

EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

AUGUST 3, 2025



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Welcome to Christ the King Lutheran Church/Cristo Rey Iglesia Luterana. Whether you are worshiping in person or online, we're glad you are here! Please fill out a Connection Card and drop it in the offering plate or complete it online at www.tigardlutherans.com/connect

Sunday, August 3, 2025 • Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

Today's texts offer instruction and encouragement for all who are occasionally overwhelmed by the "unhappy business" of life. Jesus urges us to take care and be on quard against all kinds of greed. We who have died with Christ in holy baptism have also been raised with him and are encouraged to elevate our thinking, seeking the "things that are above." To that end we seek the sustenance of the Lord's supper and the encouragement of God's word.

This worship service is being recorded and will be available on Facebook, YouTube, and the church website.

When indicated, please stand as you are able.

The assembly reads the **bold print**.

GATHERING

INVOCATION

In the name of God, Creator, + Redeemer, and Holy Wisdom.

Amen.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

Merciful God,

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.

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

Amen.

The assembly stands. All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Frances Ridley Havergal wrote this poem following a prayer meeting in 1874. It has been translated into many languages, including French, German, Swedish, Russian, and some African and Asian languages. Havergal's aratitude and Christian commitment are reflected in the text. Frances R. Havergal spoke English, French, and German fluently and wrote verse in these languages, as well as in Greek, Latin, and Hebrew. Although her delicate health kept her from traveling extensively, she kept in touch with friends through letters. Henry Abraham César Malan composed the melody HENDON in 1827. Malan spent time in England and may have selected this tune name for a village only a few miles northeast of London's St. Paul's Cathedral, in Middlesex. Malan spent most of his life in the vicinity of Geneva, Switzerland. Ordained to the Reformed ministry. Malan's controversial preaching against empty ritualism attracted people from throughout Europe to his private garden chapel where he conducted services for 43 years.



APOSTOLIC GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Glory to God

CANTOR: Gloria, gloria, glory in the highest. (Refrain 1)

REFRAIN 1



CANTOR: Glory to God in the highest, peace to God's people on earth. (Refrain 1)

CANTOR: Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father. (Refrain 1)

CANTOR: We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. (Refrain 1)

CANTOR: Lord, Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father. Lord, have mercy. (Refrain 2)

REFRAIN 2



CANTOR: Lord God, Lamb of God. (Refrain 2)

CANTOR: You take away the sin of the world. (Refrain 2)

CANTOR: You are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. Gloria, gloria, glory in the highest. (**Refrain 3**)

REFRAIN 3



CANTOR: For you alone are the Holy One. (Refrain 3)

CANTOR: You alone are the Lord. (Refrain 4)

REFRAIN 4



CANTOR: You alone are the Most High. (Refrain 5)

REFRAIN 5



CANTOR: Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. (**Refrain 5**)

CANTOR: Gloria, gloria. Amen, amen. (Refrain 6)

REFRAIN 6



PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Amen.

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

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.

The assembly is seated.

WORD

READING

ECCLESIASTES 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23

A reading from Ecclesiastes.

Vanity of vanities, says the Teacher, vanity of vanities! All is vanity.

I, the Teacher, was king over Israel in Jerusalem. I applied my mind to seek and to search out by wisdom all that is done under heaven; it is an unhappy business that God has given to humans to be busy with. I saw all the deeds that are done under the sun, and see, all is vanity and a chasing after wind.

I hated all my toil in which I had toiled under the sun, seeing that I must leave it to my successor, and who knows whether he will be wise or foolish? Yet he will be master of all for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity. So I turned and gave my heart up to despair concerning all the toil of my labors under the sun, because sometimes one who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave all to be enjoyed by another who did not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil. What do mortals get from all the toil and strain with which they toil under the sun? For all their days are full of pain, and their work is a vexation; even at night their minds do not rest. This also is vanity.

Word of God. Word of life.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PSALM 49:1-12

A reading from Psalm 49.

Hear this, all you peoples; give ear, all you who dwell in the world, you of high degree and low, rich and poor together.

My mouth shall speak of wisdom, and my heart shall meditate on understanding. I will incline my ear to a proverb and set forth my riddle upon the harp.

Why should I be afraid in evil days, when the wickedness of those at my heels surrounds me, the wickedness of those who put their trust in their own prowess, and boast of their great riches?

The teacher of wisdom who wrote Ecclesiastes sees that working for mere accumulation of wealth turns life into an empty game, a "vanity of vanities." Nevertheless, he asserts in the next verse, it is good to find enjoyment in one's work because such enjoyment is a gift from God.

