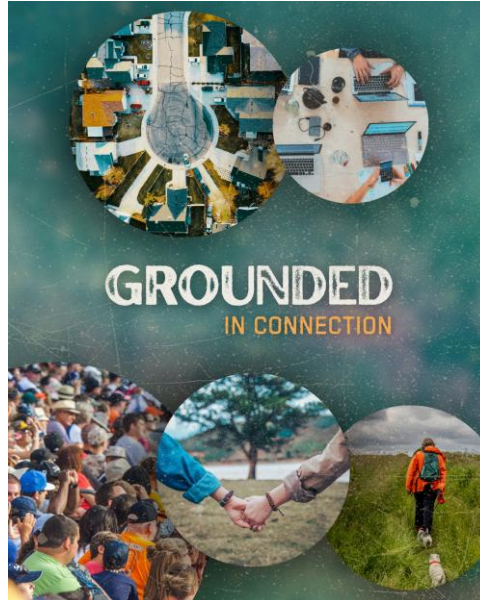


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14th Sunday after Pentecost
August 30, 2026
8:30 am

The Holy Spirit Empowers Us for Ministry in Daily Life

Gathered by God's grace and empowered by the Holy Spirit,
we invite and welcome all people to join us on our journey
to become more faithful ministers of Jesus Christ
in our homes, our communities, and the world.

We welcome all who worship with us today.

Visitors are invited to sign the guest register located in the lobby.

If you are interested in joining our family of faith,
please talk with one of our Pastors or call the church office.

Children are welcome and celebrated!

The “Children’s Ministry” table and basket in the lobby
contains a variety of items for children’s use during worship.
Stop by to borrow a book or pick up some coloring sheets and crayons.

Please silence all communication devices.

Our services are live streamed and recorded. In-person attendance implies consent
to be included in the live streamed and recorded worship service.

HOLY COMMUNION

All who believe in the presence of Jesus Christ in Holy Communion are welcome to receive the Sacrament. To facilitate flow, the ushers invite people to come forward starting with the back rows and working forward. You should come forward using the center aisle to receive the elements in a continuous style from pastor and worship assistant. Afterward you may choose to kneel or stand at the altar rail for a brief moment of prayer or return to your seat up the side aisle, depositing your empty cup in the receptacle on your way. Gluten free wafers are available. Our wine is grape juice so that all may freely receive.

Children who do not commune may come forward for a blessing. Communion kits are available at the usher stands for those who prefer to remain in their seats, and they will be communed along with our Zoom worshippers at the beginning of distribution.

GATHERING

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

Gathering Music

Still Haven't Found What I'm Looking For
Ray Starego, solo; Glenn Hinderliter, percussion

U2

Relevant “pop tunes” are not necessarily religious, in the sense that they were probably not intended for incorporation by the church. But they are spiritual in the sense that they beautifully bring to light deep aspects of our human condition in honest ways - ways that an artist-God who so wonderfully creates space and time and substance is certainly in beautiful and honest aspects of our own creativity. This may be new, and that’s OK. The goal of this practice is that faith and daily life come closer together, as we learn to listen for the God-message all around us. Because Sacred God stepped into our secular world with redemptive and creative power, we are invited to continue challenging the “sacred-secular” divide, growing in awareness of and participation in God’s active presence in all areas of our lived experience.

Welcome and Announcements

Invitation to Worship

Come gather in worship today as we celebrate the joy, grace,
and strength found in living and growing together as one faithful community.

We join in our Mission Statement:

**Gathered by God’s grace and empowered by the Holy Spirit,
we invite and welcome all people to join us on our journey to become more
faithful ministers of Jesus Christ in our homes, our communities, and the world.**

Thanksgiving for Baptism

Blessed be God, who gives us life,
who makes water rise from the earth,
whose mercy rolls down like an ever-flowing stream.

