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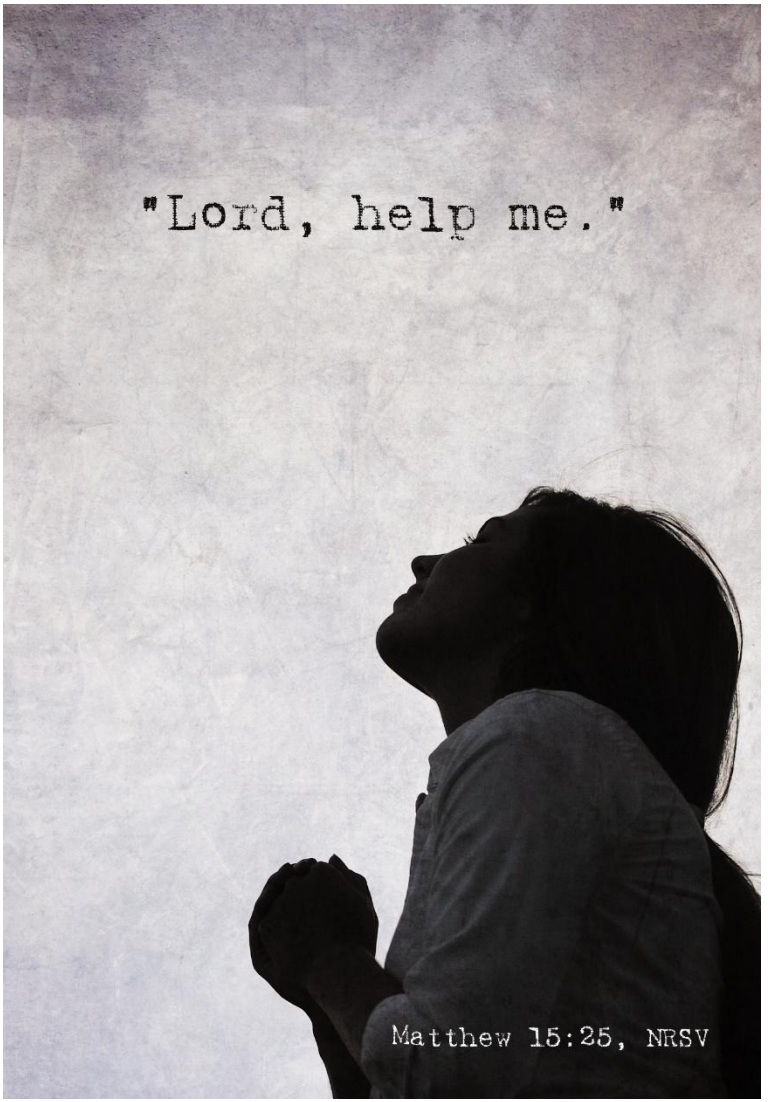

August 16, 2026

Gathering

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

This August, we are using Ray Makeever's worship setting "Come, Let Us Worship God."
Please refer to the Worship Booklet (WB) if you would like musical notes for the service.

Welcome & Announcements

Gathering **"Come, Let Us Worship God"** **WB p. 1**

(Congregation, please echo the song leader.)

1 Come, let us worship God. Come, let us worship God.
Welcome everyone. To the love of God.

2 Rest for the weary. Rest for the weary.
Welcome everyone. To the love of God.

3 Food for the hungry. Food for the hungry.
Welcome everyone. To the love of God.

4 Hope for the children. Hope for the children.
Welcome everyone. To the love of God.

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Call to Confession

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, whose compassion endures forever.
C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin to God.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Prayer of Confession

P: Compassionate God,
C: we confess to you all our sins. Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves. In your mercy, call us back to you. Your yoke is easy and your burden is light. Restore us to dwell in your peace. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.

Forgiveness
P: Jesus says, “Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest.” In the name of God, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Rest in God’s love. **C: Amen.**

Invocation
P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **C: And also with you.**

Kyrie **“God of Love, Have Mercy”** **WB p. 2**

Let us pray to God with peace in our hearts: God of love, have mercy.
For the peace from above, let us pray to our God: God of love, have mercy.
For the peace of the world, for the health of the church, for the unity of all people, pray to our God: God of love, have mercy. God of love, have mercy.
For the people of God, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to our God: God of love, have mercy.
Help, save, comfort, and defend us gracious God. Amen.

