

September 27, 2026
18th Sunday after Pentecost
Service of the Word



**THE MINISTRY OF JESUS:
INVITED**

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PRELUDE

WORSHIP ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING

CALL TO WORSHIP (AJ Jeannotte)

WA: The invitation is spoken:

C: come and gather.

WA: The invitation is spoken:

C: come and know God's grace.

WA: The invitation is spoken:

C: come find your place here.

WA: The invitation is spoken:

C: let us worship together as God's people.

OPENING HYMN: ELW 532 – Gather Us In

GREETING

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

C: And also with you.

L: You are the treasured people of the Lord,

C: a people holy to the Lord our God.

L: Keep the words of the Lord in your heart; teach them to your children.

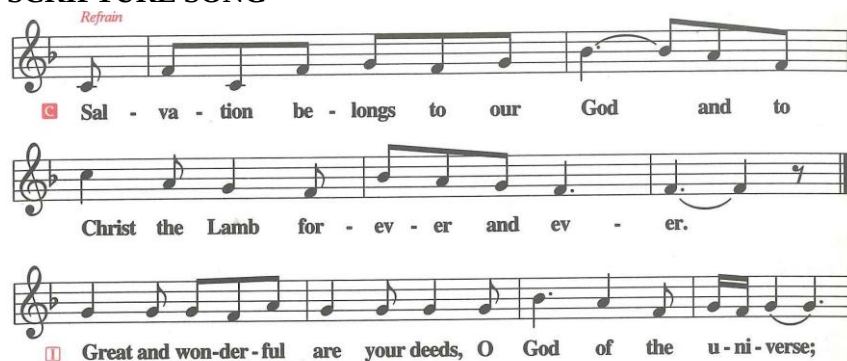
C: Talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise.

L: One does not live by bread alone,

C: but by every word that comes from the mouth of the Lord.

SCRIPTURE SONG

Refrain



Sal - va - tion be - longs to our God and to

Christ the Lamb for - ev - er and ev - er.

Great and won - der - ful are your deeds, O God of the u - ni - verse;

just and true are your ways, O Rul - er of all the na - tions.

Refrain

Who can fail to hon-or you, Lord, and sing the glo - ry of your name?

For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One. All

na - tions will draw near and wor - ship be - fore you,

Refrain

for your just and ho - ly works have been re - vealed.

PRAYER OF THE DAY (AJ Jeannotte)

WA: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

WA: Let us pray. Jesus, you sit at the table and notice everything.

C: You notice the watching eyes, the careful silence, the person in need, the scramble for honour, the host protecting the guest list, the excuses made by those too busy to receive the invitation. And you notice me. Meet me here with mercy and truth. Show me where I have mistaken comfort for peace, presence for belonging, and acceptance for welcome. Widen me; my seeing, my welcome, my courage, my love. When I am tempted to divide the world into us and them, bring me back to Your table, Your kingdom, Your promise: there is room for all. Amen.

WORD

READING FROM SCRIPTURE: Proverbs 25:6-7 (Marilyn Bella)

Do not put yourself forward in the king's presence or stand in the place of the great, for it is better to be told, "Come up here," than to be put lower in the presence of a noble. What your eyes have seen.

Word of God; Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN'S TIME

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Word of life, Je - sus Christ, all glo - ry to you!

Word of life, Je - sus Christ, all praise to you!

Our hearts burn with - in us while you o - pen to us the Scrip-tures.

Word of life, Je - sus Christ, all glo - ry to you!

Word of life, Je - sus Christ, all praise to you!

The image shows five staves of musical notation in G-clef and F# key signature. Each staff contains a melody line with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are: 'Word of life, Je - sus Christ, all glo - ry to you!', 'Word of life, Je - sus Christ, all praise to you!', 'Our hearts burn with - in us while you o - pen to us the Scrip-tures.', 'Word of life, Je - sus Christ, all glo - ry to you!', and 'Word of life, Je - sus Christ, all praise to you!'.