Amen

In baptism, we are given new life
through the grace, love, and connection of Christ.
We come in gratitude for kinship and community,
for forgiveness and resurrection,
for beginning anew each day.

Water may be poured into the font.

We give you thanks, God of all creation,
for the water that has given us birth;
for your call to care for one another;
for welcoming us into the ever-flowing current
of your mercy and love.

Pour your grace into each of us and all of us
that we may live together in your newness and life.

Let us rest in you,
knowing that we are loved, held, and sent forth to care
for your creation, for our whole selves, and for one another.
In the name of the Holy Trinity +
one God, now and forever.

Amen

Gathering Song

Lead Me, Guide Me

ELW 768

Refrain

Lead me, guide me, a - long the way;
 for if you lead me, I can - not stray.
 Lord, let me walk each day with thee.
 Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

1 I am weak and I need thy strength and pow'r
 2 Help me tread in the paths of righ - teous - ness,
 3 I am lost if you take your hand from me,

to help me o - ver my weak - est hour.
 be my aid when Sa - tan and sin op - press.
 I am blind with - out . . . thy light to see.

Help me through the dark - ness thy face to see.
 I am put - ting all . . . my trust in thee.
 Lord, just al - ways let me thy ser - vant be.

Refrain

Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

Greeting and Prayer of the Day

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.

We pray. God of welcome,
you call us back to your table of grace again and again.
Gather us around the fire of your love, that we may be warmed
and sent into the world. Help us to know that your
forgiveness is ever-present, for each of us and for all of us.
In Christ's name we pray.
Amen.

The assembly is seated.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture readings, preaching, and song.

Reading 1 Peter 5:6-11

Translation: NIV

A Reading from 1 Peter, the 5th Chapter

Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that he may lift you up
in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you.
Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring
lion looking for someone to devour. Resist him, standing firm in the faith,
because you know that the family of believers throughout the world is undergoing
the same kind of sufferings.

And the God of all grace, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ,
after you have suffered a little while, will himself restore you and make you
strong, firm and steadfast. To him be the power for ever and ever. Amen.

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God!

We rise in body or spirit to welcome the gospel.

The Good News from John, the 21st chapter.

Open our hearts, Lord.

Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish you have just caught."
So Simon Peter climbed back into the boat and dragged the net ashore.
It was full of large fish, 153, but even with so many the net was not torn.

Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast."
None of the disciples dared ask him, "Who are you?"
They knew it was the Lord. Jesus came, took the bread and gave it to them,
and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time Jesus appeared to his
disciples after he was raised from the dead.

When they had finished eating, Jesus said to Simon Peter,
"Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?"
"Yes, Lord," he said, "you know that I love you."
Jesus said, "Feed my lambs."

Again Jesus said, "Simon son of John, do you love me?"
He answered, "Yes, Lord, you know that I love you."
Jesus said, "Take care of my sheep."

The third time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?"
Peter was hurt because Jesus asked him the third time,
"Do you love me?"
He said, "Lord, you know all things; you know that I love you."
Jesus said, "Feed my sheep."

This is the Good News!

Thanks be to God!

The assembly is seated.

Sermon

Pastor Tami Reichley

We rise in body or spirit.

Refrain/Estrillo



To - ma, oh Dios, mi vo - lun - tad, y haz - la tu - ya, na -
Take my life, that I may be con - se - crat - ed, Lord,



da más; to - ma, sí, mi co - ra - zón
to thee; take my mo - ments and my days;

To stanzas *Last time*



y tu tro - no en él ten - drás. ten - drás.
let them flow in cease - less praise. less praise.



1 Que mi vi - da en - te - ra es - té
1 Take my hands and let them move
2 Take my sil - ver and my gold,
3 Take my voice and let me sing
4 Take my will and make it thine;



con - sa - gra - da a ti, Se - ñor;
at the im - pulse of thy love;
not a mite would I with - hold;
al - ways, on - ly for my King;
it shall be no lon - ger mine;



que a mis ma - nos pue - da guiar el im -
take my feet and let them be swift and
take my in - tel - lect and use ev - 'ry
take my lips and let them be filled with
take my heart, it is thine own; it shall

Refrain/Estrillo



pul - so de tu a - mor.
beau - ti - ful for thee.
pow'r as thou shalt choose.
mes - sag - es from thee.
be thy roy - al throne.

