

**10am, September 6, 2026
15th Sunday After Pentecost
Service of the Word**



THE MINISTRY OF JESUS: DO NOT BE AFRAID

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PRELUDE
WORSHIP ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING

CALL TO WORSHIP (Marcus Busch)

WA: Jesus tells us:

C: Do not be afraid.

WA: We are never forgotten in God's sight,

C: We are valued by God.

WA: Store up your treasures in heaven,

C: being rich in love towards God and neighbours.

WA: Do not worry and seek God's kingdom,

C: for where our treasures are, our hearts are also.

WA: We come to worship

C: God who provides all we need. Thanks be to God!

OPENING HYMN: ELW 773 – Precious Lord, Take My Hand

Pat & Motley Becker

Marg Miller

GREETING

P: 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.

KYRIE



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



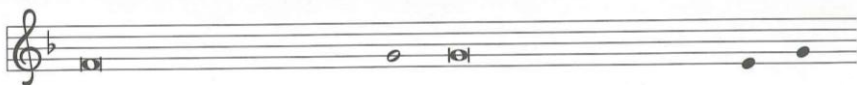
Lord, have mer - cy.



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



Lord, have mer - cy.



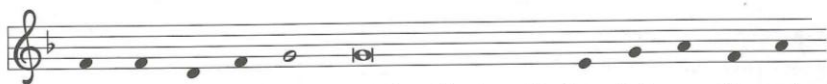
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of



God, and for the uni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



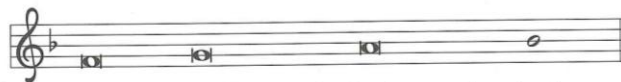
For this ho - ly house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and



praise, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gracious Lord.



A - men.

GLORY TO GOD

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Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace



to God's peo-ple on earth. Glo-ry to God in the



high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



1 Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al - mighty God and Fa-ther,



we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace



to God's peo-ple on earth. Glo-ry to God in the



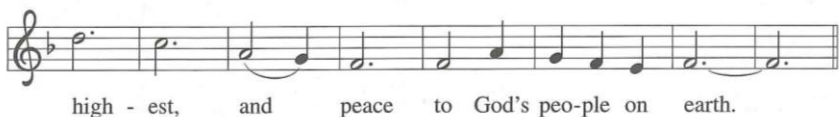
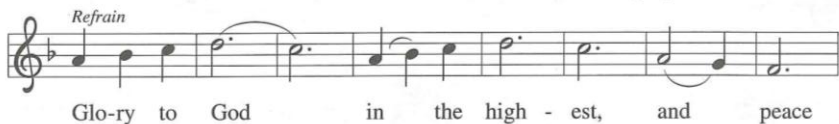
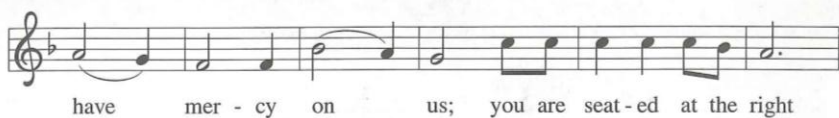
high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



2 Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God,



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world:



PRAYER OF THE DAY (Marcus Busch)

WA: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

WA: Let us pray. We hear your voice proclaim: Do Not Worry...,

C: Yet so often worries creep in. About our families, friends with cancer, loved ones who are losing their mental capacity or suffering from chronic illness. We worry about ourselves, and whether we have enough energy to meet the demands of the day. Most abundant God, may we in this moment of prayer, put all our worries on you, trusting you know them already. May we find comfort in your presence. May we wholeheartedly seek your kingdom and bear your light. May we hold our treasures in you. Amen.

WORD

READING FROM SCRIPTURE: 1 Corinthians 5:6-8 (Kristin LaPierre)

Your boasting is not a good thing. Do you not know that a little yeast leavens all of the dough? Clean out the old yeast so that you may be a new batch of dough, as you really are unleavened. For our paschal lamb, Christ, has been sacrificed. Therefore, let us celebrate the festival, not with the old yeast, the yeast of malice and evil, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

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

CHILDREN'S TIME

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Reading From the Gospel of Luke, The 12th Chapter: Luke 12:1-34

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

(Kristin LaPierre)

Meanwhile, when the crowd had gathered by the thousands, so that they trampled on one another, he began to speak first to his disciples, "Beware of the yeast of the Pharisees, that is, their hypocrisy. Nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered and nothing secret that will not become known. Therefore whatever you have said in the dark will be heard in the light, and what you have whispered behind closed doors will be proclaimed from the housetops.

“I tell you, my friends, do not fear those who kill the body and after that can do nothing more. But I will show you whom to fear: fear the one who, after killing, has authority to cast into hell. Yes, I tell you, fear that one! Are not five sparrows sold for two pennies? Yet not one of them is forgotten in God’s sight. But even the hairs of your head are all numbered. Do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.