Reading From the Gospel of Luke, The 14th Chapter: Luke 14:1-24

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

(Marilyn Bella)

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the Sabbath, they were watching him closely. Just then, in front of him, there was a man who had edema. And Jesus asked the experts in the law and Pharisees, "Is it lawful to cure people on the Sabbath or not?" But they were silent. So Jesus took him and healed him and sent him away. Then he said to them, "If one of you has a child or an ox that has fallen into a well, will you not immediately pull it out on a Sabbath day?" And they could not reply to this.

When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. "When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host, and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, 'Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers and

sisters or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.”

One of the dinner guests, on hearing this, said to him, “Blessed is anyone who will eat bread in the kingdom of God!” Then Jesus said to him, “Someone gave a great dinner and invited many. At the time for the dinner he sent his slave to say to those who had been invited, ‘Come, for everything is ready now.’ But they all alike began to make excuses. The first said to him, ‘I have bought a piece of land, and I must go out and see it; please accept my regrets.’ Another said, ‘I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I am going to try them out; please accept my regrets.’ Another said, ‘I have just been married, and therefore I cannot come.’ So the slave returned and reported this to his master. Then the owner of the house became angry and said to his slave, ‘Go out at once into the streets and lanes of the town and bring in the poor, the crippled, the blind, and the lame.’ And the slave said, ‘Sir, what you ordered has been done, and there is still room.’ Then the master said to the slave, ‘Go out into the roads and lanes, and compel people to come in, so that my house may be filled. For I tell you, none of those who were invited will taste my dinner.’ ”

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

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY: ELW 613 – Thy Holy Wings

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

L: In Christ, you have heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation.

C: **We believe in him and are marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit.**

L: Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith...

**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.**

L: Build yourselves up on your most holy faith;

C: pray in the Holy Spirit.

L: Keep yourselves in the love of God;

C: look forward to the mercy of your Lord Jesus Christ.

L: If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation:

C: Everything old has passed away; behold, everything has become new!

L: God has given us the ministry of reconciliation. Therefore, let us be reconciled to God and to one another. Gracious, God,

C: have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

L: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

C: Amen.

THE PEACE

L: Siblings in Christ, rejoice! Mend your ways, encourage one another, agree with one another, live in peace. The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

PRAYER

OFFERING

Financial offerings to Hosanna can be made by putting your gift in the offering plates at the back of the sanctuary, dropping it off in the mailbox, sending it in the mail or through e-transfer to donations@hosannalutheran.ab.ca. If you would like to designate your gift, please do so in the memo line. PAR (preauthorized remittance) forms can be found by the Black Counter for monthly donations.

OFFERING MUSIC: (Kari Heise)

OFFERTORY HYMN (Verse 3 – Season After Pentecost)



■ (Advent to Transfiguration) Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;
 (Lent to Pentecost) Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;
 (Season after Pentecost) Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;



yours is the prom - ise, the bless - ing, the birth.
 yours the ho - san - nas, the dy - ing, re - birth.
 yours the a - noint - ing, the ra - di - ant worth.



Ours the re - joic - ing for Word giv - en frame;
 Ours the re - joic - ing for na - ture re - claimed;
 Ours the re - joic - ing for spir - its a - flame;



ours the thanks - giv - ing to your ho - ly name.



Ours be the tell - ing of deeds great - ly done;



yours be the glo - ry, O God, yours a - lone.

OFFERTORY PRAYER (AJ Jeannotte)

WA: Let us pray. Gracious God,

C: take what we offer today and use it for your kingdom. Take our money and turn it into welcome. Take our time and turn it into care. Take our buildings, our tables, our conversations, our worship, and our plans, and turn them outward towards mercy, justice, and hope. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION (AJ Jeannotte)

As God's people, called to love one another, let us pray for the needs of the Church, the human family, and all the world.

A brief silence.

