

# THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST JUNE 29, 2025



*It may be that...all of them  
may turn from their evil ways*



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A Reconciling in Christ congregation

*While he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. ~ Luke 15:20b*

## GOD GATHERS

### GATHERING MUSIC

*I Will Arise and Go to Jesus*

John Carter

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### GATHERING SILENCE

### LITANY OF CONFESSION

L: PFLC was established near water and on land stewarded since time immemorial by the Suquamish, Port Gamble S'Klallam, and other peoples of the Salish Sea.

**C: We recognize that God calls all to be in right relationship with their neighbors,**

L: that the tribes are sovereign nations,

**C: that there is a history of broken treaties and broken trust, and that there is much reconciling work to be done.**

L: As Christians, we also recognize that in Christ there is new life, forgiveness, and hope for mending what is broken.

**C: We pray the Holy Spirit will lead us in this work.**

*Developed by PFLC and Luther Seminary in partnership with American Indian alumni, including Herb Wounded Head '04 and Marline Whiterabbit Helgemo '87.*

### CONFESSION

L: Let us confess together,

**C: Gracious and merciful God,**

**You see us and know us better than we know ourselves.**

**We try to live our lives as best we can.**

**We try to love our neighbor.**

**We try to be present in crisis.**

**We know that you want us to live and work for the glory of your kingdom.**

**Yet we confess that despite our best efforts we fall short.**

**We confess that we forget you.**

**We confess that we get frustrated, because on our own, we cannot save everyone,**

**we cannot change people's minds,**

**we cannot make the world safe and equal for everyone.**

**Still, we dream of the day when you let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.**

**Forgive us our sins, known and unknown, and calm our troubled hearts.**

L: Your most holy and gracious God wraps you in arms of forgiveness, to calm your troubled hearts, to lift your tired spirits, to empower you in your service. In the name of ✠ Jesus Christ, I proclaim to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins. Live and serve in the peace of your crucified and risen savior.

**C: Amen**

**OPENING HYMN**

*Let Streams of Living Justice*

William Whitla/Gustav Holst



1. Let streams of liv - ing jus - tice flow down up - on the earth;  
 2. For heal - ing of the na - tions, for peace that will not end;  
 3. Your ci - ty's built to mu - sic; we are the stones you seek;

give free - dom's light to cap - tives, let all the poor have worth.  
 for love that makes us lov - ers, God grant us grace to mend.  
 your har - mo - ny is lan - guage; we are the words you speak.

The hun - gry's hands are plead - ing, the work - ers claim their rights,  
 Weave our var - ied gifts to - geth - er; knit our lives as they are spun;  
 Our faith we find in ser - vice, our hope in oth - ers' dreams,

the mourn - ers long for laugh - ter, the blind - ed seek for sight.  
 on your loom of time en - roll us till our thread of life is run.  
 our love in hand of neigh - bor; our home - land bright - ly gleams.

Make lib - er - ty a bea - con, strike down the i - ron pow'r;  
 O great weav - er of our fab - ric, bind church and world in one;  
 In - scribe our hearts with jus - tice; your way-- the path un - tried;

a - bol - ish an - cient ven - geance: pro - claim your peo - ple's hour.  
 dye our tex - ture with your ra - diance, light our col - ors with your sun.  
 your truth-- the heart of strang - er; your life-- the Cru - ci - fied.


**APOSTOLIC GREETING**

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

**C: And also with you.**

**HYMN OF PRAISE**

Refrain Stomberg, Carlson and Donley



Let just-ice roll down like a might - y wa-ter, and right-eous-ness  
 grow like an ev - er-flow - ing stream, and mer - cy re - sound like the  
 waves on the o - cean; let prais-es rise high on the songs of the re -  
 deemed. There is a ri - ver that streams from the  
 tem-ple. Be - gins as a trick - le but ends in the sea. As it grows,  
 heal-ing it will give. Where it flows, ev-'ry-thing will live. *Refrain 2x*

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

L: Let us pray...

... In Jesus' name we pray. **C: Amen**

## GOD SPEAKS

## THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya. A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya. El Se - ñor re - su - ci - tó.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ is ris - en, ris'n in - deed.

