4TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 6, 2025 - 9:00 am





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"Preach. Teach. Reach."

Prelude

WELCOME

Please rise.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

- P In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

- P 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 the abundant life you offer. 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. Amen.
- P 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.
- C Amen.



GATHERING SONG

My God, How Wonderful Thou Art



- 1 My God, how won-der ful thou art, thy maj-es-ty how bright!
- 2 How won der ful, how beau ti ful the sight of thee must be—
- 3 No earth-ly fa-ther loves like thee; no moth-er, e'er so mild,
- 4 Yet I may love thee too, O Lord, al might-y as thou art,
- 5 My God, how won-der ful thou art, thou ev er last ing friend!



How beau - ti - ful thy mer - cy seat in depths of burn-ing light! thine end-less wis - dom, bound-less pow'r, and awe-some pu - ri - ty! bears and for - bears thou hast done with me, thy sin - ful child. as thou hast stooped to ask of me the love of my poor heart. On thee I stay my trust - ing heart till faith in vi - sion end.

Text: Frederick W. Faber, 1814–1863 Music: DUNDEE, *Psalter*, Edinburgh, 1615

GREETING

- P 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.

Prayer of the Day

O God, the Father of our Lord Jesus, you are the city that shelters us, the mother who comforts us. With your Spirit accompany us on our life's journey, that we may spread your peace in all the world, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Please be seated.

First Reading Isaiah 66:10-14

Those who returned from the exile found that the hopes for the glorious restoration of Judah were not completely fulfilled. For these disappointed people, the prophet envisions salvation in the image of a nursing woman. Mother Jerusalem and a mothering God remind the community how they are sustained and supported.

- R logorith Jerusalem, and be glad for her, all you who love her; rejoice with her in joy, all you who mourn over her—11 that you may nurse and be satisfied from her consoling breast; that you may drink deeply with delight from her glorious bosom. 12 For thus says the LORD: I will extend prosperity to her like a river, and the wealth of the nations like an overflowing stream; and you shall nurse and be carried on her arm, and dandled on her knees. 13 As a mother comforts her child, so I will comfort you; you shall be comforted in Jerusalem. 14 You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice; your bodies shall flourish like the grass; and it shall be known that the hand of the LORD is with his servants, and his indignation is against his enemies.
- R The word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Psalm 66:1-9

- R ¹ Be joyful in God, all you lands; be joyful, all the earth.
- C ² Sing the glory of God's name; sing the glory of God's praise.
- R ³ Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds! Because of your great strength your enemies cringe before you.
- C ⁴ All the earth bows down before you, sings to you, sings out your name."
- R ⁵Come now and see the works of God, how awesome are God's deeds toward all people.
- C ⁶ God turned the sea into dry land, so that they went through the water on foot, and there we rejoiced in God.
- R ⁷ Ruling forever in might, God keeps watch over the nations; let no rebels exalt themselves.
- C ⁸ Bless our God, you peoples; let the sound of praise be heard.
- R ⁹ Our God has kept us among the living and has not allowed our feet to slip.

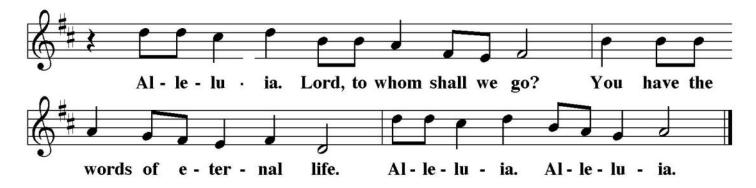
Second Reading Galatians 6:1-16

In the close of his letter to the Galatians, Paul encourages them to live as people made right with God through faith in Jesus Christ. Here Paul offers practical advice about how believers exercise common concern for one other in "the family of faith."

- R ¹ My friends, if anyone is detected in a transgression, you who have received the Spirit should restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness. Take care that you yourselves are not tempted. ²Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. ³ For if those who are nothing think they are something, they deceive themselves. ⁴ All must test their own work; then that work, rather than their neighbor's work, will become a cause for pride. ⁵ For all must carry their own loads. ⁶ Those who are taught the word must share in all good things with their teacher. ⁷ Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. 8 If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh; but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up. ¹⁰ So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith. 11 See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand! ¹² It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that try to compel you to be circumcised—only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. ¹³ Even the circumcised do not themselves obey the law, but they want you to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh. ¹⁴ May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. ¹⁵ For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything! ¹⁶ As for those who will follow this rule—peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.
- R The word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Please rise.

GOSPEL VERSE



- P The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 10th chapter.
- C Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus commissions harvesters and laborers to go where he would go and do what he would do. Risking hardship and danger in exchange for the experience of great joy, they offer peace and healing as signs that the reign of God is near.