Affirmation of Faith

God calls us out of loneliness and into the family of faith.

We affirm that our faith is not a solitary journey.

We are connected by one faith, one baptism, and one Parent of all.

At the table of grace, we are made one with Christ and one with each other.

Therefore, we reject all that can divide us and are united with one another through Christ's boundless love.

**We go forth from this place as agents of reconciliation,
extending the grace we have received, building a community of hope, justice,
and love. Amen.**

Prayers of the People

Invitation to prayer: With bold trust in God's unfailing provision,
we pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

A brief silence.

After each petition:
Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Pastor's closing prayer:
Receive our prayers and answer, O God, as you have promised.
All this we ask in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always.
And also with you.

*The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace by saying,
"Peace be with you."*

The assembly is seated.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

During the Offering Song, the gifts will be brought forward. You may remain seated.
If you wish you may leave your offering in the additional offering plates located on the tables in the back of the sanctuary as you leave.

Offering Song

We Are An Offering (no repeat)

ELW 692

CHORUS 1

BRIDGE

CHORUS 2

1 **2**

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a tempo of J=60. It features a melody in the treble clef with lyrics underneath. The score is divided into sections: Chorus 1 (measures 1-6), Bridge (measures 7-10), and Chorus 2 (measures 11-14). Chorus 1 and Chorus 2 are identical. The Bridge contains a key signature change from one sharp (F#) to two sharps (F# and C#). The score includes various musical notations such as rests, eighth notes, quarter notes, and triplet markings. Chord symbols are placed above the staff at specific measures. The lyrics are: 'We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to You, we are an offering. Lord, use our voices, Lord, use our hands, Lord, use our lives, they are Yours, we are an offering. All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we give to You, we give to You. We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to You, we are an offering. we are an offering. We lift our offering.' The score ends with a double bar line and repeat signs for the final two measures of the Bridge.

♩=60

G7 C Dm7 C/E F C/E

We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to You, we are an

4 Dm7 G7sus G7 C Dm7 C/E

of - fer - ing. Lord, use our voices, Lord, use our hands, Lord, use our

F C/E Dm7 G7sus G/F Em7 Asus A7

7 lives, they are Yours, we are an of - fer - ing. All that we have,

10 Dm7 G7sus G7 Esus D/F# E/G# Am F C/E Bb/C A/C# Dm7

all that we are, all that we hope to be, we give to You, we give to You.

14 G7sus G7 C Dm7 C/E F C/E

We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to You, we are an

18 Dm7 G7sus C G7sus G7 C

of - fer - ing, we are an of - fer - ing. We lift our of - fer - ing.

Offering Prayer

We pray.
God of abundance,
you have blessed us with life together in you.
Let us share all that we have been given,
knowing that there is enough for all,
and that you bind us to one another in love.
Amen.

We rise in body or spirit.

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.

Blessed are you, God of grace, God of care, God of relationship.
You birthed us all in the waters of creation.
You brought us from death to life through your Son Jesus,
and you meet us at your table where a place is set for each of us.

Words of Institution

Word in Meal

At your table, we remember the self-giving love of Jesus
who taught us to gather around his love
and share in the feast together.
Send us your spirit to bind us together
in all time and in all places
with your love that knows no end.
Amen

Lord's Prayer

God in community, Holy in One, hear us as we pray:

**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

Come gather at the table where all belong, to share in Christ's grace
and connect with one another as one family.

The assembly is seated.

