July 20, 2025

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

# PRELUDE

### WELCOME

# ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TERRITORY



All Saints Lutheran Anglican Church exists on the traditional territory of the Attawandaron / Neutral People. We honour the original ancestors of this land and also offer respect and friendship to our Haudenosaunee, Anishinaabe, Mississauga and Métis neighbours.

We give thanks for the First Peoples and all who have cared for the land and made it possible for us to dwell and do ministry on this land, and we commit ourselves to walk in right relations with one another.

## GATHERING HYMN Immortal, Invisible RED 834

#### GREETING

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. And also with you.

Almighty God,

to you all hearts are opened, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

God of all delight, as you came to Abraham and Sarah's tent and to Martha and Mary's home, come to us in our worship today. Amid the cares of our lives, make us attentive to your presence, and grant us the joy that none can take from us of experiencing you in our service and our stillness, for we pray in Jesus' name. **Amen** 

# FIRST READING: Genesis 18:1-10a

The LORD visits Abraham and Sarah to tell them that the longawaited promise of the birth of a child will be fulfilled for them in their old age.

<sup>1</sup> The LORD appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. <sup>2</sup> He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them and bowed down to the ground. <sup>3</sup> He said, "My lord, if I find favor with you, do not pass by your servant. <sup>4</sup> Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. <sup>5</sup> Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant."

So they said, "Do as you have said." <sup>6</sup> And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, "Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes." <sup>7</sup> Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. <sup>8</sup> Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate.

<sup>9</sup> They said to him, "Where is your wife Sarah?" And he said, "There, in the tent." <sup>10a</sup> Then one said, "I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son." Word of God. Word of life. Thanks be to God.

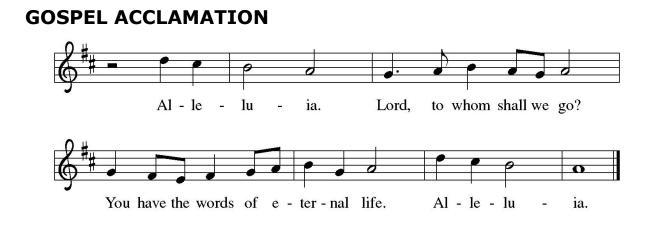
### **SECOND READING: Colossians 1:15-28**

*This letter offers a mystical teaching, that the great mystery of God is "Christ in you."* 

<sup>15</sup> [Christ Jesus] is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation;<sup>16</sup> for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. <sup>17</sup> He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. <sup>18</sup> He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. <sup>19</sup> For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, <sup>20</sup> and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

<sup>21</sup> And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, <sup>22</sup> he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him—<sup>23</sup> provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven. I, Paul, became a servant of this gospel.

<sup>24</sup> I am now rejoicing in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am completing what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church. <sup>25</sup> I became its servant according to God's commission that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, <sup>26</sup> the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations but has now been revealed to his saints. <sup>27</sup> To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. <sup>28</sup> It is he whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ. Word of God. Word of life. Thanks be to God.



# **GOSPEL: Luke 10:38-42**

The holy gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

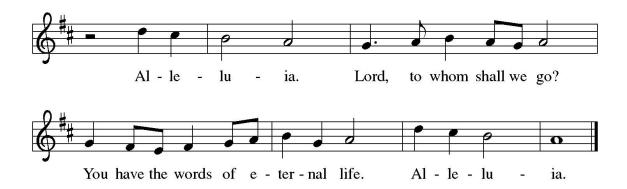
# Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>38</sup>Now as [Jesus and his disciples] went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. <sup>39</sup>She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying.

<sup>40</sup> But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so, she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me." <sup>41</sup> But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; <sup>42</sup> there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

The gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



#### HOMILY

# HYMN OF THE DAY Jesus, the Very Thought of You RED 754

### **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

In solidarity with all creation, we join our voice to the voice of the whole church and pray for the needs of the world.

