Holy Communion

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today 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.

SONGS DURING COMMUNION:

"Surely the Presence of the Lord" (chorus only)	*see insert*
"Lamb of God"	ELW, #336
"Bread of Life, Our Host and Meal"	ELW, #464

POST COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER

BENEDICTION

CLOSING SONG: "Lift Every Voice and Sing" (verse 1) ELW, #841

CORPORATE PRAYER:
"Into Your hands we commit our lives. Into Your hands we commit Your church."

GO IN PEACE

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Worship Team for today:
Presider: Pastor Bonita Bock
Pianist: Cindy Josephson **Hymnists:** Ron and Doris Freund
Reader: Robert DeLapp **Greeter:** **Usher:** Rich Richmond & Marv Kelley
Communion Asst.: & **Screen/Sound:** Travis Kleven
Video FaceBook: Tanya Lenahan **YouTube:** Tom Lenahan

Sunday Worship Service

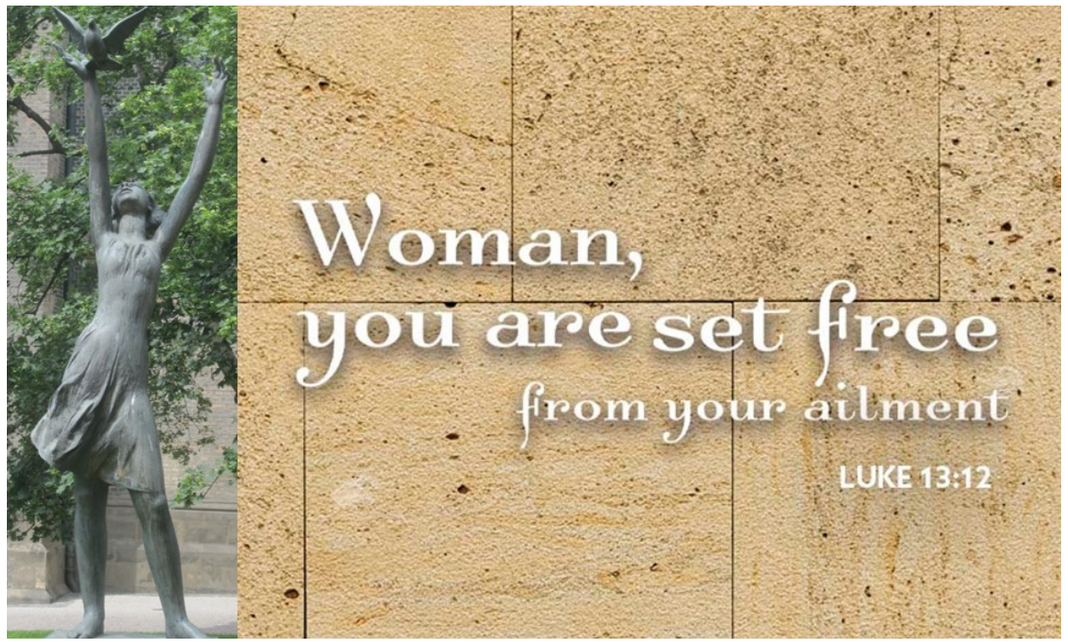

Image: Bronze 'Peace Statue' in Prague, Czech Republic.

11th Sunday After Pentecost

August 24, 2025

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SUNDAY WORSHIP
August 24, 2025
9:30 A.M.

PRELUDE: Cindy Josephson

GATHERING: "When Morning Gilds the Skies" ELW, #853

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CORPORATE PRAYER:
"Into Your hands we commit our lives. Into Your hands we commit Your church."