Distribution of Communion

Communion Song

Here Is Bread

ELW 483

VERSE

C G/B Am E7 F/A C/G G F/A Am G/B

1. Here is bread, here is wine, Christ is with us, He is with us.
 2. Here is grace, here is peace, Christ is with us, He is with us.
 3. Here we are, joined in one, Christ is with us, He is with us.

5 C G/B Am E7 F/A C/G G C Fm/C C Gm7 Bb/C

Break the bread, drink the wine, Christ is with us here. here.
 Know His grace, find His peace, feast on Je - sus fied.
 We'll pro - claim, 'til He comes, Je - sus cru - ci

CHORUS

Fmaj7 F6 Em7 Am7 Dm7 Gm7 Bb/C C Bb/D C/E Fmaj7 F#dim

In this bread there is heal-ing, in this cup there's life for-ev - er. In this mo-ment,

15 Em7 Aaug7 Dm7 G7 C D.C. C

by the Spir - it, Christ is with us here. here.



1 Let us break bread to - geth-er on our knees;
2 Let us drink wine to - geth-er on our knees;
3 Let us praise God to - geth-er on our knees;



let us break bread to - geth-er on our knees.
let us drink wine to - geth-er on our knees.
let us praise God to - geth-er on our knees.



When I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris - ing



sun, O Lord, have mer-cy on me.



1 *La paz del Se - ñor, la paz del Se - ñor, la*
 1 The peace of the Lord, the peace of the Lord, the
 2 The peace of the Lord, the peace of the Lord, the
 3 The peace of the Lord, the peace of the Lord, the



paz del Re - su - ci - ta - do: la paz del Se -
 peace of the ris - en Lord Je - sus: the peace of the
 peace of the ris - en Lord Je - sus: the peace of the
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ñor a ti ya mí, a to - dos al - can - za -
 Lord is for you and for me, and al - so for all of God's
 Lord is a - mong us right now, so o - pen your - selves to re -
 Lord kept with - in can - not live, so o - pen your - selves now to



rá; la paz del Se - ñor a ti ya
 chil - dren. The peace of the Lord is for you and for
 ceive it. The peace of the Lord is a - mong us right
 share it. The peace of the Lord kept with - in can - not



mí, a to - dos al - can - za - rá.
 me, and al - so for all of God's chil - dren.
 now, so o - pen your - selves to re - ceive it.
 live, so o - pen your - selves now to share it.

We rise in body or spirit.

Prayer after Communion

We pray.
God of all,
you have gathered us around your table
and you have given us abundant nourishment and life.
May we be filled with your grace
and open our arms to one another,
knowing that you hold all in your love.
Amen.

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

Blessing

May the God of care hold you.
May the God of connection tend you.
And may the God of all creation +
bind us together in love.
Amen.

Sending Song *Please see next page.*

Dismissal

Go forth now into the world as one body, carrying the love and connection
we shared here today into every community you touch.
Thanks be to God.



1 Build us up, Lord, build us up; set in
 2 Build us up, Lord, build us up; let our

us a strong foun - da - tion. Lead us to do your
 lives re - flect your glo - ry. Cast a - way all our

ho - ly will; form and shape your new cre - a - tion.
 doubts and fears; help us tell the world your sto - ry.

Build us up, Lord, build us up; as we
 Build us up, Lord, build us up; help us

guide and teach each oth - er, help us to share your love with the
 bear good fruit for you, Lord, give us vi - sion and keep us

world: ev - 'ry sis - ter, ev - 'ry broth - er.
 sure. Grant us faith that's stead - fast and true.

Refrain

Grow - ing in Christ, we plant seeds for the king - dom; we fol - low in

faith what's be - gun! Lord, set in our hearts the pow'r of your

word to spread the news of your Son!

Please join in supporting our church's ministries using your preferred method of giving:



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- Enroll in our on-line giving program, Simply Giving (recommended);
- Mail your offering check to the church;
- Text your offering to 610-981-1312;
- Download our mobile app for recurring or one-time gifts;
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