

*9:30 AM  
Celebration Worship  
Service*



*July 5, 2026*



Welcome to all, especially visitors! It is no accident that you are here! We've been praying for you. We believe God has brought you here and wants to touch your life. You are among friends.



If you are visiting, please sign in on our guest sign in sheet in the Narthex Hallway.



**At our 9:30 AM service:** words for the hymns are projected on the screens at the front of the sanctuary.



**For the hearing impaired:** hearing devices are available in the Narthex outside the sanctuary. ELC now has a wifi enabled Assist System. This will allow you to follow along with the service using your personal hearing aids. If your hearing aids are paired to your smartphone, please scan the Apple App Store or the Google Play Store QR code to download the waveCast app. Please see the tech team if you need any assistance.



**Google Play Store**



**Wifi ELC Hears**



**Apple App Store**



**Restrooms:** To locate a restroom, exit the back of the worship area. Take two rights and proceed down the hallway. At the stairs, go left. The Women's Room is on the left, the Men's Room is straight ahead.



**Holy Communion at ELC:** We welcome to the Lord's Table all the baptized people of God. Gluten free options and grape juice are available.



**Nursery:** We have a fully staffed nursery for infants through children six years of age or children of any age with special needs. The nursery opens at 9:15 AM on Sunday morning for our 9:30 AM worship service. The nursery is equipped with a pager system to help parents feel at ease. There is also a private nursing room for those who wish you use it.



**Photo Release Form:** Our 9:30 am AM service is live-streamed to our Facebook Page and YouTube Channel. All children coming to the front for the Children's Message or Holy Communion will be visible on the live-feed. If you do not want your child's image online, please do not send them up to the front. If you are ok with it, please fill out a Photo Release Form located on the sign-up table in the Narthex and put it in the offering box.



**Reserved Seating:** Please keep the reserved seats open for people with disabilities and their family members. Thank you!



**Background Checks:** Mandatory background checks have been completed for all of our Nursery & Children's Ministry Volunteers.

**July 5, 2026**

**The Sixth Sunday After Pentecost**

The mystery of God's ways is sometimes hidden from the wise and intelligent. Jesus associates with those often excluded from the religious community. Like Paul, we struggle with our own selfish desires and seek God's mercy and forgiveness. We gather to be refreshed by Christ's invitation: "Come to me, all you that are weary." Gathered around word, water, and meal, we find rest for our souls.

## **GATHERING**

### **PRELUDE**

*Once the prelude starts, we ask you to take an opportunity to quiet your mind and heart, helping to create a reverent and welcoming atmosphere for worship.*

### **WELCOME AND COMMUNITY SHARING**

#### **TEMPLE TALK**

Stewardship

Jeff Rock

*Please Stand*

### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

**P** Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God,  
whose compassion endures forever.

**C Amen.**

**P** Let us confess our sin to God.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

**P** Compassionate God,

**C 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.**

**P** 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.

**C Amen.**

## GREETING

**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.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P** Let us pray. You are great, O God, and greatly to be praised. You have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you. Grant that we may believe in you, call upon you, know you, and serve you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C** Amen.

*Please be seated*

## WORD

## FIRST READING

Psalm 145:8-14

*We will sing the Psalm responsively.*

<sup>8</sup> The LORD is gracious and full | of compassion,  
slow to anger and abounding in | steadfast love.

<sup>9</sup> **LORD, you are | good to all,  
and your compassion is over | all your works.**

<sup>10</sup> All your works shall praise | you, O LORD,  
and your faithful | ones shall bless you.

<sup>11</sup> **They shall tell of the glory | of your kingdom  
and speak | of your power,**

<sup>12</sup> that all people may know | of your power  
and the glorious splendor | of your kingdom.

<sup>13</sup> **Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; your dominion endures through-  
| out all ages.**

**You, LORD, are faithful in all your words, and loving in | all your works.**

<sup>14</sup> The Lord upholds all | those who fall  
and lifts up those who | are bowed down.



## **GOSPEL**

**Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30**

*Jesus chides people who find fault with both his ministry and that of John the Baptist. He thanks God that wisdom and intelligence are not needed to receive what God has to offer.*

**P** The holy gospel according to St. Matthew 11th Chapter.

**C** **Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus spoke to the crowd saying:] <sup>16</sup> “To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another,

<sup>17</sup> ‘We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.’

<sup>18</sup> “For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, ‘He has a demon’; <sup>19</sup> the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, ‘Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’ Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.”

<sup>25</sup> At that time Jesus said, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; <sup>26</sup> yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. <sup>27</sup> All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

<sup>28</sup> “Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. <sup>29</sup> Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. <sup>30</sup> For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

**P** The gospel of the Lord.

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

*Please be seated*

**CHILDREN’S MESSAGE**

Pastor Rosalie

**SERMON**

Pastor Rosalie

*Please stand*

**THE 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 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.**

**A PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING ON THE 250TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE UNITED STATES.****PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

**Members of Our Congregation:** Gary Biesecker, Don Cool, Cindy Hahn, Ellen Hess, Bill Kipe, Karla Oller, Paula Kline, Art Koenig, Lena Rowe, and Carolyn & Lamar Sease.

