

# 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

July 13, 2025; 9 a.m.



**St John's**  
Lutheran Church

*(An usher rings the church bell at 8:55 a.m.)*

## Welcome and Announcements

### Prelude

*(Acolytes light the candles)*

Linda Ranney

## Gathering Hymn

ACS #1047; *What is the World Like* vs. 1, 3, 5

- 1     What is the world like when God's will is done?  
Mustard seeds grow more than we can conceive:  
roots thread the soil; branches reach for the sun.  
This is how God moves us each to believe.
  
- 3     What is the world like when God's will is done?  
No more is neighbor just ally or friend;  
peace thrives in places where once there was none.  
This is how God works when rivalries end.
  
- 5     These are the stories that Jesus imparts,  
filled with the Spirit who joins us as one.  
Born through our voices, our hands, and our hearts,  
this is a new world where God's will is done.

## Apostolic 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.**

## Kyrie

ACS Setting 12

The musical score for the Kyrie, ACS Setting 12, consists of three staves of music. Each staff is in a treble clef with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The first staff has the lyrics "Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Lord, have mer - cy." The second staff has the lyrics "Chris - te e - lei - son. Christ, have mer - cy." The third staff has the lyrics "Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Lord, have mer - cy." The music is written in a simple, melodic style with a mix of quarter, eighth, and half notes, and rests.

Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Lord, have mer - cy.

Chris - te e - lei - son. Christ, have mer - cy.

Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Lord, have mer - cy.

## Canticle of Praise

ACS Setting 12; vs. 1, 3

1 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;  
 2 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;  
 3 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;

yours is the prom - ise, the bless - ing, the birth.  
 yours the ho - san - nas, the dy - ing, re - birth.  
 yours the a - noint - ing, the ra - di - ant worth.

Ours the re - joic - ing for Word giv - en frame;  
 Ours the re - joic - ing for na - ture re - claimed;  
 Ours the re - joic - ing for spir - its a - flame;

ours the thanks - giv - ing to your ho - ly name.

Ours be the tell - ing of deeds great - ly done;

yours be the glo - ry, O God, yours a - lone.

## Prayer of the Day

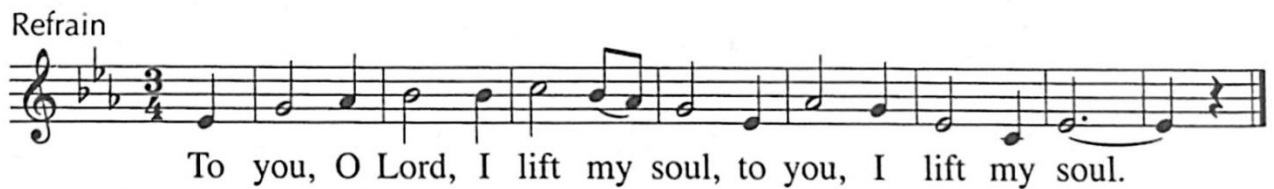
Let us pray. O Lord God, **your mercy delights us, and the world longs for your loving care. Hear the cries of everyone in need, and turn our hearts to love our neighbors with the love of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

**Amen.**

## Psalm 25

*To You, O Lord* by Marty Haugen

*(assembly joins in singing refrains)*



## Reading: Colossians 1:1-14

<sup>1</sup> Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother,

<sup>2</sup> To the saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father.

<sup>3</sup> In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>4</sup> for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, <sup>5</sup> because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. You have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth, the gospel <sup>6</sup> that has come to you. Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the grace of God. <sup>7</sup> This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on our behalf, <sup>8</sup> and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit.

<sup>9</sup> For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, <sup>10</sup> so that you may walk worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God. <sup>11</sup> May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, so that you may have all endurance and patience, joyfully <sup>12</sup> giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. <sup>13</sup> He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, <sup>14</sup> in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

Word of God. Word of Life.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Children's Time

## Gospel Acclamation *(please stand)*

ACS Setting 12

Al-le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia.

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

*Repeat alleluia*

## Gospel: Luke 10:25-37

The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 10<sup>th</sup> Chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>25</sup> An expert in the law stood up to test Jesus. “Teacher,” he said, “what must I do to inherit eternal life?” <sup>26</sup> He said to him, “What is written in the law? What do you read there?” <sup>27</sup> He answered, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind and your neighbor as yourself.” <sup>28</sup> And he said to him, “You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live.”

<sup>29</sup> But wanting to vindicate himself, he asked Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?” <sup>30</sup> Jesus replied, “A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and took off, leaving him half dead. <sup>31</sup> Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. <sup>32</sup> So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. <sup>33</sup> But a Samaritan while traveling came upon him, and when he saw him he was moved with compassion. <sup>34</sup> He went to him and bandaged his wounds, treating them with oil and wine. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. <sup>35</sup> The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, ‘Take care of him, and when I come back I will repay you whatever more you spend.’ <sup>36</sup> Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?” <sup>37</sup> He said, “The one who showed him mercy.” Jesus said to him, “Go and do likewise.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## Sermon *(please sit)*

Pastor Christine Emerson

## Hymn of the Day *(please stand)*

ELW #725; *When The Poor Ones* vs. 1, 3, 4

- 1     When the poor ones, who have nothing, still are giving;  
      when the thirsty pass the cup, water to share;  
      when the wounded offer others strength and healing:

### *Refrain*

We see God, here by our side, walking our way;  
we see God, here by our side, walking our way.