- After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. ² He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. ³ Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. ⁴ Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. ⁵ Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!' And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. ⁷ Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; 9 cure the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' 10 But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, 11 'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near." ¹⁶ "Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me." ¹⁷ The seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!" ¹⁸ He said to them, "I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. ¹⁹ See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. ²⁰ Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."
- P The Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

SERMON

Pastor Bryan Lagerstam

Please rise.



HYMN OF THE DAY

God's Work, Our Hands



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THE CREED

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He 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, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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 OF INTERCESSION

P 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.

R You send your church into the world with a message of peace. Center the whole church in this peace, and strengthen our faith by the example of all those who creatively and faithfully proclaim your good news. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

R All the earth sings out your name. Inspire your people to drink deeply from the beauty of all your creation. When ecosystems are wounded, bring your healing. When our actions endanger the survival of other species, curb our greed and waste. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

R You call us to work for the good of all. Give resolve to those who lead, that they do not grow weary in doing what is right. Guide them to seek peace between nations and freedom for all people. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

R Your harvest is plentiful, O God. Make us laborers and companions with one another in this assembly. Send your peace to rest upon us, heal divisions among us, and open our hearts to receive one another as gifts from you. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

P As a mother comforts her child, so you comfort us. Bring this comfort to those in any pain especially Lisa Thompson, Mark Gehrke, Marie McCoy, Tim Lothe, Bill Schmidt, Pat McCallum, Mary Brantmeyer, Dennis Steward, Brittany Miller, Kim Sprecher, Dwayne Schultz, Chris McFarlin, Paul F., Diane Wendt, and all those we name upon our lips or in our hearts. Carry your people when grief is heavy, and lift burdens of shame and self-doubt. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

- P You have written our names in heaven, O God, and we rejoice. We thank you for those who have lived and died in your love. Accompany us on our life's journey and draw us at last to life forever in you. God of grace,
- C hear our prayer.
- P Gather all our prayers in your mercy, O God, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.
- C Amen.

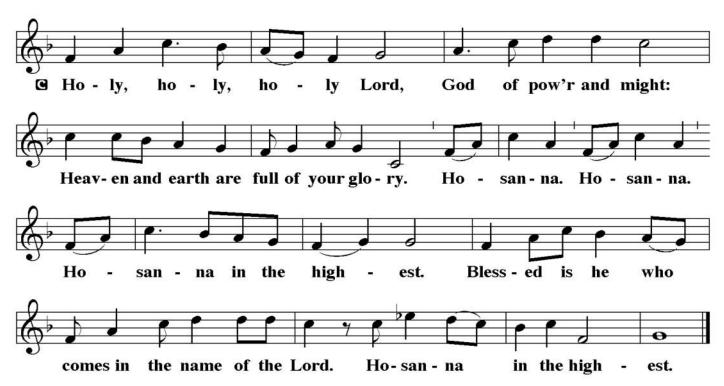
SHARING OF THE PEACE

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C And also with you. (Greet one another with God's peace.)

Please rise.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- C We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C It is right to give him thanks and praise.
- P It is indeed right, our duty, ...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

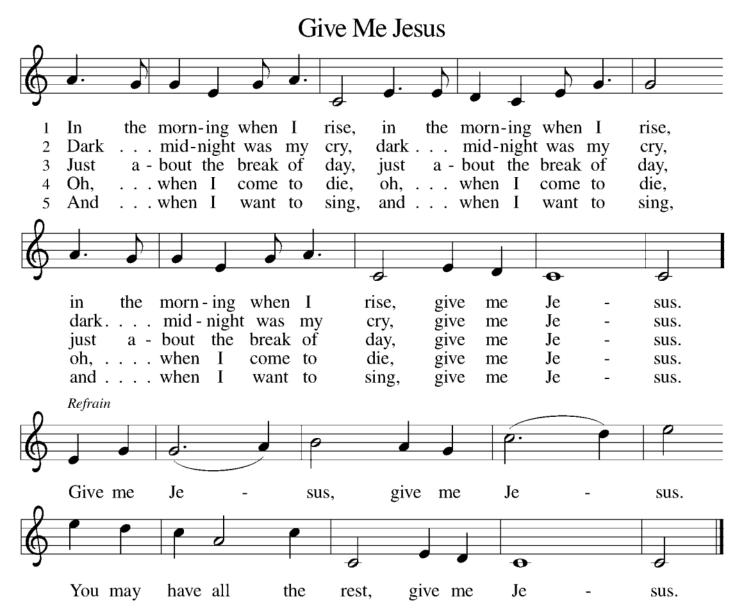


THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

Please he seated.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION & HYMNS



Text: African American spiritual Music: GIVE ME JESUS, African American spiritual

COMMUNION BLESSING

- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
- C Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

