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Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

August 2 & 3, 2025

Welcome to Worship!

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The *worship bulletin* is intended to help guide us through our worship. Sections in **bold** print are for congregation response.

We believe our risen Lord Jesus is truly present in the bread and wine of ***Holy Communion*** and we extend our Lord's invitation to all who are baptized to share in this meal.

Non-communing children and adults are welcome to come forward for a blessing. Please contact an usher if you need ***communed in the pew***.

A ***large print copy*** of our worship service and ***wireless sound enhancers*** are available in the front narthex.



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Saturday 5:30pm, Sunday 8:15am (Broadcast, 98.7FM, 107.5FM, 1480AM, 910AM;
Livestream @www.trinitylatrobe.com), Sunday 10:45am

Service of Holy Communion

(ELW Setting 4)

Today's texts offer instruction and encouragement for all who are occasionally overwhelmed by the "unhappy business" of life. Jesus urges us to take care and be on guard against all kinds of greed. We who have died with Christ in holy baptism have also been raised with him and are encouraged to elevate our thinking, seeking the "things that are above." To that end we seek the sustenance of the Lord's supper and the encouragement of God's word.

*The prelude is a signal to end our conversation and
prepare our hearts and minds for worship*

Prelude and Silent Prayer

Welcome and Announcements

(at the end of the bell peal, please stand or remain seated as you are comfortable)

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Confession and Forgiveness

(All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.)

In the name of the Father,
and of the ✚ Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.
(please kneel or remain seated as you are comfortable)

Merciful God, you free us to love others, but we neglect our neighbors
and follow our own way. You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace,
but we turn away from the abundant life you offer. You surround us with
patience, kindness, and generosity, but we grow weary in doing what is right.
In your mercy, forgive us. Do not give up on us. Heal us, break our bonds,
and show us the path of life.
Amen.

You belong to Christ Jesus and you are God's children through faith.
In the cross of ✚ Christ, and through the power of the Holy Spirit,
your sins are forgiven. Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation.
Amen.

(please stand or remain seated as you are comfortable)

Gathering Hymn

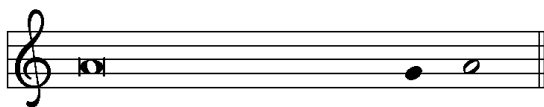
“At the Name of Jesus”

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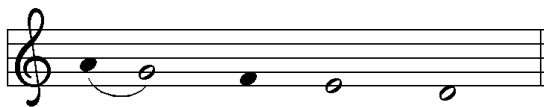
Greeting

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

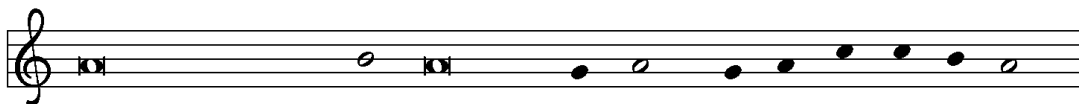
Kyrie



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



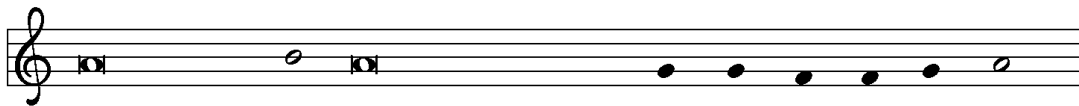
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.

Lord have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord. A - men.

Prayer of the Day

Benevolent God, you are the source, the guide, and the goal of our lives. Teach us to love what is worth loving, to reject what is offensive to you, and to treasure what is precious in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

(please be seated)

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

Children's Message

First Reading: Hosea 11:1-11

Because Luke often presents Jesus as carrying on the ministry of the Old Testament prophets, our first readings during these weeks are from several of those figures. Today's reading is the turning point of Hosea's preaching: up until this point, the prophet had described Israel's unfaithfulness to God, and God's threats to abandon and punish the chosen people.

