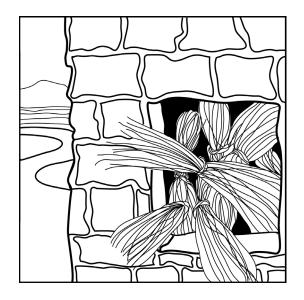


# Sunday, August 3, 2025 Time After Pentecost 10:00 a.m.



Pastor Erik Allen

"Rich Toward God"



#### WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

**Prelude** "Lead me, Guide Me" Johannes Michel

**Announcements** 

**Gathering Song** Sometimes by Step

## Call to Worship

- P: Children of God, we gather as people who have received new life in Jesus Christ.
- C: We come to set our minds on Christ, who surrounds us in love.
- P: The world tries to distract us with anxious rumors, worrisome lies, and misleading half-truths.
- C: We come to set our minds on Christ, who surrounds us in love.
- P: In this place, we gather to remind, remember, and renew our commitment to dwell in the love of Christ.
- C: We come to set our minds on Christ, who surrounds us in love.
- P: Children of God, come! Let us worship God, who clothes us in new life and renews us in grace.
- C: Come, let us worship as we set our minds on Christ, who surrounds us in love.
- P: The peace of the Lord be with you always!
- C: And also with you.

(pass the peace as you feel comfortable)

**Song** My Tribute

#### Call to Confession

- P: In the name of the Father, and of the ♥ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.
- P: Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

(Silence is kept for reflection.)

- P: Merciful God,
- C: You free us to love others, but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way. You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace, but we turn away from the abundant life you offer. You surround us with patience, kindness, and generosity, but we grow weary in doing what is right. In your mercy, forgive us. Do not

## give up on us. Heal us, break our bonds, and show us the path of life. Amen.

- P: You belong to Christ Jesus and you are God's children through faith. In the cross of 承 Christ, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation.
- C: Amen.

# Prayer of the Day

- P: Benevolent God, you are the source, the guide, and the goal of our lives. Teach us to love what is worth loving, to reject what is offensive to you, and to treasure what is precious in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C: Amen.

please be seated

**Lesson** Colossians 3:1-11

Gospel Luke 12:13-21

Backpack Blessing

Children's Message Pastor Erik

Sermon "Rich Toward God" Pastor Erik

**Hymn** "Lead Me, Guide Me" ELW 768

The Apostles' Creed

please be seated

The Offering

Offering Song "Break Now the Bread of Life" ELW 515 (vs. 3)

# Offertory Prayer

- P: Creator God, in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good and the harvest is plentiful. Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth and our labor, that we may work for the good of all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.
- C: Amen.

**Prayers of the Church** (the congregation joins in speaking the first names of those for whom we pray.)

Members: Kelly, Jeff, Wes and Lee, John & Marj, Vickie

Family & Friends: Allen, Wendy, Katy, Kathy, Mary, Carol, Norma, Susan, Bob, Randall

#### Communion

#### **Words of Institution**

## The Lord's Prayer

C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name, Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the Kingdom, the power, and the glory are Yours, now and forever. Amen!

please be seated

#### Distribution

All baptized Christians who seek the blessings of Christ's true body and blood in the bread and wine of Holy Communion are welcome. Those who do not wish to receive may come forward for a blessing. Please let your server know if you desire a gluten-free wafer.

#### Benediction

- P: The love of God abound in you; the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts; and the life of the Spirit ♣ bless you and give you peace.
- C: Amen!

Song

Sing Your Praise to the Lord

# Sending

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord!

C: Thanks be to God!

Postlude

"Verse and Fugue"

Friedrich Zachow

Please join us on the Front Porch for Sunday Sundaes!