One can never redeem another, or give to God the ransom for another's life; for the ransom of a life is so great that there would never be enough to pay it, in order to live forever and ever and never see the grave.

For we see that the wise die also; like the dull and stupid they perish and leave their wealth to those who come after them. Their graves shall be their homes forever, their dwelling places from generation to generation, though they had named lands after themselves.

Even though honored, they cannot live forever; they are like the beasts that perish.

READING COLOSSIANS 3:1-11

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Colossians, the third chapter.

So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on the things that are above, not on the things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. But now you must get rid of all such things: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, enslaved and free, but Christ is all and in all!

Word of God. Word of life.

Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PASTOR PAUL

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The assembly stands to greet the Holy Gospel.

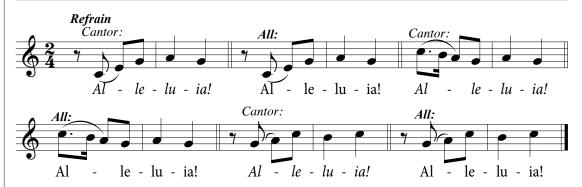
Life in Christ includes a radical reorientation of our values.

Just as the newly baptized shed their old clothes and

put on new garments, so

Christians are called to let go

of greed and take hold of a life shaped by God's love in Christ.



CANTOR Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

ALL **Refrain**

HOLY GOSPEL LUKE 12:13-21

In God's reign, the "rich will be sent away empty." Jesus uses a parable to warn against identifying the worth of one's life with the value of one's possessions rather than one's relationship with God. The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the twelfth chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Someone in the crowd said to [Jesus,] "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me." But he said to him, "Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?" And he said to them, "Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed, for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions." Then he told them a parable: "The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, 'What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?' Then he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.' But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God."

The Gospel of the Savior.

Praise to you, O Christ.

The assembly is seated.

THE HOMILY PASTOR PAUL

The assembly stands.

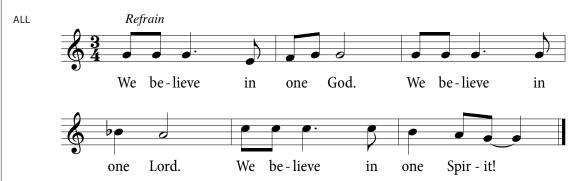
Pastor Carolyn Winfrey Gillette says this about her hymn, "If Only I Had Known": The challenges of globalization and the disparity between the rich and the poor continue to be issues with which western Christians need to struggle. The "wide gap" that exists is not just the one between the rich man and Lazarus after they both die. On five mission trips to Honduras, one of the poorest countries in the Western Hemisphere, I have been reminded of the wide gap between rich and poor that exists right now. Many of us cannot begin to understand. I remember hearing a sermon by a lay preacher in one village. Preaching on the passage, "I was hungry and you fed me...," he said, "If your neighbor's children are hungry, and all you have left is two days' worth of flour for tortillas, it is your responsibility as a Christian to share some of your flour with your neighbor." How can those of us with bank accounts and retirement funds begin to comprehend this? When have you experienced the troubling imbalance between rich and poor in this world? How have you seen the connections between what you eat, drink, wear, and use, and how other people in the world live? The rich man in the hymn says, "If only I had known." We do know a lot about the global economy and how it affects people whose lives touch ours. Since we know, what is God calling us to do about it?



CREED

The assembly stands.

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.



CANTOR We believe in God the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

ALL **Refrain**

CANTOR We believe in Jesus, his Son, our Lord, who was born of the Virgin Mary.

ALL **Refrain**

CANTOR Who was crucified on a cross, and for us he suffered death.

ALL **Refrain**

CANTOR We believe he rose from the dead, and is seated at the Father's right hand.

ALL **Refrain**

CANTOR And in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints.

ALL **Refrain**

CANTOR And the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection, and life forevermore!

ALL **Refrain**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

The lay assistant offers the prayers.

In solidarity with all creation, we join our voice to the voice of the whole church and pray for the needs of the world.

A brief silence.

Renew in your church a perspective of life beyond worldly pursuits. Build an enthusiasm to embrace life in Christ, so that Christ, the life of the world, is revealed to everyone. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Revitalize and protect the treasures of wild places. Teach all people to value the earth, winds, waters, trees, and animals, the gifts that make life possible on this planet. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Speak wisdom to any in positions of power, that they cease practices of divisiveness, insult, and oppression. Clothe all people in your image, and establish equity and peace. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Reveal your loving presence in the lives of people suffering hunger and need, pain and fear, illness and grief. We pray especially for Gaynelle, Kole, Del, Jean, Sandy, Don, Betty, Nick, Myrna, Marteena, Travis, and Jonathan. Give strength to those who give care, and equip them with compassion as they make your love known. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Store up in this congregation a full measure of gratitude and generosity. Guide the work of treasurers and all who attend to financial matters. Support those whose work in our community is difficult and demanding; make us mindful of the toil that goes unnoticed. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

For what else do the people of God pray?

