



Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost

October 13, 2024



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 following 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.

We welcome Pastor Craig Simenson as our guest pastor today. Craig is a parent, writer, and spiritual caregiver who, with his wife the Rev. Hannah Campbell Gustafson, daughters Leona (5) and Ruth (2), and dog Óscar, lives in the Central/Powderhorn neighborhood of South Minneapolis. Ordained in the ELCA, Craig served his first call with a small-town congregation in southwestern Wisconsin. He currently serves as a chaplain with Ebenezer Senior Living. He blogs at craigsimenson.blogspot.com.

Participating in Today's Service

Pastor Craig Simenson

Assisting Minister: Jan Michaletz

Coffee Host: Kathi Gallup

Reader: Joe Plummer

Communion Servers: Kristine Spanier, Audrey Wessling

A/V Tech: Frank Anderson, Ben Craig

Greeters: Paul Groskreutz

Ushers: Eloise Miller, Kris Pearson, Adam Podratz, Julie Schmidt

Pianist/Organist: Dr. Kevin Hobbs

Nursery: Mary Teurman

Pray-Ground Clean-Up: Isabel McGee, Michele McGee

P: God promises to forgive our iniquity
and to remember our sin no more.
By grace you have been saved.
In the name of Jesus Christ,
the source of eternal healing,
your sins are forgiven.

C: **Amen.**

‡ **GATHERING HYMN**

O Day of Rest and Gladness, #521, vs.1,3

‡ **GREETING**

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

C: **And also with you.**

‡ **KYRIE**



Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Lord, have mer - cy.



Chris - te e - lei - son. Christ, have mer - cy.



Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Lord, have mer - cy.

‡ CANTICLE OF PRAISE



1 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;
2 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;
3 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;



yours is the prom - ise, the bless - ing, the birth.
yours the ho - san - nas, the dy - ing, re - birth.
yours the a - noint - ing, the ra - di - ant worth.



Ours the re - joic - ing for Word giv - en frame;
Ours the re - joic - ing for na - ture re - claimed;
Ours the re - joic - ing for spir - its a - flame;



ours the thanks - giv - ing to your ho - ly name.



Ours be the tell - ing of deeds great - ly done;



yours be the glo - ry, O God, yours a - lone.

‡ PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: God who answers prayers,

C: **We are blessed and humbled that you hear us when we call to you in our time of deepest longing. Receive our gratitude for your listening ear. Amen.**

SERMON ON THE STEPS

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



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

READING

R: A reading from 1 Samuel 1:9-11, 19-20, 2:1-10

⁹ After they had eaten and drunk at Shiloh, Hannah rose and presented herself before the Lord. Now Eli the priest was sitting on the seat beside the doorpost of the temple of the Lord. ¹⁰ She was deeply distressed and prayed to the Lord and wept bitterly. ¹¹ She made this vow: “O Lord of hosts, if only you will look on the misery of your servant and remember me and not forget your servant but will give to your servant a male child, then I will set him before you as a nazirite until the day of his death. He shall drink neither wine nor intoxicants, and no razor shall touch his head.”

¹⁹ They rose early in the morning and worshiped before the Lord; then they went back to their house at Ramah. Elkanah knew his wife Hannah, and the Lord remembered her. ²⁰ In due time Hannah conceived and bore a son. She named him Samuel, for she said, “I have asked him of the Lord.”

Hannah prayed and said,

“My heart exults in the Lord;
my strength is exalted in my God.
My mouth derides my enemies
because I rejoice in your victory.

² There is no Holy One like the Lord,
no one besides you;
there is no Rock like our God.

³ Talk no more so very proudly;
let not arrogance come from your mouth,
for the Lord is a God of knowledge,
and by him actions are weighed.

⁴ The bows of the mighty are broken,
but the feeble gird on strength.

⁵ Those who were full have hired themselves out for bread,
but those who were hungry are fat with spoil.
The barren has borne seven,
but she who has many children is forlorn.

⁶ The Lord kills and brings to life;
he brings down to Sheol and raises up.

⁷ The Lord makes poor and makes rich;

he brings low; he also exalts.
8 He raises up the poor from the dust;
he lifts the needy from the ash heap
to make them sit with princes
and inherit a seat of honor.
For the pillars of the earth are the Lord's,
and on them he has set the world.

9 He will guard the feet of his faithful ones,
but the wicked will perish in darkness,
for not by might does one prevail.

10 The Lord! His adversaries will be shattered;
the Most High will thunder in heaven.
The Lord will judge the ends of the earth;
he will give strength to his king
and exalt the power of his anointed."

R: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Rev. Craig Simenson

HYMN OF THE DAY

For All the Faithful Women, #419, vs.1,4,& last

‡ PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

L: Calling on the spirit of Wisdom to guide our hearts and our minds, let us pray
for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

Here other intercessions may be offered

L: Hear us, O God.

C: **Your mercy is great.**

P: We entrust these and all our prayers to you, holy God, in the name of your
beloved child, Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C: **Amen.**

‡ SHARING OF THE PEACE

L: The peace of Christ be with you all.

C: **And also with you.**

You may share the peace with those around you.

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.

October Mission of the Month: New Creations Food Ministry

Since December 2020, we have partnered with First Lady Brenda Granison and Pastor Darrick Granison at New Creations Ministries and the Mother Jeanette Frazier Food Shelf. Together, we've worked to address the growing issue of food insecurity in our community. With this partnership, we aim not only to meet immediate needs but to strengthen the bonds between neighbors, offering support to those who need it.

