



Fourth Sunday After Pentecost

July 6, 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.

Participating in Today's Service

Pastor: Rev. Andrea Roske-Metcalf

Assisting Minister: Lisa Bass

Pianist/Organist: Dr. Kevin Hobbs

Acolyte: Lyle Dean

Greeters: Julie Schmidt

Reader: Sue Haffield

Communion Leader: Anne Groskreutz

Communion Servers: Paul Groskreutz,

Sue Haffield, Julie Schmidt

Ushers:

A/V Tech: Frank Anderson, John Nelson

Nursery: Mary Teurman

Coffee Hosts:

Pursers: Anne Groskreutz, Adam

Podratz

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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

PRELUDE

Melancolie, Op. 25, Chaminade

WORDS OF WELCOME

TRINITY CHIMES

‡ CONFESSON AND FORGIVENESS

God of creation, we seek to be one with you and all you have made.
Be near us in our disconnection, and bring us into right relationship
with all of your good creation.

Give us open hearts, open hands, and compassion for all
as we confess our brokenness, receive your forgiveness,
and remember our connection with every living thing.

Amen.

Let us confess our disconnection, brokenness, and sin as one people.

(Silence for reflection)

God of love,

**We confess that we have not treated your creation
as something to be valued.**

**You ask us to receive, and yet we extract;
you ask us to live in peace, and yet we seek to control.**

**Forgive us in our disconnection from creation,
known and unknown to us.**

Give us hearts to seek the thriving of all.

**Through your goodness,
transform our hubris into humility,
and our death into life.**

Beloved people of God's creation:
God has declared you "good,"
along with the fish of the sea and the sun that warms us.
In the name of Christ, you are forgiven,
washed in the Earth's abundant water,
and given new life.
Our God calls us out of disconnection
to be rooted and grounded in love,
caring for one another and for all of creation.
Amen.

‡ **GATHERING HYMN**

Gather Us In.....ELW 532 (vs 1, 2, 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.
God of justice, kindle in us the fire of your hope.
Lead us with the flame of clarity, love, and compassion.
Fill us with your warmth, that we may go into the world
burning with zeal for your gentleness and care.
In Christ's name we pray,
Amen.

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: EXODUS 13:17-22

A reading from the book of Exodus, the thirteenth chapter.

When Pharaoh let the people go, God did not lead them by way of the land of the Philistines, although that was nearer, for God thought, “If the people face war, they may change their minds and return to Egypt.” So God led the people by the roundabout way of the wilderness bordering the Red Sea. The Israelites went up out of the land of Egypt prepared for battle. And Moses took with him the bones of Joseph, who had required a solemn oath of the Israelites, saying, “God will surely come to you, and then you must carry my bones with you from here.” They set out from Succoth and camped at Etham, on the edge of the wilderness. The Lord went in front of them in a pillar of cloud by day, to lead them along the way, and in a pillar of fire by night, to give them light, so that they might travel by day and by night. Neither the pillar of cloud by day nor the pillar of fire by night left its place in front of the people.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Rev. Andrea Roske-Metcalf

HYMN OF THE DAY

Let All Things Now Living.....ELW 881

‡ 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

*Moonlit Evening, Robert D. Vandall
Joe and Charlotte Plummer*

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.

How to Give to the General Fund and/or the Mission of the Month

If you are making a cash offering, you may use a “Give Back” envelope from the pew pocket to designate a fund(s). Alternatively, you may give online at www.dllc.org via the “Give Back” page or scan the QR code and select “Give to General Fund” or Mission of the Month” from the dropdown menu. Please repeat the online process if giving to both funds. You may also write a check to Diamond Lake Lutheran with “General Fund” or “Mission of the Month” (or both) in the memo line and place it in the offering plate. Thank you!



‡ 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.

God of abundance,

We give you thanks for the gifts of the Earth
and the gifts of your people.

Knit us together as one in you

that we may know connection, joy, and peace
with all of creation.

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

<i>Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer.....</i>	<i>ELW 618</i>
<i>Draw Us in the Spirit’s Tether.....</i>	<i>ELW 470</i>

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.
Gracious God,
We give you thanks for the abundance of your created world.
As we receive your gifts,
send us into your creation to echo back your joy and mercy.
In the name of Christ, the holy one, we pray.
Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

‡ **BLESSING**

May the God who holds creation tenderly
bless you, keep you, and fill you with life,
in the name of Christ,
who grounds us, loves us,
and draws us into joy.
Amen.

‡ **SENDING HYMN**

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

‡ **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace,
care for creation.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Arabesque No. 1, Op. 61, Chaminade

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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