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Holy Spirit Lutheran Church

# September 28, 2025 - Pentecost 16

# Service of Holy Communion & Day for Truth & Reconciliation

Pastor: Rev. Liz Bell

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Ministers: Every member

Ushers: Brice & Amy Davidson

Council President: Karen Oko

Musician: Kathrvn Elford Video/Live Streaming: Anton Chell

Worship Host: Kathryn Elford

#### WELCOME

**GATHERING SONG** "Come and Gather" (TOL) ref, vs 1, ref, vs 3, ref

# CALL TO WORSHIP

The Spirit of God be with you.

And also with you.

Come, let us worship the Creator with hearts open to all peoples, where pride and prejudice once dwelt;

Let us worship Creator with minds open to the wisdom of Native peoples, where listening and respect once had no place. Let us honor the One who freely gives by showing honor to those who were once and still remain oppressed. Let us worship the God of diversity, who made the world in colors, in seasons, in endless variety; who created the diversity of the earth's peoples in God's own image.

We were created to honor one another and in so doing, we honor the Creator. Let us honor the Creator today, by reflecting in our worship and in life, the Creator's image -- love. Amen.

SONG 'Many Will Come' ACS 982 sing 2x

PRAYER TO THE FOUR DIRECTIONS **Come Holy Creator's Spirit, Come** 

GATHERING PRAYER

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#### CHILDREN'S TIME

**FIRST READING:** Amos 6:1a,4-7 (Inclusive Bible Version)

<sup>1</sup>Woe to you who live in luxury in Zion, and to you self-important people on the mountain of Samaria. <sup>4</sup>Lying on ivory beds and reclining on their couches, they dine on lambs from the flock, and young calves from the stalls. <sup>5</sup>They hum to the tune of the harp, and fancy themselves musicians like David. <sup>6</sup>They drink wine straight from the bottle, and anoint themselves with the finest oils. But they show no care for the ruin of Joseph! <sup>7</sup>That is why they will be the first to be exiled—they will recline no more at festive banquets!

Psalm 146 (Inclusive Bible Version)

<sup>1</sup>Alleluia! Praise Yhwh, my soul!

<sup>2</sup>I will praise you all my life;

I will sing praise to my God while I live!

<sup>3</sup>Do not trust in rulers, in mortals in whom there is no salvation.

<sup>4</sup>When their spirits depart, they return to the earth, and on that day their plans perish.

<sup>5</sup>Happy are those whose help is the God of Israel, whose hope is in Yhwh, their God,

<sup>6</sup>who made heaven and earth, the sea and all that is in it!

Yhwh, you keep faith forever:

<sup>7</sup>you secure justice for the oppressed;

you give food to the hungry; you set captives free;

<sup>8</sup>you give sight to the blind; you raise up those who were bowed down; you love those who do justice;

<sup>9</sup>you protect strangers; you sustain orphans and the bereaved—but you thwart the way of the corrupt.

<sup>10</sup>Yhwh will reign forever—your God, Zion!—through all generations. Alleluia!

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (TOL)** 

# **GOSPEL:** Luke 16:19-31 (Inclusive Bible Version)

<sup>19</sup>"Once there was a rich person who dressed in purple and linen and feasted splendidly every day. <sup>20</sup>At the gate of this person's estate lay a beggar named Lazarus, who was covered with sores. <sup>21</sup>Lazarus longed to eat the scraps that fell from the rich person's table, and even the dogs came and licked Lazarus' sores. <sup>22</sup>One day poor Lazarus died and was carried by the angels to the arms of Sarah and Abraham. The rich person likewise died and was buried. <sup>23</sup>In Hades, in torment, the rich person looked up and saw Sarah and Abraham in the distance, and Lazarus resting in their company. <sup>24</sup>" 'Sarah and Abraham,' the rich person cried, 'have pity on me! Send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool off my tongue, for I am tortured by these flames!' <sup>25</sup>But they said, 'My child, remember that you were well off in your lifetime, while Lazarus was in misery. Now Lazarus has found consolation here, and you have

