

August 02, 2026 +Tenth Sunday After Pentecost

We are called to let our light shine as instruments of the Holy Spirit so all may know God's love.

The Good Book – *W* is for Whirlwind

Call to Worship

Come. Wrestle with God, who receives us and welcomes us just as we are.

Come, let us worship!

Come. Look around with questions, look around with wonder.

Come, let us worship!

Come. God calls us into renewed relationships with one another.

Come, let us worship!

Come. God invites us into new beginnings.

Come, let us worship!

Confession and Forgiveness

Gathered into one by God's Spirit, we are bold to confess our sins, our shortcomings, our failures, right here in the presence of God and of one another.

God of grace, **We confess that we have failed you, ourselves, and one another. We assume the worst about those around us, rather than giving them the benefit of the doubt. We do the same to ourselves, and sometimes we do the same to you. We are stubborn and determined to hold a grudge. We fail to exercise our imaginations. We fail to recognize your works waiting to be born. If only we would step up to help. If only we would move out of the way. Forgive us, O God, and show us another way forward. Amen.**

Hear the good news of the risen Christ: God is making all things new! Our sins are forgiven. God's invitation is to another way of living.
Thanks be to God! Amen.

Opening Hymn

"God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind"

1. God of tempest, God of whirlwind, as on Pentecost descend! Drive us out from sheltered comfort; past these walls your people send! Sweep us into costly service, there with Christ to bear the cross, there with Christ to bear the cross!

2. God of blazing, God of burning, all that blocks your purpose, purge! Through your church, Christ's living Body, let your flaming Spirit surge! Where deceit conceals injustice, kindle us to speak your truth, kindle us to speak your truth!
3. God of earthquake, God of thunder, shake us loose from lethargy! Break the chains of sin asunder, for earth's healing set us free! Crumble walls that still divide us; make us one in Christ our Lord, make us one in Christ our Lord!
4. God of passion, God unsleeping, stir in us love's restlessness! Where the people cry in anguish, may we share your heart's distress. Rouse us from content with evil; claim us for your kingdom's work, claim us for your kingdom's work!

Greeting

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

Prayer of the Day

O God, out of the whirlwind you speak to us, out of nothing you create us and all that is. May we confess that there are things that are beyond our understanding, while believing that you hold all mysteries close to your heart. We pray in the name of our living redeemer, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Psalm 90:12-17

So teach us to count our days that we may gain a wise heart.

Turn, O Lord! How long? Have compassion on your servants!

Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love, so that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.

Make us glad for as many days as you have afflicted us, and for as many years as we have seen evil.

Let your work be manifest to your servants, and your glorious power to their children.

Let the favour of the Lord our God be upon us, and prosper for us the work of our hands. O prosper the work of our hands!

Before: The Bible is full of GOOD NEWS!
We're listening, tell us our story.
After: Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

Children's Message

Message

Pastor Liz Rossing

Hymn of the Day "This Is My Father's World"

1. This is my Father's world, and to my list'ning ears
all nature sings, and round me rings the music of the
spheres. This is my Father's world; I rest me in the
thought of rocks and trees, of skies and seas; his hand
the wonders wrought.
2. This is my Father's world; the birds their carols
raise; the morning light, the lily white, declare their
maker's praise. This is my Father's world; he shines in
all that's fair. In the rustling grass I hear him pass; he
speaks to me everywhere.
3. This is my Father's world; oh, let me not forget that,
though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the ruler
yet. This is my Father's world; why should my heart be
sad? The Lord is king, let heaven ring; God reigns, let
earth be glad!

Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of
heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the
power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin
Mary. He 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, and is seated at the right
hand of the Father. He will come again 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 People

God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Offering & Giving Prayer

God of abundance beyond measure, **It feels like
privilege to offer back to you even a portion of**

**the blessings you have poured out upon us. Keep
us mindful of what we call our own, seeking new
ways to come alongside you in the creation of
abundance for the world. Amen.**

Holy Communion

The Lord be with you.

And also 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.

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of pow'r and
might, heav'n and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

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**

Communion Hymn "Lamb of God"

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

Prayer after Communion

**O God, you have fed us with bread of the new
creation, wine of new promises for tomorrow.
May this meal strengthen us to be your strong
and steady hands in the world, reaching always
for more connection with one another and with
you, Amen.**

Announcements

Blessing

May we delight in the grace and forgiveness of
Jesus, inviting us again and again to repentance and
repair. May we recognize new birth all around, the
spirit of God made manifest in abundant
imagination. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn “I Know That My Redeemer Lives!”

1. I know that my Redeemer lives! What comfort
this sweet sentence gives! He lives, he lives, who
once was dead; he lives, my everliving head!

2. He lives triumphant from the grave; he lives
eternally to save; he lives exalted, throned above;
he lives to rule his church in love.

3. He lives to grant me rich supply; he lives to guide
me with his eye; he lives to comfort me when faint;
he lives to hear my soul’s complaint.

4. He lives to silence all my fears; he lives to wipe
away my tears; he lives to calm my troubled heart;
he lives all blessings to impart.

5. He lives to bless me with his love; he lives to
plead for me above; he lives my hungry soul to feed;
he lives to help in time of need.

6. He lives, my kind, wise, heav’nly friend; he lives
and love me to the end; he lives, and while he lives,
I’ll sing; he lives, my prophet, priest and king!

7. He lives and grants me daily breath; he lives, and
I shall conquer death; he lives my mansion to
prepare; he lives to bring me safely there.

8 He lives, all glory to his name! He lives, my Savior,
still the same; what joy this blest assurance gives: I
know that my Redeemer lives!

Dismissal

Go now in peace, Love your God, Serve your
neighbor. **Thanks be to God.**