

# 15<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SEPTEMBER 21, 2025



**St. Luke Evangelical Lutheran Church**  
2695 Luther Drive | Chambersburg, Pennsylvania | 17202

*“SHARING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST”*

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**PRELUDE**     *Bethany*

James Southbridge

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Most merciful God, we confess that we are captive to sin and can not free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen

**ENTRANCE HYMN**     We Give Thee but Thine Own

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## APOSTOLIC GREETING

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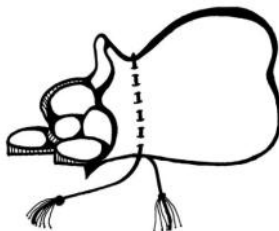
## PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**  
Let us pray. *A brief silence is kept before the prayer.*

## FIRST READING

Amos 8:4-7

*Response after the reading:* **Thanks be to God.**



## PSALM 113

*Chanted responsively by whole verse starting on the pulpit side.*



<sup>1</sup> Hallelujah! Give praise, you servants <sup>1</sup> of the Lord;  
praise the name <sup>1</sup> of the Lord.

<sup>2</sup> **Let the name of the <sup>1</sup> Lord be blessed,  
from this time forth for- <sup>1</sup> evermore.**

<sup>3</sup> From the rising of the sun to its <sup>1</sup> going down  
let the name of the <sup>1</sup> Lord be praised.

<sup>4</sup> **The Lord is high a- <sup>1</sup> bove all nations;  
God's glory a- <sup>1</sup> bove the heavens.**

<sup>5</sup> Who is like the <sup>1</sup> Lord our God,  
who sits en- <sup>1</sup> throned on high,

<sup>6</sup> **but stoops <sup>1</sup> to behold  
the heavens <sup>1</sup> and the earth?**

<sup>7</sup> The Lord takes up the weak out <sup>1</sup> of the dust  
and lifts up the poor <sup>1</sup> from the ashes,

<sup>8</sup> **enthroning them <sup>1</sup> with the rulers,  
with the rulers <sup>1</sup> of the people.**

<sup>9</sup> The Lord makes the woman of a <sup>1</sup> childless house  
to be a joyful mother of children. <sup>1</sup> Hallelujah!

## SECOND READING

I Timothy 2:1-7

*Response after the reading:* **Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



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Luke 16:1-13

*The Holy Gospel according to Luke: **Glory to you, O Lord.***  
*The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.***

## SERMON

## SILENCE FOR REFLECTION

**HYMN OF THE DAY** *Commonwealth Is God's Commandment* See Screens

## APOSTLES' CREED

*With the whole church, let us confess our faith.*

**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 THE INTERCESSION**

*God of Grace, receive our prayer.*

## **SHARING OF THE PEACE**

*The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.***

## **OFFERING**

### **OFFERTORY**

*Chorale*

Arr. Robert J. Powell

### **OFFERTORY HYMN**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God, above ye heavenly host:  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen**

### **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

## THE 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.

The musical notation is written on four staves in G major (one sharp). The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below each staff. The first staff has a repeat sign after the first phrase. The second staff also has a repeat sign. The third and fourth staves end with a double bar line.

*The presiding minister continues: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise . . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:*

## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

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

heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -

san-na. 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.

The musical notation is written on four staves in G major (one sharp). The melody is more complex than the previous hymn, featuring eighth and sixteenth notes. The lyrics are written below each staff. The fourth staff ends with a double bar line.

## **EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER**

### **LORD'S PRAYER**

*Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:*

**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**

### **DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION**

*All are welcome at the table! Please join us by coming up the center aisle and receiving the bread from the Pastor (Gluten-free wafers are available). Then you may choose to receive the wine from the common cup, or by picking up an empty cup and receiving the wine from one of the two pouring chalices. Filled cups of grape juice are available alongside the empty cups.*

### **COMMUNION HYMNS**

ELW 759, 479, 793, 814

### **COMMUNION BLESSING**

### **POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

### **BENEDICTION**

### **SENDING HYMN**

*Rise Up, O Saints of God!*

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### **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Do not lose heart. **Thanks be to God.**

### **POSTLUDE**

*Let Me Be Thine Forever*

Lani Smith

## Today's Worship Support

Presiding Minister: Rev. Christopher Frye

Assisting Minister: Heidi Frye

Lector: Kay Gauthier

Communion Assistants: Michael Peters  
& Beth Keener

Acolyte: Paxton McGehee

Greeters: Mark & Beth Keener

Altar Guild: Dolly Oyler  
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Ushers: Susan Pettyjohn  
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## Weekly Worship Schedule

### *Sundays*

10:00 am Holy Communion  
8:45 am Faith Formation/Christian Education

### *Wednesdays*

11:00 am Holy Communion & Healing  
7:00 pm Prayer & Share via Zoom

