

**A Service of the Word
with Psalms and Songs of Praise
Third Sunday of Pentecost – June 14, 2026**



Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Ringling of the Chimes

Thanksgiving for Baptism –

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, by whose hand we are given new birth, by whose speaking we are given new life. **Amen**

Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism. **Holy God, holy and merciful, holy and mighty, you are the river of life, you are the everlasting wellspring. In mercy and might you have freed us from death and raised us with Jesus, the firstborn of the dead. In baptismal waters our old life is washed away, and in them we are born anew.**

Glory to you for oceans and lakes, for rivers and streams. Honor to you for waters that wash us clean, quench our thirst, and nurture both crops and creatures. Praise to you for the life-giving water of baptism, the outpouring of the Spirit of the new creation.

Satisfy the world’s need through this living water. Where drought dries the earth, bring refreshment. Where despair prevails, grant hope. Where chaos reigns, bring peace. We ask this through Christ, who with you and the Spirit reigns forever. Amen

Gathering Hymn: ELW # 533 “Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty”

Reader 1: Kathy Wakefield

The first reading is from Psalm 95.

Psalm 95:1-3, 6-7 “¹ O come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation! ² Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise! ³ For the Lord is a great God

and a great King above all gods. ⁶ O come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker! ⁷ For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. O that today you would listen to his voice!”

Reflective Thought/Prayer: Barb Regent (Praise Our Creator)

How can we praise the Lord? By singing our praises to Him – making a joyful noise to the God who has created this beautiful world and all that is in it, including us in His own image. We are the sheep of this shepherd. Let us praise his name as we bow down to worship Him.

Song: ELW # 893 “Before You, Lord, We Bow” Verses 1 & 2

Reader 1: Kathy Wakefield

The second reading is from Psalm 28.



Psalm 28:6-9 ⁶“Blessed be the Lord, for he has heard the sound of my pleadings. ⁷The Lord is my strength and my shield; in him my heart trusts; so I am helped, and my heart exults, and with my song I give thanks to him. ⁸The Lord is the strength of his people; he is the saving refuge of his anointed. ⁹O save your people and bless your heritage; be their shepherd and carry them forever.”

Reflective Thought/Prayer: Barb Regent (Praise the Lord of Our Refuge)

How can we praise the Lord? Let us give thanks for this Lord who blesses us continually, in all our times of need. With a song in our hearts let us praise Him, as that blessed assurance we crave at every step of our journey in life on earth.

Song: ELW # 638 “Blessed Assurance”

Reader 1: Kathy Wakefield

The third reading is from Psalm 92.

Psalm 92:2-5 ²“to declare your steadfast love in the morning and your faithfulness by night, ³to the music of the lute and the harp, to the melody of the lyre. ⁴For you, O Lord, have made me glad by your work; at the works of your hands I sing for joy. ⁵How great are your works, O Lord! Your thoughts are very deep!”

Reflective Thought/Prayer: Barb Regent (Praise the Lord with Music)

How can we praise the Lord? By playing our song on instruments and voices of praise, for the God who is there upon our waking up and on our going to sleep. We marvel at all times the world that you have made – the vastness of the seas, the endlessness of the sky, the tiniest flower and the hugest tree, you have made us a wonderful world to live in. Let us praise Him.

Song: ELW # 731 “Earth and All Stars” Verses 1 & 2



Reader 2: Bill Wakefield

The fourth reading is from Psalm 56.

Psalm 56:9-12 “⁹ Then my enemies will retreat in the day when I call. This I know, that God is for me. ¹⁰ In God, whose word I praise, in the Lord, whose word I praise, ¹¹ in God I trust; I am not afraid. What can a mere mortal do to me? ¹² My vows to you I must perform, O God; I will render thank offerings to you.”

Reflective Thought/Prayer: Barb Regent (Praise the Lord in Times of Trouble)

How can we praise the Lord? Through our thankfulness and prayers, we praise the Lord for helping to brave the world and all of the worries it presents to us. We praise Him for always being there with us – walking by our side – we are full of hope - standing on this solid ground – through our faith in Him.

Song: ELW # 597 “My Hope is Built on Nothing Less” Verses 1 & 2

Reader 2: Bill Wakefield

The fifth reading is from Psalm 104.

Psalm 104:31-35 “³¹ May the glory of the Lord endure forever; may the Lord rejoice in his works— ³² who looks on the earth and it trembles, who touches the mountains and they smoke. ³³ I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have being. ³⁴ May my meditation be pleasing to him, for I rejoice in the Lord. ³⁵ Let sinners be consumed from the earth, and let the wicked be no more. Bless the Lord, O my soul. Praise the Lord!”

Reflective Thought/Prayer: Barb Regent (Praise Our Mighty God)

How can we praise the Lord? We will sing praises to him through our whole lives. We rejoice in Him who rules the universe – we are dedicated to worshiping Him because He is forever and leads us to the path of eternal life.

Song: ELW # 854 “Blessing and Honor” Verses 1 & 4

Reader 2: Bill Wakefield

The sixth reading is from Psalm 96.

Psalm 96:11-13 “¹¹ Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice; let the sea roar and all that fills it; ¹² let the field exult and everything in it. Then shall all the trees of the forest sing for joy ¹³ before the Lord, for he is coming, for he is coming to judge the earth. He will judge the world with righteousness and the peoples with his truth.”