Dwell in the hearts of your people and mold us in your likeness. With Christ as our head, live and move in us, that we may be your hands reaching out to the world. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.** 

Give us eyes to see and ears to hear the wonders of your miraculous creation. Inspire in us an awe and appreciation for each tiny insect and every towering oak. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.** 

Reconcile all peoples and nations, and tear down the walls that divide us, that the peace of Christ may bring harmony and accord. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**  Hold us together when we are shattered, bring healing when there is no cure, and heed our pleas for those in pain or trouble. We pray especially for: Anna-Liisa, Bud, Ruth, Susan, Werner and Debbie, John and Julianna, Ross and Karen, Gwen and Nolan, Ken and Matzi, Irene, Jack and Sharon, Karen, Mary, Brian, Kathryn, Bill, Irene, Kelly, John and Laura, Juan and Anita, Bill, Micah, Rosemary, and those we name before you in our hearts. *(silence...)*. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.** 

Dine with us in the sweet communion of a shared meal and send your Spirit to joyfully dance among us. Grant us also times of rest and reflection, sitting at the feet of Jesus to listen. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.** 

Bring us at the last to that day when we will feast with your Saints at the great wedding banquet prepared for us in your eternal home. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.** 

Trusting in your lovingkindness, we place our prayer and hope in you, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord.

#### PEACE

May the peace of Christ be with you all! And also with you.

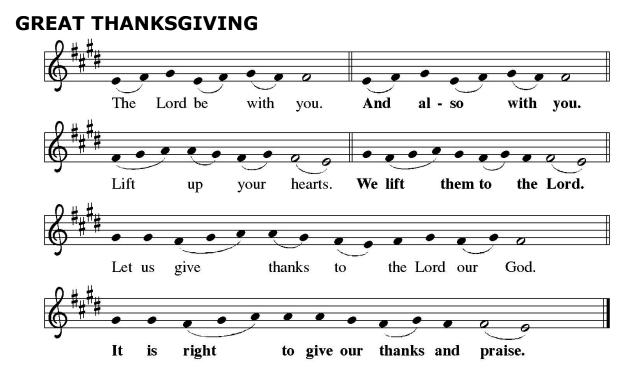
I invite you to share a sign of peace with one another respecting the boundaries and honouring the consent of our neighbours.



## **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

Let us pray:

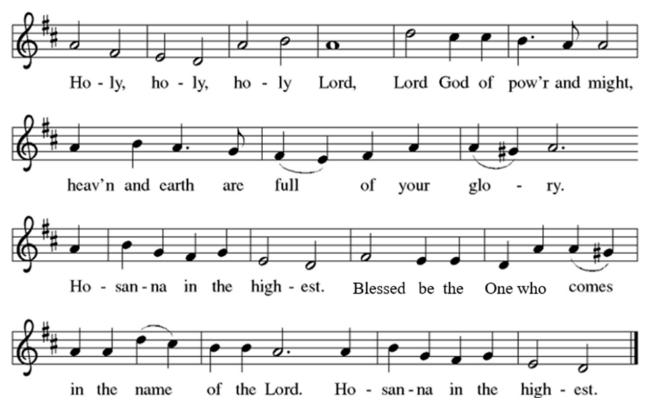
God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. **Amen** 



#### PREFACE

... and join their unending hymn:

#### SANCTUS



# **EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

Holy God, our Maker, Redeemer, and Healer, in the harmonious world of your creation the plants and animals, the seas and stars were whole and well in your praise.

When sin had scarred the world, you sent Jesus to heal our ills and form us again into one.

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.

Remembering, therefore, his acts of healing, his body given up, and his victory over death, we await that day when all the peoples of the earth will come to the river to enjoy the tree of life.

Send your Spirit upon us and this meal:

as grains scattered on the hillside become one bread, so let your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth, that all may be fed with the Bread of life, Jesus Christ, through whom all glory and honour is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, now and forever. Amen.

