



THE HOLY EUCHARIST
THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
THE SEASON OF CREATION
September 6, 2026
10:00 AM

VISION STATEMENT

We seek to form Beloved Community, which is welcoming and diverse,
with Christian worship and service at the heart.

MISSION STATEMENT

We feed people in body, mind and spirit with the love of God, in the name of Jesus,
and by the power of the Holy Spirit.

CORE VALUES

Beloved Community + Loving Service + Sacred Space + Spirit Filled + Sustainability

THE GATHERING RITE

HYMN (*standing*)

All Creatures of Our God and King

H #400 vs 1-3,7



1 All crea - tures of our God and King, lift up your voic - es, let us
*2 Great rush - ing winds and breez - es soft, you clouds that ride the heavens a -
*3 Swift flow - ing wa - ter, pure and clear, make mu - sic for your Lord to
7 Let all things their cre - a - tor bless, and wor - ship him in hum - ble -



1 sing: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Bright burn - ing
2 loft, O — praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! Fair ris - ing
3 hear, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Fire, so in -
7 ness, O — praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! Praise God the



1 sun with gold - en beams, pale sil - ver moon that gen - tly gleams,
2 morn, with praise re - joice, stars night - ly shin - ing, find a voice,
3 tense and fierce - ly bright, you give to us both warmth and light,
7 Fa - ther, praise the Son, and praise the Spi - rit, Three in One:



OPENING ACCLAMATION

Presider Blessed be the One who creates all things.

People **God's love is new every morning.**

Presider God be with you.

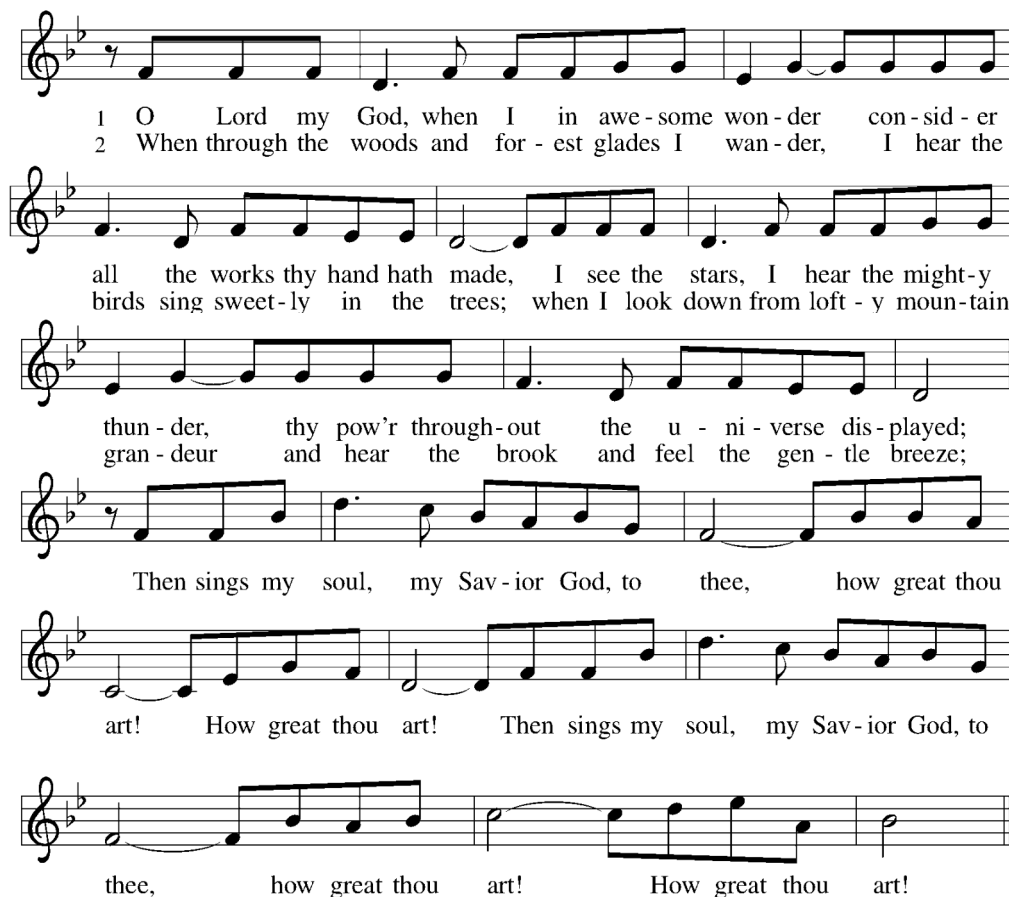
People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray. Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known and from you no secrets are hid: 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 Christ our Lord. Amen.