Every Monday, we have two volunteer shifts available. Children as young as elementary age are welcome and encouraged to join, provided they are accompanied by an adult. From 3-5 pm, afternoon helpers take on light-duty tasks like sorting food donations and packing boxes for distribution. This role is perfect for volunteers of all ages and abilities. From 5-7 pm, evening volunteers assist in setting up food outdoors and helping families load groceries into their cars, which involves moderate physical effort. These shifts are more than just work—they are an opportunity to connect with your community, make a tangible difference, and be part of something bigger than ourselves.

Donations are needed to keep this program going strong. Your contributions have a direct impact, providing critical supplies like food and diapers to families in need. As the holiday season approaches, your generosity can make an even greater difference. This Thanksgiving, we would like to provide turkeys and other traditional foods to families who might otherwise go without.

Give to the Mission of the Month

To make a gift to New Creations Food Ministry, you may write a check payable to Diamond Lake Lutheran Church with "Mission of the Month" in the memo line and drop in an offering plate. Alternately, you may visit "Give Back" page at www.dllc.org or scan the QR Code and choose "Mission of the Month" from the drop-down menu.

To contribute to either of these funds, use the QR code, visit <https://dllc.breezechms.com/give/online>



‡ OFFERTORY

**Praise and thanksgiving, God, we would offer
for all things living, you have made good:
harvest of sown fields, fruits of the orchard,
hay from the mown fields, blossom and wood.**

**God, bless the labor we bring to serve you,
that with our neighbor we may be fed.
Sowing or tilling, we would work with you,
harvesting, milling for daily bread.**

**Father, providing food for your children,
by Wisdom's guiding teach us to share
one with another, so that, rejoicing
with us, all others may know your care.**

‡ OFFERING PRAYER

L: Let us pray.

**Blessed are you, O God, source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts
and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus
Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

C: Amen.

‡ WORDS OF INSTITUTION

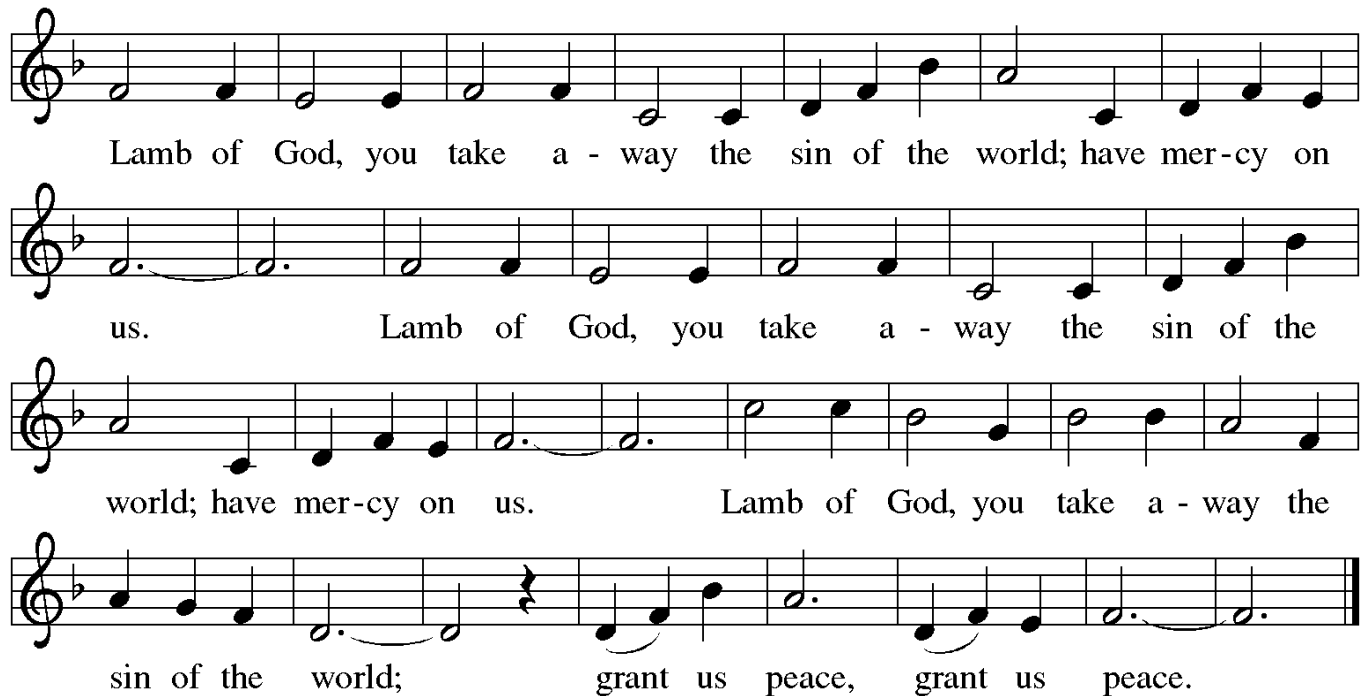
‡ LORD'S PRAYER

**C: 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

P: Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!

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 from the pastor instead, 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 HYMN

The King of Love My Shepherd Is, #502

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: Holy God,
you have welcomed us to this meal
and fed us with dignity at your table.
Send us now to welcome others
and to be at peace with one another,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: **Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

‡ BLESSING

P: God all mighty,
God most merciful
bless you, keep you,
and give you peace.

C: **Amen.**

‡ SENDING HYMN

Great Is Thy Faithfulness, #733, vs.1-2

‡ DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Follow Jesus as part of the new creation.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

CHORAL AMEN

POSTLUDE

“Puck” from *Lyric Pieces*, Op. 71

Edvard Grieg

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of the Dakota people past and present.*

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

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