



Ninth Sunday After Pentecost

August 10, 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 Julie Schmidt in memory of her mom, Betty.

Participating in Today's Service

Pastor: Rev. Andrea Roske-Metcalf
Assisting Minister: Scott Benson
Pianist/Organist: Dr. Kevin Hobbs
Acolyte: Lyle Dean
Greeters: Karen Gabrielson, Kris Pearson
Reader: Kris Pearson
Special Music: Chuck Linderkamp

Communion Leader: Julie Schmidt
Communion Servers: Carol Anderson, Parker Webster
Ushers:
A/V Tech: Olaf Minge, Frank Anderson
Nursery: Mary Teurman
Coffee Hosts: Harley and Lana Hanson
Pursers: Lisa Ritzinger, Joe Plummer

NINTH 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

"Les caresses de Grand'-Maman" from En Vacances, Severac

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

Gather Us In.....ELW 532 (vs 1, 3, 4)

‡ 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.

Oh God of Every Nation,

we worship you in ways too many to count,

united by Christ Jesus, your Son.

Remind us when we forget

that our call is to work together for justice,

with the help of your Spirit.

Amen.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

ELW pg. 227

Jack Donald Simonson

Parents: Nate and Anna Simonson

Sponsors: Sarah Jane Yockers and William Ivancic

Congregational Representative: Bob Kresse

CANTICLE OF WELCOME

You Belong to Christ

The musical score for the Canticle of Welcome is written in D major (two sharps) and 4/4 time. It consists of two systems, each with a vocal line (treble and bass staves) and a piano accompaniment (treble and bass staves). The first system contains the lyrics "You be - long to Christ, in whom you have been bap - tized." and the second system contains "Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia." The piano accompaniment features a steady eighth-note bass line and chords in the right hand.

You be - long to Christ, in whom you have been bap - tized.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

SERMON ON THE STEPS

‡ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



You have the words of e ter - nal life. Al le lu ia.

‡ READING: REVELATION 7:9-17

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

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

“Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb!”

And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing,

“Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom
and thanksgiving and honor
and power and might
be to our God forever and ever! Amen.”

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?” I said to him, “Sir, you are the one who knows.” Then he said to me, “These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

For this reason they are before the throne of God
and worship him day and night within his temple,
and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.
They will hunger no more and thirst no more;
the sun will not strike them,
nor any scorching heat,
for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd,
and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Rev. Andrea Roske-Metcalf

HYMN OF THE DAY

The Church's One Foundation.....ELW 654 (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

Shall We Gather at the River? arr. Lowry
Chuck Linderkamp

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.

August Mission of the Month: Lutheran Disaster Response

This month, gifts to the Mission of the Month will go to Lutheran Disaster Response to support communities across the United States affected by severe flooding, including those in South Central Texas. Lutheran Disaster Response works with synods and partners to respond to urgent needs, give emotional and spiritual care, support long-term recovery (including disaster case management and meeting unmet needs) and providing educational training for synods and partners in affected regions.

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.

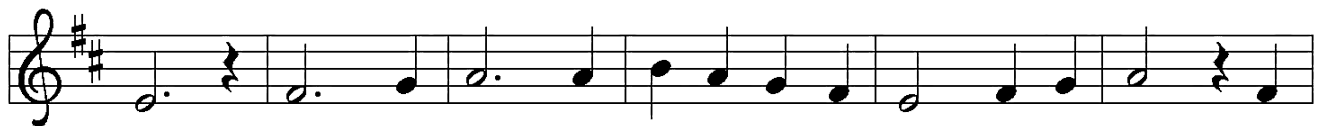
INVITATION TO COMMUNION

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

- Oh God of Every Nation.....ELW 713*
- Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ.....ELW 674*

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

Go, My Children, With My Blessing.....ELW 543

‡ DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.

Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

"Valse Romantique" from En Vacances, Severac