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS ELW, pp. 94–96

OPENING HYMN: "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" ELW, #858

GREETING

KYRIE ELW, p. 184

PRAYER OF THE DAY

1ST READING: Isaiah 58:9b–14

2ND READING: Hebrews 12:18–29

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: ELW, p. 188

GOSPEL: Luke 13:10–17

HYMN: "The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve" ELW, #551

SERMON "O Christ Surround Me" Pastor Bonita Bock

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 into hell.*
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 CHURCH
John & Casey Howshar Delores Rasmussen & Dan Rasmussen
Eyes: Marvin Bohrer & Bonnie Frank
Patti Schoenfeld – Mike Lemke – Susan Riley (Lorraine Chambers' friend) – Ashlyn (daughter of friend Wade and Lynn Hampton) – Alicia Jerrup (Mary Katherine Smith's friend) – Gary (Andrea Newport's brother-in-law) – Scott Petrock (Carol Einertson's son-in-law) – Tammy Hawley (Sheila Kelly's boss) – Linda Hardy – Andrew Carpenter (Alexa Weaver's friend) – Rodney Steggs and his mother Rita Johnson (Hamptons' friends) – Peggy Russell (Eddie & Pat Garcia's friend) – Linda Kirkegaard – Wendy (Kim Evancho's friend) – Sara Teller (Kim Evancho's friend) – Connie Lovell (Deloris DeLapp's friend) – Lola Wertz – Bob Bliss – Patrick Stephenson – Pastor Steve Ruechel – Fred Borcherding (father of Debbie Diedrich's friend) – Marv Kelley – Mike S. (Gypsie's friend) – Summer Stephens (Doris Freund's niece) – Heather and Heidi Mortenson (Lynn Hampton's friends) – Cindy Price (Bonnie Frank's cousin)
Ray Johnson Danny Cowan
Kaylee, friend of Hamptons Bill Schmidt (kidney health)
Gerald Kelley, Carol Smith's significant other (Alzheimer's)
Sylvia Cowan (leg and heart health) Frank Ruhs, Ev Kelley's brother (heart health)
Caroline Hailey-Kesler, Linda Hailey's granddaughter (rare kidney disease)
Scott Crosby (recovery from infection) Cheryl Gednalske (leg infection)
Wardria Carman, Sylvia Cowan's friend (car accident injuries)
Glatis Hoffman (regain strength, leg infection recovery)
Donna Arntson, Lynn Hampton's sister-in-law (stroke)
Raymond Telles, nephew of Kim Evancho's boss (car accident recovery)
Matthew Zenn, Bob's grandson (heart health)
Kim, Kim Evancho's friend (heart surgery recovery)
Craig Mortenson, Lynn Hampton's friend (health)
Mary Lemke, Pastor Mike's mother (heart health)
Pastor Barb (surgery and pneumonia recovery)
Mark Craig and his wife Susan, Pr. Barb's cousin (car accident recovery)
The family of Able Gregory (unborn baby of Bob Offerson's daughter)

Homebound members: Wil Wertz – Jim Craig – Josh Carter

Thanksgiving for Families:
Leighton & Kathy Harrison
Jerry & Peggy Kirkegaard
Travis Kleven

OFFERING

OFFERTORY: "I Offer My Life" (v. 1 and chorus) *see insert*

I Offer My Life

Verse
All that I am, all that I have,
I lay them down before You, O Lord;
All my regrets, all my acclaim,
The joy and the pain,
I'm making them Yours.

Chorus:
Lord, I offer my life to You,
Ev'rything I've been through'
Use it for Your glory;
Lord, I offer my days to You,
Lifting my praise to You
as a pleasing sacrifice,
Lord, I offer You my life.

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Surely the Presence of the Lord

Chorus:
Surely the presence of the Lord
is in this place,
I can feel His mighty power and His grace.
I can hear the brush of angel's wings
I see glory on each face;
Surely the presence of the Lord
is in this place.

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Welcome!

We welcome all who gather for worship on this day and pray God's blessing on our time together!

Guests are invited to record their visit by signing the Guest Book located at the entrance to the worship space.
All worshippers are invited to sign the red attendance folder in the pew and pass it on to their neighbor to sign.

Upcoming Events

Missions for August – We are collecting school supplies and monetary donations for Mission Viejo Elementary School.
Items to donate:
–three-ring binders, 2 inch
–fine tip Expo markers, all black
–dry erase markers
–glue sticks
–colored markers
–graph paper
–colored pencils
–highlighters
–dividers with pockets
–headphones
–plastic folders
–composition books
Please mark your checks as Missions in the note field. All checks dated for August will go to this cause.

Choir – Choir rehearsals will resume September 14, at 8:15 a.m. ***All are welcome! Please join us in the fun in making beautiful music together!***

Worship Helpers Needed – Please see sign-up sheets outside the entry to the sanctuary. We are especially in need of greeters, ushers, and communion assistants.

This Week at Bethel
August 24–31, 2025

Sun	9:30 a.m.	Worship
	3:00 p.m.	Tongans
Mon	6:00 p.m.	TOPS
Tue		
Wed		
Thu	11:00 a.m.	Prayer Team
Fri	6:00 p.m.	Tongans
Sat		
Sun	9:30 a.m.	Worship
	3 p.m.	Tongans

Let us be thankful,
and so Worship God
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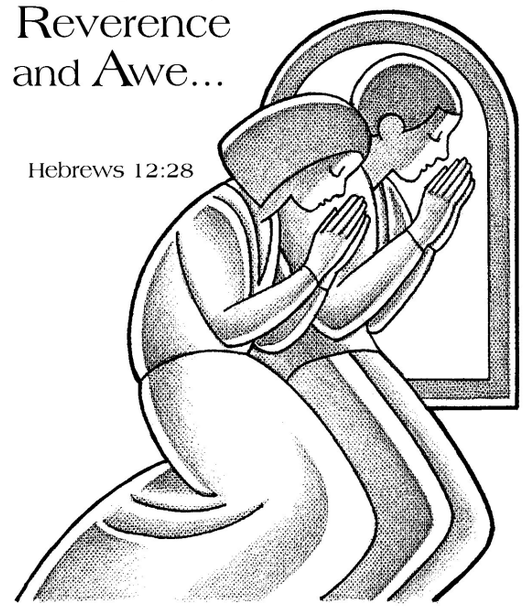
Reverence
and Awe...

Hebrews 12:28