

Welcome to
Holy Trinity Episcopal Church



9th Sunday after Pentecost
July 26th, 2026

Holy Trinity Episcopal Church

A Total Ministry Congregation

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Our Mission: To seek, know, love and serve
Christ in all persons and all Creation.

Ministers: All the Baptized
Celebrant: The Rev. Dr. Samantha Crossley
Deacon: Venerable Archdeacon Lee Grim

Readers: Georgeann Wright
Music: Jeannie Strand & Gavia Yount

Bishop of Minnesota: The Rt. Rev. Craig Loya

Watch Holy Trinity Livestream on Facebook
Sundays: 10:00 am
Services can also be viewed on KCC-TV

Gather Us In



1. Here in this place new light is stream - ing,
2. We are the young— our lives are a mys - t'ry,
3. Here we will take the wine and the wa - ter,
4. Not in the dark of build - ings con - fin - ing,



Now is the dark - ness van - ished a - way,
 We are the old— who yearn for your face,
 Here we will take the bread of new birth,
 Not in some heav - en, light - years a - way, But



See in this space our fears and our dream - ings,
 We have been sung through - out all of his - t'ry,
 Here you shall call your sons and your daugh - ters,
 here in this place the new light is shin - ing,



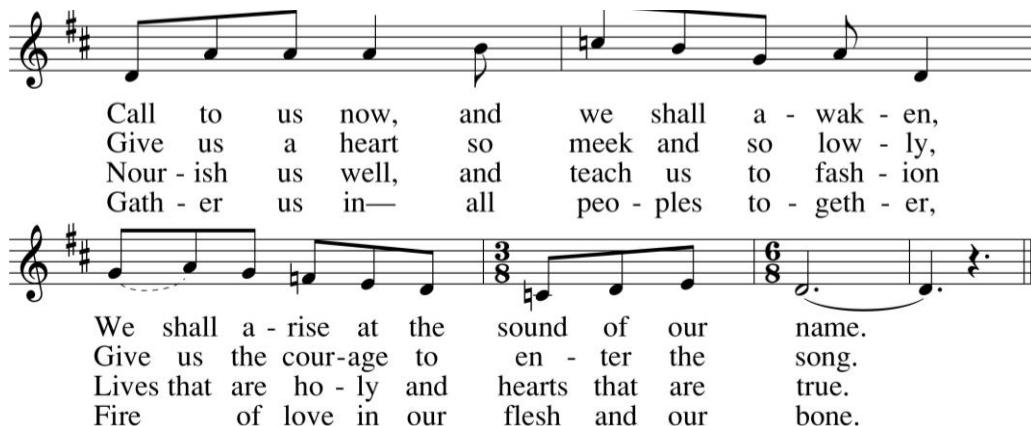
Brought here to you in the light of this day.
 Called to be light to the whole hu - man race.
 Call us a - new to be salt for the earth.
 Now is the King - dom, now is the day.



Gath - er us in— the lost and for - sak - en,
 Gath - er us in— the rich and the haugh - ty,
 Give us to drink the wine of com - pas - sion,
 Gath - er us in and hold us for ev - er,



Gath - er us in— the blind and the lame;
 Gath - er us in— the proud and the strong;
 Give us to eat the bread that is you;
 Gath - er us in and make us your own;



Call to us now, and we shall a - wak - en,
 Give us a heart so meek and so low - ly,
 Nour - ish us well, and teach us to fash - ion
 Gath - er us in— all peo - ples to - geth - er,

We shall a - rise at the sound of our name.
 Give us the cour-age to en - ter the song.
 Lives that are ho - ly and hearts that are true.
 Fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

(Lines in **BOLD** are spoken by the People)

Celebrant: Blessed be God; Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Celebrant says

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Gloria Mass of Christ The Savior

Dan Schutte



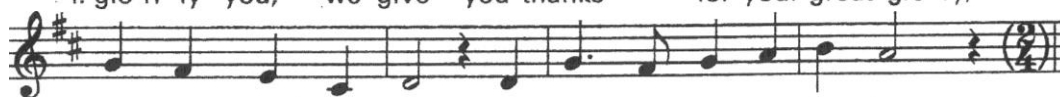
Refrain

Glo-ry to God. Glo-ry to God. Glo-ry to God in the high -
 est, and on earth peace, on earth peace to peo-ple of good
 will. will. A - men. A - men.