## BIBLE READING

Jeremiah 36:1-8, 21-23, 27-31

In the fourth year of King Jehoiakim son of Josiah of Judah, this word came to Jeremiah from the LORD: <sup>2</sup> Take a scroll and write on it all the words that I have spoken to you against Israel and Judah and all the nations, from the day I spoke to you, from the days of Josiah until today. <sup>3</sup> It may be that, when the house of Judah hears of all the disasters that I intend to do to them, all of them may turn from their evil ways, so that I may forgive their iniquity and their sin.

<sup>4</sup> Then Jeremiah called Baruch son of Neriah, and Baruch wrote on a scroll at Jeremiah's dictation all the words that the LORD had spoken to him. <sup>5</sup> And Jeremiah ordered Baruch, saying, "I am prevented from entering the house of the LORD, <sup>6</sup> so you go, and on a fast day in the hearing of the people in the Lord's house you shall read the words of the LORD from the scroll that you have written at my dictation. You shall read them also in the hearing of all the people of Judah who come up from their towns. <sup>7</sup> It may be that their plea will come before the LORD and that all of them will turn from their evil ways, for great is the anger and wrath that the LORD has pronounced against this people." <sup>8</sup> And Baruch son of Neriah did all that the prophet Jeremiah ordered him about reading from the scroll the words of the LORD in the LORD's house.

<sup>21</sup> Then the king sent Jehudi to get the scroll, and he took it from the chamber of Elishama the secretary, and Jehudi read it in the hearing of the king and all the officials who stood beside the king. <sup>22</sup> Now the king was sitting in his winter apartment (it was the ninth month), and there was a fire

burning in the brazier before him. <sup>23</sup> As Jehudi read three or four columns, he would cut them off with a penknife and throw them into the fire in the brazier, until the entire scroll was consumed in the fire that was in the brazier.

<sup>27</sup> Now after the king had burned the scroll with the words that Baruch wrote at Jeremiah's dictation, the word of the LORD came to Jeremiah:

<sup>28</sup> Take another scroll and write on it all the former words that were in the first scroll, which King Jehoiakim of Judah has burned. <sup>29</sup> And concerning King Jehoiakim of Judah you shall say: Thus says the LORD, You have burned this scroll, saying, "Why have you written in it that the king of Babylon will certainly come and destroy this land and will cut off from it human beings and animals?" <sup>30</sup> Therefore thus says the LORD concerning King Jehoiakim of Judah: He shall have no one to sit upon the throne of David, and his dead body shall be cast out to the heat by day and the frost by night. <sup>31</sup> And I will punish him and his offspring and his servants for their iniquity; I will bring on them and on the inhabitants of Jerusalem and on the people of Judah all the disasters with which I have threatened them, but they would not listen.

**L:** Word of God for the people of God. **C: Thanks be to God.**

*[Related Reading: John 5:31-38; Reading for next week: Jeremiah 29:1, 4-14; John 16:7-15]*

## CHILDREN'S SERMON

### SERMON

### SILENCE FOR REFLECTION

*This time of silence is an opportunity to meditate on the Word of God as spoken in Scripture and sermon.*

### CONFESSION OF FAITH – APOSTLES' CREED

**L:** With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

**C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen**

**PRAYERS**

*After each portion of the prayers:*

L: God, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

*The prayers conclude:*

L: ... we lift these and the prayers of our hearts to your loving care.

**C: Amen**

**INVITATION TO FAITHFUL GENEROSITY** [Online giving portal](#) →

*Jesus said, "I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me...just as you did it to one of the least of these...you did it to me." ~Matthew 25:35-36, 40*



L: Your donations to PFLC support ministries that welcome the stranger all over the world, including Lutheran Community Services NW (check out their ministries at <https://lcsnw.org/our-impact/refugee-and-immigrant-services>), Reconciling Works (<https://www.reconcilingworks.org>), Global Refuge ([Globalrefuge.com](http://Globalrefuge.com), formerly Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service), and Eli's Place (<https://ywcakitsap.org/elis-place>), as well as help PFLC itself to be a space of welcome and a people who follow Jesus' call to love others without limits. During this music offering, please:

- Prayerfully consider how generous and welcoming you can be in this mission we share
- Fill out the Keeping in Touch form (QR code on the back of the bulletin or paper copy to add to your offering) as a symbol of offering of yourself to this mission. In the comment section, make a note of one thing you will do this week to welcome the stranger (learn about or help address the plight of refugees in this country, the situation of victims of abuse, the complexities of neurodivergence in the church, etc.)

