

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 19, 2026

WE ACKNOWLEDGE THAT WE LIVE AND WORSHIP ON THE UNCEDED TRADITIONAL TERRITORY OF THE KWIKWETLEM FIRST NATION, WHICH LIES WITHIN THE SHARED TERRITORIES OF THE TSLEIL-WAUTUTH, KATZIE, MUSQUEAM, SQUAMISH AND STÓ:LŌ NATIONS. WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR THE PEOPLE WHO HAVE CARED FOR THIS LAND SINCE TIME IMMEMORIAL AS WE SEEK TO JOURNEY TOWARDS A MEANINGFUL RECONCILIATION.

Liturgy: ELW Setting 10

Gathering

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God

Welcome & Announcements & Land Acknowledgement

Confession and Forgiveness

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God,
whose compassion endures forever.

C: **Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin to God.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Compassionate God,

C: **we confess to you all our sins.**

We feel the burdens of life,

**and so turn to things for relief that leave us feeling ashamed
and even more burdened.**

We justify our failure to love our neighbours

by telling ourselves someone else will care.

We are full of good intentions around deepening our faith

**but always find other things to do
instead of giving you our time.**

In all these ways and more we are trapped in sin

and cannot free ourselves.

Please, in your mercy, call us back to you.

Give us a vision of what life can be

in loving relationship with you, each other, and all creation.

Forgive us, renew us, and lead us by your Holy Spirit

to walk in your ways

and find our peace in you.

In Christ's name we pray,

Amen.

P: Jesus says, "Come to me,
all you who are weary
and are carrying heavy burdens,
and I will give you rest."

In the name of God,

Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit,

your sins are forgiven.
Rest in God's love.

C: Amen.

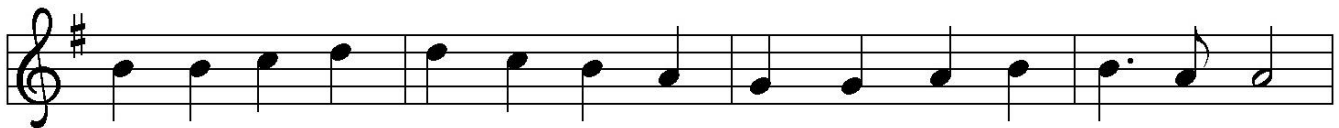
Gathering Song ELW # 556 – Morning Has Broken

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.

Canticle of Praise – Glory to God in Heaven



1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:
Son of God and gra - cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;
Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.
Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.
For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

Prayer of the Day

Word

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song

Children's Time

There are no other gods besides God: the word of the Lord does not fail to come to pass. We can trust in God, through whom Israel—and we—are redeemed.

Psalm 86:11-17

C: Refrain

Second Reading: Romans 8:12-25

For Paul, true spirituality means that we experience the reality of the Spirit, which enables us to pray as God's children, keeps us in solidarity with creation, and gives us unseen hope that God will liberate us and creation from bondage to death and decay.

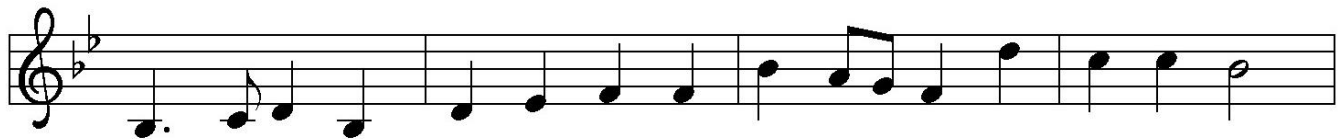
So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh— for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, 'Abba! Father!' it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labour pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

P: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Verse



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav-ing word.



Let it burn like fire with-in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

P: The holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 13th chapter.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Gospel Text: Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

Jesus tells a parable about the coexistence of good and evil in this world. God's judgment will remove all evildoers and causes of sin, but not until the end of human history.

[Jesus] put before them another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, "Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then,

did these weeds come from?" He answered, "An enemy has done this." The slaves said to him, "Then do you want us to go and gather them?" But he replied, "No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn."

Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, 'Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.' He answered, 'The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!'

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Hymn of the Day A Farmer In a Field (Tune # 717 – Let Justice Flow like Streams)

A farmer in a field sowed good and healthy seeds.
But in the cover of the night, somebody planted weeds.

The wheat grew tall and strong, but thistles flourished, too.
The workers saw the mix of them and wondered what to do.

The farmer wisely said, "They'll grow as one today,
But when we harvest all the wheat, we'll throw the weeds away."

O Lord, we want to know why evil prospers here —
Why, next to love and justice, grow such hatred, pride and fear.

God, may we humbly see the harvest still is yours;
And one day we'll be blessed to find that love is what endures.