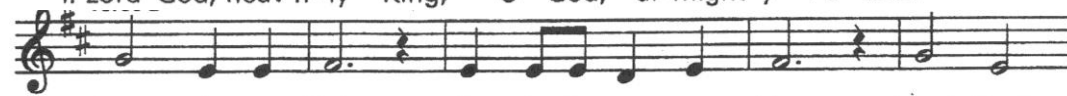
1. We praise you, we bless you, we a - dore you, we



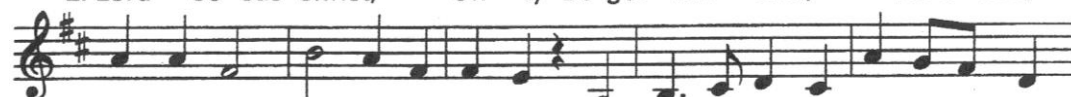
1. glo-ri-fy you, we give you thanks for your great glo-ry,



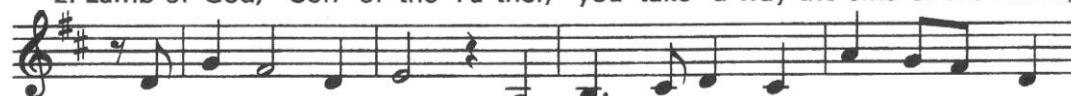
1. Lord God, heav'n-ly King, O God, al-might-y Fa-ther.



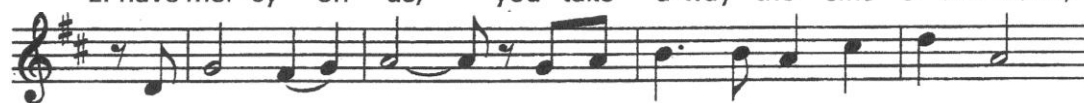
2. Lord Je-sus Christ, On - ly Be-got - ten Son, Lord God,



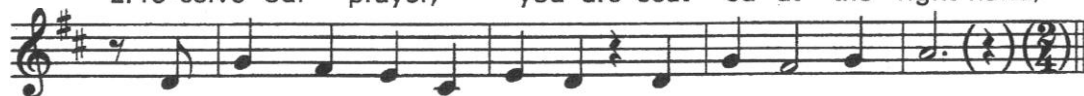
2. Lamb of God, Son of the Fa-ther, you take a-way the sins of the world,



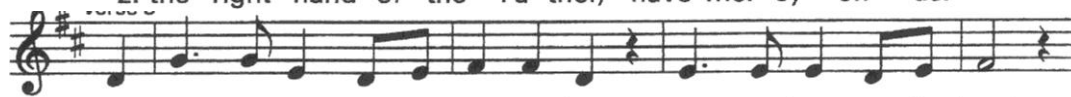
2. have mer-cy on us; you take a-way the sins of the world,



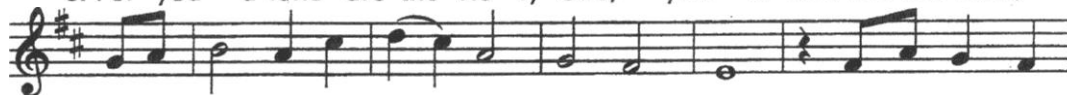
2. re-ceive our prayer; you are seat - ed at the right hand,



2. the right hand of the Fa-ther, have mer-cy on us.



3. For you a-lone are the Ho - ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,



3. you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly
to Coda ⊕ or Refrain



3. Spir - it, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

Please be seated.

First Reading

1 Kings 3: 5-12

⁵At Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, "Ask what I should give you." ⁶And Solomon said, "You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you; and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love, and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. ⁷And now, O LORD my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. ⁸And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people, so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. ⁹Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil; for who can govern this your great people?"

¹⁰It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. ¹¹God said to him, "Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches, or for the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, ¹²I now do according to your word. Indeed I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you and no one like you shall arise after you."

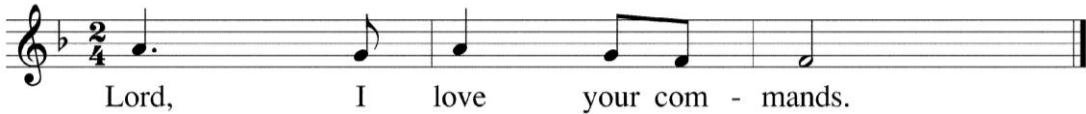
Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 119: 129-136

Psalm 119: Lord, I Love Your Commands

Refrain



1. My part, I have resolved, O Lord, is to obey your word.
The law from your mouth means more to me than silver and gold.
2. Let your love be ready to console me by your promise to your servant.
Let your love come and I shall live for your law is my delight.
3. That is why I love your commands more than finest gold,
why I rule my life by your precepts, and hate false ways.
4. Your will is wonderful indeed; therefore I obey it.
The unfolding of your word gives light and teaches the simple.

Second Reading

Romans 8:26-39

²⁶The Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. ²⁷And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

²⁸We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. ²⁹For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. ³⁰And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified.

³¹What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? ³²He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? ³³Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. ³⁴Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. ³⁵Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? ³⁶As it is written,

“For your sake we are being killed all day long;
we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered.”

