



Welcome to Worship at Adoration! If you're visiting with us or new to our congregation, please sign the welcome book at the entrance to the church. Please introduce yourself to Pastor Matt. We'd love to share more about our faith community with you.

Our worship in June and July will use global hymns as the Hymn of Praise, Alleluia, Holy, Holy and Lamb of God. Also in these months, we will use the appointed psalm as our call to worship.

We have no good apart from God. That makes Jesus' call to follow him an invitation to freedom. This is freedom to revel in the Spirit's fruit: love, joy, peace, and patience. This is freedom to not be imprisoned by anything that would keep us from the fullness of the life God has given us. This is the path of life.

## Third Sunday after Pentecost

Today's worship service uses our red hymnal, *Evangelical Lutheran Worship*.

### Prelude

### Welcome and Announcements

## Gathering

*The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.  
You are invited to stand.*

### Confession and Forgiveness

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism.*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, whose steadfast love endures forever. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.  
*Silence is kept for reflection.*

**We bring to you, O Christ,**

**the weathered fragments of our former dreams;**

**the broken pieces of our expectations;**

**the torn patches of hopes worn thin,**

**the shards of the shattered image of life as we expected.**

**We need your healing, merciful God:**

**Put these pieces, broken by Sin, back together.**

**Some sins are plain to us; some escape us, some we cannot face. Forgive us; set us free to hear your word to us;**

**set us free to serve you. Set us again on the path of life. Set us free to love our neighbors. Amen.**

O Children of God, be comforted!

God does not deal with us according to our sins, but delights in granting pardon and mercy. Christ has the fragments gathered up and binds up the brokenhearted.

In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.

You are free to love as God loves. **Amen.**

**Gathering Hymn *This is My Father's World***

***ELW #824***

*“Despite what we are not by the world’s standards, God has given to us what we need... the greatness of the Lord for God’s teaching and God’s constant presence. Psalm 16 blesses God for the gift of counsel and a conscience that is guided by God keeping us from the wrong paths in life. The psalm, and our call to worship, end with resounding praise of what is to come in the future – a future is secure in God’s hands.” –Beth L. Tanner*



## **Call to Worship (Based on Psalm 16)**

Holy God, you are the Refuge of all who trust in you.  
We come to worship you—trusting completely in you.

**In shared worship, we come to worship your holy presence.**

Unshakable God, in confidence we come to you as children of our God, you are our Hope and our Future.

**In shared worship, we rejoice in our heritage.**

God, you are the fullness of joy, and in you we trust.

**In shared worship, we give thanks to you, O God for your guidance, and for the sense of security your near presence gives to us. Amen.**

## **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.**

**Hymn of Praise: *Oh Sing to the Lord* ELW #822**

## **Prayer of the Day**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Let us pray. **Loving God, in the womb of mercy we find our true home. You provide for all creation – safe nests for the birds, a warm den for the fox.**

**Guide your church to work so all might find shelter in both body and spirit. We pray in the name of the One who relinquished home for the restoration of the world, Jesus our Savior. Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

## **Word**

*God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.*

### **First Lesson: 1 Kings 19:15-16, 19-21**

A reading from the Book of First Kings

<sup>15</sup>Then the Lord said to [Elijah,] “Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. <sup>16</sup>Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place.



*For Paul, the freedom Christ gives is not permission to do whatever we want. It is the invitation to be what we could not be otherwise. The power and guidance of Christ’s Holy Spirit produce a different kind of life, one marked by the fruit of this Holy Spirit. By “flesh,” Paul means the human as an earthly creature focused on the survival of the self. By “spirit” Paul means the power of God made available to the believer through the risen Christ.*

*A Pastoral Word: This reading uses a number of metaphors and language that have been used historically to persecute people and to maintain oppression over individuals and communities on “moral grounds.” As readers of scripture, we look not only for the good news, but also how we might work to move away from interpretations that further weaponize scripture against our fellow siblings in Christ.*  
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*Young people are called forward for an age-specific reflection.*

<sup>19</sup>So Elijah set out from there, and found Elisha son of Shaphat, who was plowing. There were twelve yoke of oxen ahead of him, and he was with the twelfth. Elijah passed by Elisha and threw his mantle over him. <sup>20</sup>Elisha left the oxen, ran after Elijah, and said, “Let me kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow you.” Then Elijah said to him, “Go back again; for what have I done to you?” <sup>21</sup>He returned from following him, took the yoke of oxen, and slaughtered them; using the equipment from the oxen, he boiled their flesh, and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then Elisha set out and followed Elijah, and became his servant.

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

### **Second Lesson: Galatians 5:1, 13-25**

A reading from Paul’s letter to the church in Galatia.

<sup>1</sup>For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

<sup>13</sup>For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. <sup>14</sup>For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” <sup>15</sup>If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.