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Apostle's Creed

**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 of Intercession

*After each petition, the pastor will say "God of grace" and the congregation will respond "**hear our prayer.**"*

Sharing of the Peace

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**

All are invited to share a sign of peace with those around them, as we recognize the image of God in each other.

Meal

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ

Offering and Offering Prayer

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 our thanks and praise.**

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,

The pastor continues, concluding...

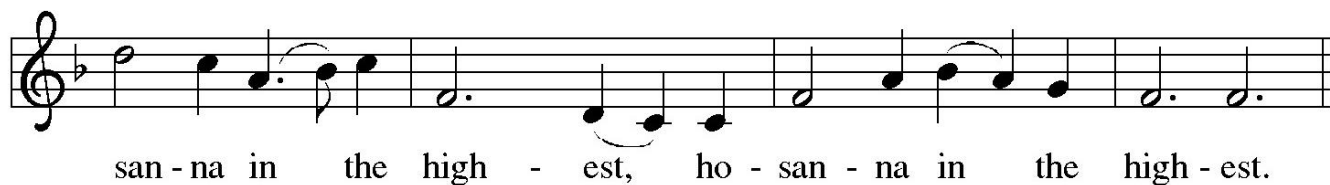
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,

heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -



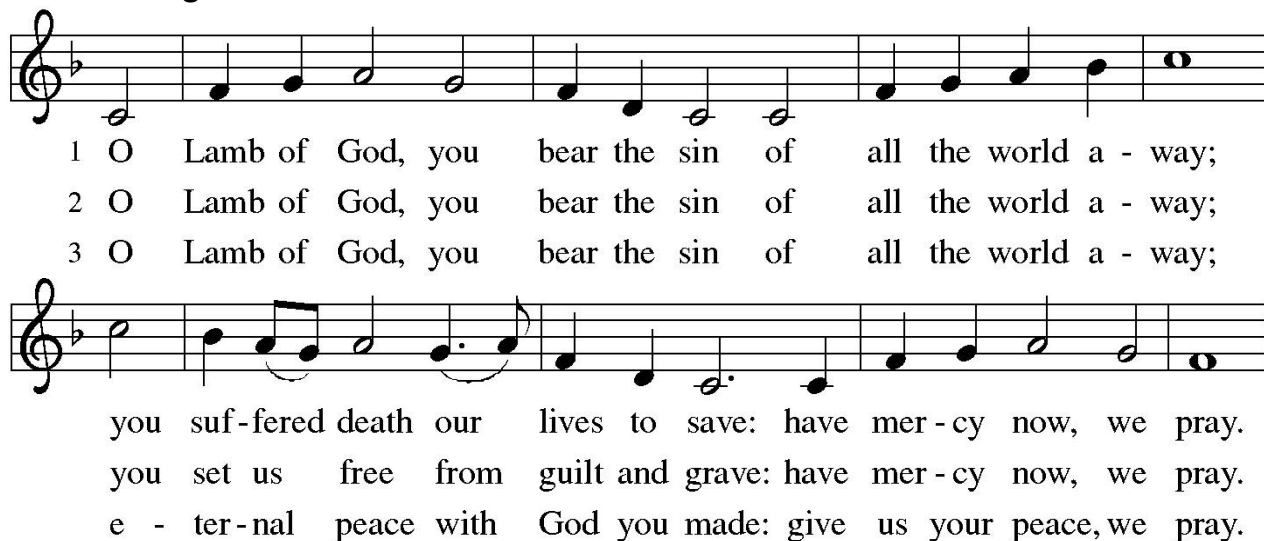
Thanksgiving at the Table

The Lord's Prayer

C: Our Father in heaven,
 hallowed be your name,
 your kingdom come,
 your will be done,
 on earth as in heaven.
 Give us today our daily bread.
 Forgive us our sins
 as we forgive those
 who sin against us.
 Save us from the time of trial
 and deliver us from evil.
 For the kingdom, the power,
 and the glory are yours,
 now and forever. Amen.

Invitation to Communion

Communion Song – O Lamb of God



Communion is distributed

Directions for Communion: All are invited to this meal of grace, including children. At the Usher's direction, you are invited to advance to the communion rail through the centre aisle, commune in groups, and exit back to your pews through the window aisles, depositing your used wine/juice vessel in the repository tray at the head of each window aisle. Wine is located in the two outer rings of the tray and the grape juice in the centre. We also have a gluten-free option for bread, and the common cup for wine. Please note your preference at the time of serving. If you would prefer to receive communion in your pew once all have come forward, please raise your hand and the servers will come to you.

