

**August 31, 2025, Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost
Traditional Worship Service**



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Congregation responses are in bold

Guest Minister (PM) - Rev. Martin Radcliff

Announcements made prior to the start of our service

Prelude: *When Morning Gilds the Skies* By: Joseph Barnby & Dale Wood

*Please stand as you are able
Turn to follow the cross as it processes through the worship space
Welcome Jesus into our presence*

Submitted By: Ken Reinoehl - "We need to lift His cross everyday of our lives."

Lift High the Cross

Refrain

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim till

all the world a - dore his sa - cred name.

1 Come, Chris - tians, fol - low where our cap - tain trod,
2 All new - born ser - vants of the Cru - ci - fied
3 O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,
4 So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be:

our king vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God.
bear on their brows the seal of him who died.
as thou hast prom - ised, draw us all to thee.
praise to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry!

Refrain

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PM: In the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God,
you free us to love others, but we often neglect our neighbors and follow our own way.
You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace, but we may choose to turn away from the abundant life you offer.
You surround us with patience, kindness, and generosity, but we sometimes 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.

Assisting minister



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

All



Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al-might-y God and Fa-ther, we



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



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: have mer-cy on us;



you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re-ceive our prayer.

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For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,
 you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,
 in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men.

PM: Let us pray.

O God, you resist those who are proud and give grace to those who are humble. Give us the humility of your Son, that we may embody the generosity of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Please be seated

A reading from Proverbs:

(Proverbs 25:6-7 Pew Bible, Old Testament, page 471)

The reading concludes with:

Word of God, Word of Life
Thanks be to God

Psalm 112

Hallelujah! Happy are they who fear the LORD and have great delight in God's commandments!
Their descendants will be mighty in the land; the generation of the upright will be blessed.

Wealth and riches will be in their house, and their righteousness will last forever.

Light shines in the darkness for the upright; the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.

It is good for them to be generous in lending and to manage their affairs with justice.

For they will never be shaken; the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.

They will not be afraid of any evil rumors; their heart is steadfast, trusting in the LORD.

Their heart is established and will not shrink, until they see their desire upon their enemies.

They have given freely to the poor, and their righteousness stands fast forever; they will hold up their head with honor.

The wicked will see it and be angry; they will gnash their teeth and pine away; the desires of the wicked will perish.

A reading from Hebrews:

(Hebrews 13:1-8,15-16 Pew Bible,
New Testament, page 177)

The reading concludes with:
Word of God, Word of Life
Thanks be to God

Please stand as you are able



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp). The first staff contains the melody for the first line of lyrics, and the second staff contains the melody for the second line. The lyrics are written below the notes.

The holy gospel according to St. Luke
Glory to you, O Lord

(Luke 14:1,7-14 Pew Bible,
New Testament, page 59)

The reading concludes with:
The gospel of the Lord
Praise to you, O Christ

Please be seated

Children's Time with Pastor

Sermon

Please stand as you are able

Submitted By: Ken Reinoehl- "When Christ is in our hearts, we need to proclaim it."

I Know That My Redeemer Lives!

1 I know that my Re - deem - er lives! What com - fort
 2 He lives tri - um - phant from the grave; he lives e -
 3 He lives to grant me rich sup - ply; he lives to
 4 He lives to si - lence all my fears; he lives to

this sweet sen - tence gives! He lives, he lives, who
 ter - nal - ly to save; he lives ex - alt - ed,
 guide me with his eye; he lives to com - fort
 wipe a - way my tears; he lives to calm my

once was dead; he lives, my ev - er - liv - ing head!
 throned a - bove; he lives to rule his church in love.
 me when faint; he lives to hear my soul's com - plaint.
 trou - bled heart; he lives all bless - ings to im - part.

PM: Let us confess our faith in the words of the 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.

AM: Let us pray for the church, the creation, and the whole people of God, for God is near.

