





# Jerusalem Evangelical Lutheran Church

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*“As followers of Jesus, we serve our neighbors locally and globally.”*

**14th Sunday after Pentecost**

**September 14, 2025**

**10:30 a.m.**

**PRELUDE:** *Sonata No. 4: Allegretto & Andante Religioso* – Felix Mendelssohn

*Throughout this bulletin, the text in **bold** type is said by the congregation.*

*Please be seated or kneel if able.*

## **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

In the name of the Father, and of the **✝** Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence for reflection and prayer*

Most merciful God, **we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of **✝** Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **Amen.**

*The congregation stands to sing the hymn.*

**HYMN #807: Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing**      NETTLETON

### **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**

*ELW Setting 3 - p. 138*

**GLORIA**

*ELW Setting 3 - p. 139*

### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

*The congregation responds: Amen.*

*The congregation is seated.*

### **FIRST READING: Exodus 32:7-14**

*At the conclusion of the reading, the following is said:*

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

### **PSALM 51:1-10**    *The psalm is spoken responsively.*

<sup>1</sup> Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love;  
in your great compassion blot out my offenses.

<sup>2</sup> **Wash me through and through from my wickedness,  
and cleanse me from my sin.**

<sup>3</sup> For I know my offenses,  
and my sin is ever before me.

<sup>4</sup> **Against you only have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight;  
so you are justified when you speak and right in your judgment.**

<sup>5</sup> Indeed, I was born steeped in wickedness,  
a sinner from my mother's womb.

<sup>6</sup> **Indeed, you delight in truth deep within me,  
and would have me know wisdom deep within.**

<sup>7</sup> Remove my sins with hyssop, and I shall be clean;  
wash me, and I shall be purer than snow.

<sup>8</sup> **Let me hear joy and gladness;  
that the body you have broken may rejoice.**

<sup>9</sup> Hide your face from my sins,  
and blot out all my wickedness.

<sup>10</sup> **Create in me a clean heart, O God,  
and renew a right spirit within me.**

**SECOND READING: 1 Timothy 1:12-17**

*At the conclusion of the reading, the following is said:*

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

*The congregation stands to sing the Gospel Acclamation.*

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

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**HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 15:1-10**

*Prior to the reading of the Holy Gospel, the following is said:*

The Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

*At the conclusion of the Gospel, the following is said:*

The Gospel of our Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

*The congregation is seated.*

**SERMON**

Vicar Philip J. Supeck

*Silence is maintained for reflection after the sermon.*

*The congregation stands to sing the hymn.*

**HYMN OF THE DAY #779: Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound** NEW BRITAIN

**APOSTLES CREED**

With the whole church let us confess our faith...

**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.**

*Please kneel or be seated.*

## **PRAYERS**

*Each petition concludes: Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.***

*The presiding minister concludes the prayers. The congregation responds: **Amen.***

*Please remain seated.*

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*Please stand if you are able.*

## **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, and may say, "Peace be with you" or similar words.*

*At the conclusion of the Peace, the congregation is seated.*

**ORGAN VOLUNTARY:** *Prelude on "New Britain" – Gilbert Martin*

*As the offering is presented, the congregation stands to sing the offertory hymn.*

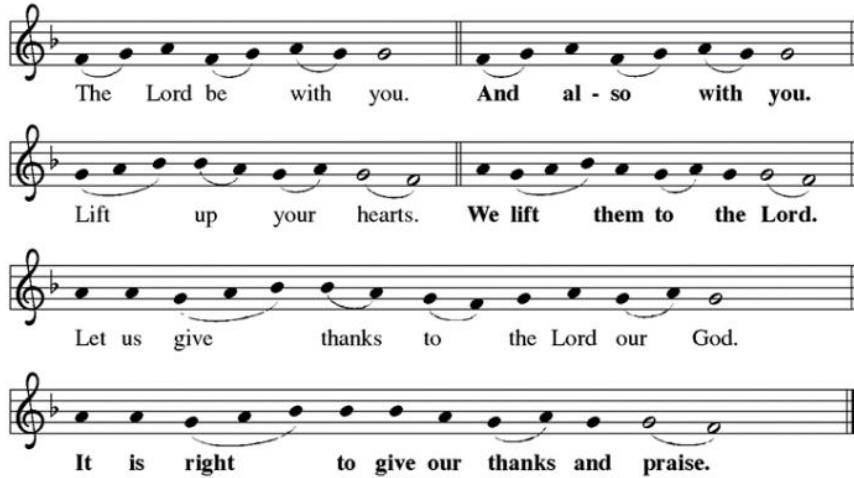
**OFFERTORY HYMN #182:** *Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful*

## **OFFERTORY PRAYER:**

*Assisting Minister:* Let us pray: **Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things.**

**Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## GREAT THANKSGIVING



*The presiding minister continues with the proper Preface. At the conclusion of the Preface, the congregation sings the Sanctus.*

## SANCTUS

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## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

*The congregation responds: Amen.*

## LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit let us pray as Jesus taught us to pray...

**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.**

## FRACTION

Come to the banquet, for all is now ready.

**Blessed are all invited to His feast.**

## AGNUS DEI

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*The congregation is seated. The ushers will dismiss the assembly for communion. All are welcome to receive communion. Lutherans teach that Christ is truly present with, in, and under the bread and wine of Holy Communion. We commune by pouring chalice. Please take an empty cup before going to the rail. (The pre-filled cups contain grape juice.) Those who wish to receive only a blessing at the rail should indicate this by crossing their arms over their chest. As the ministers distribute the elements, they say these words: The body of Christ, given for you. **Amen.** The blood of Christ, shed for you. **Amen.***

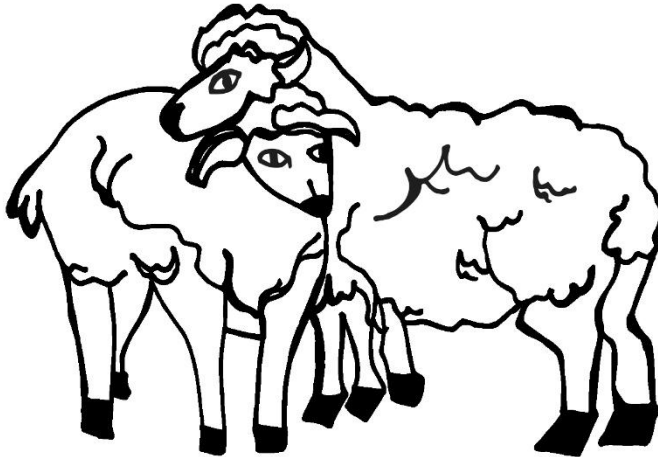
*Please stand if you are able.*

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

*Assisting Minister:* Let us pray: We give you thanks almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy strengthen us through this gift of faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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