



13th Sunday of Pentecost  
September 7, 2025 — 8:30 am Service  
Order of Worship  
FM Frequency 99.3  
Text: 419-482-8227

Passing of the Peace

L. The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**A. And also with you.**

Invocation

L: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**A: Amen.**

Prayer of the Week

Heavenly Father, thank You for giving us an outline for prayer. Help us to remember that all we need to do is to ask. That You are always listening. That we can talk to You anytime of the day no matter where we are. Amen.

Hymn: ***Spirit Of God Descend Upon My Heart***

Spirit of God descend upon my heart  
Wean it from earth, through all its pulses move  
Stoop to my weakness, strength to me impart  
And make me love you as I ought to love

I ask no dream, no prophet ecstasies  
No sudden rending of the veil of clay  
No angel visitant, no op'ning skies  
But take the dimness of my soul away

Have you not bid me love you, God and King

All, all your own, soul, heart, and strength, and mind  
I see your cross; there teach my heart to cling  
Oh, let me seek you and, oh, let me find

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#### Brief Order of Confession and Forgiveness

L: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid:  
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the Inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly  
love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**A: Amen.**

L: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our  
sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.  
Most merciful God,

**A: We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against  
you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We  
have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For  
the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that  
we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

L: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you, and for his sake God forgives  
you all your sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ he gives the power to become the children  
of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit.

**A. Amen.**

#### Greeting

L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with  
you all.

**A: And also with you.**

#### Kyrie

L: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

**A: Lord, have mercy**

L: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

**A: Lord, have mercy**

L: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all,  
let us pray to the Lord.

**A: Lord, have mercy.**

L: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

**A: Lord, have mercy.**

L: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**A: Amen.**

#### This Is The Feast

L: This is the feast of victory for our God, Alleluia.

**A: Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. Power  
and riches and wisdom and strength, and honor and blessing and glory are his. This is the feast of  
victory for our God. Alleluia. Sing with all the people of God and join in the hymn of all creation:  
Blessing and honor and glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. This is the feast of**

**victory of our god, for the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

Scripture Isaiah 56:6-7

*"And foreigners who bind themselves to the LORD to minister to him, to love the name of the LORD, and to be his servants, all who keep the Sabbath without desecrating it and who hold fast to my covenant—these I will bring to my holy mountain and give them joy in my house of prayer. Their burnt offerings and sacrifices will be accepted on my altar; for my house will be called a house of prayer for all nations."*

Ephesians 6:10-13, 18

*"Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes. For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms. Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand. And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people."*

Luke 11:1-13

*"One day Jesus was praying in a certain place. When he finished, one of his disciples said to him, 'Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples.' He said to them, 'When you pray, say: 'Father, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come. Give us each day our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, for we also forgive everyone who sins against us. And lead us not into temptation.'" Then Jesus said to them, 'Suppose you have a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; a friend of mine on a journey has come to me, and I have no food to offer him.' And suppose the one inside answers, 'Don't bother me. The door is already locked, and my children and I are in bed. I can't get up and give you anything.' I tell you, even though he will not get up and give you the bread because of friendship, yet because of your shameless audacity he will surely get up and give you as much as you need. So I say to you: 'Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened.' Which of your fathers, if your son asks for a fish, will give him a snake instead? Or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? If you then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"*

Scripture Closing

L. This is the Word of the Lord.

**A. Thanks be to God!**

Sermon — *"The Audacity Of Prayer"*

Pastor Roger Miller

Apostle's Creed

**ALL: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.**

**He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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.**

Hymn: ***What A Friend We Have In Jesus***

What a friend we have in Jesus  
All our sins and griefs to bear  
What a privilege to carry  
Ev'rything to God in prayer  
Oh, what peace we often forfeit  
Oh, what needless pain we bear  
All because we do not carry  
Ev'rything to God in prayer

Have we trials and temptations  
Is there trouble anywhere  
We should never be discouraged  
Take it to the Lord in prayer  
Can we find a friend so faithful  
Who will all our sorrows share  
Jesus knows our ev'ry weakness  
Take it to the Lord in prayer

Are we weak and heavy laden  
Cumbered with a load of care  
Precious Savior, still our refuge  
Take it to the Lord in prayer  
Do your friends despise, forsake you  
Take it to the Lord in prayer  
In his arms he'll take and shield you  
You will find a solace there

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Words Of Institution

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Lord's Prayer

**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.**

### Lamb Of God

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.**

### Communion

#### Post Communion Blessing

L: *(Please stand and join with those close to you. . .)* May the body and the blood of our Lord Jesus, now in you, strengthen you in body and preserve you in faith to life everlasting.

**A: Amen.**

L: O give thanks to the Lord for he is good,

**A: and his mercy endures forever. Amen.**

### Corporate Prayer

We pray together prayers of:

Adoration

Confession

Thanksgiving

Supplication

### Benediction

L: Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever.

**A: Amen.**

### Go In Peace

L: Go in peace, Read the word, Study the word, Serve the Lord.

**A: Thanks be to God!**

### Closing Hymn: ***Nearer My God To Thee***

Nearer, my God, to thee

Nearer to thee

E'en though it be a cross

That raiseth me

Still all my song shall be

Nearer, my God, to thee

Nearer, my God, to thee

Nearer to thee

Though like a wanderer

The sun gone down

Darkness be over me

My rest a stone

Yet in my dreams I'd be

Nearer, my god, to thee  
Nearer, my God, to thee  
Nearer to thee

Then let my way appear  
Steps unto heaven  
All that thou sendest me  
In mercy given  
Angels to beckon me  
Nearer, my God, to thee  
Nearer, my God, to thee  
Nearer to thee

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*"So I say to you: Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened." Luke 11:9-10*

## **Sermon Notes**

### **The Audacity Of Prayer**

- I. Our Father, who art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name.
- II. Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven.
- III. Give us this day our daily bread.
- IV. Forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.  
German Word, "Nachtragend" = "Resentful" or "Past Carrying"

V. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil “one”

- ⇒ The Lord’s Prayer touches every aspect of our lives.
  - ⇒ The spiritual need, our physical and relational needs.
  - ⇒ And it connects us to sacred spaces and to a loving Father.
  - ⇒ God’s audacious love for us is worth all of our praise.

## Those To Pray For

**HOSPITALIZED:**

**IN HOSPICE CARE:**

**CONTINUE TO KEEP IN PRAYER:** Edna Hollar, Joy Hodak, Charles Simpson, Carolyn Schell, Elizabeth Ford, Scribner Family, Joyce Wheeler, Diane Debien, Don Krause, Fred Dais, Patty Komisar, Judy Clymer, Lynda Dunn, Pam Walker, Nancy Belt, Lonna Young, Andrea Penzinski, George Hochmuth, Bob Clymer, St. Paul’s homebound

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE IN THE ARMED FORCES:** Brian Lange, Abe Diaz, Nicholas Brice, Jacob Brice, Trey Olman