

HOPPERS

We are all called



Traditional Service 11:00

August 23, 2026

13th Sunday After Pentecost

“Present your bodies as a living sacrifice.”

Inviting



WELCOME

Pastor Kevin

CALL TO WORSHIP

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Mark Hetrick

## CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

Pastor: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, whose compassion endures forever.

**All: Amen.**

Pastor: Let us confess our sin to God.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Pastor: Compassionate God,

**All: 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.**

Pastor: 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.

**All: Amen.**

## GATHERING HYMN

*All Are Welcome*

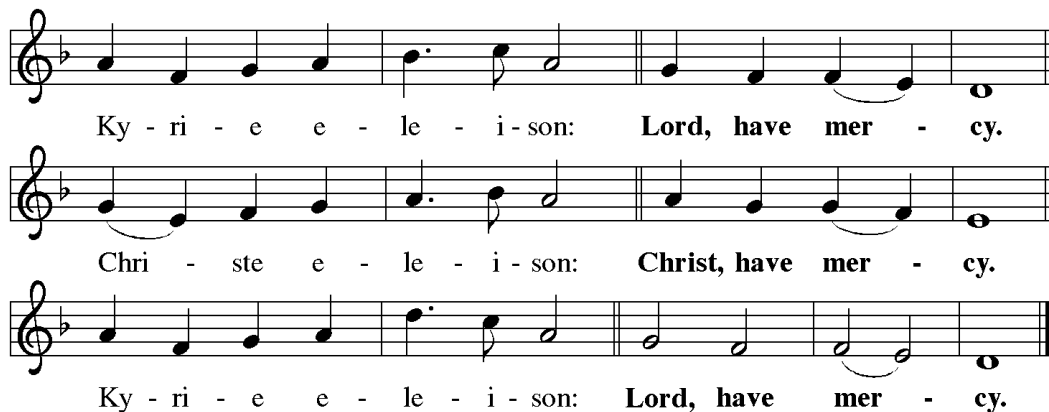
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## GREETING

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**All: And also with you.**

## KYRIE (*All Sing*)



Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: Lord, have mer - cy.

Chri - ste e - le - i - son: Christ, have mer - cy.

Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: Lord, have mer - cy.

## HYMN OF PRAISE

### *Glory to God*



*Refrain*

Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;

glo-ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

1 Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al - might-y God and Fa - ther, we

wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.

*Refrain*

Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;

glo-ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

Pastor: O God, with all your faithful followers of every age, we praise you, the rock of our life. Be our strong foundation and form us into the body of your Son, that we may gladly minister to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**All: Amen.**

## **Equipping**

### **NEW TESTAMENT READING**

### **Romans 12:1-8**

<sup>1</sup> I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, on the basis of God's mercy, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your reasonable act of worship. <sup>2</sup> Do not be conformed to this age, but be transformed by the renewing of the mind, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect.

<sup>3</sup> For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. <sup>4</sup> For as in one body we have many members and not all the members have the same function, <sup>5</sup> so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. <sup>6</sup> We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; <sup>7</sup> ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; <sup>8</sup> the encourager, in encouragement; the giver, in sincerity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

Reader: The word of the Lord

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Pastor: The holy Gospel according to Matthew.

**All: Glory to you, O Lord.**

### GOSPEL READING

### Matthew 16:13-20

<sup>13</sup> Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that the Son of Man is?” <sup>14</sup> And they said, “Some say John the Baptist but others Elijah and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” <sup>15</sup> He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” <sup>16</sup> Simon Peter answered, “You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.” <sup>17</sup> And Jesus answered him, “Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you but my Father in heaven. <sup>18</sup> And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. <sup>19</sup> I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.” <sup>20</sup> Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord.

