

September 14, 2025

14th Sunday after Pentecost



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Welcome to all God's guests, especially those who are here for the first time or who call yourselves "visitors" among the people of this community. It is at God's invitation, through worship, the Holy Spirit calls each of us to come to a place of **community**, **communion** and **commitment**. Each of us brings a different lens to worship, and yet, in a worshiping community, these differences become celebrations of diversity.

Children are always welcome in worship services; however please know the cry room at the back of the sanctuary is available for parents who need to tend to their little ones.

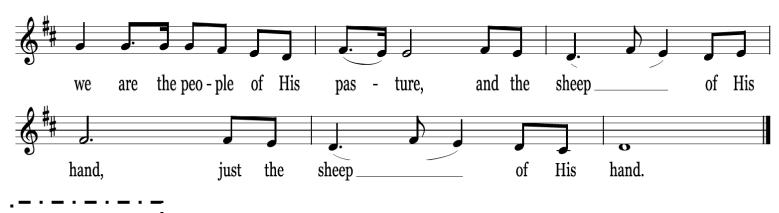
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Welcome to Worship

Opening Song

Please stand in body or spirit.





Greeting

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All And also with you.

Prayer for This Day

- P O God, overflowing with mercy and compassion, you lead back to yourself all those who go astray.
- All Preserve your people in your loving care, that we may reject whatever is contrary to you and may follow all things that sustain our life in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

You may be Seated

# Children's Sermon Sermon Pr. Debra Jimenez Baptism of John and Diana Warkentin and Paula Crater

### Hymn of the Day

#### Please stand in body or spirit.

# **Borning Cry**



- 1 "I was there to hear your born-ing cry, I'll be there when you are old.
- 2 "When you heard the won-der of the Word I was there to cheer you on;
- 3 "In the mid-dle a ges of your life, not too old, no lon ger young,



I re - joiced the day you were bap-tized to see your life un - fold. you were raised to praise the liv - ing Lord, to whom you now be - long. I'll be there to guide you through the night, com-plete what I've be - gun.



I was there when you were but a child, with a faith to suit you well; If you find some-one to share your time and you join your hearts as one, When the eve-ning gent-ly clos-es in and you shut your wea-ry eyes,



in a blaze of light you wan-dered off to find where de-mons dwell." I'll be there to make your vers - es rhyme from dusk till ris - ing sun." I'll be there as I have al - ways been, with just one more sur - prise."



4 "I was there to hear your born-ing cry, I'll be there when you are old.



I re-joiced the day you were bap-tized to see your life un - fold."

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While Moses is on Mount Sinai, the people grow restless and make a golden calf to worship. Today's reading shows Moses as the mediator between an angry God and a sinful people. Moses reminds God that the Israelites are God's own people, and boldly asks for mercy for them.

<sup>7</sup> The LORD said to Moses, "Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; <sup>8</sup> they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it and said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!' " <sup>9</sup> The LORD said to Moses, "I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. <sup>10</sup> Now let me alone so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them, and of you I will make a great nation."

<sup>11</sup> But Moses implored the LORD his God and said, "O LORD, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? <sup>12</sup> Why should the Egyptians say, 'It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains and to consume them from the face of the earth'? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. <sup>13</sup> Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, 'I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever.' " <sup>14</sup> And the LORD changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

Exodus 32:7-14

WA The word of the Lord

All Thanks be to God!

#### Please join in a responsive reading of Psalm 51

- <sup>1</sup> Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; in your great compassion blot out my offenses.
- <sup>2</sup> Wash me through and through from my wickedness, and cleanse me from my sin.
- <sup>3</sup> For I know my offenses, and my sin is ever before me.
- <sup>4</sup> Against you only have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight; so you are justified when you speak and right in your judgment.
- <sup>5</sup> Indeed, I was born steeped in wickedness, a sinner from my mother's womb.
- <sup>6</sup> Indeed, you delight in truth deep within me, and would have me know wisdom deep within.
- <sup>7</sup> Remove my sins with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be purer than snow.
- <sup>8</sup> Let me hear joy and gladness; that the body you have broken may rejoice.
- <sup>9</sup> Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my wickedness.
- <sup>10</sup> Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Psalm 51:1-10

# A Reading from Timothy, the 1st chapter

The letters to Timothy and Titus are called the pastoral epistles because they contain advice especially intended for leaders in the church. Here the mercy shown to Paul, who once persecuted the church, is cited as evidence that even the most unworthy may become witnesses to the grace of God.

<sup>12</sup> I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he considered me faithful and appointed me to his service, <sup>13</sup> even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, <sup>14</sup> and the grace of

our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. <sup>15</sup> The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance: that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the foremost. <sup>16</sup> But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience as an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. <sup>17</sup> To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

1 Timothy 1:12-17

WA The word of the Lord

#### All Thanks be to God!

Gospel Acclamation

Please stand in body or spirit.