Prayer of the Day
P: Let us pray,
C: God of all peoples, your arms reach out to embrace all those who call upon you. Teach us as disciples of your Son to love the world with compassion and constancy, that your name may be known throughout the earth, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Word

God Speaks to Us in Scripture Reading, Preaching, and Song.

Reading: Isaiah 56:1, 6-8

[1] Thus says the Lord: Maintain justice, and do what is right, for soon my salvation will come and my deliverance be revealed.

[6] And the foreigners who join themselves to the Lord, to minister to him, to love the name of the Lord, and to be his servants, all who keep the Sabbath and do not profane it and hold fast my covenant — [7] these I will bring to my holy mountain and make them joyful in my house of prayer; their burnt offerings and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar, for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples. [8] Thus says

the Lord God, who gathers the outcasts of Israel: I will gather others to them besides those already gathered.

L: Word of God, Word of Life. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Psalm: Psalm 67

1 May God be merciful to us and bless us;
may the light of God's face shine upon us.
2 **Let your way be known upon earth,**
your saving health among all nations.
3 Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.
4 **Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,**
for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the nations on earth.
5 Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.
6 **The earth has brought forth its increase;**
God, our own God, has blessed us.
7 May God give us blessing,
and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe.

Reading: Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32

[Paul writes:] 1 I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. 2a God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew.

29 For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. 30 Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, 31 so also they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they also may now receive mercy. 32 For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

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Gospel Acclamation "Open Our Lives to the Word" WB p. 3

May our words, may our songs, may our worship this day
fill up our hearts and give us new sight.

May our prayers, may our praise give us light for our days,
and open our lives to the Word.
Open our lives to the living Word.
Open our hearts to the truth we have heard.
May our words, may our songs,
may our worship this day open our lives to the Word.

P: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, chapter fifteen. **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

Gospel: Matthew 15:21-28

21 Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. 22 Just then a
Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, “Have mercy on me,
Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon.” 23 But he did not answer her
at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, “Send her away, for she keeps
shouting after us.” 24 He answered, “I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of
Israel.” 25 But she came and knelt before him, saying, “Lord, help me.” 26 He answered,
“It is not fair to take the children’s food and throw it to the dogs.” 27 She said, “Yes, Lord,
yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters’ table.” 28 Then Jesus
answered her, “Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.” And her
daughter was healed from that moment.

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

Children’s Message

Sermon **“Lord Have Mercy”** **Pastor Kathy**

Hymn of the Day **“Healer of Our Every Ill”** **ELW #612 vs 1,3&4**

Refrain
Healer of our ev'ry ill,
light of each tomorrow,
give us peace beyond our fear,
and hope beyond our sorrow.

1 You who know our fears and sadness,
grace us with your peace and gladness;
Spirit of all comfort, fill our hearts. *Refrain*

3 Give us strength to love each other,
ev'ry sister, ev'ry brother;
Spirit of all kindness, be our guide. *Refrain*

4 You who know each thought and feeling,
teach us all your way of healing;
Spirit of compassion, fill each heart. *Refrain*

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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.

Prayers of the People "Hear My Cry Oh God" WB p. 4

Hear my cry, O God; listen to my prayer.
Listen to my song: Singing praises all along.

Sharing God's Peace

Offertory

Offertory Hymn "What Have We to Offer?" WB p. 4

What have we to offer? What have we to share?
Coins from the coffer, hearts filled with care.
God will not falter; so let us dare lay it at the altar there.

What have we to offer? What have we to give? Lives we will live.

Offertory Prayer
P: Let us pray,
C: Merciful God, in your Son Jesus you show us the way of life. You teach us to love one another and to share the gifts of our lives. Receive these gifts, fruit of the earth and harvest of our labor, and lead us always by your wise guiding. Amen.

Holy Communion

Today we celebrate Holy Communion: If you are a guest, please know you are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Jesus said that the body and blood are given "for you and for all people." For gluten-free wafers, ask the servers. If you desire to commune while seated, please sit near an aisle and let an usher know. We will bring communion to you. Children not yet communing are invited forward to receive a blessing. If you would like to have grape juice instead of wine, please hold up your index finger when you reach a communion server.

Great Thanksgiving **WB p. 5**

P: The God of Life be with you always **C: and with you, too.**
P: Lift up your hearts, lift up your minds. **C: We lift them joyfully unto God.**
P: Let us thank our gracious God. **C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P: It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and all places offer thanks… we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord **WB p. 5**

Refrain
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power, God of might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name, in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest. *Refrain*

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer *(We pray with these words, or the words closest to your heart.)*
C: 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.

