

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Dunn County Barbershop Singers

WELCOME

- Welcome to worship! Welcome to all those joining us via our Live Stream, welcome to those joining us through our Listen to Church service.
- Thank you Dunn County Barbershop for sharing your music with us this morning!
- If you are joining us from home, I invite you to gather some bread and wine/juice so you can join us in celebrating Holy Communion this morning.

INVOCATION

We worship as we live, in the name of the Triune God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit.

Amen

GREETING AND PRAYER OF THE DAY

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.

Let us pray,

Eternal God, you draw near to us in Christ, and you make yourself our guest. Amid the cares of our lives, make us attentive to your presence, that we may treasure your word above all else, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

FIRST READING

Genesis 18:1-15

The LORD visits Abraham and Sarah to tell them that the long-awaited promise of the birth of a child will be fulfilled for them in their old age. A reading from Genesis.

¹ The LORD appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. ² He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them and bowed down to the ground. ³ He said, "My lord, if I find favor with you, do not pass by your servant. ⁴ Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. ⁵ Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant." So they said, "Do as you have said." ⁶ And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah and said, "Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes." ⁷ Abraham ran to the herd and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. ⁸ Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared and set it before them, and he stood by them under the tree while they ate.

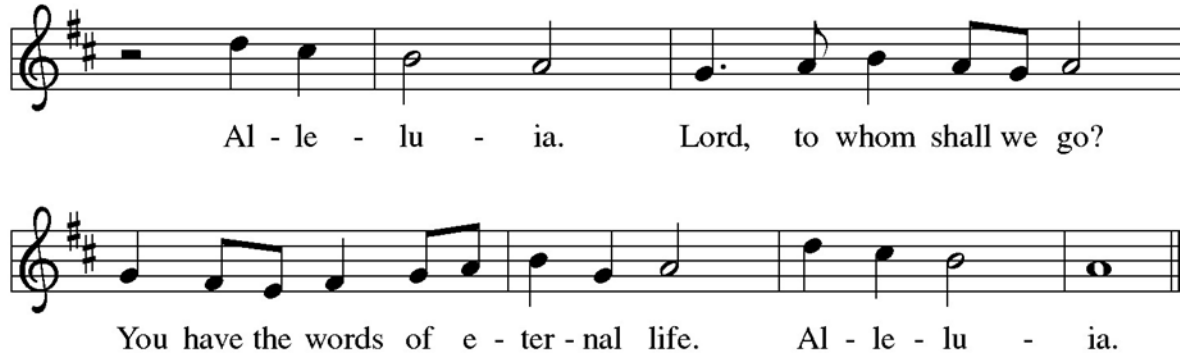
⁹ They said to him, "Where is your wife Sarah?" And he said, "There, in the tent." ¹⁰ Then one said, "I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son." And Sarah was listening at the tent entrance behind him. ¹¹ Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in age; it had ceased to be with Sarah after the manner of women. ¹² So Sarah laughed to herself, saying, "After I have grown old, and my husband is old, shall I have pleasure?" ¹³ The LORD said to Abraham, "Why did Sarah laugh, and say, 'Shall I indeed bear a child, now that I am old?' ¹⁴ Is

anything too wonderful for the LORD? At the set time I will return to you, in due season, and Sarah shall have a son." ¹⁵ But Sarah denied, saying, "I did not laugh"; for she was afraid. He said, "Oh yes, you did laugh."

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL

Luke 10:38-42

The holy Gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

³⁸ Now as [Jesus and his disciples] went on their way, he entered a certain village where a woman named Martha welcomed him. ³⁹ She had a sister named Mary, who sat at Jesus's feet and listened to what he was saying. ⁴⁰ But Martha was distracted by her many tasks, so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her, then, to help me." ⁴¹ But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things, ⁴² but few things are needed—indeed only one. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Sarah Miller

HYMN OF THE DAY

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty (858 vs. 1, 3, 4)

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| 1 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King
of creation!
O my soul, praise him, for he is your
health and salvation!
Let all who hear now to his temple draw
near,
joining in glad adoration! | 3 Praise to the Lord, who will prosper your
work and defend you;
surely his goodness and mercy shall daily
attend you.
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do
if with his love he befriend you. |
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4 Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me
adore him!

All that has life and breath, come now
with praises before him!
Let the amen sound from his people again.
Gladly forever adore him!

Text: Joachim Neander, 1650-1680; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827-1878, alt.

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.

A brief silence.

Inspire your church, like Sarah and Mary, to listen with eager longing for your words of life. Equip biblical interpreters and teachers with faithful discernment, that your word may be more fully known.

God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Every creature under heaven has been promised the hope of the gospel. From that promise, generate in humankind an eagerness to protect and care for creation. Bring healing to the earth with your words of life.

