



## *Welcome to Worship!*

*June 28, 2026 —9:00 a.m.*

*Worship Leader: Patti Happel, SAM Accompanist: Laurie Noelke*

### Order of Worship

**(ELW—Evangelical Lutheran Worship—red hymnal; WOV –With One Voice—blue hymnal)**

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, whose compassion endures forever. **Amen. Compassionate God, we confess to you all our sins. Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves. In your mercy, call us back to you. Your yoke is easy and your burden is light. Restore us to dwell in your peace. In Christ’s name we pray, Amen.**

Gathering Song

“As We Gather at Your Table”

ELW 522

Greeting

**c: And also with you.**

Prayer of the Day

**O God, you direct our lives by your grace, and your words of justice and mercy reshape the world. Mold us into a people who welcome your word and serve one another, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

First Reading

Jeremiah 28:5-9

Gospel Acclamation

“Celtic Alleluia”

ELW 174

Gospel

Matthew 10: 40-42

Sermon

Hymn of the Day

“The Church of Christ in Every Age” ELW 729

Apostles’ Creed

Prayers Of Intercession

God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Peace

**c: And also with you.**

Offertory Hymn

“Praise and Thanksgiving”

ELW 689

Offering Prayer

Words of Institution

Lord’s Prayer

Invitation to Communion

|                         |  |         |
|-------------------------|--|---------|
| Communion Song          | “Just As I Am Without One Plea”                | ELW 592 |
|                         | “Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus”                  | ELW 802 |
| Post Communion Blessing | <b>c: Amen</b>                                 |         |
| Prayer After Communion  | <b>c: Amen</b>                                 |         |
| Blessing                | <b>c: Amen</b>                                 |         |
| Sending Song            | “In Christ Called to Baptize”                  | ELW 575 |
| Dismissal               | Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news! |         |
|                         | <b>Thanks be to God.</b>                       |         |
| Postlude                |  |         |

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## In Our Prayers:

We pray for friends and family of those who have recently passed: Carol Nedoba, Paula Hammes, Laurie Gillespie, Phoebe Kitzke, Glenn Schmidt, Bob Cottrell, Amanda Anderson, Beulah Sanders, Harvey Miller

We pray for Wayne Atchley, Alice Fonfara, Ron Christensen, Bill Baxter, Jackson Ammerman (grandson of Les and Susan Kolbo), Gayle "Susie" Johnson, Diane Jostad, Betty Bender, Stacey Fredricks, Robin Ruhbusch, Laurie Noelke, Megan Sacia Ulrich, Marjorie Lee, Jean Latham, Thelma Severson, Katie Wier, Bill Kitzke, Gayle Kuespert, Cary Heyer, Jenny Lee, Mary Dokkebaken, Karla Johnson, Coats family

## Announcements

### Birthdays this week:

Our **June Noisy Offering** supports Area Food Pantries. Last weekend we collected \$72.90 for a monthly total of \$155.10 so far! Keep making some noise.

**HCLC Versiti Blood Drive is Friday, July 31 from 930 AM – 2 PM.** We'll provide a light luncheon and snacks. Please sign up in the gathering space or online (link in E-News).

It is mowing season! Mike, Rich, and Kent have been busy keeping our green space so manicured and beautiful. You can help them out by **contributing to the cost of gas** for the mowers and trimmers! Kwik Trip gas cards or cash work best. Thank you!

**Outreach with Children's Palace "A Birthday Party for a Friend We Don't Know";** thank you to Kim Gorka from the Children's Palace for inviting us to participate in this wonderful outreach activity. If you would like to purchase birthday gifts (for an infant,

toddler, preschooler, school age child or teen), party supplies or money for a birthday experience, please have items or money to church by July 31. We'll deliver items to Children's Palace for distribution throughout the area. *(More info in our July Currents)*

**Fellowship Fund:** A big thank you to everyone who has contributed to our Fellowship Fund! These donations directly support our weekly coffee and fellowship time, keeping our community connected and caffeinated. If you would like to contribute, please mark your check or envelope with "Fellowship Fund" and place it in the offering. Thank you for helping make our time together so special!

**Happy Independence Day celebrating America's 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary!** In conjunction with the National Bell Festival, the HCLC bells will ring 13 times for the 13 colonies on July 4 at 150 PM Central. Wherever you are you may hear the bells being rung throughout the country!



# Welcome to Worship!

Thank you for being here today. We want you to feel at home when you are here at HCLC, so please remember:

**As you participate:** Bolded words on the screen are for you to speak. Even though the pastor indicates when to stand up or sit down, that is not mandatory. We do not judge when it's done differently. Move around as you need to and please worship as *your* body demands it.

## Offering

The offering is our way of showing that when we come to the table, we bring ourselves as well as all we have been given by God to be blessed for service in God's world.

The offering plate is passed around during the offering song.

The cake pan is for our Noisy Offering. Each month we choose a cause to support.

Offerings can also be made through our website or by using this QR code.

Thank you for the many ways you support HCLC and our mission.



## Holy Communion

All are welcome to the table today when communion is offered. It is not our table, but Jesus is the host. So, in this place **all** are welcome to Jesus' table.

**Pre-packaged communion kits, regular and gluten-free**, are available for communing in your seats or bringing them forward with you. The ushers will have them in a basket.

**Communion in the front aisle** will be baked bread and both wine and juice (the wine is red, juice is clear).

## Kids

We welcome kids to participate fully in any part of the service! You may pass the offering plate or noisy offering, and we have activity bags as you enter church.

An **AED is available** in case of an emergency. It is located just outside the sanctuary doors.

*Please join us for coffee and fellowship each week after service. Guests and members please take a moment to fill out the Welcome Card in the pew. We want to know how we can best minister to you.*

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