Receive our thanks for the lives of your saints who now rest from their labors. Give us wisdom through their witness and encourage us in love as we continue our lives in the world. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

The presiding minister concludes the prayers.

Trusting in your lovingkindness, we place our prayer and hope in you, in the name of Jesus Christ.

Amen.

PASSING THE PEACE

The assembly is seated.

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEAL

PREPARE OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS AND OUR TABLES

The assembly stands.

Graham Kendrick revels here in the feast God provides with trumpets, welcome, thankful song, lavish good things, love and light, and water turned to wine. Kendrick, the son of a Baptist minister in Northamptonshire, is one of the most prolific Christian singer-songwriters in the United Kingdom. Since releasing his first album in 1972, he has written and recorded more than 450 songs. Kendrick has received honorary doctorates in divinity from Brunel University and Wycliffe College. In 1987 he helped co-found the March for Jesus, which today is a global phenomenon in which Christians take their faith to the streets in a celebration of Christ. In 1995 Kendrick received a Dove Award for his international work.



OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

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. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

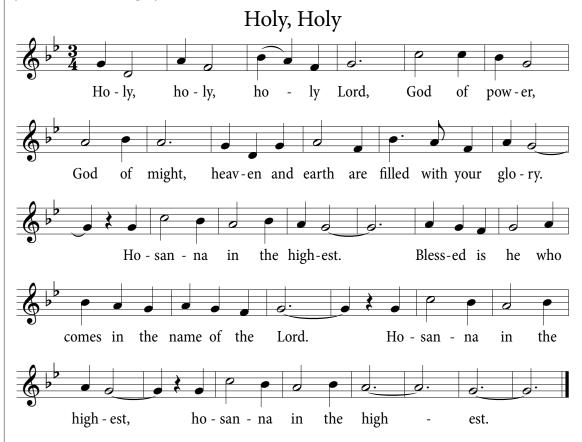
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



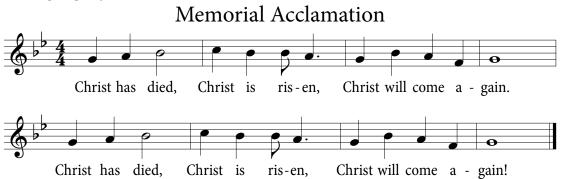
EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

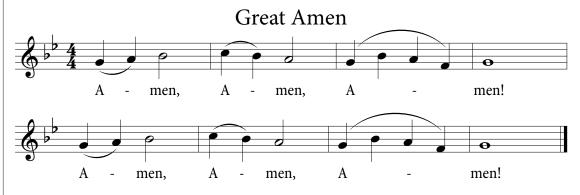
In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.



Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever.



THE LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

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.

All are welcome at this meal.

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

The table of God is set before you. Eat and rejoice.

COMMUNION BLESSING

The assembly stands.

May the body and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus the Christ, strengthen you and keep you to life everlasting.

Amen.

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE



- 1. O ho-ly Dove of God de scend-ing, you are the love that knows no end ing,
- 2. O ho-ly Wind of God now blow-ing, you are the seed that God is sow ing, 3. O ho-ly Rain of God now fall ing, you make the Word of God en-thrall-ing,
- 4. O ho-ly Flame of God now burn-ing, you are the power of Christ re-turn-ing,



PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Mothering God, you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace. Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus' name. Amen.

SENDING BLESSING

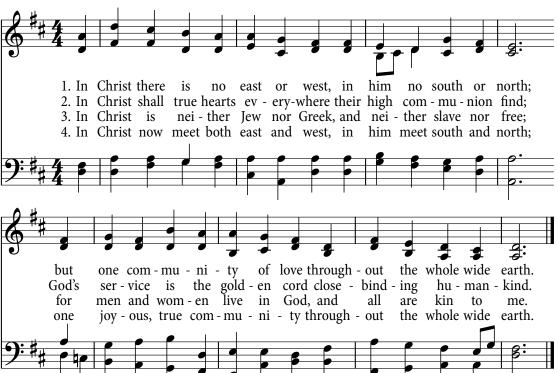
Almighty God, Creator,

Redeemer, and Holy Wisdom, bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

This beautiful Pentecost hymn celebrates God's gift of the Holy Spirit. Written by Bryan Jeffery Leech in 1976, the uplifting melody carries the poetry of a true wordsmith. Leech was born in Middlesex, England in 1931. He came to the United States in 1955 and studied at Barrington College and North Park Seminary. He was ordained in 1961 and served in the Covenant Church. He composed more than 500 songs. His tune, LOIS, is named in honor of Lois Bock, wife of Leech's collaborator, publisher, and friend, Fred Bock.