¹ When Israel was a child, I loved him, and out of Egypt I called my son. ² The more I called them, the more they went from me; they kept sacrificing to the Baals, and offering incense to idols. ³ Yet it was I who taught Ephraim to walk, I took them up in my arms; but they did not know that I healed them. ⁴ I led them with cords of human kindness, with bands of love. I was to them like those who lift infants to their cheeks. I bent down to them and fed them. ⁵ They shall return to the land of Egypt, and Assyria shall be their king, because they have refused to return to me. ⁶ The sword rages in their cities, it consumes their oracle-priests, and devours because of their schemes. ⁷ My people are bent on turning away from me. To the Most High they call, but he does not raise them up at all. ⁸ How can I give you up, Ephraim? How can I hand you over, O Israel? How can I make you like Admah? How can I treat you like Zeboiim?

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My heart recoils within me; my compassion grows warm and tender. ⁹ I will not execute my fierce anger; I will not again destroy Ephraim; for I am God and no mortal, the Holy One in your midst, and I will not come in wrath. ¹⁰ They shall go after the LORD, who roars like a lion; when he roars, his children shall come trembling from the west. ¹¹ They shall come trembling like birds from Egypt, and like doves from the land of Assyria; and I will return them to their homes, says the LORD.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 107:1-9, 43 (Leader/Assembly: Spoken)

Psalm 107 describes various times in Israel's history (like the time of Hosea) when God was faithful to the divine promises, even when Israel had proved faithless.

¹ Give thanks to the LORD, for the LORD is good,
for God's mercy endures forever.

² **Let the redeemed of the LORD proclaim
that God redeemed them from the hand of the foe,**

³ gathering them in from the lands;
from the east and from the west, from the north and from
the south.

⁴ **Some wandered in desert wastes;
they found no path to a city where they might dwell.**

⁵ They were hungry and thirsty;
their spirits languished within them.

⁶ **Then in their trouble they cried to the LORD,
and you delivered them from their distress.**

⁷ You led them on a straight path
to go to a city where they might dwell.

⁸ **Let them give thanks to you, LORD, for your steadfast love
and your wonderful works for all people.**

⁹ For you satisfy the thirsty soul
and fill the hungry with good things.

⁴³ **Whoever is wise will ponder these things,
and consider well the LORD's steadfast love.**

Second Reading: Colossians 3:1-11

There appear to be people telling the Colossians that their salvation is not complete, but rather that they need to receive secret knowledge which only these people know. In response, the apostle affirms the completeness of Christ's work and reconciliation. The apostle's advice to live as reflects that reconciliation includes avoiding greed – a thread which will continue in today's Gospel.

¹ So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ² Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, ³ for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴ When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory. ⁵ Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). ⁶ On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. ⁷ These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. ⁸ But now you must get rid of all such things—anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. ⁹ Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices ¹⁰ and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. ¹¹ In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation

(please stand to welcome the Gospel or remain seated as you are comfortable)



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

Gospel: Luke 12:13-21

Through these weeks, we have been reading about Jesus' journey toward Jerusalem, where he will be crucified. Along the way, he engages in controversies with opponents, heals the sick, and teaches, often in stories and often in response to questions from his followers.

The Holy Gospel according to Luke the 12th chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

¹³ Someone in the crowd said to [Jesus,] “Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me.” ¹⁴ But he said to him, “Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?” ¹⁵ And he said to them, “Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one’s life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.” ¹⁶ Then he told them a parable: “The land of a rich man produced abundantly. ¹⁷ And he thought to himself, ‘What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?’ ¹⁸ Then he said, ‘I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. ¹⁹ And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.’ ²⁰ But God said to him, ‘You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?’ ²¹ So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God.”

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

(please be seated)

Sermon

Pastor David Clement

Hymn of the Day *(please stand or remain seated as you are comfortable)*

“Son of God, Eternal Savior”

ELW #655

Apostles' Creed

**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.**

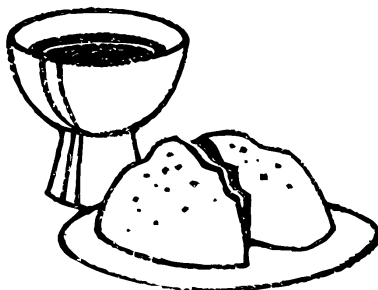
Prayers of the People (*please kneel or sit as you are comfortable*)

God of grace, hear our prayer.

