



A WELCOMING FAITH COMMUNITY.
GROWING. CARING. SERVING.



SEPTEMBER 19/20 2026
RALLY SUNDAY CONTINUES
Let's Grow What's Next!

Welcome to Worship

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PREACHING:

Pastor Connie Tiede

PRESIDING:

8 & 9 AM Pr Mike Pancoast

11 AM Pr Sue Wallager

READER:

5 PM Judy Bendiske

8 AM Deb Oas Koepsell

9 AM Bill Travis

11 AM Sylvia Goldman

ORGANIST:

Mary Jo Gothmann

PRELUDE

GATHERING

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, whose mercy is from everlasting to everlasting, whose grace is deeper than our sin, whose love never lets us go.

Thanks be to God.

When Jonah wanted judgment,

God chose mercy.

When workers expected fairness,

Jesus revealed generosity.

When we had nothing to offer,

God claimed us in the waters of baptism. Here, we are named God's beloved. Here, we are forgiven. Here, we belong. We remember our baptism with thanksgiving. We rejoice in God's amazing grace.

1 A - maz - ing grace!— how sweet the sound— that
 2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and
 3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares I
 4 The Lord has prom - ised good to me; his
 5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright

saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but
 grace my fears re - lieved; how pre - cious did that
 have al - read - y come; 'tis grace has brought me
 word my hope se - cures; he will my shield and
 shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to

now am found; was blind, but now I see.
 grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!
 safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
 por - tion be as long as life en - dures.
 sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY:

Almighty and eternal God, you show perpetual lovingkindness to us your servants. Because we cannot rely on our own abilities, grant us your merciful judgment, and train us to embody the generosity of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

A BLESSING FOR A NEW SCHOOL YEAR (9 & 11 AM):

It's the time of year when many children, youth and adults We ask in Jesus' name.

God bless all teachers!

Learners, let's ask God to bless you. ... We ask in Jesus' name...

God bless all learners!

And finally, we ask God's blessing on parents and all those who care for students. ... We ask in Jesus' name.

God bless all parents and caregivers!

Teachers, caregivers, parents and students—enter this new school year knowing that you are enough. You are loved. And, you are never alone. May you feel God holding you close in times of uncertainty and celebrating with you in every success. We ask all these things in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC (9 AM):

"Rivers of Living Water".....Marrolli
Adult Choir; Jonathan Campbell, dir; Terry Elliott, violin; Kat Davis, flute; Emily Johnson, percussion; Mary Jo Gothmann, piano

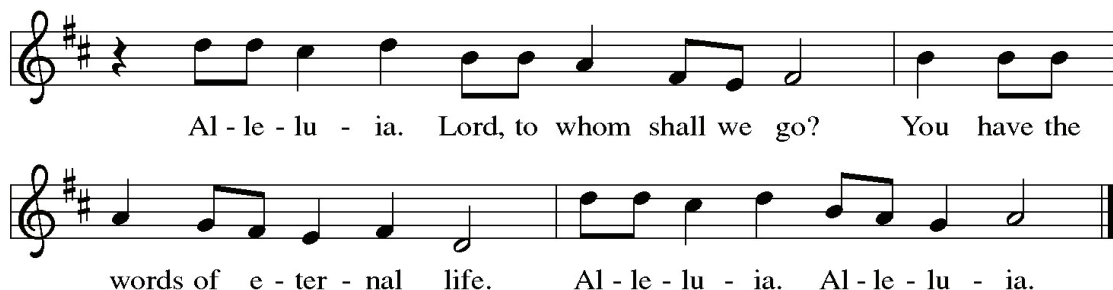
WORD

LESSON: Jonah 3:10-4:11

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

ACCLAMATION:



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

GOSPEL:

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew 20:1-16

Glory to you, O Lord.

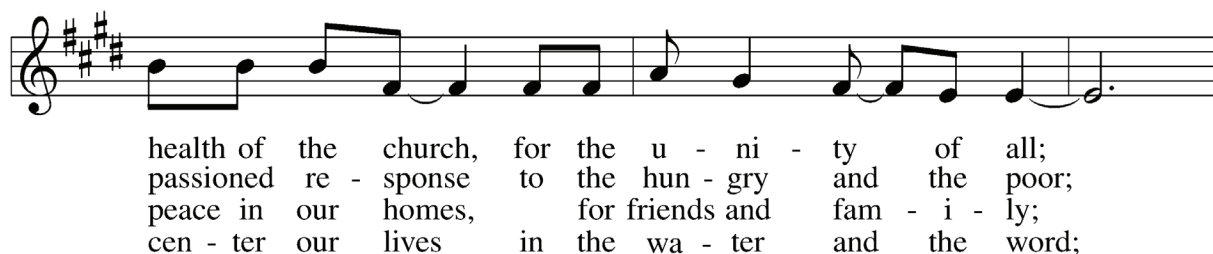
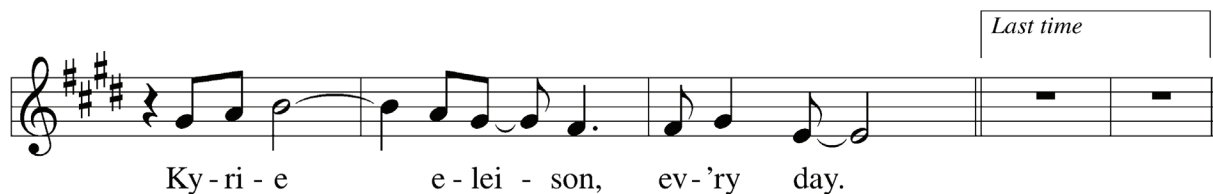
The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