Reflective Thought/Prayer: Barb Regent (All Creation Praise the Lord)

How can we praise the Lord? Let us sing with all of creation – praises to His name. Let us do this by caring for this world and all that He has made – from the forests to the seas and everything in between. Let us do this by caring for each other – watching for those who hunger, those who are sick, those who long for peace.

Song: ELW # 835 “All Creatures, Worship God Most High” Verses 1 & 6

Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you all. **And also with you.**

Please share signs of peace with those in your vicinity.

Offering

We share our tithes and offerings with God.

Offertory Prayer

Let us pray, together.

Loving God,

we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts.

**Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love,
so that all creation can taste your abundance.**

We ask this in the name of Jesus,

through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever. Amen.



Lord's Prayer

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, we 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.**



Reader 3: Judy Goodwin

The seventh reading is from Psalm 145.

Psalm 145:1-4, 8-9 “¹ I will extol you, my God and King, and bless your name forever and ever. ² Every day I will bless you and praise your name forever and ever. ³ Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised; his greatness is unsearchable. ⁴ One generation shall extol your works to another and shall declare your mighty acts. ⁸ The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. ⁹ The Lord is good to all, and his compassion is over all that he has made.”

Reflective Thought/Prayer: Barb Regent (Praise to Our Good God)

How can we praise the Lord? By blessing His name and carrying forth His message of love, forgiveness, and peace – let us share this good news in all that we say and do – so every generation will know His name and praise Him forever.

Song: ELW # 733 “Great Is Thy Faithfulness” Verses 1 & 3

Reader 3: Judy Goodwin

The eighth reading is from Psalm 100.

Psalm 100 “¹ Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth. ² Serve the Lord with gladness; come into his presence with singing. ³ Know that the Lord is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people and the sheep of his pasture. ⁴ Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise. Give thanks to him; bless his name. ⁵ For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever and his faithfulness to all generations.”

Reflective Thought/Prayer: Barb Regent (Praise the Lord with Singing)

How can we praise the Lord? Make a joyful noise over all the earth, serve Him with gladness, and come into His presence with singing. Come to worship Him and give Him thanks. Bring your neighbors, friends, and family to praise Him forever.

Song: ELW # 634 “All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name” Verses 1 & 6

Reader 3: Judy Goodwin

The ninth reading is from Psalm 150.

Psalm 150

“¹ Praise the Lord! Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty firmament! ² Praise him for his mighty deeds; praise him according to his surpassing greatness! ³ Praise him with trumpet sound; praise him with lute and harp! ⁴ Praise him with tambourine and dance; praise him with strings and pipe! ⁵ Praise him with clanging cymbals; praise him with loud clashing cymbals! ⁶ Let everything that breathes praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!”

Reflective Thought/Prayer: Barb Regent (Sing a New Song)

How can we praise the Lord? Sing, dance, play your instruments, - praise Him with enthusiasm – praise Him like you mean it! All that is in this world shall praise His Holy name! From this day until He comes again and until eternity.

Song: ELW # 857 “Lord, I Lift Your Name on High” Sing 3 times.



A Prayer of Thanksgiving

Let us pray, Holy God, our Sovereign, our Wisdom, our Judge, as nature in the north cycles towards dormancy and death, we thank you for the sustenance of your Word.

For your Word of life, we give thanks. **For your Word of life, we give thanks.**

We praise you for speaking through Christ your Word, in whom is your authority, your truth, and the justice of your ways. When we are threatened by dangers and surrounded by evil, you speak to us of life that comes through Christ's death.

For your Word of promise, we praise you. **For your Word of promise, we praise you.**

Grant us the endurance of the Spirit of your Son. Upheld by the voice of your Word, may we persevere with courage, energy, and joy, serving our neighbors faithfully until the end of our days. For your Word of power, we plead. **For your Word of power, we plead.**

Abide with us in your Word, O God, that we may speak your blessing to others, today and forever. **Amen.**

Blessing

May the God of all creation, in whose image we are made, who claims us and calls us beloved, who strengthens us for service, give us reason to rejoice and be glad!

The blessing of God, Sovereign, † Savior, and Spirit, be with us today and always.

Amen

Reader 4: Barb Regent

The tenth and final reading is from Psalm 103.



Psalm 103:1-5, 19-22. ¹ Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name. ² Bless the Lord, O my soul, and do not forget all his benefits—³ who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases, ⁴ who redeems your life from the Pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy, ⁵ who satisfies you with good as long as you live so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's. ¹⁹ The Lord has established his throne in the heavens, and his kingdom rules over all. ²⁰ Bless the Lord, O you his angels, you mighty ones who do his bidding, obedient to his spoken word. ²¹ Bless the Lord, all his hosts, his ministers who do

his will. ²² Bless the Lord, all his works, in all places of his dominion. Bless the Lord, O my soul.”

Reflective Thought/Prayer: Barb Regent (Bless the Lord, O My Soul)

How can we praise the Lord? Bless the Lord with your whole soul. He rules the universe and shows us endless mercy and forgiveness. He is there for us in times of great joy and in times of sorrow. He has created us. He has sent His only Son – Jesus the Christ to save us from our sinful selves. He has sent the Holy Spirit to be with us every day. So with joy and thankfulness, let us sing praises to our Lord, with our whole being.

Song: ELW # 537 “On Our Way Rejoicing”

Dismissal

Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news!
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE



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