**MUSIC OFFERING**

*Goodness of God*

Debbie Collier

B. Fielding, B. Johnson, E. Cash, J. Ingram, J. Johnson

**GATHERING OF OFFERINGS**

### **THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

L: Alleluia! God is with you!

**C: And also with you.**

L: Let us give thanks to our God.

**C: We give God thanks and praise.**

L: In the night in which he was betrayed, Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat: this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

### **LORD'S PRAYER**

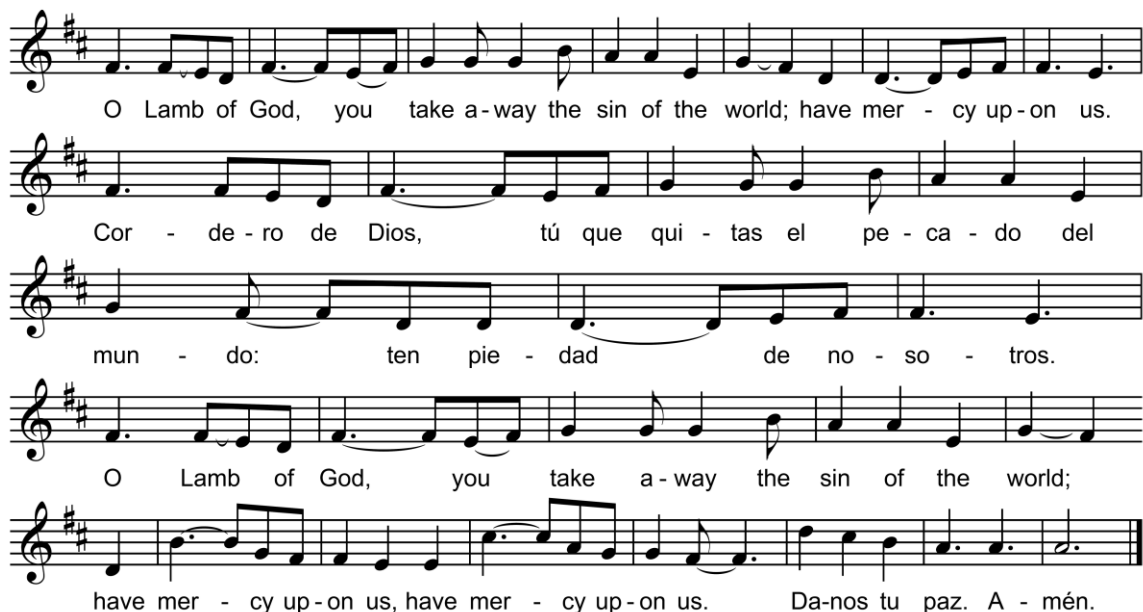
**C: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine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

### **THE DISTRIBUTION**

*We are all united as the Body of Christ in Holy Communion today. After we sing "Lamb of God" together, the online community will commune together. Please gather your communion elements now.*

*The onsite community will process forward during the communion hymn and receive communion by intinction.*





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

Cor - de - ro de Dios, tú que qui - tas el pe - ca - do del

mun - do: ten pie - dad de no - so - tros.

O Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world;

have mer - cy up-on us, have mer - cy up-on us. Da-nos tu paz. A - mén.

## THE ONLINE ASSEMBLY COMMUNES TOGETHER

L: The body of Christ, given for you. (*eat the bread*)

The blood of Christ, shed for you. (*drink the wine*)

## COMMUNION HYMN

### *We Come to the Hungry Feast*

Ray Makeever



1. We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry for a word of peace.

2. We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry for a world re - leased

3. We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry that the hun - ger cease,

To hun - gry hearts un - sat - is - fied the love of God is

from hun - gry folk of ev - 'ry kind, the poor in bod - y,

and know - ing, though we eat our fill, the hun - ger will stay

not de - nied. We come, we come to the hun - gry feast.

poor in mind. We come, we come to the hun - gry feast.

with us; still we come, we come to the hun - gry feast.

