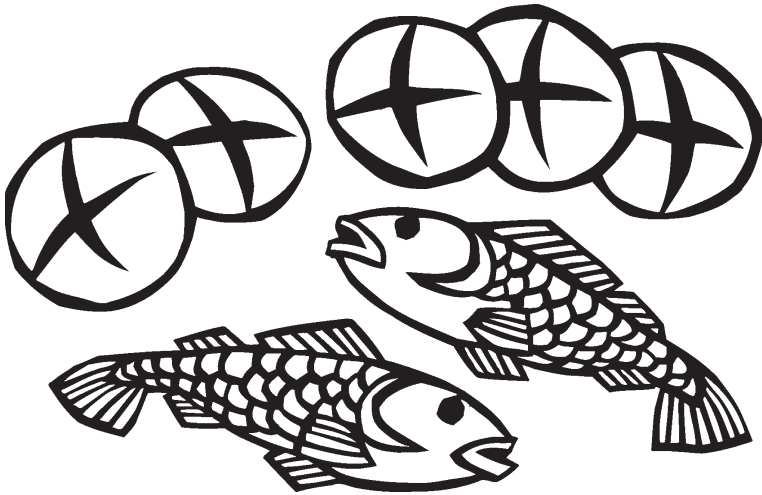




Sunday, August 2, 2026

10:00 a.m.



“Enough for All”

Pastor Erik Allen



WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Prelude

“Prelude and Fugue in C Major”

JS Bach

Announcements

GATHERING

Song

My Tribute

Call to Worship *(based on Psalm 145)*

P: The Lord is gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

C: God is good to all, and God’s compassion rests over all creation.

P: God opens wide a generous hand and satisfies every living thing.

C: We gather at God’s table, trusting there is grace enough for all.

P: Let our mouths speak the praise of the Lord.

C: Let all creation bless God’s holy name forever and ever.

P: Come, let us worship the God of compassion and abundant love.

C: We come to worship and praise the Lord!

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always!

C: And also with you!

(pass the peace as you feel comfortable)

Song

Refiner’s Fire

Confession and Forgiveness

P: Trusting in the word of life given in baptism, we are gathered in the name of the Father, and of † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin to God.

(Silence is kept for reflection.)

P: Holy God,

C: we Have sinned against you and each other. We pray for your forgiveness and healing. The good we want to do, we often fail to do. The evil we do not want, we find ourselves doing. Deliver us, O God, save us from shame, and guide us in your way. Amen.

P: Nothing can separate us from the love of Christ. While we were yet sinners, Christ died for us; And God raised him up from death so that we too might walk in newness of life. Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through † Jesus Christ, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

C: Amen.

Prayer of the Day

P: Glorious God, your generosity waters the world with goodness, and you cover creation with abundance. Awaken in us a hunger for the food that satisfies both body and spirit, and with this food fill all the starving world; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

please be seated

WORD

Lesson

Romans 9:1-5

Gospel

Matthew 14:13-21

Gospel Response

P: Word of God, Word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Children's Message

Pastor Erik

Sermon

"Enough for All"

Pastor Erik

Hymn

Break Now the Bread of Life

ELW 515

The Apostles' Creed

**C: 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.**

please be seated

Offering *On each 1st Sunday we collect a special offering for World Hunger through ELCA. If you would like to donate, you may do so online or baskets are available near the Usher's Table at the back of the Sanctuary*

If you would like, you may give online by scanning the QR code
or Offering Plates are located at the back of the Sanctuary.



Offering Hymn

“When the Poor Ones”

ELW 725

Offering Prayer

P: God of sun and rain, farm and flower, we praise you for your wonderful creation and your all-sustaining care. Receive these tokens of our gratitude, and may our lives reflect the goodness and love shown in your son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: **Amen.**

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

Members: Cheryl, Anita, Amy, Sue, Marj, Vickie

Family & Friends: Sally, Marylin, Leon, Karla, Joe, Ryan, Brian, Jim, Ryan, Wilbur,
Laura, Dennis, Andy, Janell, Ebby, Roger, Dale, Mary, Carol

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!**

Invitation to Communion

P: Come to Christ! Be sheltered, be fed.

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.

SENDING

Blessing

P: Eternal God, The Creator, ✠ Redeemer, and Sustainer, bless, heal, and hold you today and always..

C: **Amen.**

Song

Shout to the Lord

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Feed the hungry.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

"Fugue in D Major"

by Johann Pachelbel

1st Sunday Fellowship

Join us for Sundae Sunday following worship. This is our final Summer celebration so find someone you may not know and introduce yourself!

Save the Date!

Our annual God's Work, Our Hands will be Sunday, September 13. If you are unfamiliar with this, we spend the afternoon serving those in need in a number of ways. Project, lunch signups and T-shirt purchases coming soon! Watch for a Flocknote and a display at the bulletin boards.

Backpack Blessing

To all our students, Preschool through adults doing Continuing Education, we want to pray for you next week at worship. Bring your backpack (or laptop bag) and start your year knowing your KOG family holds you in our prayers.

Lands'End KOG Swag

We're almost there!! Our Landsend "Store Front" has been created but we are waiting on them to make sure it's ready to take orders. Hopefully some time this week you will receive a link if you care to order shirts (or other items) with our KOG Logo on them. Stay tuned!

Silverboxes

We aren't scheduled to help deliver for a few months but we are still collecting food for the clients of The Sharing Place. We are set on Peanut Butter this month but are hoping to collect 30 boxes of Cereal and 16 jars of Spaghetti Sauce. If you can help out, please drop off your items at the red wagon across from the Nursery. Thank you!