P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 15<sup>th</sup> chapter.

#### All Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus tells two stories that suggest a curious connection between the lost being found and sinners repenting. God takes the initiative to find sinners, each of whom is so precious to God that their recovery brings joy in heaven.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to [Jesus.] <sup>2</sup> And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> So he told them this parable: <sup>4</sup> "Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the

wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? <sup>5</sup> And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. <sup>6</sup> And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my lost sheep.' <sup>7</sup> Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

<sup>8</sup> "Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? <sup>9</sup> And when she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' <sup>10</sup> Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

Luke 15:1-10

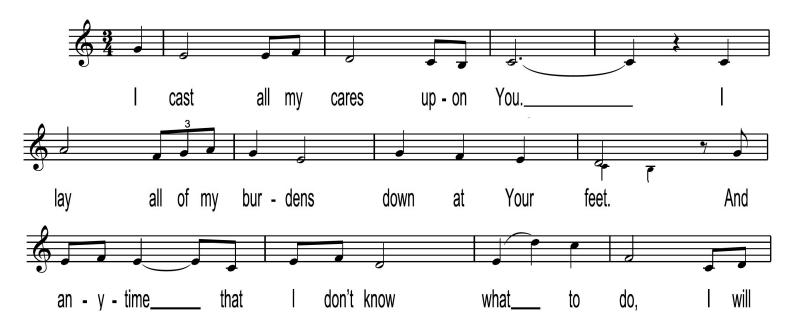
P The Gospel of our Lord.

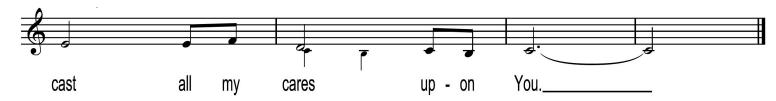
All Praise to you, O Christ.

You may be Seated

Prayers of the People

WA Gracious God, we come to you in prayer for the church, the world, and all in need.





(each prayer petition ends with)

L: God of grace,

All: receive our prayer.

Sharing the Peace of Christ

Please stand in body or spirit.

P Jesus Christ become peace with you.

#### All And also with you.



Offertory Prayer

P Let us pray:

Lord of the harvest, we return to you a portion of what you have given to us.

All Turn us to set our hope not on the uncertainty of riches, but on you, who richly provides for us.
Multiply what we have gathered to bless all who are suffering and in need, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Confession and Forgiveness

Please stand in body or spirit.

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, our maker, our helper, and our keeper.

#### All Amen

P Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful and loving God,

All we are your stiff-necked people.

We trample on the needy.

We grumble about your grace to others.

We turn away from the poor.

Have mercy on us and forgive our sins.

Rejoice over us as ones who were lost and have been found. Amen.

P Even when we are faithless, God remains faithful.

Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners.

You who were lost have been found.

In the name of + Jesus, your sins are forgiven!

#### All Amen.

# Holy Communion

- P The Lord be with you
- All And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- All We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- All It is right to give God thanks and praise.
- P 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.

# The Lord's Prayer

- P Make us bold, O merciful God, to address you as our Abba as we pray:
- All 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.

#### The Invitation

P Jesus welcomes sinners and eats with them.
Come to this meal of mercy.

#### You may be Seated

You may come forward as guided by the ushers

Note: the communion cups on the periphery of the tray contain red wine while the cups in the center contain white grape juice.

Gluten Free wafers available -ask the communion attendant

#### Communion Songs

# Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling



- Soft ly and call - ing, call - ing ten - der - ly Je - sus for Why should we is plead-ing, tar - ry when Je - sus plead - ing for won - der - ful has prom-ised, love he prom-ised Oh, for the for

you and for me. See, on the por-tals he's wait-ing and watch-ing, you and for me? Why should we lin - ger and heed not his mer-cies, you and for me! Though we have sinned, he has mer-cy and par-don,



watch-ing for you and for me. mer - cies for you and for me?

par - don for you and for me.

"Come home, come home!
Come home, come home!



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

#### All Amen

- P O God, through this meal you have strengthened us and appointed us to be your servants.
- All Send us to do good and to share our possessions with all in need. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

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# Stewardship of Life & Ministry Announcements

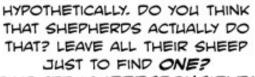






WA Go in peace. Do not lose heart.

#### All Thanks be to God.





MAYBE IT IS. BUT THE GOOD SHEPHERD ALWAYS SEEKS YOU.



OH, THAT'S NOT

NECESSARY!

I WAS JUST ASKING

FOR A FRIEND!

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Readings for next Sunday, September 21<sup>st</sup> First Reading: Amos 8:4-7

Psalm: Psalm 113

Second Reading: 1 Timothy 2:1-7

Gospel: Luke 16:1-13