A brief silence for personal prayer

For the leaders of the church, we pray. Inspire deacons, pastors, Sunday school teachers, and Christian education directors with a passion for speaking the word of God. Equip all the baptized to share your word of grace. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

For the well-being of creation, we pray. Sustain farm workers and all who labor in fields and vineyards to grow the food we eat. Revive plains and pastures, and provide for the cattle and creatures who rely on the land for their sustenance. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

For the leaders of towns, cities, provinces, states, and nations, we pray. Guide them to enact equitable laws and policies for all. On this Labor/Labour Day weekend, make us mindful of workers whose labor often goes unnoticed. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

For the lowly and those who are ignored, we pray. Provide for the needs of vulnerable communities, those who are unemployed, burdened by debt, or struggle to make ends meet. Accompany all who need reassurance of your loving presence. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

For the hospitality ministries of this congregation, we pray. Give Trustees and greeters a spirit of welcome for visitors, and bless the work of those who feed and nourish us. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Thank you for the life of our birthday siblings,

Laura Thompson, Darlene Milavickas, Steve Dague and Jenny Elkins

For all the saints who from their labors rest, we give thanks. With them, we offer our sacrifice of praise to you, O God, the same yesterday and today and forever. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Confident in God's presence and promise, we entrust our prayers to the one who always receives them; through Jesus Christ, our wisdom and companion.

Amen.

The Offering of our tithes, gifts and sacrifices is gathered for the mission of Christ's church, including the care of those in need.

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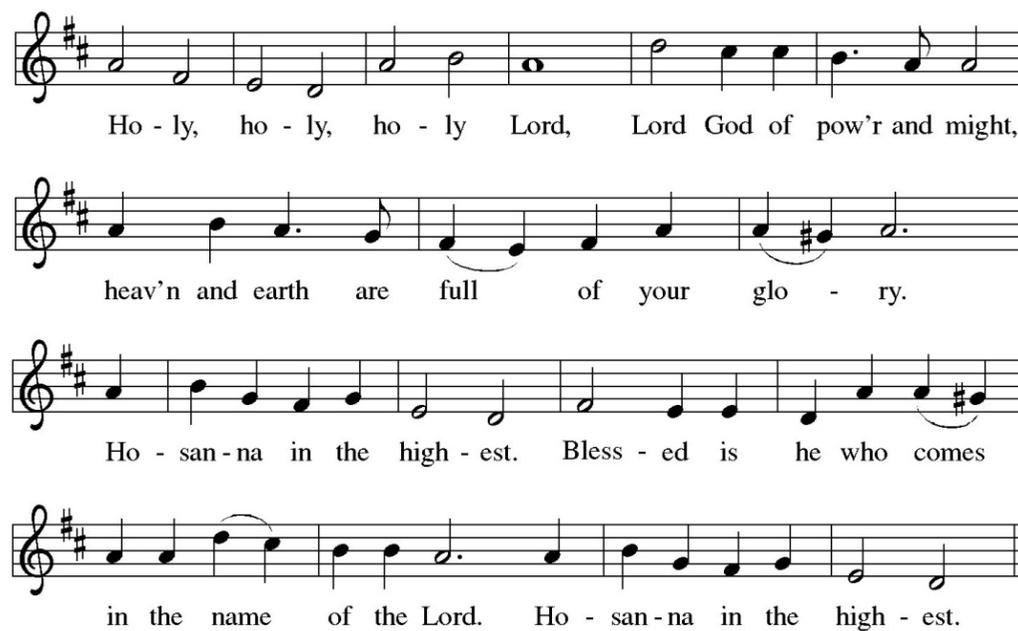


AM: Let us enthusiastically pray our prayer of stewardship, Holy Lord,
**I gladly return, for your work, a portion of your abundant provision to me. All that I
have is yours alone, entrusted Lord, to my care. Amen.**

PM: The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PM: 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:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

PM: 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.

With this bread and cup we remember your Word dwelling among us, full of grace and truth. We remember our new birth in his death and resurrection. We look with hope for his coming.

Come, Lord Jesus

Holy God, we long for your Spirit. Come among us. Bless this meal. May your Word take flesh in us. Awaken your people. Fill us with your Light. Bring the gift of peace on earth.

Come, Holy Spirit

All praise and glory are yours, Holy God, Word of God incarnate, Power of the Most High, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Let us enthusiastically 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.

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.

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

Thanks be to God. Amen.

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.

Please be seated

The Lord's Supper (Communion) at this congregation is practiced as an open table – all are welcome. Jesus said this is his body and blood given and shed for you; come receive the loving grace God provides for you.

Those who do not commune may come forward for a blessing, for all are loved by God. Children who commune at their home congregation are encouraged to commune here today too. Gluten free wafers available. Request at time of receiving communion.

Communion Music: *Lead Me, Guide Me*

By: Doris Akers

Please stand as you are able

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

PM: Today, communion will be taken to some of Zion's shut-ins. Our prayers go with those who deliver them, as they not only share Christ's Body and Blood with those who are unable to be present with us this morning, but they also take the blessings of the whole congregation.
Amen.