- 3     When our spirits, like a chalice, brim with gladness;  
      when our voices, full and clear, sing out the truth;  
      when our longings, free from envy, seek the humble: *Refrain*
- 4     When the goodness poured from heaven fills our dwellings;  
      when the nations work to change war into peace;  
      when the stranger is accepted as our neighbor: *Refrain*

## Sacrament of Baptism

**Benjamin David Batty**, son of Alyssa Radosevich and Harold Andrew Batty III  
Sponsors: Adam & Ashley Radosevich, Michaela Munger

God, who is rich in mercy and love, gives us a new birth into a living hope through the sacrament of baptism. By water and the Word God delivers us from sin and death and raises us to new life in Christ. We are united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, and joined in God's mission for the life of the world.

I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

**I renounce them.**

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

**I renounce them.**

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

**I renounce them.**

Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**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.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**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.**

*(parents, child, and sponsors gather around the font)*

**Sponsors:** We present **Benjamin David Batty** for the sacrament of holy baptism.

**Pastor:** Parents, as you bring **Benjamin David** to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities: to live with him among God's faithful people, bring him to the word of God and the holy supper, teach him the Lord's prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments, place in his hands the holy scriptures, and nurture him in faith and prayer, so that he may learn to trust God, proclaim Christ through word and deed, care for others and the world God made, and work for justice and peace. Do you promise to fulfill these promises?

**Parents:** We do.

**Pastor:** Sponsors, do you promise to nurture **Benjamin David** in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit and to help him live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church?

**Sponsors:** We do.

**Pastor:** People of God, do you promise to support **Benjamin David** and pray for him in his new life in Christ?

**People: We do.**

**Pastor:** We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family, and through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you set us free from the power of sin and death and raise us up to live in you.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, the power of your living Word, that they who are washed in the waters of baptism may be given new life. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

**Pastor: Benjamin David,** I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

**Pastor:** Let us pray...We give you thanks, O God that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your daughters and sons new birth, cleanse them from sin, and raise them to eternal life.

*(Parents lay hands on the head of the newly baptized.)*

Sustain **Benjamin David** with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, now and forever. **Amen.**

*(Parents use oil to make the sign of the cross on the forehead of the newly baptized)*

**Pastor: Benjamin David,** child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever. **Amen.**

*(Sponsors take the candle and light it using the Christ candle. The candle is to remind us that we carry the light of Christ throughout our baptized life.)*

**Worship Assistant:** Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven. **Amen.**

**Pastor:** Let us welcome **Benjamin David** into the community of faith.



**All: We welcome him into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.**

*(The child, parents and sponsors may return to their seats.)*

## **Prayers of the People**

Petition:  
God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

## **The Peace**

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

## **Offering**

*(Ushers take up the collection)*

*Bread for the World* by Bernadette Farrell  
St. John's Choir

## **Offertory** *(please stand)*

*(Ushers bring collection forward for acolytes to receive)*

ELW #451; *We Are Baptized in Christ Jesus* vs. 1-2

- 1     We are baptized in Christ Jesus,  
      we are baptized in his death;  
      that as Christ is raised victorious,  
      we might live a brand new life.  
      And if we have been united  
      in a dreadful death like his,  
      we will all be reunited, for he lives.
- 2     In the water and the witness,  
      in the breaking of the bread,

in the waiting arms of Jesus  
who is risen from the dead,  
God has made a new beginning  
from the ashes of our past;  
in the losing and the winning we hold fast.

## Offertory Prayer

Let us pray. 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.**

## 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.**

## Proper Preface

### Holy, Holy, Holy



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

## Eucharistic Prayer

### The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

### Invitation to the Table

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

*(acolytes prepare for communion distribution; ushers come forward to invite assembly by pew)*

## Lamb of God



## Communion Hymn

ELW #800; *Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart*

- 1 Spirit of God, descend upon my heart;  
wean it from earth, through all its pulses move;  
stoop to my weakness, strength to me impart,  
and make me love you as I ought to love.
- 2 I ask no dream, no prophet ecstasies,  
no sudden rending of the veil of clay,  
no angel visitant, no op'ning skies;  
but take the dimness of my soul away.
- 3 Have you not bid me love you, God and King;  
all, all your own, soul, heart, and strength, and mind?  
I see your cross; there teach my heart to cling.  
Oh, let me seek you and, oh, let me find!
- 4 Teach me to love you as your angels love,  
one holy passion filling all my frame:  
the baptism of the heav'n-descended dove,  
my heart an altar, and your love the flame.

## Post-Communion Blessing & Prayer *(please stand)*

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

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.**

## Benediction

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.**

## Sending Hymn

*(Acolytes extinguish the candles)*

ELW #449; *We Know That Christ Is Raised* vs. 1-3

- 1 We know that Christ is raised and dies no more.  
Embraced by death, he broke its fearful hold,  
and our despair he turned to blazing joy.  
Hallelujah!
- 2 We share by water in his saving death.  
Reborn, we share with him an Easter life,  
as living members of our Savior Christ.  
Hallelujah!
- 3 The Father's splendor clothes the Son with life.  
The Spirit's fission shakes the church of God.  
Baptized, we live with God the Three in One.  
Hallelujah!

## Sending

Go in peace, Live by the spirit.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## Postlude

Linda Ranney

## Altar Flowers

In Memory of Joyce Ritsch by Family

## Chancel Flowers

In Honor of Benjamin Batty, great-grandson of Jim & Joyce Ritsch, baptized today, by Family

## Serving at Worship Today

Presider	Pastor Christine Emerson
Assistant	Rozie Bejin
Lector	Jim Boulter
Acolytes	Matthew Kording, Ned Ernster
Ushers	Lynn Yolitz, Larry Krause
Greeters	Dramus Peuse, Sam Pederson
Communion Servers	Cheryl Stage, Tim Lincoln, Cheryl Mattison, Diana Hogenson
Media & Streaming	Lydia Elko
Screen Operator	Brett Issacson
Musicians	Linda Ranney, organist; Mark Lundin, director; St. John's Choir; Frank Larrabee, instrumentalist

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