Songs Sung During Communion:

ELW # 679 – For the Fruit of All Creation

WOV # 795 – Oh, Sing to the Lord

ELW # 479 – We Come To The Hungry Feast

ACS # 978 – God Welcomes All (Chant)

Communion Blessing and Prayer After Communion

Sending

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world

Sending Blessing

P: Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer,
✠ one God,
bless, heal, and hold you today and always.

C: **Amen**

Sending Hymn ACS # 975 - O God, Whose Word Well-Planted

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

July 19, 2026

(To open hyperlinks, try right-clicking your mouse while on the link and select *Open Hyperlink or Control-Click*)

Flowers are placed on the altar in gratefulness for God's merciful promise that those who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. May the good works of justice, love and mercy go forth from us in to a needy world.

Thank you!: We extend our thanks to Pastor Marlys Moen who is leading us in worship today.

Pastor Eric away until August 3: Pastor Eric is currently away on holidays. Please contact the office should a pastoral need arise during his absence.

Summer Foodbank Drive: Please don't forget Foodbank Donations over the summer. Food insecurity doesn't stop because of summer holidays. Please check out the items NEEDED, on the sign in the Narthex. (where the bin is) Donations will be delivered to the SHARE Food Bank periodically over the summer. Thankyou for your continued generosity.
~ From Your Outreach Team

Emergency Appeal for Venezuela: The Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada joins with partners around the world in prayer and support following the earthquakes that struck Venezuela on Wednesday, June 24. Through its partnership with Canadian Lutheran World Relief (CLWR), the ELCIC is encouraging members to accompany those affected through prayer and support. To read the full news article and to know how to make a donation, please click here.

Our Next Big Community Event!: Plans are taking shape for our next big fall community celebration. It will be a music festival on our parking lot featuring folk, jazz and rock music acts. There will be free food and ice cream, kids activities, contributions from the Kwikwetlem First Nation and some quieter indoor activities. We are looking for volunteers to help out with various tasks, and you can sign up on the sign-up sheet on the Ushers Table. As well, please see the poster that follows and plan to attend.

Favourite Hymn Sing: As is our usual practice over the summer months, we gather ten minutes before the service starts (at 10:20 am) to sing a couple of our favourite hymns before our regular service begins. The songs sung are selected by those attending, so come early and nominate your favourite hymn!

Vacation Bible School 2026: Plans are well underway for VBS Summer 2026. It will be held at our church **August 24-28, 9:00-12:00**, hosted by Saint Laurence and Good Shepherd Lutheran. VBS is for kids ages 4-11 and this year's program "Rainforest Falls – Exploring the Nature of God " is filled with learning and fun through games, crafts, storytelling, science experiments and music. See the poster that follows for all the details and to register you can click here. If you would like to help out in any way, please contact Amy MacLeod our VBS co-coordinator, or Pastor Eric.

Campfire in the City: You are invited to come and join us at Dunbar Lutheran's garden (3491 West 31st Ave) for evenings of family-friendly campfire fun – songs, stories, and s'mores. Stop by for the evening, or just for a while. Bring a lawn chair if you have one – if not, we'll find a seat for you. Light drizzle won't stop us, but in case of heavy rain, the event will be cancelled. We gather once a month on **Friday evenings, next on August 14th**, then on **September 11th, 7:30 pm – 9 pm**. See the poster that follows for all the details.

Youth Camp: BC Synod is hosting a Youth Camp later this year from **August 10-14** at Loon Lake Lodge in Maple Ridge. It is open to all youth ages 11 to 18. If you are interested in helping in any capacity with this event, please contact the synod office at bcsynod@elcic.ca.

Seeking Accommodation: Yvon Malenfant and Michelle Ryu are seeking temporary housing. If you have any, or know of any, please let them know. Yvon writes:

We are looking for temporary housing for the interim. 1 bedroom with a bathroom would be great! Something not too expensive. Let us know if you have anything. Thank you for your kind consideration.

Yvon & Michelle: 778-862-5240 Y / 778-863-5240 M

'Every Square Foot Counts' – Educational Opportunities for Congregations:

- This month's blog post is "**What the Quiet Season Is Asking of Us**" which invites congregations to reflect on how their buildings and land they sit on are seen and understood by their neighbourhoods. Read the full blog [here](#).

ignYte Return it Express Account: You're invited to support our ignYte Youth Ministry with your recyclables. See the instructions on the bulletin board.



GREATER CHURCH NEWS

- **Synod Council Highlights:** Our BC Synod council (which Pastor Eric chairs) publishes highlights of each of its meetings. You can access highlights of its last meeting [here](#).
- **Ministry with the Sick and Dying in the Context of MAID:** You may be interested in the ELCIC's 2019 *Call to Faithfully Journey with the Dying* and/or the Anglican Church of Canada's [liturgical prayer resource](#) in the context of Medically Assisted Dying.
- **ELCJHL Update on Natalie Abudayyeh:** Read the full letter [here](#).

