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# **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

During the Prayers of Intercession, you are invited to add your own prayer(s) either in speech or in silence as indicated by the line: "Other intercessions may be added here."You may wish to use this insert to write down your prayer(s)which you may then offer aloud during that time. If you wish to have your prayers added to the Prayer of the Church during the coming weeks, please remove and place this card in the offering plate. FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST July 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025 • 10:15 a.m.

To love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, strength, and mind is to reflect God's mercy in responding to one's neighbor. That mercy found its most profound expression in the "gospel that has come to you"—namely the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. That gospel mercy comes to us again today: at the font, at the table, and from the pulpit. It is very near to you.

# HOLY COMMUNION EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN WORSHIP

\*GATHERING

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

WELCOME AND PRELUDE

\*Order for Confession and Forgiveness

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

Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

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.** 

\*GATHERING HYMN O God of Mercy, God of Light ELW 714, vss. 1-3

## \*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.** 

\*PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. O Lord God, your mercy delights us, and the world longs for your loving care. Hear the cries of everyone in need, and turn our hearts to love our neighbors with the love of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen** 

#### Word

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

#### FIRST READING

Deuteronomy 30:9-14

Moses calls the people who are about to enter the promised land to renew the covenant God made with their ancestors. Through this covenant God gives life and asks for obedience. God's commandment is neither burdensome nor too far off, but dwells in the people's hearts.

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

#### SECOND READING

The letter to the Colossians was written to warn its readers of various false teachings. The first part of the letter is an expression of thanks for the faith, hope, and love that mark this community, including a prayer for strength and courage.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Celtic Alleluia

\*GOSPEL

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke... Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus is challenged to explain what is involved in obeying the greatest commandment. He tells a parable rich in surprises: those expected to show pity display hard hearts while the lowly give and receive unexpected and lavish mercy.

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

SERMON		Rev. David Olson
HYMN OF THE DAY.	Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love	ELW 708

\*CREED

God has made us his people through our baptism into Christ, living together in trust and hope we confess our faith.

# I believe in God the Father almighty,

# I belifte in Jesus Cibrist hin enly Sonof the Hofy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.

# Colossians 1:1-14

Luke 10:25-37

ELW 174

He 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, 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 Spiritrch, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

## \*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

In solidarity with all creation, we join our voice to the voice of the whole church and pray for the needs of the world.

Saving God, awaken your church to your truth as it follows your path of love. Encourage pastors, deacons, teachers, and seminarians, and lead them as they seek to learn your ways. God of grace, **hear our prayer.** 

# Prosper the harvests of fruit-bearing bushes, trees, and plants. Uphold farmers and farm workers as they labor through summer days, and bring relief to lands that are parched with heat. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Instill in leaders of the world a strong love for their neighbors. Compel them to govern with equity and to give aid and protection to people who are vulnerable, especially strangers, migrants, and asylum seekers. God of grace, **hear our prayer.** 

Draw near to people in need of help, comfort, and healing, especially.... Provide protection and aid to children who are unsafe and undernourished while on summer break. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**  Go with all who travel, and protect them from harm. Put in their paths people who offer aid. We pray especially for the safety of first responders. God of grace,

#### hear our prayer.

Additional prayers may be offered in speech and silence.

We give you thanks for all who have gone before us and have made your love known, especially..... Help us to follow their witness as we await our share in the inheritance of the saints. God of grace, **hear our prayer.** 

Trusting in your lovingkindness, we place our prayer and hope in you, in the name of Jesus Christ.

#### Amen.

\*PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always. And also with you.



#### MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERING OF GIFTS

# \*OFFERTORY 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.** 

#### \*DIALOGUE



#### \*PREFACE

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



#### \*THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

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.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, 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.

DISTRIBUTION

Romance

Wieniawski

\*BLESSING

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.

\*BENEDICTION

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

ELW 714, vss. 4-6

\*DISMISSAL

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

POSTLUDE

Perpetual Motion

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Welcome and thank you again to **Pastor David Olson** for serving as the preaching and presiding minister in the liturgy this morning during our time of transition.



# **UPCOMING COMMEMORATIONS**

Bartolomé de Las Casas, missionary to the Indies, died 1566 Thursday, July 17, 2025

A native of Spain, Las Casas first came to the Western hemisphere while serving in the military. Upon arriving in the West, Las Casas was granted a large estate with Indigenous enslaved people whom he freed after he was ordained a priest. He worked in the Caribbean and Central America to improve the lives of the native peoples.

Current, Benevolence and Freewill Offering	
<b>July 6<sup>th</sup>, 2025</b>	

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