WEEKLY DEVOTIONS

THEME OF THE WEEK: Faithful Stewardship of Earthly Gifts

God has entrusted us with many gifts in this life: resources, possessions, family, friends, co-workers, abilities, and time. These gifts are given in love, sustained by grace, and invite us to love our neighbors. God also calls the church to use its resources in support of the our ministry to proclaim God's Kingdom. Above all, God has placed in our care the wonderful gift of the Word. When the Holy Spirit uses our tithes and offerings to scatter the seed of the Word widely, God gathers people into the communion of saints. This generous response does not earn God's love; it flows from the grace we have already received in Christ. In all these things, we are invited to be faithful stewards, receiving God's gifts with gratitude and using them for the good of our neighbors and the glory of God.

SUNDAY SCRIPTURE: Luke 16:1-9 Worldly Wealth / Eternal Neighbors

"Make friends for yourselves by means of unrighteous wealth." It may seem strange to hear Jesus say this. We know the warnings about the untrustworthiness of riches, and loving money. Yet God can use even the imperfect things of this world for the good of God's people. God uses worldly wealth to support the proclamation of the Gospel, to share Christ's gifts, and to welcome more people into God's Kingdom. The resources entrusted to us can become a means of hospitality, care and even fellowship with neighbors all of whom God loves. *Lord, grant that I may use what you give me in service to your Kingdom and my neighbor. Amen.*

MONDAY SCRIPTURE: Psalm 119:65-72 God's Word Lights Our Path

God is good, and God's Word is good and trustworthy. The Word of God is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path. It teaches us to trust Christ, who gave His life to save us from sin, death, and the devil. God's Word gives us joy in the midst of sorrow and hope in this veil of tears. It is more precious than silver and gold. We turn to it to shape and bless every day. Mammon perishes, but the Word of the Lord endures forever. Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it, for in Christ they are heirs of God's kingdom. *Lord God, keep us steadfast in your Word, which makes us wise through faith in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.*

TUESDAY SCRIPTURE: 1 Corinthians 10:6-13 Examples for Us

A house divided cannot stand (Mark 3:25). We, too, may feel pulled in many directions as we try to honor the commitments and delights of daily life. We can be tempted to treat worship, learning, rest, family, work, and recreation as competing claims rather than gifts to receive with prayerful care. Parents and caregivers often make difficult choices as they guide children in faith amid many schedules and responsibilities. Paul invites us to remember Israel and the ways desire and fear drew the people away from God. God does not leave us alone in temptation; in Christ, God is faithful and provides a way forward. With the support of our community of faith we can together listen again for God's life-giving promise! *Unite my heart to reverence your name and forgive me for Christ's sake. Amen.*

WEDNESDAY SCRIPTURE: 1 Chronicles 29:10-13 Everything Is God's

David's wonderful prayer comes in the context of offerings brought for the building of the temple. The people brought money, bronze, silver, gold, and all that was needed. Yet David recognizes that these things never ceased to be the Lord's. "For all that is in the heavens and in the earth is yours." We are invited to remember this: everything belongs to God. All we have in this life is God's gift, entrusted to our hands so that we may live, serve our neighbors at home and in community, and care for creation. God's abundance is not a reason for fear or pride, but an invitation to generosity and thanksgiving. These gifts can also support our proclamation of the Gospel, as they did in the building of the temple. *Lord, may I use what is yours with wisdom and for your glory. Amen.*

THURSDAY SCRIPTURE: Luke 12:32-48 Like People Who Are Waiting

Whether you are a parent, spouse, child, caregiver, worker, student, or retiree, Jesus has entrusted you with callings and opportunities to serve. As Christians, we are invited to hear the Word and trust its promise. Parents and caregivers nurture children in faith and provide for their daily needs. Pastors are called to proclaim the Word faithfully and without fear. Children and adults alike learn to honor one another in love. Jesus calls us blessed when he finds us ready for his return. When we grow weary or fail in our responsibilities, Christ meets us with forgiveness and renews us for loving service. *Thanks be to God! Grant me the awareness to wait with faith and hope, O Lord. Amen.*

FRIDAY SCRIPTURE: 2 Timothy 1:3-14 Guarding the Deposit of the Faith

As Paul encouraged young Timothy in ministry, he instructed him carefully in the teaching of the apostles, rooted in the Scriptures of Israel and fulfilled in the person and work of Christ. This sacred witness is a gift to be treasured and shared. Pastors, teachers, parents, and the whole church are called to pass on the faith with humility, and care, guarding one another from teachings that diminish the promises of God. Through Word and Sacrament, Christ guides young and old to the green pastures of grace. *In faith, Lord, let me serve you; though persecution, grief, and pain seek to overwhelm me, let me retain a steadfast trust Amen.*

SATURDAY SCRIPTURE: Psalm 139 You Know

This psalm is a prayer to the Creator, Sustainer, and Redeemer of all the saints. Knowing that God is everywhere and involved in everything may stir different responses within us. When guilt and shame trouble our conscience, God's presence can feel frightening. Yet in Christ, God meets us not with condemnation but with mercy. Jesus' faithful intercession brings peace to troubled hearts. Thanks be to God! In baptism, we are claimed as God's beloved children, not destined for wrath or destruction. Because God has reconciled us through Christ's cross, God's presence becomes our joy. *Lead me in the way everlasting! Amen.*