**Friends of the Congregation:** Hilda Carey, Kevin Carey, Ron Cordell Sr., Barbara Dutton, Robyn Haskins, Terry L'Heureux, Jordan Kefauver, Debra Lensbower, Diana Miner, Kristy Murphy, Larry Parks, Bob Schwoyer, Spahnolgtli Family, and Paul Tressler, and to the victims of the earthquakes on Venezuela.

*(Names will be posted for a month. If you would like to have them on longer, please contact the church office.)*

**PEACE**

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C** And also with you.

*Please be seated*

## SPECIAL MUSIC

*Go Light Your World*  
Solo, Karen Walker

Chris Rice

*Please stand*

## MEAL

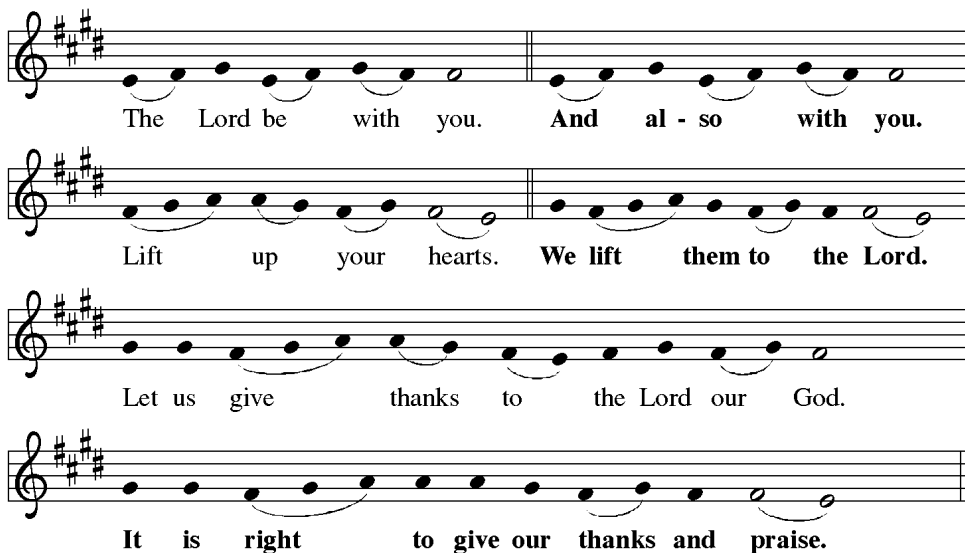
### OFFERING PRAYER

**P** Let us pray. 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.

**C** Amen.

*Thank you for your continuous support of ELC ministries. Your generosity is making a difference. Please place your offering in one of the boxes at the entrance to the Sanctuary.  
You are a blessing!*

### GREAT THANKSGIVING

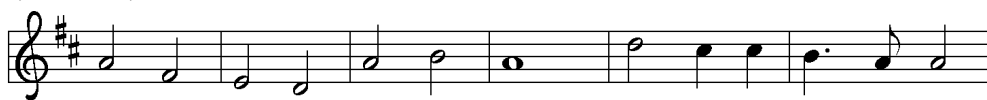


The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.  
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

## PREFACE

**P** It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.



Ho - san-na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes



in the name of the Lord. Ho - san-na in the high - est.

## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

**P** In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

## 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

**P** Heaven has come near. Come, share in the feast!

*Please be seated*

## COMMUNION SONG



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.

## **HOLY COMMUNION**

At the direction of the ushers, please come forward to receive Holy Communion. We welcome to the Lord's Table all the people of God. Gluten free options and grape juice are available. After receiving the bread and wine, you may kneel at the altar for a quiet prayer, or you may return to your seat. After all have returned to their places, the presiding minister will invite the assembly to stand for a table blessing.

*Please stand*

### **TABLE BLESSING**

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

**C Amen.**

### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**P** Let us pray. 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.**

## ***SENDING***

### **BLESSING**

### **SENDING HYMN**

*Shout to the Lord*

### **DISMISSAL**

**P** Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news!

**C Thanks be to God.**

### **POSTLUDE**

<b>WORSHIP ASSISTANTS</b>	
<b>Acolyte</b>	Miro Oslik
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Shirley Clapsaddle & Joyce Van Breemen
<b>Audio Visual</b>	Brian Walker & Karen Walker & Riley Walker
<b>Children's Message</b>	Pastor Rosalie
<b>Children's Worship</b>	Mary Beth Johnson
<b>Communion Asst.'s</b>	Carole Kipe & Rachel Moritz
<b>Flower Delivery</b>	Andy & Maggie Rovelstad
<b>Greeters</b>	(W) Joyce Van Breemen (C)
<b>Lector</b>	Chuck Gates
<b>Nursery Helper</b>	Olivia McDonald
<b>Ushers</b>	Team D

**Mission Statement**  
 Gathering in Community, Growing in God's Word, Going in Service for Christ.



*In memory of my husband Ralph  
 by his wife Bette Gartzke.*



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