SONG OF PRAISE
(standing)

How Great Thou Art

ELW #856 vs 1-2



1 O Lord my God, when I in awe-some won-der con-sid-er
2 When through the woods and for-est glades I wan-der, I hear the
all the works thy hand hath made, I see the stars, I hear the might-y
birds sing sweet-ly in the trees; when I look down from loft-y moun-tain
thun-der, thy pow'r through-out the u-ni-verse dis-played;
gran-deur and hear the brook and feel the gen-tle breeze;
Then sings my soul, my Sav-ior God, to thee, how great thou
art! How great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Sav-ior God, to
thee, how great thou art! How great thou art!

COLLECT OF THE DAY (standing)

Presider God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider O merciful Creator, your hand is open wide to satisfy the needs of every living creature: Make us always thankful for your loving providence; and remembering the account that we must give one day, grant that we may be faithful stewards of your good gifts; through Jesus Christ our Savior, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE WORD OF GOD

FROM THE HEBREW SCRIPTURES (*seated*)

Exodus 12:1-14

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbor in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it. Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the passover of the Lord. For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals; on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the Lord. The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt.

This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the Lord; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 149

Alleluia! Sing to God a new song; *
sing praise in the congregation of the faithful.

Let the people of Israel rejoice in their Maker; *
let the children of Zion be joyful in their Monarch.

Let them praise God's Name in the dance; *
let them sing praise with timbrel and harp.

For God takes pleasure in the people *
and adorns the poor with victory.

Let the faithful rejoice in triumph; *
let them be joyful on their beds.

Let the praises of God be in their throat *
and a two-edged sword in their hand,

To wreak vengeance on the nations *
and punishment on the peoples;

To bind their rulers in chains *
and their nobles with links of iron;

To inflict on them the judgment decreed; *
this is glory for all God's faithful people. Alleluia!

Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet"; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, "Love your neighbor as yourself." Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

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People **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN All Things Bright and Beautiful

H405 vs 1

(*standing*)

Refrain

All things bright and beau - ti - ful, all crea-tures great and small,
 all things wise and won - der - ful, God made them all.
 all things wise and won - der - ful, the Lord God made them all.
 1 Each lit - tle flower that o - pens, each lit - tle bird that sings,
 he made their glow-ing col - ors, he made their ti - ny wings.

Presider The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

Presider The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

SERMON

The Rev. Brian Gregory

THE NICENE CREED *said by all, standing*

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father, God from God,

Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The intercessor offers the petitions and all respond, Hear our Prayer.

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Silence may be kept

All **Holy and merciful God,
we confess that we have failed to honor you
by rightly claiming our kinship with all your creatures.
We have walked heavily on your earth,
overused and wasted its resources,
taken for granted its beauty and abundance,
and treated its inhabitants unjustly,
holding future generations hostage to our greed.
Have mercy on us and forgive us our sin.
Renew in us the resolve to keep and conserve your earth as
you desire and intend,
with grateful and compassionate hearts, through your Son, our
Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.**

ABSOLUTION

THE PEACE

Presider The Peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The People offer a greeting of peace to one another.

KIDS' WORD

ANNOUNCEMENTS, BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES, AND SPECIAL PRAYERS

1 When at last the rain falls, our world turns liv - ing green.
 2 All the pret - ty song - birds re - joice and sing your praise,
 Lit - tle flow - ers blos - som, the air is warm and clean.
 war - ble hymns ex - qui - site, through sun - ny spring - time days.
 See the gor - geous lil - y its ra - diant blooms dis - play;
 Night - in - gales and tree - frogs sing praise when it grows dark,
 may I just as bold - ly praise God in my own way.
 on - ly cease at day - break, and then we hear the lark.
 All the ³lit - tle flow - ers and ten - der curl ³- ing ferns
 show their mak - er's glo - ry, each praise to God re - turns.
 Sing, all ³of cre - a - tion, your mak - er prais - es ³ac - cord!
 I al - so will of - fer my songs to you, O Lord.