The Peace (*please stand or remain seated as you are comfortable*)

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

(*share God's peace with one another and then be seated*)



MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Gathering of Gifts

As we move to the time in our worship where we offer our gifts to God's church, a portion of your offering supports the International Leaders Program, which accompanies the ELCA's global companion churches and institutions to equip leaders for mission and ministry in a global context (such as the Regional Lutheran Theological Seminary in Bezaha that serves our companion synod in Madagascar).



*If you prefer, scan the QR code to give online.
You may then place a giving card from the pew
in the offering plate as it passes by.*

Offertory (please stand or remain seated as you are comfortable)

"We Are an Offering"

ELW #692



We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an
of-fer-ing. Lord, use our voices, Lord, use our hands, Lord, use our
lives, they are yours: we are an of-fer-ing. All that we have, all that we are,
all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you.

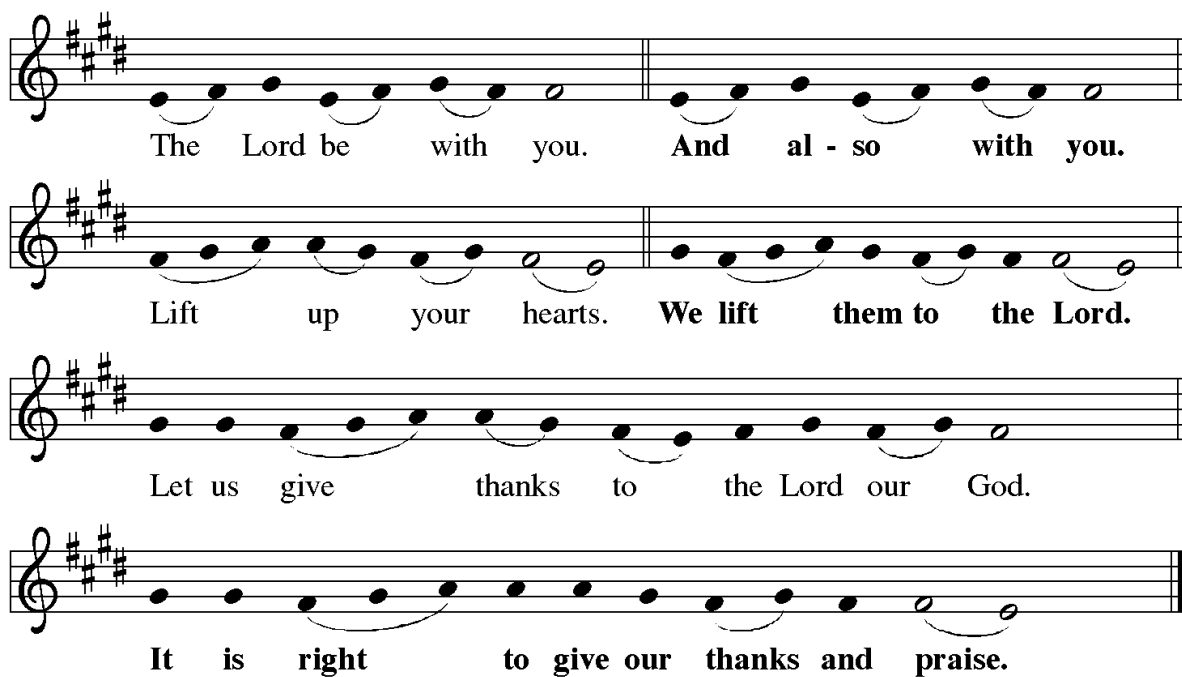
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Offering Prayer