God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Peel away the distractions, worries, and fears of all who govern the nations of the world. May your word of love and life dispel all other voices. Provide gracious hospitality in places where hostile forces hold sway.

God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Speak your word of comfort to any who suffer pain, illness, grief, depression, or despair *especially Deb Johnson, Carly Weber, Lori Lemke, Amy Schneider, Jan Krueger, Johnny Foster, Char Ovren, and Erica Peterson*. Comfort all who grieve, *especially the Christianson family*. Bring honor to any who experience slander and evil intent or are discredited by others.

God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Enliven and uphold all siblings in Christ who strive to provide hospitality and safe spaces where everyone, without exception, can receive and be transformed by your word of life.

God of grace,
hear our prayer.

For Abraham, Sarah, Hagar, Mary, Martha, and all the saints, *especially Audrey*, who attended to your word, we give thanks. Open our ears to your voice until that day when we realize the promise of the gospel with all creation.

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.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

MINISTRY MATTERS MOMNET---Pack the Park – Sara McCullough

BRIEFING THE MINISTERS

MEAL

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service (712 vs. 1)

- 1 Lord, whose love in humble service
bore the weight of human need,
who upon the cross, forsaken,
worked your mercy's perfect deed:
we, your servants, bring the worship
not of voice alone, but heart;
consecrating to your purpose
ev'ry gift which you impart.

Text: Albert F. Bayly, 1901-1984

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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

Leader: The Lord be with you.

Congregation: **And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

Congregation: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Congregation: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

PROPER 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

Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
Heav'n and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

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

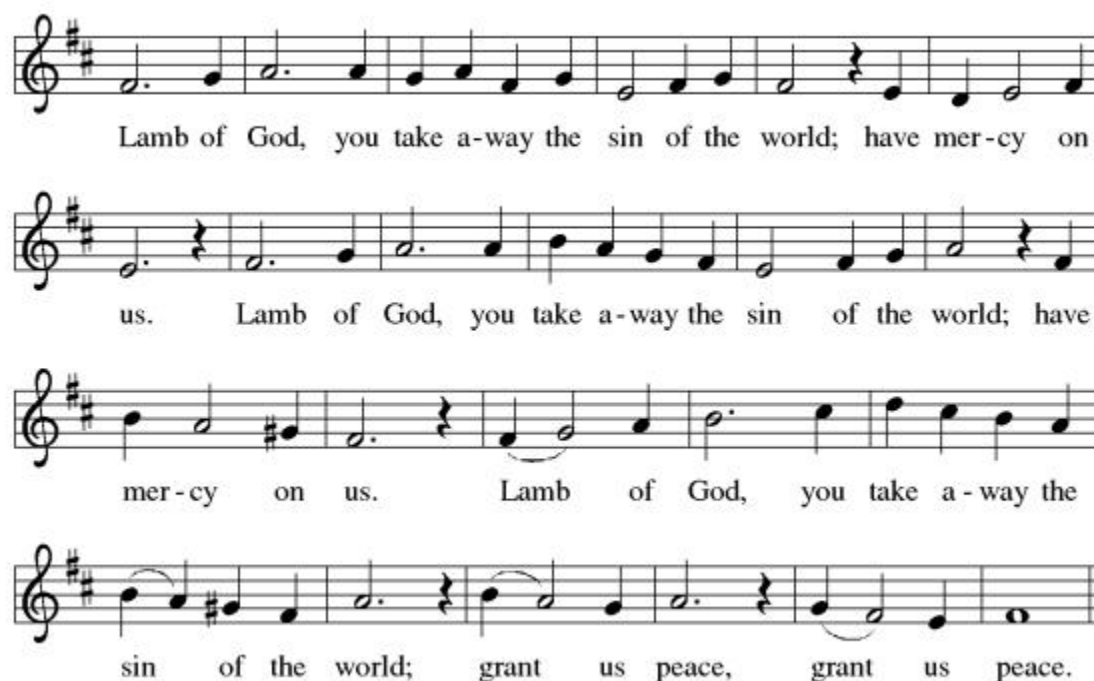
Lord remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

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.

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

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

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.