THE SERMON: "Scandalous Grace" by Pastor Connie Tiede

HYMN OF THE DAY: Kyrie eleison (Dakota Road)

Congregation sings Refrain; Leader sings verses



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BAPTISM:

9 AM: Eleanor Elizabeth Evenson

11 AM: Julia Christine Hamling

THE APOSTLES’ CREED (5 PM, 8 AM):

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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH:

After each petition

God of mercy and grace...

Hear our prayer.

SHARING THE PEACE:

The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

(Share the peace with a wave and word of peace.)

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or



MEAL

OFFERING

SPECIAL MUSIC (9 & 11 AM):

"What a Friend" Matt Maher
Worship Team

OFFERTORY: Create in Me a Clean Heart 186

**Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me.
Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit.**

OFFERTORY PRAYER:

Gracious God, you have welcomed us home into your family through the love of Jesus Christ. Everything we have and everything we are comes from your generous hand. Receive these gifts, and use them to build up your kingdom— to strengthen your church, to bless our neighbors, and to share your love with a world in need. Bless our offerings and bless our lives, that together we may be a place where all people know they are loved, valued, and welcomed.

Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING:

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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER:

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.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

- *The ushers will invite you forward. Please take a cup from them and proceed to a communion station.*
- *The first server will give you a wafer. If you would like a gluten-free wafer, please let them know.*
- *The second server will pour wine into your cup. If you prefer white grape juice, go to the third server.*
- *After receiving communion, place your empty cup in the baskets provided as you return to your seat.*

1 Will you let me be your ser - vant, let me be as
 2 We are pil - grims on a jour - ney, we are trav - 'lers
 3 I will hold the Christ-light for you in the night - time
 4 I will weep when you are weep - ing; when you laugh I'll
 5 Will you let me be your ser - vant, let me be as

Christ to you? Pray that I may have the grace to
 on the road; we are here to help each oth - er
 of your fear; I will hold my hand out to you,
 laugh with you. I will share your joy and sor - row
 Christ to you? Pray that I may have the grace to

let you be my ser - vant, too.
 walk the mile and bear the load.
 speak the peace you long to hear.
 till we've seen this jour - ney through.
 let you be my ser - vant, too.

Text: Richard Gillard, b. 1953

Music: THE SERVANT SONG, Richard Gillard; arr. Betty Pulkingham, b. 1928

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1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
 2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;
 3 Rich - es I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise,
 4 Light of my soul, af - ter vic - to - ry won,



naught be all else to me, save that thou art:
 I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord.
 thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways:
 may I reach heav - en's joys, O heav - en's Sun!



thou my best thought both by day and by night,
 Thou my soul's shel - ter, and thou my high tow'r,
 thou and thou on - ly, the first in my heart,
 Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,



wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
 raise thou me heav'n - ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.
 great God of heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.
 still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

POST COMMUNION BLESSING AND PRAYER:

Faithful God, we give you thanks for this meal of grace, where you have welcomed us, renewed us, and strengthened us in Christ. Send us from this table as your people— connected by your love, equipped with your gifts, and ready to grow what is next together. To create a community where all belong and love is made visible.

Amen.

SENDING

BENEDICTION:

Go now with the blessing of God, with Christ as your foundation, the Holy Spirit your guide, and God's love shining through you.

Amen.

1 This lit - tle light of mine, I'm goin' - a let it shine;
 2 Ev - 'ry - where I go, I'm goin' - a let it shine;
 3 Je - sus gave it to me, I'm goin' - a let it shine;

oh, oh,

this lit - tle light of mine, I'm goin' - a let it shine;
 ev - 'ry - where I go, I'm goin' - a let it shine;
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oh,

let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.
 let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.
 let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

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TO WORSHIP**

**Hearing Assistance
Units Available**

*Hearing assistance units
are available at the
sound booth at the
back of the Sanctuary.*

Mobility Concerns

*We have areas in the
sanctuary where a wheel-
chair or walker will fit.
Ushers can assist you.*

Children Welcome

*Activity bags are avail-
able outside the sanctu-
ary. We have two "pray
grounds" in the sanctuary
with plenty of places just
outside the sanctuary as
well where children can
sit and play.*

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SUNDAY 9 & 11 AM

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SENDING HYMN (9 & 11 AM): This Little Light of Mine

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.

Ev'ry day, ev'ry day, I'm gonna let my little light shine. (repeat)

On Monday - he gave the gift of love.

On Tuesday - peace came from above.

On Wednesday - told me to have more faith.

On Thursday - gave me just a little more grace.

On Friday - told me to watch and pray.

On Saturday - told me just what to say.

**On Sunday - gave me the power divine,
just to let my little light shine.**

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.

Ev'ry day, ev'ry day, I'm gonna let my little light shine.

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.

**Ev'ry day, ev'ry day, ev'ry day,
ev'ry day I'm gonna let my little light shine.**

DISMISSAL:

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE