

St. Luke Lutheran Church

"Energized by God's Love"

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The Rev. Daniel Tisdell

Evangelical Lutheran Worship
8th Sunday after Pentecost

Setting VII
July 19, 2026



Dear Members & Guests - Welcome to Worship!

God has greatly blessed us with your presence today.

Thank you for responding to his invitation.

If you have a prayer request, please send it by email or voicemail to Letty
in the church office.



Sunnyvale Community Services
Preventing Homelessness and Hunger in Our Local Community

SERVING US THIS MORNING

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Greeters: Don & Loretta Merry (Front Door), TBD (Side Door)

Sunday School: Danae Moreno & Emily Bradshaw

Worship Team: Andy Wadsworth, Beth Stauter, Wil & Deb Mandac

Background Worship: Beth Stauter

Organist: Beth Stauter

Choir Director: Chris Frye

Bell Choir Director: Wil Mandac

Tech Team: Andy Wadsworth, Alan Martinez, Ethan ElAmir, Ethan Tan, Jordan Mandac, Madeleine Gan, Scarlett Marquez, Tim Ambrose, Tim and Denise Tsang

Prayer Chain Coordinator: Marlene Custer

Hearing Assistance devices are available in the Library/AV Room.

ORDER OF *WORSHIP*

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

Beth Stauter

GATHERING HYMN

"O HOLY SPIRIT, ROOT OF LIFE"

ELW #399

INVOCATION

(music found on page 175)

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

[C] And also with you.

KYRIE

[C] Lord, have mercy on us; O Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy on us; O Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy on us; O Christ, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy on us; O Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy on us; O Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy on us; O Lord, have mercy.

GLORIA

(music found on page 176)

Gloria, gloria, gloria, glory to God on high!

Gloria, gloria, gloria, glory to God on high!

And on earth peace to God's people. Glory to God.

And on earth peace to God's people. Glory to God.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

[A] Let us pray...

[C] Faithful God, most merciful judge, you care for your children with firmness and compassion. By your Spirit nurture us who live in your kingdom, that we may be rooted in the way of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE WITH GRANT HANNON

GOD ENCOUNTERS HIS PEOPLE THROUGH HIS WORD

1st Reading – Isaiah 44:6-8

There are no other gods besides God: the word of the LORD does not fail to come to pass. We can trust in God, through whom Israel—and we—are redeemed.

Thus says the LORD, the King of Israel, and his Redeemer, the LORD of hosts: I am the first, and I am the last; besides me there is no god.

Who is like me? Let them proclaim it; let them declare and set it forth before me. Who has announced from of old the things to come? Let them tell us what is yet to be.

Do not fear or be afraid; have I not told you from of old and declared it? You are my witnesses! Is there any god besides me? There is no other rock; I know not one.

Psalm 86:11-17

OT => Old Testament windows (right) side of sanctuary

NT => New Testament windows (left) side of sanctuary

[OT] Teach me your way, O LORD, and I will walk in your truth; give me an undivided heart to revere your name.

[NT] *I will thank you, O Lord my God, with all my heart, and glorify your name forevermore.*

[OT] For great is your love toward me; you have delivered me from the pit of death.

[NT] *The arrogant rise up against me, O God, and a band of violent people seeks my life; they have not set you before their eyes.*

[OT] But you, O Lord, are gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger, and full of kindness and truth.

[NT] *Turn to me and have mercy on me; give your strength to your servant, and save the child of your handmaid.*

[C] Show me a sign of your favor, so that those who hate me may see it and be put to shame; because you, LORD, have helped me and comforted me.

SPECIAL MUSIC

“CRY OF MY HEART”

2nd Reading – Romans 8:12-25

For Paul, true spirituality means that we experience the reality of the Spirit, which enables us to pray as God’s children, keeps us in solidarity with creation, and gives us unseen hope that God will liberate us and creation from bondage to death and decay.

So then, brothers and sisters, we are obligated, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh—for if you live according to the flesh, you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, “Abba! Father!” it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs: heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, if we in fact suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God, for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own

will, but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its enslavement to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning together as it suffers together the pains of labor, and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope, for who hopes for what one already sees? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

(music found on page 179)

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia,

alleluia! Alleluia!

[P] This is the Holy Gospel according to Matthew ...

[C] **Glory to you, O Lord.** (spoken)

Gospel – Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

Read by Pastor Dan Tisdell

Jesus tells a parable about the coexistence of good and evil in this world. God's judgment will remove all evildoers and causes of sin, but not until the end of human history.

[Jesus] put before [the crowds] another parable: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field, but while everybody was asleep an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?' He answered, 'An enemy has done this.' The slaves said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?' But he replied, 'No, for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest, and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.' "

Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field." He answered, "The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and they will throw them into the furnace of

fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!"

[P] This is the Gospel of the Lord.

[C] **Praise to you, O Christ.**

MESSAGE

"GROWING UP SIDE BY SIDE"

Pastor Dan Tisdell

HYMN OF THE DAY

"COME, YE THANKFUL PEOPLE, COME"

ELW #693

RECOGNITION OF THE OUTGOING ST. LUKE COUNCIL AND INSTALLATION OF THE INCOMING ST. LUKE COUNCIL.

GATHERING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Prayer requests collected in the offering plates will be brought forward for the Prayers of the People.

PRESENTATION OF OUR GIFTS

[A] Let us pray...

[C] **Gracious God, in your great love you richly provide for our needs. Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing, and make us ready to share with all in need; through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all. Amen.**

APOSTLES' CREED

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again 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.

(*universal)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

[P & A] God of grace,

[C] **Here our prayer.**

PEACE OF CHRIST

TRANSITIONAL PRAYER

[A] Let us pray...

[C] Oh God, each time I worship and take communion, I want to recommit my life, my heart, my thoughts, my everything to You. Fill me today with Your powerful Spirit and help me grow closer to you and to my neighbor. Amen.

MEAL

Sung by Pastor Dan Tisdell

The Great Thanksgiving

[P] The Lord be with you.

[C] **And also with you.**

[P] Lift up your hearts.

[C] **We lift them to the Lord.**

[P] Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

[C] **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

[P] It is indeed right, our duty and our joy . . .

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

(music found on page 181)

Holy, holy, holy Lord God,

God of might and power; holy is the Lord.

Holy, holy, holy, holy Lord God,

God of might and power; holy is the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest, hosanna here on earth.

Blest is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest, hosanna here on earth.

Blest is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND BLESSING

THE LORD'S PRAYER

[C] 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.

"LAMB OF GOD"

(music found on page 182)

O Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us, have mercy on us.

O Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us, have mercy on us.

O Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION - THE EUCHARIST (be seated)

Our Lord Jesus is the host of his table. He invites all to come to him. Everyone is welcome to commune with communion fellowship cups or by intinction with bread and your choice of wine or grape juice. If you are not communing, please receive a blessing of the day.

COMMUNION SONG ***“GOOD GOOD FATHER”*** **Led by Andy Wadsworth**
(By Anthony Brown & Pat Barnett)

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

[P] Compassionate God, through the gifts of bread and wine our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love. Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal, may share your love freely, as you have shared with us. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever.

[C] **Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING HYMN ***“SING TO THE LORD OF HARVEST”*** **ELW #694**

BENEDICTION

[P] Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, ✝ one God, bless, heal, and hold you today and always.

[C] **Amen.**

THE DISMISSAL

[A] Our worship continues; our service is just begun. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

[C] **THANKS BE TO GOD!**

POSTLUDE: ***“THE GREATNESS OF THE LORD”*** **Beth Stauter**
(By Richard Miles)