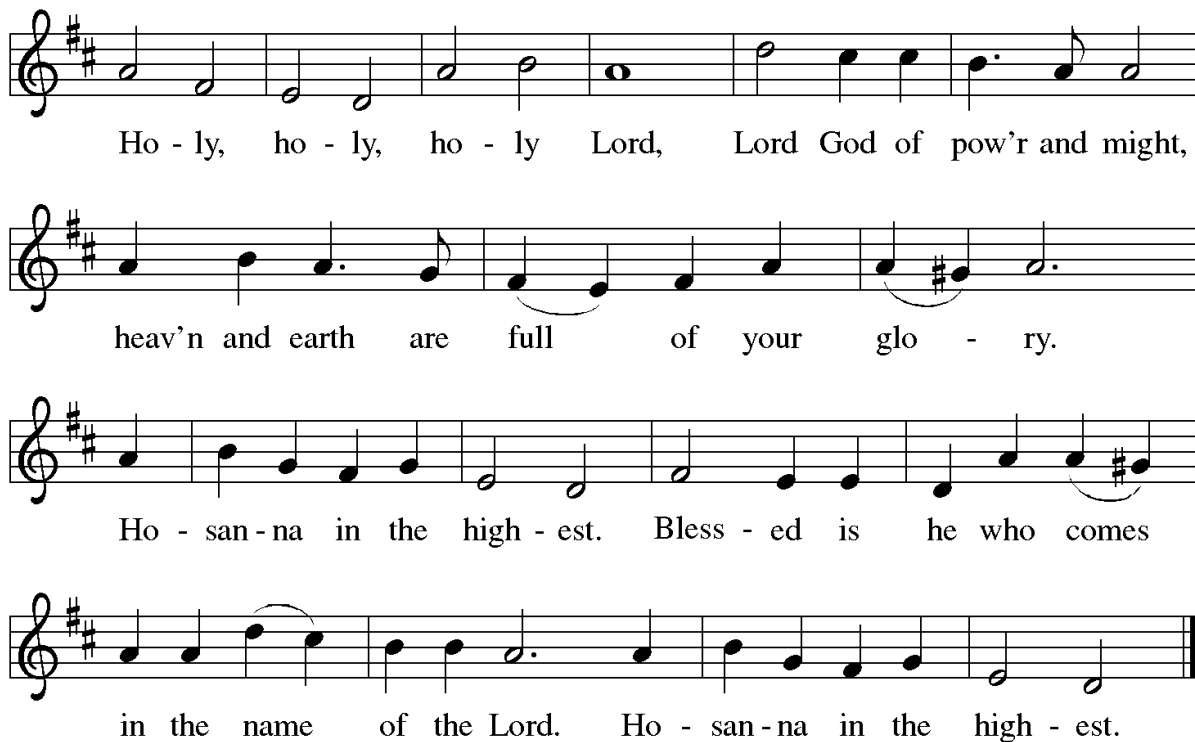
Let us pray. Creator God, in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good and the harvest is plentiful. Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth and our labor, that we may work for the good of all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.
 Amen.

Great Thanksgiving



It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Thanksgiving at the Table

Holy God,
our Maker, Redeemer, and Healer,
in the harmonious world of your creation,
the plants and animals, the seas and stars
were whole and well in your praise.

When sin had scarred the world,
you sent your Son to heal our ills
and to form us again into one.

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.

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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.

Remembering, therefore,
his acts of healing,
his body given up,
and his victory over death,
we await that day when all the peoples of the earth
will come to the river to enjoy the tree of life.

Send your Spirit upon us and this meal:
as grains scattered on the hillside become one bread,
so let your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth,
that all may be fed with the Bread of life, your Son.

Through him all glory and honor is yours,
Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit,
in your holy Church,
both now and forever.

Amen.