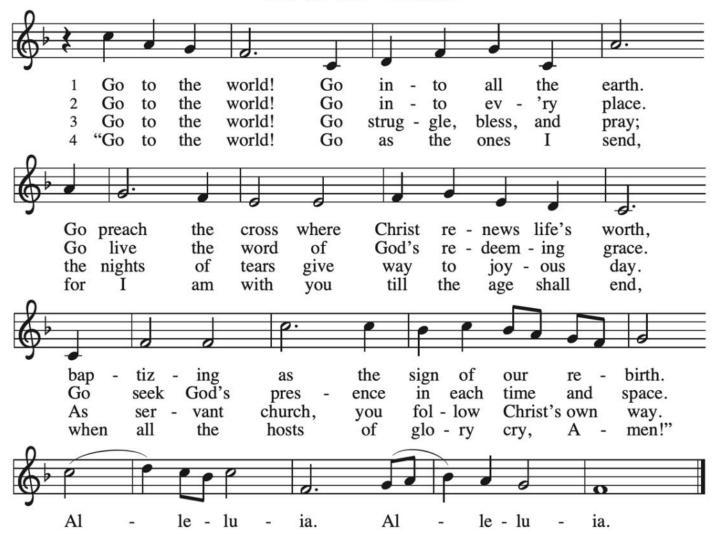
- P Mothering God, you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace. Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus' name.
- C Amen.

BLESSING

- P The love of God abound in you; the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts; and the life of the Spirit + bless you and give you peace.
- C Amen.







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Please be seated.

Announcements

DISMISSAL

- P Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.
- C Thanks be to God.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

IF YOU ARE VISITING TODAY: Thank you for joining us at Burke for worship and fellowship! Please sign a card in the pew and/or the visitor book in the narthex.

Invitation to the Lord's Table

We teach that Jesus is truly present in the bread and the wine. All are invited to the table to share God's grace. Grape juice is available in the center of the tray for those who desire it, as well as gluten-free wafers.

Please fill out a communion card and place it in the offering plate if you are communing today.

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PRAYERS & CARES

A Nursery (Youth Room) for children under six is located down the hallway near the church offices. Activity bags are available in the Narthex for children at worship.

Our Prayer List: Contact the church office with prayer concerns. Unless otherwise advised, names remain on our list for two weeks.

Lisa Thompson Mark Gehrke
Marie McCoy Tim Lothe
Mary Brantmeyer Pat McCallum
Dennis Steward Brittany Miller
Kim Sprecher Bill Schmidt
Dwayne Schultz Chris McFarlin

Paul F.

Congregational Opportunities

QUILTING: Every 1st, 3rd, & 5th Wednesday at 9:00am for June, July, and August.

BAND PRACTICE: Will be on hiatus for the summer. **BIBLE STUDY:** Will be on hiatus for the summer.

JAM: Will be on hiatus for the summer.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bulletin Announcements: Bulletin deadline is noon on Tuesdays. Send them to burkelutheran@att.net or drop them off at the office.

Hospitalized?: Please let the hospital staff know you are a member of Burke Lutheran Church so we are notified.

Last week, a friend of the congregation died unexpectedly. Andy Benson helped with the remodeling of the sanctuary following the move, carving the fourth pillar in the front himself and refused to accept payment for his work.

As a congregation, we would like to send a financial gift to Andy's widow. Any donations can be made out to the church and noted as a memorial for Andy Benson. These will be collected over the next few weeks, with the goal of sending our condolences on August 1.

CALL TO ACTION

July Food Pantry Focus: July focus is: "Fruits," such as canned fruit, fruit leather, juice boxes, etc. Please place your non-perishable goods in the 'Donations' basket in the entryway and it will be delivered to the pantry.

Birthday Bags for River Food Pantry.

List of contents and bags are located in the entryway.

Light of Life & Sunday Bulletin Articles

If you have news you'd like to see in the Sunday bulletin announcements and/or Light of Life newsletter:

- 1. Email your submissions to burkelutheran@att.net (please indicate in the subject line whether it is for the bulletin, LOL or both), or
- 2. Mail to church, 5720 Portage Rd, Madison, WI 53718, or
- 3. Turn it into the church office.

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Noon on Tuesdays LIGHT OF LIFE DEADLINE: 20th of the month

THIS WEEK AT BURKE

Tuesday, July 8		Council Meeting, 6:30pm
Wednesday, July 9	Men's Breakfast, 9:00am	
Sunday, July 13	Worship, 9:00am	

WORSHIP LEADERS

	July 6 - 9:00am Service	July 13 - 9:00am Service	
Organist/Pianist	Gloria Lundquist	Susie Kittel Moore	
Music Leaders	Chris Grefe Dave Wisner	Chris Grefe Dave Wisner	
Communion Assistant	Jean Schnick	Sharon Hughes	
Communion Prep	Jean Schnick	Jeannette Gehrke	
Lay Reader	Jean Schnick	Tim Wachs	
Usher Team	Bob Lenzendorf David Hanson	Steve & Donna Frederick	
Coffee Hour	Donuts	Donuts	
Counters	Gloria Lundquist Rose Haney	Gloria Lundquist Deb Brown	

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

Sunday 9:00am	Total	33
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