*When the congregation has been united in the meal, the pastor will say the table blessing:*

L: The body and blood of our Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

**C: Amen**

### **POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

L: O God, in this holy communion you have welcomed us into your presence, nourished us with words of mercy, and fed us at your table. Amid the cares of this life, strengthen us to love you with all our heart, serve our neighbors with a willing spirit, and honor the earth you have made; through Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen**

### *GOD SENDS*

### **BENEDICTION**

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

**C: Amen**

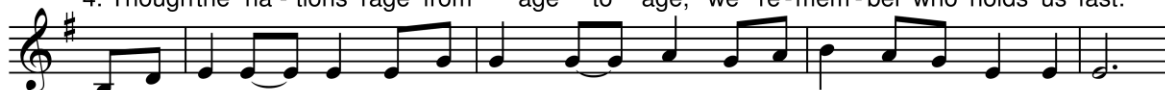
# SENDING HYMN

## *Canticle of the Turning*

Cooney/Irish traditional



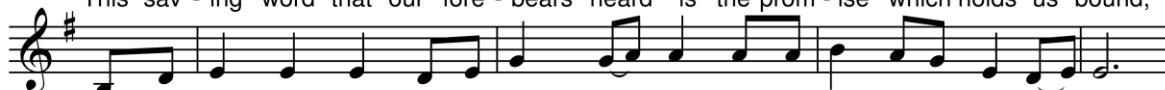
1. My soul cries out with a joy - ful shout that the God of my heart is great,
2. Though I am small, my God, my all, you work great things in me,
3. From the halls of pow'r to the for - tress tow'r, not a stone will be left on stone.
4. Though the na - tions rage from age to age, we re - mem - ber who holds us fast:



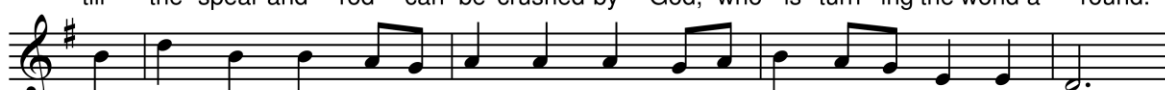
and my spir - it sings of the won - drous things that you bring to the ones who wait.  
and your mer - cy will last from the depths of the past to the end of the age to be.  
Let the king be - ware for your jus - tice tears ev - 'ry ty - rant from his throne.  
God's mer - cy must de - liv - er us from the con - quer - or's crush - ing grasp.



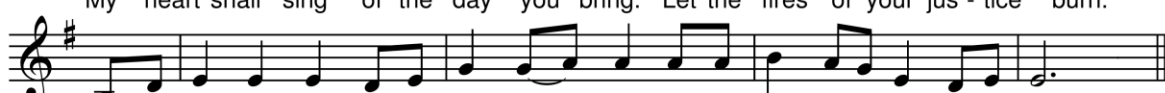
You fixed your sight on your ser - vant's plight, and my weak - ness you did not spurn,  
Your ver - y name puts the proud to shame, and to those who would for you yearn,  
The hun - gry poor shall weep no more, for the food they can nev - er earn;  
This sav - ing word that our fore - bears heard is the prom - ise which holds us bound,



so from east to west shall my name be blest. Could the world be a - bout to turn?  
you will show your might, put the strong to flight, for the world is a - bout to turn.  
there are ta - bles spread, ev - 'ry mouth be fed, for the world is a - bout to turn.  
till the spear and rod can be crushed by God, who is turn - ing the world a - round.



My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the fires of your jus - tice burn.



Wipe a - way all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is a - bout to turn.

## SENDING

L: You have been re-filled with God's Spirit in meal, in speech, in music, and in community. Go and live your baptismal calling:

Proclaim Christ through word and deed;  
serve all people and the world God made;  
strive for justice and peace in all the earth.

**C: We will, because we are people gathered and sent in the love of Christ!**

## SENDING MUSIC

### *Simple Gifts*

John Carter

## SERVING THE ASSEMBLY TODAY

<b>Worship Leader 9:00:</b>	Jessica Reiter (she/her)
<b>Worship Leader 10:30:</b>	Melinda Madamba (she/her)
<b>Preacher:</b>	Pastor Kent Shane (he/him)
<b>Accompanist:</b>	Miriam Haddon (she/her)
<b>Special Music:</b>	Debbie Collier (she/her)
<b>Streaming Technician:</b>	Emma Smith (she/her)
<b>Usher 9:00:</b>	Rick Gunderson
<b>Usher 10:30:</b>	Dan & Diane Lambert
<b>Acolyte 9:00:</b>	Marti Williamson (she/her)
<b>Acolyte 10:30:</b>	Eric Kerttula (he/him)

### VISION STATEMENT

*People gathered and sent in the love of Christ.*

### MISSION STATEMENT

*To build community – To share the love of Jesus.*

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