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.**

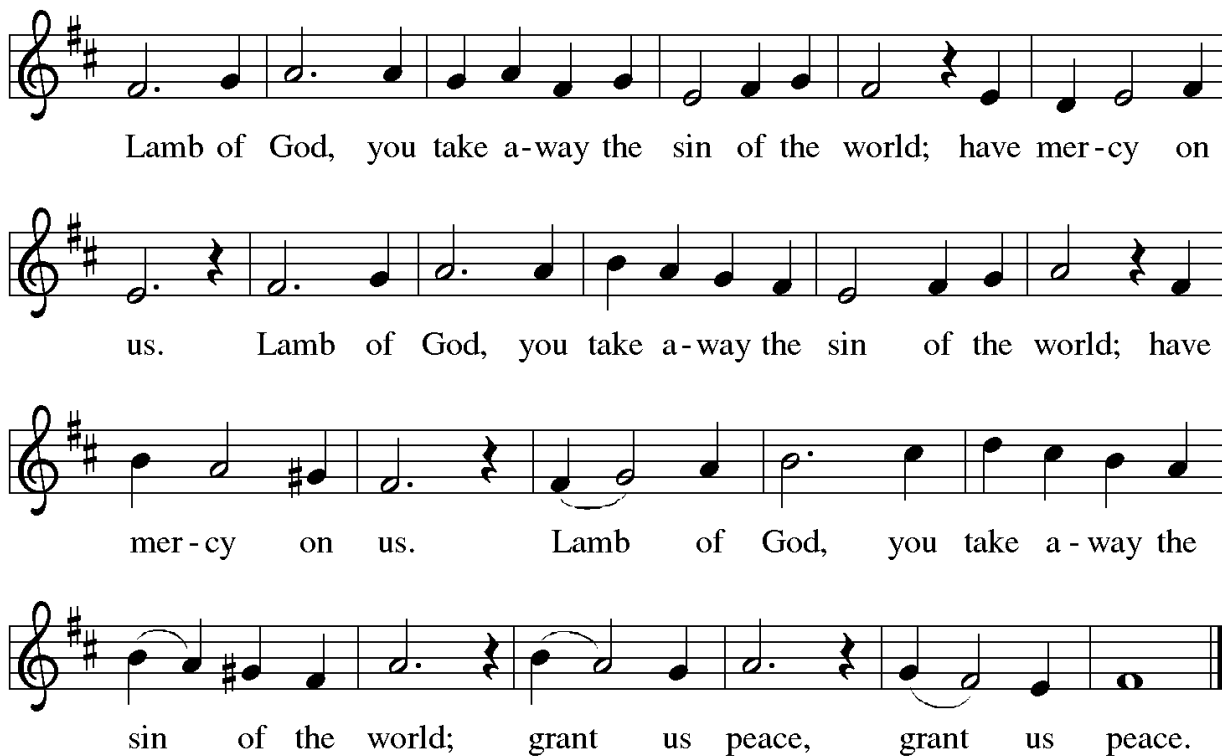
**Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**

Invitation to Communion

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

Lamb of God



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the
sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

(please be seated)

Distribution of Communion

*To receive communion, please come down the center aisle, take a cup from the tray and gather at the altar rail. Receive the bread into your hand. Wine will be poured into your cup. **The communion wine is gluten free. Gluten free wafers are available upon request.** For those unable to receive wine, communion cups with water are available. Leave the altar rail, place your cup on the tray and return to your pew via the side aisles. **If you would like to receive communion in the pew, please contact an usher.** Non-communing children and adults are welcome to come forward for a blessing.*



Table Blessing *(please stand or remain seated as you are comfortable)*

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray. 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.

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

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

“We Know That Christ Is Raised”

ELW #449

Dismissal

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

THE BROADCAST THIS WEEKEND is dedicated to the Glory of God in loving memory of my husband, Bill Morgan, in recognition of our 37th Wedding Anniversary, given by Cheryl Morgan.

Serving this Weekend

Preaching and Presiding: Pastor David Clement

Director of Music: Debbie Morley

Assisting Ministers: Kathe Houck, Walter Vargo

Lectors: **Saturday 5:30pm:** Kathe Houck

Sunday 8:15am: Gail Hugo

Sunday 10:45am: Karen Vogle

Liturgical Deacons: **Saturday 5:30pm:** Walter Vargo

Sunday 8:15am: Sandy Kisick, Dean Reed

Sunday 10:45am: Jane Lawson, Sandy Redinger

Ushers: **Saturday 5:30pm:** Linda McDowell, David Rock,
Donna Showalter, Isaiah Sherba

Sunday 8:15am: Herb Harris, Mark & Kathy Jones, Melinda Terney

Sunday 10:45am: Matt & Kelly Clever, Eli Clever, Anna Hudec

Acolytes: **Saturday 5:30pm:** Kathe Houck

Sunday 8:15am: Claire Benning, Will Benning

Sunday 10:45am:

Tellers: **Sunday 8:15am:** Jason Sheppard, Donna Krall, Phyllis O'Hara

10:45am: Tiffany Shrum, Ryan & Lynn Scalise, Tim Potter

Acolytes Serving Next Weekend August 9 & 10

Saturday 5:30pm:

Sunday 8:15am:

Sunday 10:45am: Allie Glagola, Autumn Glagola

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