



Fifth Sunday After Pentecost

July 13, 2025

9:30 am



**DIAMOND
LAKE
LUTHERAN
CHURCH**

Welcome to Diamond Lake Lutheran Church!

We are so glad you are here! If you'd like more information about this community of faith, please fill out a Welcome card (found in the pew pockets near the hymnals) and place it in the offering plate or hand it to Pastor Andrea or an usher following worship. Take the Grow card with you if you wish! We invite you to enjoy coffee and Bogart's Doughnuts in the Commons before and after worship. Please leave your nametag on during the fellowship time.

Children in Worship

Children are encouraged to be present for worship—build-your-own activity bags are located in the narthex, along with children's bulletins. Children are invited to use the Pray-Ground at the front of the sanctuary. A nursery is located on the lower level if you need it. Please ask an usher for directions. If you are a nursing parent, you are welcome to nurse anywhere. If you would like privacy, there is a nursing room in the nursery downstairs.

Special Assistance

Hearing devices and large print bulletins are available. Please see the ushers for assistance.

Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God by Russ and Jan Michaletz in honor of their 50th wedding anniversary.

Participating in Today's Service

Pastor: Rev. Andrea Roske-Metcalf

Assisting Minister: Graydon Royce

Pianist/Organist: Dr. Kevin Hobbs

Acolyte: Paul Groskreutz

Greeters: Jacqueline Brunsberg, Lana Hanson

Reader: Kirk Gallup

Special Music: Cynthia Dickison, Sue Nelson,
Norma Williams

Communion Leader: Cynthia Dickison

Communion Servers: Kirk Gallup, Sue Nelson

Ushers: Jacqueline Brunsberg, Jon Brunsberg,
Paul Groskreutz, Julie Schmidt

A/V Tech: Frank Anderson, John Nelson

Nursery: Mary Teurman

Coffee Hosts: Kathi Gallup, Harley Hanson

Pursers: Anne Groskreutz, Gene Zemske

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

For six Sundays in July and August we dive into the book of Revelation. It is, first of all, an apocalypse (as “Revelation” directly translates from the Greek): a disclosure of Jesus Christ, presented in deliberately startling images and time-bending episodes, to shake off the narrow vision of ordinary life and time. Left uninterpreted, Revelation will be exploited and distorted again and again, but carefully considered, it offers us a supremely beautiful confession of faith in Christ and a visionary experience of hope for the persecuted. Revelation can inspire courage in the face of unsettled and unsettling times.

We invite you to rise in body or in spirit each time the ‡ symbol appears.

PRELUDE

"Melodie" from Orfeo ed Euridice, Gluck/arr. Siloti

WORDS OF WELCOME

TRINITY CHIMES

‡ CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

We gather in the name of the Triune God. Gathered, then, as one, and baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

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 your life abundant.

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.**

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.

‡ GATHERING HYMN

Jesus Shall Reign.....ELW 434 (vs 1-2, 5)

‡ 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.

‡ PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

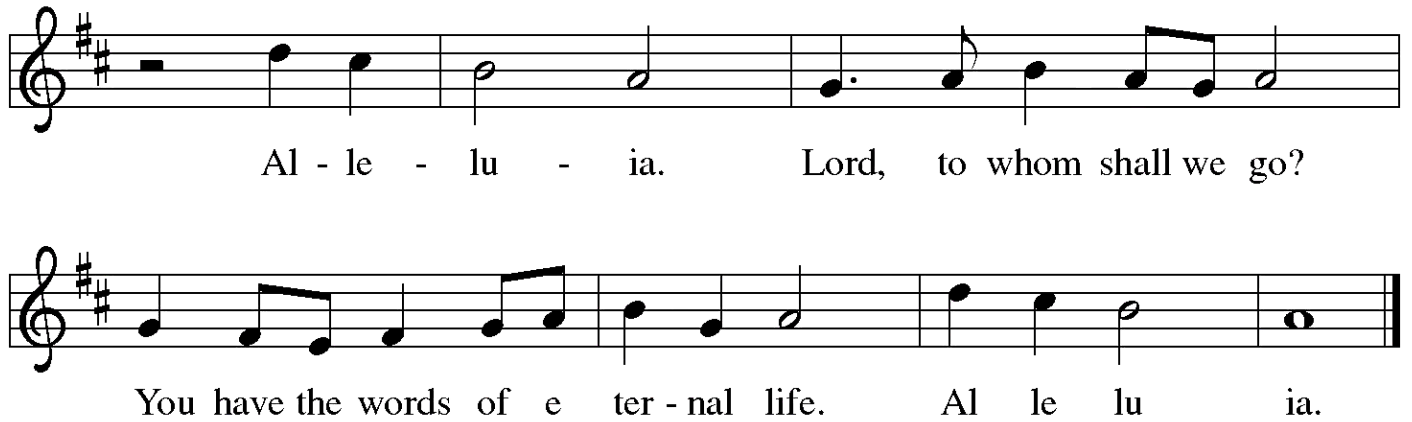
God of the ages,

Help us to remember that you are the Alpha and the Omega, the one who is and who was and who is to come. Invite us to settle into that promise of steadfastness, even—and especially—during unsettled times, for the sake of your son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord,

Amen.