Lamb of God **WB p. 6 vs 1,3&4**

1 Lamb of God, come take away the sin of all the world today:
Have mercy upon us, mercy upon us, mercy upon us, and give us your peace.

3 Lamb of God, risen Lord, heal us with your living word:
Have mercy upon us, mercy upon us, mercy upon us, and give us your peace.

4 Lamb of God, Holy One, bring us peace when day is done:
Have mercy upon us, mercy upon us, mercy upon us, and give us your peace.

Communion Hymn **"One Bread, One Body"** **ELW #496**

Refrain
One bread, one body, one Lord of all;
one cup of blessing which we bless,
and we, though many throughout the earth,
we are one body in this one Lord.

1 Gentile or Jew, servant or free,
woman or man, no more. *Refrain*

2 Many the gifts, many the works,
one in the Lord of all. *Refrain*

3 Grain for the fields, scattered and grown,
gathered to one for all. *Refrain*

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Communion Hymn **"My Faith Looks Up to Thee"** **ELW #759**

1 My faith looks up to thee,
thou Lamb of Calvary,
Savior divine!
Now hear me while I pray,
take all my guilt away,

oh, let me from this day
be wholly thine!

2 May thy rich grace impart
strength to my fainting heart,
my zeal inspire;
as thou hast died for me,
oh, may my love to thee
pure, warm, and changeless be,
a living fire!

3 While life's dark maze I tread
and griefs around me spread,
be thou my guide;
bid darkness turn to day,
wipe sorrow's tears away,
nor let me ever stray
from thee aside.

4 When ends life's transient dream,
when death's cold, sullen stream
shall o'er me roll;
blest Savior, then, in love
fear and distrust remove;
oh, bear me safe above,
a ransomed soul!

Text: Ray Palmer, 1808-1887

Communion Blessing and Prayer
P: Gracious God, you have fed us at your table and filled us with your presence. Strengthen us with your Spirit that we might live as Christ's body in the world.
C: Amen.

Benediction

Sending Hymn **"Jesus Shall Reign"** **ELW #434 vs 1,2&5**

1 Jesus shall reign where'er the sun
does its successive journeys run;

his kingdom stretch from shore to shore,
till moons shall wax and wane no more.

2 To him shall endless prayer be made,
and praises throng to crown his head;
his name like sweet perfume shall rise
with ev'ry morning sacrifice.

5 Let ev'ry creature rise and bring
peculiar honors to our king;
angels descend with songs again,
and earth repeat the loud amen.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674-1748, alt.

Dismissal

P: Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

In Our Prayers This Week:

Linda Brown, Russ Brown, Andy Budahn, Rosalee Daugherty, Alex Fenske, Olivia Finden, Marj Frederickson, Megan Schuetzle Furth, Brad Haynes, Marilyn Hudson, Kim Jobe, JJ Johnson, Mavis Jones, Roger Lund, Dianne Pruitt, George Putnam, Karyl Putnam, Verne Radloff, Sharon Riser, Marge Schmidt, Randy Schottle, Marilyn Stuckey

Starting in September, we will be adjusting the way we share prayer requests and pray aloud in worship. Beginning this fall, our bulletin will include two prayer lists. The first will include those with new or immediate concerns or needs for prayer. These names will also be included in the spoken prayers during worship. The second printed list will be our ongoing prayer requests, including members who reside in congregate care settings, as well as those who are living with chronic illnesses, or undergoing long-term treatment, care or recovery. In worship, we will encourage people to pray for everyone on our prayer lists. Please continue to let Pastor Kathy, Pastor Amy or the church office know when you'd like to be on or off the prayer list or moved from one list to the other.

This change allows us, as a congregation, to continue holding all of these individuals in prayer while also focusing our spoken prayers during worship on those facing new or immediate circumstances. You are encouraged to use both lists throughout the week as part of your personal prayers, trusting that God hears every prayer we offer, whether spoken aloud in worship or lifted up quietly in our day-to-day.

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	Weekly Offering	YTD Offering	YTD Budget
8/9 General Offering	$ 7,168.00	$ 308,545.25	$ 333,323.30
8/9 Building Fund	$ 510.00	$ 33,532.14	$ 33,846.08
TOTAL:	**$ 7,678.00**	**$ 342,077.39**	**$ 367,169.28**
8/9 World Hunger	$ 155.00	$ 3,619.00	

ATTENDANCE	9:00AM Sun.	6:30PM Wed.
8/9/26	120	39