John Oxenham wrote this hymn as part of the libretto for the "Pageant of Darkness and Light," which was performed during a missionary exhibition in London, England, in 1905. John Oxenham was the pen name of an English businessman named William A. Dunkerley. His success in writing novels and religious works brought his other career to an end, and, beginning in 1913, he devoted all his time to his literary pursuits. He also wrote under the name Julian Ross. Alexander Robert Reinagle composed this tune in 1836 as a solo setting for Psalm 118 when he was organist at St. Peter-inthe-East Church in Oxford, England, where he served for 31 years. During his time there, he gave organ lessons to the likes of John Stainer.





DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.

Thanks be to God.

SENDING HYMN

ALL ARE WELCOME



IN THIS PLACE

THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH





ANNOUNCEMENTS AND WEEKLY eNEWS

This is an abbreviated list of announcements. Be sure to read the weekly eNews for complete coverage of this week's news. Follow the link or QR code in the box above to subscribe.

WORSHIP IN PERSON AND ON ZOOM SUNDAY AT 10:30 A.M.

Zoom "doors" open at 10 a.m.

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THIS WEEK

Prayers continue for those who are affected by the unrest in the Middle East and Ukraine. Lord, listen to your children praying. Send us love, send us hope, send us peace.

We continue to collect change and loose bills for the laundry ministry of Just Compassion. Just drop a couple dollars in the plastic "washing machine" on the table in the entry. Or send along an extra amount with your regular gift and mark it clearly for "laundry."

Pick up another blue BottleDrop bag for your personal use and benefit Christ the King/Cristo Rey. To date you have deposited more the \$500 worth of cans and bottles. Keep up the good work for the environment and for our ministries here. Simply return the filled bag to any BottleDrop location and scan the barcode.

It's vacation time! Take a moment to be certain your tithes and offerings will be made to Christ the King while you are away. There are many different ways to make that happen.

- Place your offering in the plate on Sunday morning.
- Mail a check to the church office (11305 SW Bull Mountain Rd., Tigard, OR 97224).
- Use your bank's online bill-pay service.
- Set up a recurring or single payment through Vanco by visiting our website tigardlutherans.com and clicking on the Donate tab.
- Scan the QR code (right) with your mobile device to go directly to our giving page.

Where is Flat Jesus?

Each week he is hidden somewhere in this worship folder. Can you find him?



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Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. Romans 15:7

Christ the King Lutheran Church/Cristo Rey Iglesia Luterana is a community of children of God who are seeking to know God by following the teachings of Jesus Christ, who welcomed all.

This community of faith is enriched and strengthened by diversity. We welcome all to share in the life and ministries of worship, sacraments, responsibilities, leadership, and blessings of participation in this congregation. We are committed to the work of racial equity.

Believing that God's unbounded love and grace are offered to all and meant to be shared and celebrated by all, we embrace differences of age, race, ethnicity, language, gender identity and expression, sexual orientation, physical and mental abilities, appearance, economic status, marital status, and family situation.

No matter what your life experience is or has been, you are a child of God and you are welcome here.

Por lo tanto, recibios los unos a los otros, como también Cristo nos recibió, para gloria de Dios. Romanos 15:7

Christ the King Lutheran Church/Cristo Rey Iglesia Luterana es una comunidad de hijos e hijas de Dios que buscan conocer a Dios siguiendo las enseñanzas de Jesucristo, quien ampara a todos.

Esta comunidad de fe se enriquece y fortalece con la diversidad. Damos la bienvenida a todos a compartir la vida y los ministerios de adoración, sacramentos, responsabilidades, liderazgo, y bendiciones de participación en esta congregación. Estamos comprometidos con el trabajo de la equidad racial.

Creyendo que el amor y la gracia ilimitados de Dios se ofrecen a todos y están destinados a ser compartidos y celebrados por todos, aceptamos las diferencias de edad, raza, etnia, idioma, identidad y expresión de género, orientación sexual, habilidades físicas y mentales, apariencia, estado económico, estado civil, y situación familiar.

No importa cuál sea o haya sido tu experiencia de vida, eres un hijo(a) de Dios y eres bienvenido(a) aquí.



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