SERMON ON THE STEPS

‡ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



‡ READING: REVELATION 1:4-8

A reading from the book of Revelation, the first chapter.

John to the seven churches that are in Asia:

Grace to you and peace from the one who is and who was and who is to come and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood and made us a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Look! He is coming with the clouds;

every eye will see him,
even those who pierced him,
and all the tribes of the earth will wail on account of him.

So it is to be. Amen.

“I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Rev. Andrea Roske-Metcalf

HYMN OF THE DAY

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling.....ELW 631 (vs 1-2, 4)

‡ PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Drawn into the embrace of the holy Trinity, we lift our prayers for the wholeness of the church, the world, and all creation.

A brief silence.

God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Gather all our prayers in your mercy, O God, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

‡ SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

You may share the peace with those around you.

OFFERING

You Raise Me Up/Be Still My Soul, arr. Tom Fettke
Cynthia Dickison, Sue Nelson, Norma Williams

General Fund

We give thanks for all the ways members and friends of Diamond Lake Lutheran Church contribute to the mission and vision of this congregation—gifts of time, gifts of participation and expertise, as well as finances. Financial gifts to the general fund help to make possible both in-house and outreach ministries, as well as sharing of our resources with the wider community.

July Mission of the Month: Advocating Change Together (ACT)

Advocating Change Together (ACT) has been working since 1979 to advance the rights and leadership of people with disabilities. Rooted in the belief that individuals with disabilities should lead in their own lives and communities, ACT fights ableism, promotes self-advocacy, and equips people with the tools they need to understand and exercise their rights. ACT hosted the first official Disability Pride Festival in Minnesota in 2023, and will host this year's event on July 17th at the State Capitol. ACT's important work depends on community support. Financial contributions to ACT help fund training programs, leadership development, and accessible resources that enable people with disabilities to challenge barriers and advocate for systemic change.

Give to the General Fund or Mission of the Month via:

Cash – Use a “Give Back” envelope from the pew pocket to designate a fund for your donation.

Check – Write the name of the designated fund in the memo line.

Phone – Scan the QR code to visit the Give Back page of www.dllc.org and select a fund from the drop-down menu. Repeat the process if giving to both funds.

Thank you!



Scan to Give

‡ OFFERTORY

Refrain



As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were
gath-ered in - to one to be - come our bread; so may all your peo-ple from
all the ends of earth be gath-ered in - to one in you.

1 As this cup of bless-ing is shared with-in our midst,
2 Let this be a fore-taste of all that is to come when

Refrain

may we share the pres - ence of your love.
all cre - a tion shares this feast with you.

‡ 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,

both from the Earth and from our labor,

that we may work for the good of all,

through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

‡ WORDS OF INSTITUTION

‡ LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The kingdom of God is set before you. Come, eat, and rejoice!

LAMB OF GOD



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the



sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

DISTRIBUTION

As Christ offered himself without restriction to those gathered at the last supper, so too he invites all gathered here to partake in this meal. If you wish to receive the sacrament, come forward with your hands outstretched to receive the bread, and dip it either in the red wine or the white grape juice (both offered in each chalice).

If you wish to receive a blessing, come forward with your hands over your heart.

Gluten-free wafers are available upon request, and a chalice of grape juice is provided for gluten-free intinction. If it is difficult for you to come forward, please inform an usher, and the pastor will bring the sacrament to you in your seat.

COMMUNION HYMNS

Christ is Made the Sure Foundation.....ELW 645
Of the Father’s Love Begotten.....ELW 295 (vs 1, 3-5)

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 to proclaim your love in Jesus’ name.
Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

‡ **BLESSING**

Now may the love of God abound in you,
may the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts,
and may the life of the Spirit
bless you and give you peace.

Amen.

‡ **SENDING HYMN**

Christ is Alive! Let Christians Sing.....ELW 389 (vs 1-2, 5)

‡ **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.

Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

"Air and Variations" from Suite No. 5 in E, Handel

We acknowledge that we gather as Diamond Lake Lutheran Church on the traditional land of the Wahpekute band of the Santee division of the Dakota people past and present.

Our mission: Stirred by the Spirit of Christ to learn, follow, and serve.
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