Generous God, we thank you that there is always room: room in your love for the poor and the powerful, the certain and the questioning, the familiar and the stranger, the wounded and the weary, the overlooked and the afraid. You welcome us just as we are, so we pray, hear us O God, **C: your mercy is great.**

Today we pray for ourselves. When we cling to status, teach us humility. When we are tempted to protect our place, teach us trust. When we divide the world into us and them, show us again the wideness of your mercy that we may be transformed. Hear us O God, **C: your mercy is great.**

We pray for your world. For all who are treated as “them”: refugees and migrants, people living in poverty, people judged by race, religion, gender, sexuality, class, accent, history, or appearance. May they know dignity, safety, justice, and joy. May we celebrate the vibrant differences among your people with gratitude, so all can feel your kingdom drawing ever nearer. Hear us O God, **C: your mercy is great.**

We pray for those who feel watched but not welcomed, present but not recognised, included in theory but excluded in practice. Give them courage, companionship, and the deep assurance that they already belong to you. Use us to bring the love of God nearer each day. Hear us O God, **C: your mercy is great.**

We pray for those known to us who need healing, hope, or strength today: those who are ill, those who are grieving, those who are lonely, those carrying private pain, those facing hard decisions, those waiting for news, those who wonder whether there is room for them. Hold them close in the compassion of Christ. Today we pray for those in our midst, including **Lorraine Wheatley, Ray Janke, the Thede/Domingo, Tan, and Toth families**, all those on the extended prayer list, and all those who we name silently or aloud... Hear us O God, **C: your mercy is great.**

HOSANNA ONGOING PRAYERS: Al Wende, Punto Marie, Dave Klikach, Pat Bowman, Scott Suvanto, Debbie Fournie, Norman Waltho, Erna Kuraitis, Emily Stebner, Vi Bowdige, Glenys Schmidke, Brian Shaw, Dale Grinde, Gladys Hansen, Susan Leeson, Terry Daubert, Graeme Peppink, Terry Suvanto, Harold Benn, Raymond, Fiona, Mike Wende Aldon, Pamela Beuerlein, Pat and Morley Becker, Gail Hadfield, Tom Hampton, Linda Serink, Dana Lesmeister, Archie Martin, Kay, Sheila Wood, Dianne and Tom Kieren, Shawn Marino, Chantel, Nathaniel Rietveld, Beth Olsen, Ken Hansen, Erwin Marquardt, Deliah Johannas, Al Wende, Liz Wise, Holly Armstrong, Darlene Brown, Marilyn Beebe, Dianne Begert, Elaine McKinlay, George Kubinski, Chelsea Sloan, Hilda Lindae

We thank you for every sign of your kingdom among us: for meals shared, for welcome that becomes justice, for communities learning humility, for people who make space without needing praise, for love that crosses the distance between one life and another. We pray for our siblings in the faith, found near and far, including Bishop Trish and the people of the Synod of Alberta and the Territories. All Spiritual Directors, especially Deacon Dr. Faith Nostbakken and Rev. Ron Flamand. St. Peter's Ecumenical, Slave Lake, and St Matthew's Lutheran, Spruce Grove. Our companion synod in Colombia. Prince of Peace Congregation, Tunja, Colombia. The Evangelical Lutheran Church of Angola. The Anglican Diocese of the Arctic. The United Church of Canada. Hear us O God, **C: your mercy is great.**

O God, you gift us with life, and hope, and joy, and love and we celebrate each day and each event: every person born, and every couple joined. Today we give thanks and rejoice with **Gail Chernesky, Karen Moore, Lyndon Moore, Beth Olsen, Harrison K., Olivia M., Jacqueline Evenson, Cameron MacLeod.** Bless them on their day and in the year to come. Hear us O God, **C: your mercy is great.**

L: In your kingdom there is no guest list we control, no table we own, no grace we can ration. There is only your open invitation, and room for all the join. We are your grateful people for your constant invitation and welcome.
C: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins**

**As we forgive those who sin
against us.
Save us from the time of trial
And deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
And the glory are yours
Now and forever. Amen.**

SENDING

SENDING (AJ Jeannotte)

WA: Easy assumptions have been challenged. The door to the Kingdom's feast is flung wide! And we are sent into the world with God's invitation on our lips for there is room for each of us. **C: Amen.**

BLESSING

P: Almighty God, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **C: Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING HYMN: ELW 576 – We Are All One In Mission

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Permission to livestream the music in this service obtained from OneLicense with license "A-733297".