Be Thou My Vision (793)

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| <p>1 Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
naught be all else to me, save that thou art:
thou my best thought both by day and by
night,
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.</p> | <p>3 Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise,
thou mine inheritance, now and always:
thou and thou only, the first in my heart,
great God of heaven, my treasure thou art.</p> |
| <p>2 Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true
word;
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord.
Thou my soul's shelter, and thou my high
tow'r,
raise thou me heav'nward, O Pow'r of my
pow'r.</p> | <p>4 Light of my soul, after victory won,
may I reach heaven's joys, O heaven's
Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.</p> |

Text: Irish, 8th cent.; vers. Eleanor H. Hull, 1860-1935, alt.; tr. Mary E. Byrne, 1880-1931

Day by Day (790)

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| <p>1 Day by day, your mercies, Lord, attend
me,
bringing comfort to my anxious soul.
Day by day, the blessings, Lord, you send
me
draw me nearer to my heav'nly goal.
Love divine, beyond all mortal measure,
brings to naught the burdens of my quest;</p> | <p>Savior, lead me to the home I treasure,
where at last I'll find eternal rest.</p> |
| <p>2 Day by day, I know you will provide me
strength to serve and wisdom to obey;
I will seek your loving will to guide me
o'er the paths I struggle day by day.
I will fear no evil of the morrow,</p> | |

I will trust in your enduring grace.
Savior, help me bear life's pain and sorrow
till in glory I behold your face.

- 3 Oh, what joy to know that you are near me
when my burdens grow too great to bear;
oh, what joy to know that you will hear me

when I come, O Lord, to you in prayer.
Day by day, no matter what betide me,
you will hold me ever in your hand.
Savior, with your presence here to guide
me,
I will reach at last the promised land.

Text: Carolina Sandell Berg, 1832-1903; tr. Robert Leaf, 1936-2005
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POST-COMMUNION BLESSING AND PRAYER

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

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

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

Earth and All Stars

(731 vs. 1, 2, 5)

- 1 Earth and all stars! Loud rushing planets!
Sing to the Lord a new song!
Hail, wind, and rain! Loud blowing
snowstorm!
Sing to the Lord a new song! *Refrain*

Refrain

God has done marvelous things.
I too sing praises with a new song!

- 2 Trumpet and pipes! Loud clashing
cymbals!

Sing to the Lord a new song!
Harp, lute, and lyre! Loud humming
cellos!
Sing to the Lord a new song! *Refrain*

- 5 Knowledge and truth! Loud sounding
wisdom!
Sing to the Lord a new song!
Daughter and son! Loud praying
members!
Sing to the Lord a new song! *Refrain*

Text: Herbert F. Brokering, b. 1926
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DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Use the
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for giving:



FINANCIAL UPDATE		
	Mar - June	June
Income	\$122,563.74	\$26,358.27
Expenses	\$106,340.58	\$24,352.28
Over/short	\$16,223.16	\$2,005.99

**Lintel
Project
Fundraiser:
\$151,602
raised to date!**

PRAYER CONCERNS

Deb Johnson; Carly Weber; Lori Lemke; Amy Schneider; Jan Krueger (Dan Krueger's mother); Johnny Foster (Brittany Cisneros's brother); Char Ovren; Erica Peterson (Cheryl Merrill's granddaughter)

IN SYMPATHY

Sympathy to Victor Christianson and sister-in-law's Rosemary & Bonnie Christianson on the death of Audrey Bracher (Vic's sister) whose funeral was July 18, 2025

IN SUPPORT

Patrick & Jacqueline Bencke, missionaries in Japan

Kasungu Central, Our Malawi Sister Parish

THIS WEEK AT OSL

July 20, Sunday	Worship w/Dunn County Barber Shopper Singers, 9am Coffee Fellowship, 10:15am CAT Assistance, 10:15am
July 21, Monday	Quilters/Crafters, 9am
July 22, Tuesday	CAT Assistance, 1pm Neighbors of Dunn County Communion service 3:30pm

Thank you to Dunn County Barbershop Singers for providing special music during worship!

Vacation Bible School

July 28-31, 2025, 9am-2:30pm

(see Denise for details)

VBS will take place July 28-July 31, 2025, 9am-2:30pm at Christ Lutheran Church. Our theme this year is: *Led by a Star*. Registration is now open. Want to help with VBS? We have lots of volunteer opportunities. Volunteer training takes place on Sunday, July 27th, at 5:30pm. Links to register and to volunteer can be found in the Messenger and on the OSL website.

VBS is also in need of dish soap containers. Please drop them in the pail under the skylight.

The "CAT" IS HERE!

Join fellow OSL members who have taken the CAT (Church Assessment Tool) online survey. This 30-minute survey will provide important information as OSL moves faithfully into the future. Available now through August 3rd.

All OSL members age 16 and older are encouraged to participate. Find the survey here: www.surveymonkey.com/r/OurSaviorLuthMeno. The link is also available on the OSL website and Facebook page.

If you need help completing the online survey please call the church office.

Little Church

Throughout July and August, funds collected in our Little church will go to support Sleep in Heavenly Peace.

**Lutheran Campus Ministry:
Pack the Park**

August 3, 2025—Wilson Park

Worship 9am
Bring a lawn chair!

Brunch 10am
Prices: \$15 adults/\$10 kids

Raffle will follow brunch
Prices: 3 for \$5 or 10 for \$10

Everyone welcome!