DOXOLOGY 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.**

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER *(standing)*

Presider God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to God.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord Our God.

People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Presider It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy.

The prayer continues until...

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

Ho - ly ho - ly Ho - ly One
God of hope and love. All the Earth and stars a - bove
sing of your great love: Ho - san - na_____
In the high - est, Ho - ly One.
Bless - ed, bless - ed is the One dwell - ing here with us. With
all the fam - i - ly of God, we sing of your great love:
Ho - san - na_____ In the high - est,_____
Ho - ly One.

The prayer continues until...

Presider Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

The prayer continues until...

Presider Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.

People **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Presider As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray:

People **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,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread. Silence may be observed.

Presider We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

People **We who are many are one body, for we all share the one bread.**

PRAYER FOR THOSE WORSHIPING AT HOME

O Christ, I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since I cannot at this time receive communion, I pray you to come into my heart. I unite myself with you and embrace you with all my heart, my soul, and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you; let me serve you in this life until, by your grace, I come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.

THE INVITATION AND COMMUNION

Presider The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

All are welcome to the meal where Christ is present in bread and wine. The ushers will guide you to form a line up the center aisle. You may choose to receive a sealed packet containing both consecrated wine and wafer, or you may take a piece of bread and receive the common cup. Gluten free options are available.

THE CONCLUDING RITE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION *(standing)*

Presider Let us pray.

All **Loving God,
we give you thanks
for restoring us in your image
and nourishing us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.
Now send us forth
a people, forgiven, healed, renewed;
that we may proclaim your love to the world
and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

THE BLESSING

The Presider blesses the people.

Unison

1. I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my
 2. I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my
 3. I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the

peo - ple cry. All who dwell in deep - est sin My hand will
 peo - ple's pain. I have wept for love of them, They turn a -
 poor and lame. I will set a feast for them, My hand will

save. I who made the stars of night,
 way. I will break their hearts of stone,
 save. Fin - est bread I will pro - vide

I will make their dark - ness bright. Who will bear my
 Give them hearts for love a - lone. I will speak my
 Till their hearts be sat - is - fied. I will give my

light to them? Whom shall I send? _____
 word to them. Whom shall I send? _____
 life to them. Whom shall I send? _____

Refrain

Here I am, Lord. _____ Is it I, Lord? _____ I have

heard you call - ing in the night. _____ I will go, Lord, _____

_____ if you lead me, _____ I will hold your peo - ple in my

1. 2. _____ || 3. _____

heart. _____ heart. _____

DISMISSAL

The Presider dismisses the People, who respond:

Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.



Children's Formation Starts September 13

It is hard to believe we've made it through summer and the school year is starting up once again. After a hiatus for the summer, Children's Formation resumes on September 13. All children are welcome to join us each Sunday as we learn about and experience our faith.

Childcare will continue to be available for children not yet ready for more organized learning and activities.

Homecoming Sunday Is September 13

As the season changes, summer travels end, we all settle into new rhythms, and we welcome Canon Britt back from her sabbatical, we'll celebrate a "Homecoming Sunday" on September 13. You're invited to bring something to share for coffee hour - a home-baked treat, finger food, or something you pick-up - so we can enjoy each other's company, meet someone new, or catch up with someone you haven't seen in a while. If it has been awhile since you've been at St. Luke's, this is a great day to reconnect!

Leaves of Remembrance Dedication

Each year, bronze Leaves of Remembrance are placed on the sidewalk in Ballard and around the city, bearing the names of homeless women and men who have died so that every person has a place to be remembered. Join St. Luke's and our neighborhood on Sunday, September 13 at 12:00 outside of the Ballard Library for this year's dedication ceremony. A reception will be held at St. Luke's following the ceremony.

For more information about the Leaves of Remembrance and the Homeless Remembrance Project, visit fallenleaves.org.

Episcopal Learning Opportunity: Education for Ministry

Would you like to grow in your faith through a highly-regarded, Cn. Britt-recommended program? EFM is the thing for you. There is more information in the email newsletter. It is cohort-based, and the next cohort begins in September, so look into it now!



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