JUSTICE UPDATES

- **New Resource on Responding to Christian Nationalism:** A new resource titled *Kingdom Over Nation* created by [Churches Together in England \(CTE\)](#), offers timely guidance for navigating conversations around Christian Nationalism. Rooted in ecumenical collaboration, *Kingdom Over Nation* invites Christians to consider what shapes their vision of the world and to place God's Kingdom above national identity. Get this resource when you [click here](#). To read more about the creation of this resource, check out the [interview](#) by the World Council of Churches. This resource is a thoughtfully developed collection of theological and pastoral materials designed to support reflection on faith, identity, and discipleship in today's cultural context.
- **Canada is Better and Stronger with Refugees and Migrants:** Ask your MP to join us and so many others in supporting and celebrating the ways in which welcoming refugees enriches our community. Please join our call to protect Canada's legacy as a welcoming country by [writing a letter to your MP](#) and sharing this call to action in your networks.
- **Apply for the "Faith and Genetics" Training Program:** An 11-week "Faith and Genetics" course jointly offered from September to December by the World Council of Churches (WCC) and Christian Medical College will share and discuss ethical concerns to ensure that progress in genetics serves humanity holistically and builds public trust. For more information and to apply for this course, please [click here](#).

A gentle reminder that in consideration of those who have severe sensitivities and allergies, the church has been designated a fragrance-free zone. Your understanding and cooperation is greatly appreciated.

This Week At Church (Note 1)

This Sunday *Favourite Hymn Sing* at 10:20 am
Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time worship service with Holy Communion
at 10:30 am with Pastor Marlys Moen presiding.

Wednesday Prayer Gathering at 1:30 pm

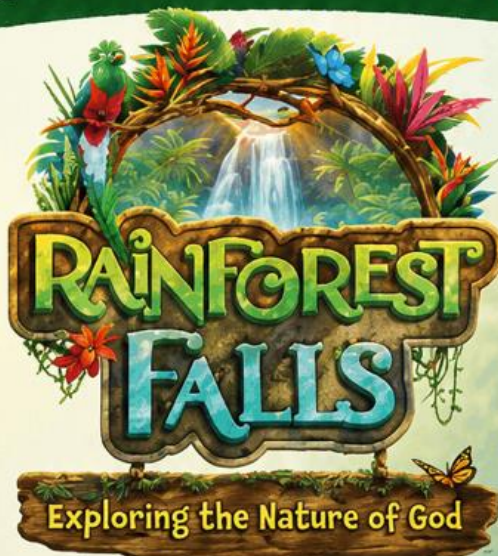
Next Sunday *Favourite Hymn Sing* at 10:20 am
Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time worship service at 10:30 am with
Mogens Hansen presiding. (view live-stream [here](#))

Note: Most events are in-person events except those noted “on Zoom” or “Online”. The links to these online events are accessible through our website [here](#). Our Sunday morning worship service is offered in-person, live-streamed and via on-line recording posted to our website shortly after the service is over, unless otherwise noted.

Last Week at Church

Bob and Linda are currently away so weekly reporting of financial data will be delayed in Bob's absence, and provided upon his return.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL THIS SUMMER!



AUGUST 24-28
9AM - 12PM



GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH
Corner of Schoolhouse St. & Sprice Ave.



KIDS AGES 4-11



**BIBLE STORIES, CRAFTS,
SCIENCE & GAMES!**

**SCAN TO
REGISTER!**



**FUN, FAITH &
FRIENDS!**



MUSIC IN THE

PARK(ING LOT)

FEATURING

ROCK - Gift Shop - The Ultimate Tribute to the Tragically Hip

FOLK - Yvon Malenfant & Friends

JAZZ - The Nikolaj Hansen Quartet

DETAILS



12:00 - 4:00 PM Sept 12



1504 Spruce Ave, Coquitlam

FREE Admission

Food, Kids activities,
kwikwəłəm First Nation,
and much more.

(please bring your lawn chair)

More Info:





Come join us for

Campfire *in the City*

Summer Fridays 7:30 – 9 pm

June 12

August 14

July 10

September 11

Songs, stories, and s'mores

Bring a lawn chair if you have one

Dunbar Lutheran Church garden
3491 West 31st Avenue
dunbarlutheran.ca

Welcome to Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

We welcome you to worship today. It is our prayer that you sense the joy that is present in Jesus Christ. God loves and values each of you without conditions attached. We bring our joys and needs before God, trusting in God's presence.

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General Office Hours				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
10:00 – 2:00	10:00 – 2:00	10:00 – 2:00	10:00 – 2:00	10:00 – 2:00

We always recommend phoning before stopping by.



Good Shepherd
Website

