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St. Matthews Lutheran Church

WHERE COMMUNITY GATHERS AND GROWS

August 10, 2025

Pentecost 9

Sunday, August 10, 2025

(* indicates the assembly stands)

Gathering			
Hymn Sing			
Words of Welcome & Service Announcements			
*Hymn 557		"Awake, My Soul, and With the Sun"	
*Greeting			
*This is the Feast		p. 149	
*Prayer of the Day			
Word			
First Reading		Genesis 15:1-6	
Psalm 33:12-22 (see page 4)		(spoken)	
Second Reading		Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16	
*Gospel Acclamation	"Alleluia"	p. 151	
*Gospel Reading		Luke 12:32-40	
Sermon			
*Hymn of the Day 764		"Have No Fear, Little Flock"	
*Prayers of Intercession		A: hear our prayer.	
*Peace			
Meal			
*Offering Hymn 689 (vs. 1, 4)		"Praise and Thanksgiving"	
*Offering Prayer			
*Great Thanksgiving		p. 152	

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*Holy, Holy, Holy

*Thanksgiving at the Table V

*Lord's Prayer (Our Father, who art in heaven...)

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Lamb of God

Communion Hymn 802

"Let Us Ever Walk With Jesus"

Sending

General Announcements

*Blessing

*Sending Hymn 856

"How Great Thou Art"

*Dismissal

Postlude

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Jesus says, "It is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom." It is God's promise from the beginning—to Abraham, to the early church, and to the "little flock" of which we are a part in today's assembly. Faith, God's baptismal gift, trusts the promises of God. Have no fear.

Leading Worship Today

Minister: Rev'd Monika Weisner

Organist: Bob Loebsack

Communion Servers: Linda McLellan and Rev'd Dr. Allen Jorgenson

Broadcast: Jamie Foley

Building Monitor: Steve Dickin (519-580-8407)

- ¹² Happy is the nation whose God [|] is the LORD! Happy the people chosen to [|] be God's heritage!
 - ¹³ The LORD looks | down from heaven, and sees all | humankind.
 - ¹⁴ God sits firmly en- | throned and watches all who dwell | on the earth.
 - ¹⁵ God fashions | all their hearts and observes | all their deeds.
- ¹⁶ A king is not saved by the size [|] of the army, nor are warriors rescued by [|] their great strength.
 - ¹⁷ The horse gives vain hope for victory; despite its great strength it cannot save.
- ¹⁸ Truly, your eye is upon those who fear [|] you, O LORD, upon those who wait for your [|] steadfast love,
 - ¹⁹ to deliver their | lives from death, and to keep them alive in | time of famine.
 - ²⁰ Our innermost being waits for [|] you, O LORD, our helper [|] and our shield.
 - ²¹ Surely, our heart rejoic- | es in you, for in your holy name we | put our trust.
 - ²² Let your lovingkindness, O LORD, ¹ be upon us, even as we place our ¹ hope in you.

Worship Notes

In our prayers Kevin, Betty, George, Anneke, Judy, Clare, Yvonne, Jeanette, Meaghan, Henry, Maureen and John.

All are welcome at the meal where Jesus is present loving and forgiving us. For the wine, there is a common cup station and a pouring chalice station (please take an empty small glass). There is also a small tray of pre-poured grape juice glasses. Gluten-free wafers are also available; please indicate this request to the Pastor. If you would (also) like to receive a blessing, please approach the Pastor with your arms crossed over your chest. If you'd like to receive Communion in your pew, the pastor will come to you. Please let an usher or the pastor know before worship if possible.

Information for today's worship

- Offering: Please place your offering in one of the offering plates in the Narthex (entranceway) upon entering. The offering plates will be presented at the High Altar during the service.
- Downstairs Washrooms can be accessed via any of the staircases. There is one
 wheelchair accessible washroom, and the rest are all-gender washrooms. A further
 all-gender washroom is also available via the west stair tower door (front left of
 the Sanctuary) on the same level. Turn right at the hallway.

General Announcements

Upcoming Staff Holidays: Pastors Carey and Sebastian—Holidays July 28 - August 24. Pastors Carey and Sebastian will be on holidays during August. Rev'd Monika Wiesner will be leading worship on Sundays.

On call August 1-22 Rev'd Brian Wilker (All Saints Guelph) 519-830-8084.

Deacon Scott—Holidays July 14 - August 11. Bob Loebsack will be the guest musician August 10.

Leanne- Holidays August 25-29. Please contact someone from the Board of Directors during this time with urgent matters. Please note, the office will be closed.

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Space for your notes on today's service, for your personal reflection.

Church Fire Plan For everyone's awareness, a copy of the Church Fire Plan for safe exit from the Sanctuary appears in the back of the worship books. Please take a moment to review for your own safety. The AED and a first aid kit are in the hallway by the office.

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