AM: 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.

AM: Let us enthusiastically commit to our mission as we pray,
Lord, my hope and strength comes from you. Open my eyes and heart to the person you have designed me to be; a person who cares for the widows and orphans, feeds the hungry, clothes the naked, frees the oppressed, and visits the sick and imprisoned. Continue to give me and this congregation a vision to make a difference in our community. Enliven me to spread the good news of your Son. I pray this all for Jesus's sake. Amen.

PM: 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.
Amen

*Turn to follow the cross as it processes through the Worship Space.
Then follow it out to join in God's work.*

Submitted By: Ken Reinoehl - "If only more of us opened ourselves to His will."

Here I Am, Lord



1 "I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo - ple cry.
 2 "I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peo - ple's pain.
 3 "I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.



All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.
 I have wept for love of them. They turn a - way.
 I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.



I, who made the stars of night, I will make their dark-ness bright.
 I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love a - lone.
 Fin-est bread I will pro-vide till their hearts be sat - is - fied.



Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?"
 I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?"
 I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?"

Refrain



Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you



call-ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you



lead me. I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

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PM: 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.

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

Postlude: *How Firm a Foundation*

By: Harold DeCou

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**FOOD PANTRY
SHARED GOODS
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2—9AM**

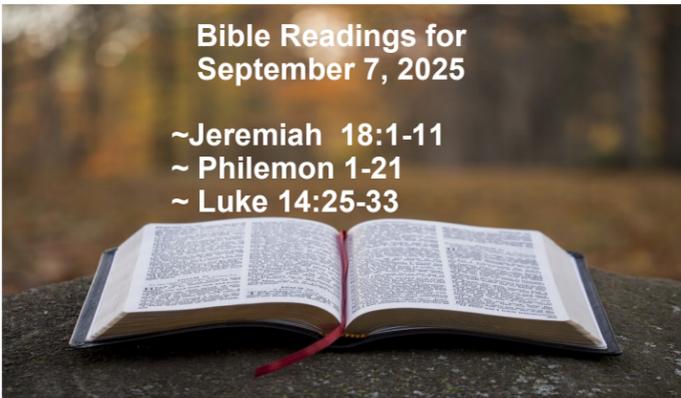


There's still time to sign up for the Social Responsibility Ministry's field trip to The Ken Weber Community Campus of Goodwill set for **September 10th 10-11:30am.**

Sign up sheet in Luther Hall

**Bible Readings for
September 7, 2025**

- ~Jeremiah 18:1-11
- ~ Philemon 1-21
- ~ Luke 14:25-33

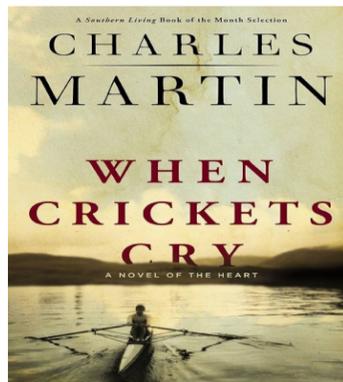


**This week we pray for:
Dan, Nathan, Anna,
Jeff, Pam, and those
affected by war.
Submit your prayer
requests to
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SEPTEMBER 1



We'll Be Closed
IN OBSERVANCE OF LABOR DAY



**BOOK CLUB
FRIDAY
SEPTEMBER 5
10AM**

**ZION CHURCH
CLASSROOM**

Today's Worship Leaders

Guest Minister: Rev. Martin Radcliff
Assisting Minister: George Miller
Acolyte: Ben Keith
Accompanist: Steve Moore
Audio/Visual Technicians: Chris Thompson and John Rhodes
Chancel Guild: Corlene Coulter and Linda Smith
Child Care Attendant:
Reader: Ruth Reinoehl
Trustees: John Long and Brian Milek
Flowers by: The Thompson Family in loving memory of Lowell Thompson

September 7, 2025 Worship Leaders

Guest Minister: Rev. David Rice
Assisting Minister: Ken Reinoehl
Acolyte: Ben Keith
Accompanist: Carol McKimm
Audio/Visual Technicians: Paul Bagocius and John Rhodes
Chancel Guild: Sally Bunyan and Beth Shaheen
Child Care Attendant:
Reader: Renee Keith
Trustees: Darlene Milavickas & Randy Elsass
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