“And I tell you, everyone who acknowledges me before others, the Son of Man also will acknowledge before the angels of God, but whoever denies me before others will be denied before the angels of God. And everyone who speaks a word against the Son of Man will be forgiven, but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit will not be forgiven. When they bring you before the synagogues, the rulers, and the authorities, do not worry about how or what you will answer or what you are to say, for the Holy Spirit will teach you at that very hour what you ought to say.”

Someone in the crowd said to him, “Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me.” But he said to him, “Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?” 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.” Then he told them a parable: “The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, ‘What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?’ 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. And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.’ 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?’ So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God.”

He said to his disciples, “Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat, or about your body, what you will wear. For life is more than food and the body more than clothing. Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds! And which of you by worrying can add a single hour to your span of life? If then you are not able to do so small a thing as that, why do you worry about the rest? Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you, you of little faith! And do not keep seeking what you are to eat and what you are to drink, and do not keep worrying. For it is the nations of the world that seek all these things, and your Father knows

that you need them. Instead, seek his kingdom, and these things will be given to you as well.

“Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

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

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY: ELW 638 – Blessed Assurance

Rodina Couling – We are so blessed and cared for by Jesus.

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 INTERCESSION (Marcus Busch)

Holy God, we come before you knowing no one is forgotten in your sight. Today we bring the prayers of the lonely and the lost. Hear our prayers for the church, the world, and all those in need.

A brief silence.

We pray for teachers, children, assistants, and administrators as they begin new routines or attend new schools for the coming year. We give thanks for

all those contemplating new ways of learning. May faith be a part of the learning and discussions in the coming year. Holy God, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

We pray for the suffering caused by war that never ends. We cry for the ravens and the lilies destroyed by humans arguing over dominance and territory. For your creation and for the humans Made in your likeness, but ignoring the commonalities between them. Use our hands and voices to speak for the birds of the air, plants of the earth, and all you have made. Holy God, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

We pray for families where stress and strain, coupled with anxiety or grief, compounds strife. May relationships heal, bringing the love of Christ to unite families and offer healing to those in need. May seeking your kingdom be the driving force in our lives. May the downhearted, distressed and the ill turn toward you and experience your loving care in their interactions with us. Today we pray for: **Naomi Parker, the Thede/Domingo, Tan, and Toth families**, all those on the extended prayer list, and all those who we name silently or aloud... Holy God, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

HOSANNA ONGOING PRAYERS: Dave Klikach, Pat Bowman, Scott Suvanto, Debbie Fournie, Norman Waltho, Erna Kuraitis, Emily Stebner, Jackie Schriener, 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 pray for those who store up treasures on earth, who plan and strategize and work, to prepare for a day that never comes. May relationships and human connection be strengthened, and may your church demonstrate your presence and provision. We pray for our siblings in the faith, near and far, including the National Church Council and national committee members. Lakeland and Hosanna's council members. All ABT Synod Campus Ministries. Those who serve as interim ministers, and for parishes who await pastoral leadership. St. Paul Lutheran, Rolly View, and Bethel Lutheran, Ryley. Our companion synod in Colombia. Divine Redeemer Congregation, Bucaramanga, Colombia. The Lutheran Church in Tanzania and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Malawi. For The Moravian Church in Canada. The

Salvation Army of Canada. Holy God, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

We give thanks and rejoice with all those who celebrate their birthdays and anniversaries this week, including: **Carlie Ahenekeew, Eugene Ulmer, James Crites, Esme Zinken, Sarah Davis, John Borle, Beckham Bush.** Bless them on their day and in the year to come. Holy God, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

P: Lord, thank you for hearing our heartfelt prayers, those spoken and unspoken, we rest now in your comfort trusting your word, Do not worry. Do not be afraid. Thanks be to God. **C: Amen.**

THE PEACE

THANKSGIVING

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.

MUSICAL OFFERING: (Kari Heise)

OFFERTORY HYMN: ELW 185 – Create In Me A Clean Heart

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right
spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your
pres - ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me.
Re - store to me the joy of your sal - va - tion, and up - hold me
with your free Spir - it. Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God,
and re - new a right spir - it with - in me.

OFFERTORY PRAYER: (Marcus Busch)

WA: Let us pray. Abundant God,

C: let your heart be where our treasure is, making purses that do not wear out by being generous and giving. We receive so much grace and bounty from you. Help us to share joyously not only our moneys, but the inestimable riches of being a child of God. Take these offerings, and our very selves for the growth of your kingdom. Amen.

THANKSGIVING FOR THE WORD:

P: Holy God,

mighty Fortress, loving Redeemer, steadfast Comforter,
as vegetation matures in forests and fields,
your living Word undergirds all that lives.

We praise your eternal Word.

C: We praise your eternal Word.

P: In the words of the Scriptures you offer us Christ:

our refuge, our savior, our friend,
accompanying us throughout our years
and renewing us in love.

We praise Jesus, your Word.

C: We praise Jesus, your Word.

P: We pray for power from your abiding Spirit.

Strengthen us to stand firm in faith,
in devotion to your Word,
and in service to others.

We pray for the Spirit of your Word.

C: We pray for the Spirit of your Word.

