

11 Pentecost

August 24, 2025

Prelude— <i>Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now</i>	BACH
Anthem— <i>The One Hundredth Psalm</i>	MUELLER
Postlude— <i>Lord, Keep Us Steadfast</i>	MICHEELSEN
Hymns:	
Gathering— <i>Morning Has Broken</i>	ELW 556
Hymn of the Day— <i>We Come to You for Healing, Lord</i>	ELW 617
Sending— <i>Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing</i>	ELW 886

First Reading: Isaiah 58:9b-149b

^{9b} If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, ¹⁰ if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday.

¹¹ The Lord will guide you continually and satisfy your needs in parched places and make your bones strong, and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water whose waters never fail. ¹² Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.

¹³ If you refrain from trampling the Sabbath, from pursuing your own interests on my holy day; if you call the Sabbath a delight and the holy day of the Lord honorable; if you honor it, not going your own ways, serving your own interests or pursuing your own affairs; ¹⁴ then you shall take delight in the Lord, and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth; I will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob, for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.

PSALM 103: 1-8

¹ Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless God's holy name.

² **Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all God's benefits—**

³ who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases;

⁴ **who redeems your life from the grave and crowns you with steadfast love and mercy;**

⁵ who satisfies your desires with good things so that your youth is renewed like an eagle's.

⁶ **O Lord, you provide vindication and justice for all who are oppressed.**

⁷ You made known your ways to Moses and your works to the children of Israel.

⁸ **Lord, you are full of compassion and mercy, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**

Second Reading: Hebrews 12:18-29

¹⁸ You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, ¹⁹ and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. ²⁰ (For they could not endure the order that was given, “If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death.”) ²¹ Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, “I tremble with fear.”) ²² But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, ²³ and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, ²⁴ and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

²⁵ See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking, for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! ²⁶ At that time his voice shook the earth, but now he has promised, “Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven.” ²⁷ This phrase, “Yet once more,” indicates the removal of what is shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. ²⁸ Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us show gratitude, by which we may offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe, ²⁹ for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

Gospel: Luke 13:10-17

¹⁰ Now [Jesus] was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath. ¹¹ And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. ¹² When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, “Woman, you are set free from your ailment.” ¹³ When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. ¹⁴ But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the Sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, “There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured and not on the Sabbath day.” ¹⁵ But the Lord answered him and said, “You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the Sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger and lead it to water? ¹⁶ And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the Sabbath day?” ¹⁷ When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame, and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things being done by him.

SERVERS		<u>Today</u>	<u>Next Week</u>
<i>Greeters</i>	....	<i>*Need Volunteer</i>	<i>*Need Volunteer</i>
<i>Lector</i>	....	<i>Melba Murphy</i>	<i>*Need Volunteer</i>
<i>Worship</i>	....	<i>Marie Lybrand</i>	<i>Isma Boland</i>
		<u>AUGUST</u>	<u>SEPTEMBER</u>
<i>Ushers</i>	....	<i>*Need Volunteer</i>	<i>Jim Garner</i>
		<i>Wayne Lybrand</i>	<i>Bil Aull</i>
<i>Tellers</i>	....	<i>Sylvia Ford & Linda Griffith</i>	<i>Sylvia Ford & Sandra Hughes</i>
<i>Offering Pickup</i>	....	<i>Wayne Lybrand</i>	<i>Jim Garner</i>
<i>Property</i>	....	<i>Bill Aull</i>	<i>Jim Garner</i>
<i>Altar Guild</i>	....	<i>Charles & Ruth Nicholson</i>	<i>Isma Boland & Melba Murphy</i>

OFFERING	Last Sunday	Total for August
General	\$2,010.00	\$5,939.00
Online General	\$ 256.26	\$1,504.40
Total	\$2,266.26	\$7,443.40
Building Maint.		
& Prop. Imp.	\$ 570.00	\$1,260.00
Online BMPI	\$ 92.26	\$ 456.15
Total	\$ 662.26	\$1,716.15

The most beautiful flower of all...the blossom of hope for those in need! In lieu of flowers today, the Hanflands offer a basket of much-needed non-perishable foods and a monetary donation to "God's Helping Hands" to the glory of God and in honor of our grandchildren, Charlotte and Graham

God's Helping Hands current needs are: fruit cups, Vienna sausages, noodles, cream of mushroom, cream of chicken, and cream of potato soups, jello, cooking oil (no olive oil), crackers, cookies, canned tomatoes, canned beans, and Macaroni & Cheese. Please place donations in the designated container in the Cameron Hallway.

Available In The Narthex: WELCA Tea Flyer,
Congregational letter (August 11, 2025)

Upcoming Deadlines: August 25: Grapevine Deadline
September 15: WELCA Tea Registration

Those on our **Prayer list** below have special prayer needs at this time. We keep the entire congregation in our prayers at all times, but sometimes special prayers are needed. If your name is on the list or you have added someone's name and they no longer need to be on the list, please contact the church office so the name can be removed. Names on the prayer list are left on for two months, but may be extended upon request.

Gary Black
Greg Chapman
Jeannie Chapman
Katie Doble

Anne Moye
Steve Rucker
Elizabeth Shealy
Marie Shealy (National Health Care)
Jane & DeLeon Wallace

<i>Sunday</i>	9:15 am	Adult Sunday School
<i>(August 24)</i>	10:00 am	Choir Practice
	10:15 am	Youth Sunday School
	10:30 am	Holy Communion
Wednesday	10:30 am	Bible Study
<i>Sunday</i>	9:15 am	Adult Sunday School
<i>(August 31)</i>	10:00 am	Choir Practice
	10:15 am	Youth Sunday School
	10:30 am	Holy Communion