<sup>16</sup>Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. <sup>17</sup>For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. <sup>18</sup>But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. <sup>19</sup>Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, <sup>20</sup>idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, <sup>21</sup>envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

<sup>22</sup>By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, <sup>23</sup>gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. <sup>24</sup>And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.

<sup>25</sup>If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

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

### **Children’s Time**

*Jesus is unwavering in his commitment to his mission in Jerusalem and will not be swayed by pettiness. In a series of striking cases in point, he calls his disciples to a similar single mindedness.*



*You are invited to stand.*

**Gospel Acclamation      Celtic Alleluia      ELW#174**

**Gospel Reading: Luke 9:51-62**

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the ninth chapter  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>51</sup>When the days drew near for [Jesus] to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. <sup>52</sup>And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; <sup>53</sup>but they did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. <sup>54</sup>When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, “Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?” <sup>55</sup>But he turned and rebuked them. <sup>56</sup>Then they went on to another village.

<sup>57</sup>As they were going along the road, someone said to him, “I will follow you wherever you go.” <sup>58</sup>And Jesus said to him, “Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head.” <sup>59</sup>To another he said, “Follow me.” But he said, “Lord, first let me go and bury my father.” <sup>60</sup>But Jesus said to him, “Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God.” <sup>61</sup>Another said, “I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home.” <sup>62</sup>Jesus said to him, “No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.”

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

**Sermon**

**Hymn of the Day    *Will You Come and Follow Me***  
**ELW #798**

*You are invited to stand.*

**Apostles’ Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

We pray for those in need:  
**Carol Glisch, grieving the death of her sister-in-law, Judie; Pat Koch; Mary Anne Markiewicz; Betty Wing; John & Kathy Imp; Marilyn (sister of Kathy Wakefield); Amy & Family (friends of Kathy Wakefield); Jackie (niece of Jan Rinderle); Norah (newborn daughter of Pr. Matt & Delaney's friends);**

We continue to pray for strength and recovery for:  
**Ruth & Bob Bauer; Perry Buck; Dick Voegeli; Ron Voegeli; Pat (Cousin of Donna Babilus); Mary Ann Binter (friend of the Regent's); Joani Bettin; Lindsay Pelaez (niece of the Schmidt family); Akasha (great-granddaughter of Joyce Weinert);**

We keep in our prayers:  
**Keith (Sandy Eigner's brother-in-law); Susan (Darlene Witkowiak's daughter); Jeremy (Tom Nowakowski's nephew); Karen (Sandy Ringwall's sister); Caroline (Jill Lindberg's daughter); Scott and Debbie (family of Margaret Duris); Shelby and the family of Taylor Daniels (friends of Crystal Januchowski);**

We pray for the following with our siblings across the ELCA:  
For new high school and college graduates, as they navigate their next steps forward...  
For citizens of this nation, as we revisit the events of January 6...  
For those affected by record heatwaves, rainfall, and extreme weather and for renewed commitment in working toward climate justice...  
For all struggling to make ends meet amidst skyrocketing costs for daily necessities...

**Lord, in your mercy, Receive Our Prayer**

**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**

Set free from captivity to sin and death, we pray to the God of resurrection for the church, people in need, and all of creation.

*After each petition is read, name your specific prayers for the petition aloud or in the silence of your hearts.*

God of dreams and prophecy: Send your wisdom, knowledge, faith, and persistence to all who share your liberating gospel.

We pray for the church.

*Add your prayers for its leaders, mission, and unity.*

God, in your mercy, **receive our prayer.**

God of fire, God of whirlwind: Reveal yourself through all living things. Sanctify your groaning creation. We pray for the planet.

*Name your prayers for the planet and all living things.*

God, in your mercy, **receive our prayer.**

God of many names: Draw near to your people as life is overshadowed by what divides. Where wars have not yet ceased, come quickly. Open your path of peace.

We pray for the nations and the world.

*Name your prayers for countries and conflicts and peoples.*

God, in your mercy, **receive our prayer.**

God of comfort and strength: We look for your Spirit.

Accompany all in sorrow and in crisis; in uncertainty and in despair. Abide with us. We pray for healing.

*Name your prayers for healing and wholeness*



God, in your mercy, **receive our prayer.**

God of Relationships: Infuse this congregation with the fruits of your Holy Spirit. Bless our global and local partnerships.

Open us to the stirrings of your mission.

We pray for our congregation and its values.

*Name your prayers for Adoration and our the wider community.*

God, in your mercy, **receive our prayer.**

God, Giver of Life: Be near to those who have died. Enfold those near death in your loving arms. Meet us in our fear and raise them, with all the saints, by your mercy.

We pray for the grieving.