P: To you be honor and praise and glory,
today and forever.

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 (Marcus Busch)

WA: Go with your hearts filled with sincerity and truth, generously sharing those full hearts with the knowledge and persistence of one who knows Jesus. **C: Amen.**

BLESSING

P: May the Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.
C: Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING HYMN: ELW 815 – I Want To Walk As A Child Of The Light
Martha & Alex Ropchan

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".

With Thanks To Those Serving Today:

Worship Assistant	Marcus Busch
Reader	Kristin LaPierre
Musical Offering	Kari Heise
Greeters	Rick & Carole Hernder
A/V Technology	Helena Hendricksen, Clayton Steffler-Rogers
Hospitality	Sherry Suvanto, Chris Terry
SEPTEMBER Offering Counters	Margaret Sadler, Marcus Busch, Carl & Doreen Betke

TODAY

10am Service of the Word



You are invited to join us in celebrating Holy Communion **September 13th 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.**

THIS WEEK: September 7th – September 13th

MONDAY Church Office Closed/ 8pm AlAnon

TUESDAY 10am Painters/ 7pm 12-Step/ 7:15pm Confirmation

WEDNESDAY 10:30am Quilters/ 10:30am Staff

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

FRIDAY 8am HTH Group

SATURDAY 8am 12 Step Group

KICK-OFF SUNDAY 10am Holy Communion/ 11am Sunday School

STAFF AWAY DATES

- **Pr. James** away until September 9th and @ LLC September 25th – 27th
- **Pr. Anna** @ LLC September 11th – 13th



Church Office Closed: Monday Sept. 7th

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Aug 30th - Sept 20th

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Orders can be placed after worship in the narthex or by emailing Pr. Anna.

Payment accepted by cheque or e-transfer.

- ❖ **Sunday School** - We're looking forward to another year of Sunday School starting on **September 13!** We meet in person in a classroom off the Peace Hall most Sundays starting at **11:00 am** (following the worship service). There is an option to join by Zoom. If you know of anyone who is interested in our Sunday School program, please let Sonja know.



- ❖ **Thursday Morning Bible Study starts Sept. 10th - Thursdays, at 10am.** We meet in the Social Room and Zoom with our friends at Lakeland Lutheran in Cold Lake. Others can join by Zoom if that is more convenient. We'd love to have new people join this group!
- ❖ **Women's Bible Study** - starts **Wednesday, September 9th at 7:30pm** - location at Marilyn Bella's home. We will meet in person for the first session and then switch to Zoom for the colder, darker months. This group meets monthly on the second Wednesday of the month. All women are welcome to join in for study and fellowship.

Please contact Sonja at sonja@hosannalutheran.ab.ca for more information, resources, and ZOOM links.

2026/27 Zoom Confirmation Classes



Inviting youths, grades 7-9, to gather weekly on zoom for a walk through some of the Bible's biggest characters, and our connections to their stories. Join us for an hour of learning, prayer and community building each week.

Contact Pr. Anna Thede at 780-484-3932 or pastoranna@hosannalutheran.ab.ca to inquire about date, time, and to register for classes. Zoom info to follow.





Come Make Music With Us! Ever thought about singing in a choir or giving handbells a try? Now's your chance! We're welcoming new members and no experience is needed — just a love of music and a willingness to have fun. It's a great time with friends, coming together to make something beautiful (and to laugh a lot along the way).

Whether you've sung your whole life or haven't since grade school, there's a spot for you. **Our first rehearsal is Thursday, Sept 10th** — bells at 5:15 PM, choir at 7pm. Come check it out, no commitment required! Thanks, *Isabela*



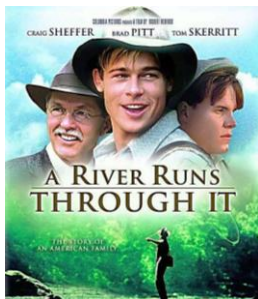
GENTLEMEN'S COFFEE is back!

All (gentle) men are invited for a coffee social on Mondays, at 10am, in the Social Room.



Coffee will be provided.

Top hats optional!



Friday Night Flicks returns on **September 18 at 7:00 p.m.** with a showing of **A River Runs Through It**, a 1992 PG rated drama based on the 1976 autobiographical novella of Norman MacLean. The film is set in the 1920's in and around Missoula, Montana. It follows the lives of the two MacLean brothers and their Presbyterian minister father, who instills in them a love of fly fishing. Robert Redford directed the

film, and he does voice over narration for the Norman MacLean character in his older years. A very young Brad Pitt also stars in the movie, in what was only his 2nd feature film role. [One critic wrote of this movie that: "The film shimmers with grace and beauty. It is a triumph of taste and wisdom that emblazons the heart with its truths."](#) The amazing Montana scenery makes this film a visual treat to watch.

Nominated for three Academy Awards, the film single handedly boosted sales of fly fishing gear around the world in the years following its release. Join us on September 18 for pop and popcorn and some time together with your friends from Hosanna! Hosted by John Campbell