found torment. <sup>26</sup>But that's not all. Between you and us there is a fixed chasm, so that those who might wish to come to you from here can't do so, nor can anyone cross from your side to us.' <sup>27</sup>"The rich person said, 'I beg you, then, to send Lazarus to my own house <sup>28</sup>where I have five siblings. Let Lazarus be a warning to them, so that they may not end in this place of torment.' <sup>29</sup>But Sarah and Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets. Let your siblings hear them.' <sup>30</sup>'Please, I beg you,' the rich person said, 'if someone would only go to them from the dead, then they would repent.' <sup>31</sup>'If they don't listen to Moses and the prophets,' Sarah and Abraham replied, 'they won't be convinced even if someone should rise from the dead!' "

#### **SERMON**

**SONG OF THE DAY** 'We Are Called' (ELW 720)

**STATEMENT OF FAITH** (From the ELCIA Indigenous People's Worship)

We believe in Creator, Father-Mother Spirit,

who called the world and all that is in it, into being,

who spoke the creative-forming word,

and all came forth who created women and men and set them free to live in love, in obedience to the will of supreme love and in community with all.

We believe in Creator, Son and Brother, who,

because of love beyond our understanding,

love for creation, entered the world to share our humanity, to rejoice and to despair; to set before us the paths of life and death, and walk them with us;

to be rejected and die, but finally to conquer death

and bind the world to himself for all time.

We believe in Creator, In-Dwelling Spirit, who invites us into community, that we may through faith and that community of oneness, experience uplifting and sustaining grace;

that we may fulfill our human responsibility to reach out to our neighbor, whoever that may be; that we may rejoice in the constant nature of creation and the wondrous joy of life itself.

We believe in Creator, whose word teaches us that all things grow together, the Circle of Life; that the paths of life and death, good and evil, too often come together, that choices are not clearly defined; but that we confidently and responsibly tread the path we choose and only the true One can be our judge.

We believe in Creator, who is present and working in this world through all creation. Amen.

#### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

In our prayers: Cody M, Susan K, Pr. Richard R, Dana R, Tom d, Gertie B, Pr. Erin T, Carl C, David J, and those we hold dear in our hearts.

# **PEACE**

As a community let us embrace the ongoing work of being reconciled.

God makes peace within us. Let us claim it. God makes peace between us. Let us share it.

Let us greet each other as a sign of god's peace, love, forgiveness and grace.

The peace of our creator be with you in all things.

We give thanks to our creator.

You are invited to share peace with your neighbor.

**OFFERTORY** "Come Let Us Bring" (TOL) vs 2,3

**OFFERING PRAYER** 

**GREAT THANKSGIVING (TOL)** 

PREFACE OPENING (TOL

**SUNDAYS AFTER PENTECOST II** (TOL)

**HOLY, HOLY (TOL)** 

**EUCHARISTIC PRAYER - Spoken** 

LORD'S PRAYER (Written by Hattie Corbett Enos -Nez Perce Elder)

Oh Great Spirit, you are our Shepherd Chief, in the most high place whose home is everywhere, even beyond the stars and the moon.

Whatever you want done, let it be done everywhere.

Give us your gift of bread day by day.

Forgive our wrongs as we forgive those who wrong us.

Take us away from wrongdoings.

Free us from all evil, for everything belongs to you.

Let your power and glory shine forever. Amen

# INVITATION TO COMMUNION

#### **COMUNION SONGS**

'Lamb of God' (TOL)

'Be Thou My Vision' ELW 793, WOV 776

'You Satisfy the Hungry Heart' ELW 484, WOV 711 ref vs1, ref vs2, ref vs 3

'All Thigs Bright and Beautiful' WOV 767

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**BLESSING** 

**COMMUNITY LIFE** 

**SENDING SONG** 'Canticle of the Turning' (ELW 723) vs 1,2

**DISMISSAL** 

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