#### LORD'S PRAYER

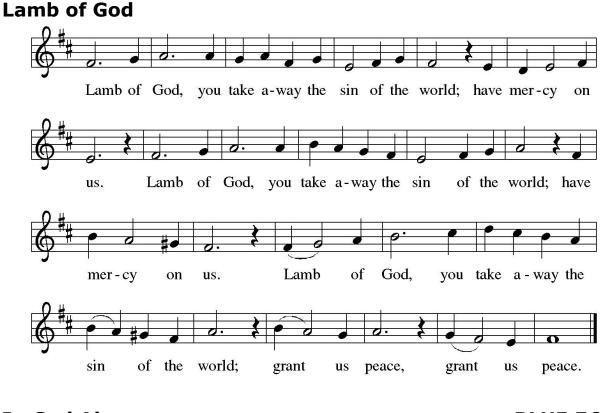
Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

#### **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ. We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

Beloved of God, come and be nourished. There is a place for everyone at this holy meal. **Thanks be to God!** 

### **COMMUNION HYMNS:**



#### In God Alone He Comes to Us as One Unknown What A Friend We Have in Jesus

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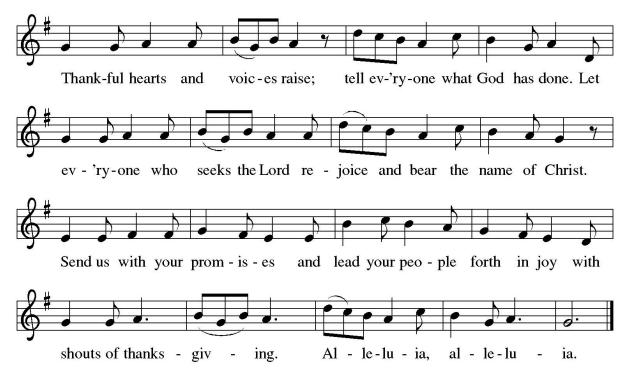
#### TABLE BLESSING

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen, keep, and unite us now and forever. **Amen** 

#### **POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

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

# **Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise**



#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

## BENEDICTION

The love of God abound in you; the grace of our Saviour Jesus Christ fill your hearts; and the life of the Spirit + bless you and give you peace. Amen.

The blessing of the God of life be ours. The blessing of the loving Christ be ours. The blessing of the Holy Spirit be ours, To cherish us, to help us, to make us holy.

SENDING SONG Beautiful Saviour RED 838

# DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Love your neighbour as yourself! Thanks be to God!

### POSTLUDE

	Today	Next Sunday
Assisting Minister	Penny Richards	Christine Morrison
Servers	Michelle Normandin Marilyn Bleach Schranz	Laura B Mann Laura F Mann
Reader	Siegfried Schranz	Bill Clatworthy
Ushers	Joe & Merike Rutten	Jan Neilsen Dennis Kunze
AV booth	Judy Rogers Brian Jazen	Michele Altermann Brian Jazen
Altar Guild	Bonnie Evans Judy Rogers Volunteers	Bonnie Evans Cheila Chappel Volunteers
Counters	Jan Nielsen Bill Clatworthy	Sandra Christie Michele Altermann
Flowers		
Coffee Hour		

# **Announcements and Information**

## We pray for:

**ACC** The Most Rev. Greg Kerr-Wilson, Archbishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Calgary.

**ELCIC** The assistant to the bishop and the staff of the Synod of Alberta and the Territories.

**MOR** The Canadian Moravian Foundation.

**Ribfest cleanup:** Dennis Kunze is organizing another Ribfest cleanup event and is looking for 10 volunteers to help him.
Please let him know if you are available on Monday, August 25, 2025 from 8 to 11 a.m. There is a sign-up sheet posted in the narthex. Thank you.

Silvercreek Community Market: We regularly need rice and red lentils! We currently have 270 families registered so please consider buying the specific items listed below – cooking oil in July, school snacks, peanut butter and canned fruit in August. Rice & lentils are always needed.

We do not need any plastic bread tabs but are running low on reuseable grocery bags. Thank you.

**Summer Reading:** Valley of the Birdtail—the book we will be using for a book study in September is available from the office or ask Michele for a copy. There are four copies available to share.

# LOOKING AHEAD: July 21 – July 27

Wednesday 23	9:00 a.m.	Announcements due to Office
Sunday 27	8:30 a.m.	Pentecost 7 Holy Communion—Nave
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# Organist

Peter West

# Staff

Michele Altermann, Administrative Assistant

# **Church Office Hours**

Wednesday and Thursday, 9:00 a.m.— 1:00 p.m.