Tom/Phyllis Jacobson

GATHERING SONG

God Is Here, ELW 526

1 God is here! As we your people meet to offer praise and prayer, may we find in fuller measure what it is in Christ we share. Here, as in the world around us, all our varied skills and arts wait the coming of the Spirit into open minds and hearts.

2 Here are symbols to remind us of our lifelong need of grace; here are table, font, and pulpit; here the cross has central place. Here in honesty of preaching, here in silence, as in speech, here, in newness and renewal, God the Spirit comes to each.

3 Here our children find a welcome in the Shepherd's flock and fold; here as bread and wine are taken, Christ sustains us as of old. Here the servants of the Servant seek in worship to explore what it means in daily living to believe and to adore.

4 Lord of all, of church and kingdom, in an age of change and doubt, keep us faithful to the gospel; help us work your purpose out. Here, in this day's dedication, all we have to give, receive; we, who cannot live without you, we adore you! We believe!

1st READING: Deuteronomy 30:9-14

PSALM (read responsively): Psalm 25:1-10

¹ To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

² O my God, in you I trust; do not let me be put to shame; do not let my enemies exult over me.

³ Do not let those who wait for you be put to shame; let them be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.

⁴ Make me to know your ways, O Lord; teach me your paths.

⁵ Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; for you I wait all day long.

⁶ Be mindful of your mercy, O Lord, and of your steadfast love, for they have been from of old.

⁷ Do not remember the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to your steadfast love remember me, for the sake of your goodness, O Lord!

⁸ Good and upright is the Lord; therefore he instructs sinners in the way.

⁹ He leads the humble in what is right and teaches the humble his way.

¹⁰ All the paths of the Lord are steadfast love and faithfulness, for those who keep his covenant and his decrees.

2nd READING: Colossians 1:1-14

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

HYMN OF THE DAY

Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love, ELW 708

Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love, show us how to serve the neighbors we have from you.

1 Kneels at the feet of his friends, silently washes their feet, master who acts as a slave to them.

Refrain

2 Neighbors are wealthy and poor, varied in color and race, neighbors are nearby and far away.

Refrain

3 These are the ones we will serve, these are the ones we will love; all these are neighbors to us and you. Refrain

4 Kneel at the feet of our friends, silently washing their feet: this is the way we will live with you.

Refrain

SENDING SONG

Gather Us In, ELW 532

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 myst'ry, 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.

3 Here we will take the wine and the water, here we will take the bread of new birth, here you shall call your sons and your daughters, call us anew to be salt for the earth. Give us to drink the wine of compassion, give us to eat the bread that is you; nourish us well, and teach us to fashion lives that are holy and hearts that are true.

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.

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