<i>With thanks to those serving today:</i>	
Worship Leader	Deacon Dan Wold
Worship Assistant	AJ Jeannotte
Reader	Marilyn Bella
Offering Music	Kari Heise
Greeters	Ralph & Hertha Trippel
A/V Technology	Clayton Steffler-Rogers, George Carmichael
Hospitality	Sherry Suvanto, Chris Terry
SEPTEMBER Offering Counters	Margaret Sadler, Marcus Busch, Carl & Doreen Betke

**The September “Notes from Hosanna” Fall Newsletter
is now available on our website, your inbox,
and copies are on the Black Counter.**

TODAY

10am Service of the Word

11am Sunday School

1pm Project Choir



You are invited to join us in celebrating Holy Communion on October 11th at 10am. Please prepare in advance by having bread or a gluten-free option, and wine or grape juice available to be shared. You are also invited to make your worship space special as you join us in worship. **Communion supplies are available at the church.**



Hosanna Quilters present Fall/Hallowe'en items for sale after church services on Sunday, September 27th, 2026, so that people can enjoy them in October. You can pay by cash, cheque or e-transfer. Talk to Karen Moore, Karen Peitsch, or Sonja Carmichael.

THIS WEEK: September 28th – October 4th

MONDAY 10am Gentlemen's Coffee/ 7pm Confirmation/ 8pm AlAnon

TUESDAY 10am Painters/ 7pm 12-Step

WEDNESDAY Church Office Closed: Truth & Reconciliation Day

THURSDAY 10am Bible Study/ 2pm Food Bank/ 5:15pm Handbells/
6pm Scouts/ 7pm Choir

FRIDAY 8am HTH Group

SATURDAY 8am 12 Step Group

**SUNDAY 10am Service of the Word/ 11am Sunday School/
1pm Project Choir**

STAFF AWAY DATES

- **Pr. Anna** away September 25th – 27th
- **Pr. James @ LLC** September 25th – 27th

❖ **Contribution statements** for the May through August time period have been prepared and distributed. For those receiving statements by email, if you have not seen the email, please check your junk email folder. For those receiving paper statements, statements have been placed in your Hosanna mailbox. Please compare the statements to your personal records and if there are discrepancies, please contact Colleen Jahns at financialsecretary@hosannalutheran.ab.ca or 780-436-8161. Also let her know if you would like to receive your statement in a different format.

In Mission with Colombia: Celebrating Our Companionship

Come celebrate our ministry with the Lutheran Church in Colombia.

**17 October 2026
5:00 PM**

**Holy Spirit Lutheran Church
11223 51 Ave NW
Edmonton, AB**

Features:

- Full Colombian meal,
- Live entertainment,
- Door Prizes,
- Silent Auction,
- Presentations on our shared ministry projects!
- Update on future delegations and ministry plans.

Tickets:

Scan QR code or use:
<https://bit.ly/4r7oVmC>



Donations:

This is both an informational evening and a fundraising event. Ticket prices cover only the cost of the food and event expenses. If you would like to donate to support this ministry, you can do so at the event, or you can donate when you purchase your tickets. Funds collected will go to support our Global Mission Ministry.



Meal Choices*

(these are selected when purchasing tickets)

Drinks:

- Mocktails (guava, mango, passionfruit),
- Colombian coffee

Appetizer Choices:

- Colombian empanadas -
- Chicken or
- Cheese



Entree Choices:

Entree #1: Basa filet with creamy shrimp sauce, served with rice, plantain, salad, avocado slice



Entree #2: Patacón de carne - one fried plantain topped with a mix of shredded beef, shredded cabbage and feta cheese, with special mayo based sauce, served with rice and a slice of avocado



Dessert Choices:

- Tres leches cake
- Leche flan



*all but the Tres Leches Cake are suitable for people with gluten sensitivities