*Name those who have recently died and those grieving.*

God, in your mercy, **receive our prayer.**

In your mercy, O God, respond to these prayers, and renew us by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. **Amen**

### **Sharing of the Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

*Today we give our tithes and offerings by bringing them forth as we come to receive Communion.*

### ***Meal***

*God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.*

*You are invited to stand.*

### **Preparation Prayer**

Let us pray. **God of abundance: you have set before us a plentiful harvest. As we feast on your goodness, strengthen us to labor in your field, and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all, in the name of Jesus. Amen**



### **The Great Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

## The Proper Preface

With great joy, our God we praise, for the blessings of our days.  
 For the mercy we receive; through the cross of Christ we're freed.  
 Freed to love and serve like Christ; God's love promises us life.  
 Give us strength, our call to hear, we sing with saints, far and near:

## Sanctus *You Are Holy* ELW #525



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Du är he - lig, du är hel - het,  
 You are ho - ly, you are whole - ness,

du är när - het he - la kos - mos lo - var dig!  
 you are pres - ent. Let the cos - mos praise you, Lord!

Ho - si - an - na, ho - si - an - na,  
 Sing ho - san - na in the high - est!

ho - si - an - na, ho - si - an - na vår Gud.  
 Sing ho - san - na! Sing ho - san - na to our God!

Du är he - lig, du är hel. Du är all - tid myck-et mer  
 You are ho - ly, you are whole. You are al - ways ev - er more

än vi nån - sin kan för - stå, du är nä - ra än - då.  
 than we ev - er un - der - stand. You are al - ways at hand.

Väl - sig - nad va - re du som kom - mer hit just nu,  
 Bless - ed are you com - ing near. Bless - ed are you com - ing here

väl - sig - na - de vår jord, blir till bröd på vår jord.  
 to your church in wine and bread, raised from soil, raised from dead.

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### **Eucharistic Prayer**

Holy God, Breath of life and Fire of love: with a mighty wind you brought creation into being, and by a pillar of fire you led your people into freedom.

**We praise you for the gift of your Son, who poured out your Spirit on his disciples of every race and nation.**

### **Words of Institution**

#### **Epiklesis (*Come, Holy Spirit*)**

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and the sending of the holy and life-giving Spirit, we await Christ's coming again to renew the face of the earth.

Send now your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this meal: anoint us with your gifts of faith, hope, and love, that, with thankful hearts, we may be witnesses to your Son.

**Through him all glory and honor is yours,  
Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church,  
both now and forever. Amen**

### **The 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.**

*Please be seated.*

**ON RECEIVING HOLY  
COMMUNION**

*You are invited to the Lord's Table by the Lord Jesus Christ himself. Therefore, Adoration Lutheran Church practices "Open Communion," which means we do not restrict anyone from receiving this grace-filled gift of God. Jesus loves everyone and welcomes everyone to his table of grace and peace. Gluten-free options are available.*

*We come forward to share in Holy Communion today. Please place used cups in the baskets on the end of the front pews. You may choose to receive a wafer and a poured cup of wine or juice or a pre-sealed packet containing both a wafer and juice. Gluten-free wafers available by indicating your need to the server.*

*All are welcome to come forth and receive a blessing.*



**Invitation to Communion  
Lamb of God (ACS #962)**

*Please wait to come forward for Holy Communion until we have completed singing the "Lamb of God."*

**In This Feast of Love**

*Täs - sä pöy - däs - sä, täs - sä*  
 1 In this feast of love, in this  
 2 In this bread and wine, in this  
 3 Grant us peace, O Lord, grant us

*pöy - däs - sä syn - ti - sil - le*  
 feast of love, Lord, you share your  
 bread and wine, you have prom - ised,  
 peace, O Lord; fill us with the

*it - se - si an - nat, Ju - ma - lan Ka - rit - sa!*  
 blood and your bod - y, Je - sus, Lamb of God.  
 Lord, to be with us, Lamb . . of God div - ine.  
 joy of your Spir - it, ev - er - liv - ing Word.

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**Communion**

**Hymn During Communion**

***Now We Remain ELW #500***

*You are invited to stand.*

**Post-Communion Blessing**

**Prayer After Communion**

Let us pray. **Life-giving God, through this meal you have bandaged our wounds and fed us with your mercy. Now send us forth to live for others, both friend and stranger, that all may come to know your love. This we pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.**

**Today's Lay Leaders**

Lector: Sue Szemborski

Communion Assistants: Bob  
& Connie Yersin and Sandy  
Ringwall

Ushers: Sue Clark &  
Sharon Anderson

Altar Guild: Deanna Posig

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**Sending**

*God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.*

**Blessing**

The God of peace, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you, comfort you, and show you the path of life this day and always. **Amen.**

**Sending Hymn**      *Jesus Shall Reign*      **ELW #434**

**Dismissal**

Go in peace. Love your neighbor. **Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude*****Adoration Lutheran Church***

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**Adoration is a Reconciling in Christ congregation, open and affirming to people of “all sexual orientations, gender identities, and gender expressions” or “LGBTQIA+.” We strive that this can be a safe church space, especially for those who have been harmed by religion.**



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