**All: Praise to you, O Christ.**

### TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

Gail Mowry

### MESSAGE

Called to Grace

Pastor Kevin

### HYMN OF THE DAY

*Take My Life, That I May Be*

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## THE APOSTLE'S 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 OUR COMMUNITY

*Each petition ends with Merciful God, and people respond* **Receive our prayer.**

## SHARING OF THE PEACE

Pastor: The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

**All:** And also with you.

*Please be seated as the tithes & offerings to support our ministries are received.*

## OFFERTORY

### OFFERTORY RESPONSE

### *Create in Me a Clean Heart*

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Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right  
spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your pres - ence, and take  
not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re - store to me the joy of  
your sal - va - tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

Music: Richard W. Hillert, b. 1923

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## OFFERTORY PRAYER

Pastor: Loving God, we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts. Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love, so that all creation can taste your abundance. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit abiding with us, now and forever.

All: Amen.

## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

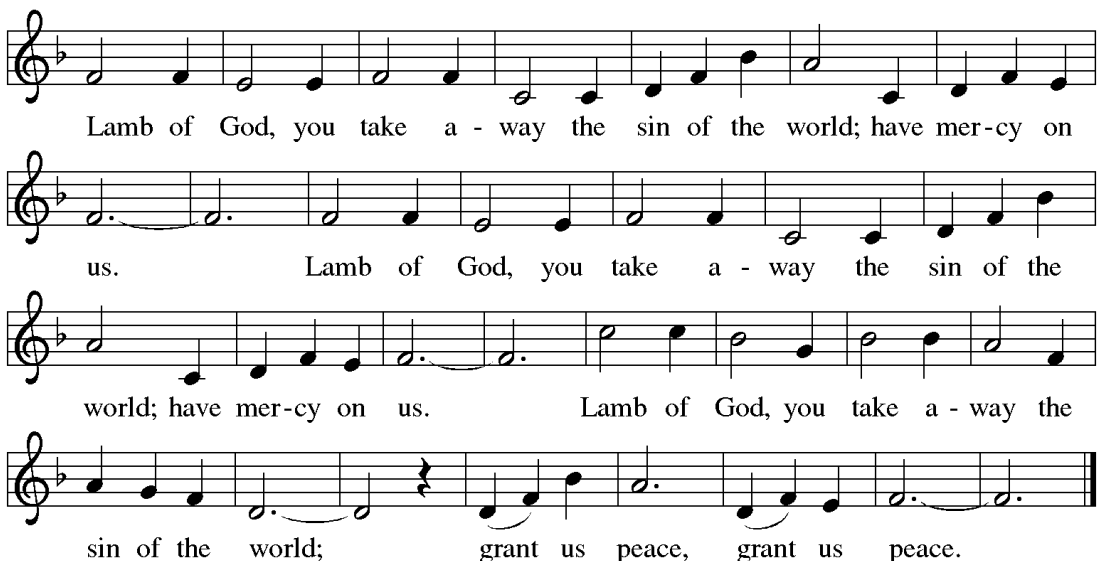
Pastor: Heaven has come near. Come, share in the feast!

### COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

*Communion will be received up front. The pastors will place the wafer in your open hand. Wrapped, gluten-free wafers are available upon request. Wine and grape juice are available for intinction. Dip the bread into the cup and consume. Individual cups of wine are also available if you prefer. Return to your seat by using the aisles.*

### DISTRIBUTION HYMN

#### *Lamb of God*



The musical notation for the hymn 'Lamb of God' is presented in four staves. Each staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is written on a five-line staff. The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating where a single note spans multiple syllables. The lyrics are: 'Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.' The final staff ends with a double bar line.

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world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
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**POST COMMUNION BLESSING**

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

**All: Amen.**

**POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

Pastor: 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.

**All: Amen.**

# Sending

**BENEDICTION**

Pastor: Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, one God, bless heal and hold you today and always.

**All: Amen**

**SENDING HYMN***Lord, Dismiss Us With Thy Blessing*

#545

Leader: As you go into the world, remember our mission!

**All: Live out Servant Love,  
Show Hospitality,  
Extend Generosity,  
Worship the Risen Lord.**

Leader: Go in peace, a living example of the love of Jesus Christ

**All: Thanks be to God!**



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