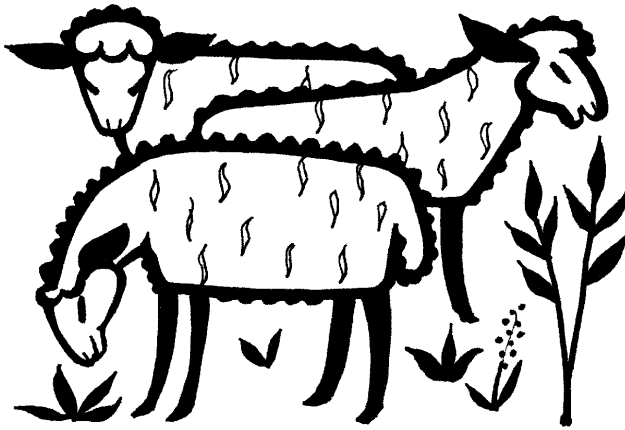




Sunday, September 14, 2025

Time After Pentecost

10:00 a.m.



Pastor Erik Allen

“Lost Things”

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Prelude

“Amazing Grace”

Hal Hopson

Announcements

Gathering Song

The Prayer of St. Patrick

Call to Worship

P: The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance,

C: that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

P: Though the strong wind of judgment blows, all is not ended. God will renew stubborn hearts and soften stiff necks,

C: for Jesus welcomed sinners and ate with them,

P: so we boldly come to make an offering of worship to the God of mercy, who seeks and saves the lost.

C: Let us rejoice in the grace of our Lord!

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

C: And also with you.

(pass the peace as you feel comfortable)

Song

Lamb of God

Call to Confession

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God, our maker, our helper, and our keeper.

C: Amen.

P: Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

(Silence is kept for reflection.)

P: Merciful and loving God,

C: We are your stiff-necked people. We trample on the needy. We grumble about your grace to others. We turn away from the poor. Have mercy on us and forgive our sins. Rejoice over us as ones who were lost and have been found. Amen.

P: Even when we are faithless, God remains faithful. Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners. You who were lost have been found. In the name of ✠ Jesus, your sins are forgiven!

C: Amen.

Prayer of the Day

P: O God, overflowing with mercy and compassion, you lead back to yourself all those who go astray. Preserve your people in your loving care, that we may reject whatever is contrary to you and may follow all things that sustain our life in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord..

C: **Amen.**

please be seated

Lesson Exodus 32:7-14

Gospel Luke 15:1-10

Presentation of the Bibles

(Said by Parents of those receiving Bibles)

Receive this Bible.

Hear God's word with us.

Learn and tell its stories.

Discover its mysteries.

Honor its commandments.

Rejoice in its good news.

May God's life-giving word inspire you and make you wise.

Blessing of Bibles for Use

P: Let us pray, Gracious God we give you thanks for your word of truth shared with us through these Scriptures. May all who read from it be daily blessed by it. And through our study may we hear again and again the holy story of your great love for us. May it open our eyes to see you in the world around us, and may it forever and always be a lamp to our feet and a light to our path. We pray this in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ our living Word. Amen.

Sermon "Lost Things" Pastor Erik

Hymn "Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound" ELW 779

The Apostles' Creed

please be seated

The Offering

Offertory Prayer

P: Lord of the harvest, we return to you a portion of what you have given to us. Turn us to set our hope not on the uncertainty of riches, but on you, who richly provides for us. Multiply what we have gathered to bless all who are suffering and in need, through 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: Marion, Kelly, Jeff, Lee, John & Marj, Vickie

Family & Friends: Brenda, Tim, Kate, Allen, Wendy, Katy,
Kathy, Mary, Carol, Susan, Bob

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 God of righteousness, who gives justice to the oppressed, who gives food to the hungry, who sets the prisoners free, bless you now and forever.

C: **Amen!**

Song

The Power of the Cross

Sending

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord!

C: **Thanks be to God!**

Postlude

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Benjamin Culli