³⁷No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. ³⁸For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

People **Thanks be to God.**

All who are able, please stand.

Gradual Hymn

Alleluia Mass of Christ The Savior

Dan Schutte



Holy Gospel

Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

³¹[Another parable Jesus put before the crowds:] “The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; ³²it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches.”

³³He told them another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened.”

⁴⁴“The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

⁴⁵“Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; ⁴⁶on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.

⁴⁷“Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; ⁴⁸when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. ⁴⁹So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous ⁵⁰and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

⁵¹“Have you understood all this?” They answered, “Yes.” ⁵²And he said to them, “Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.”

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Please be seated

Sermon

All who are able, please stand.

People and Celebrant

Nicene Creed

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit

he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People

With Solomon and the great sages of our lineage, let us now turn our hearts to God and seek true wisdom, saying: O God, hear our prayer.

For the leaders of religious communities and parishes throughout the earth, as they journey toward truth and clarity, we pray for God's wisdom:

O God, hear our prayer.

For governmental officials, caught in the arms race, locked in an age of deceit and suspicion, we pray for God's wisdom:

O God, hear our prayer.

For the sick, for the dying victims of incurable disease, for those chained by depressions, fear, and addiction, and for those who minister to them, we pray for God's wisdom:

O God, hear our prayer.

For the youth of our age in their search for the pearl of identity, we ask for God's wisdom:

O God, hear our prayer.

For all mothers and fathers who awake today without food for their children, we ask for God's wisdom:

O God, hear our prayer.

For those who seek and never find, for those who travel without purpose, and for those blind to the needs of others, we ask for God's wisdom:

O God, hear our prayer.

For all those in any need, especially Roger Bergkamp, Glen Zimmer, Candace DeGagne, Nancy & Greg Hunter, Eddie Blaha, Tia Martins, Ashley Kostiuk, Kris & Steve McClenney, Robin Monahan, Karen Race, Michael Valdez, Meghan Finlayson, Mike Solomon, Dave Karraffa, Karen Cendejas, & Sue Vidor. In the Spirit we plead. We ask for God's wisdom:

O God, hear our prayer.

We pray for all who will go to ECMN camps and all who are embarking on mission projects during the summer. Please also pray for all lay and ordained leaders engaged in Faithful Innovation and Mustard Seed, and those planting New Christian Communities. For St. Johns' Anglican Church (*Fort Frances, Ontario*), and Evangelical Covenant Church (Int'l Falls). We ask for God's wisdom:

O God, hear our prayer.

Astonish us once again, O God, and bring forth from the storeroom of your heart the abundance of wisdom. May all who ask for our prayers know your love, and may we give testimony to your grace in our lives of compassion. In the name of Christ we pray.

Celebrant says

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth; mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

Silence

Confession of Sin

All who are able, please kneel.

The Celebrant says

Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these."

The Deacon then says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence

Minister and People

**Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

The Priest stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Please be seated

Announcements

Holy Communion

The celebrant says

Walk in love as Christ loved us, and gave himself for us.

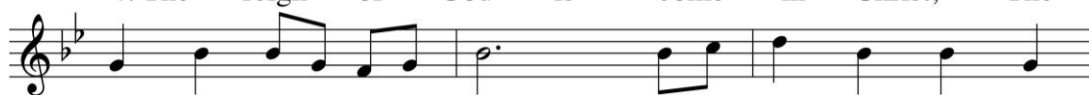
All who are able, please stand

Offertory Hymn

The Reign of God



1. The reign of God, like farm - er's field, Bears
2. Like mus - tard tree, the reign of God From
3. Though hid - den now, the reign of God May,
4. The reign of God is come in Christ; The



weeds a - long with wheat; The good and bad are
ti - ny seed will spread, Till birds of ev - 'ry
yet un - no - ticed, grow; From deep with - in it
reign of God is near. A - blaze a - mong us,



in - ter - twined Till har - vest is com - plete.
feath - er come To nest, and there be fed.
ris - es up, Like yeast in swell - ing dough.
kind - ling hearts, The reign of God is here!

Prayers Over The Gifts

Gracious God, accept these Gifts from your people in gratitude for all your blessings poured out upon us. ***Amen***

All who are able, please remain standing

Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

*The Celebrant proceeds (Lines in **Bold** are spoken by the People)*

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Celebrant and People

Sanctus

Mass of Christ The Savior

Dan Schutte

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts. Heav-en and
earth are full, are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na! Ho -
san - na! Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is
he who comes, who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our Fathers; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation.

Amen

Mass of Christ The Savior

Dan Schutte



The people may stand or kneel.

The Celebrant then continues

As our Savior Christ
has taught us,
we now pray,

People and Celebrant

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 for ever. Amen.

*The Celebrant breaks the bread
A period of silence is kept.*

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia

The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Communion is open to everyone

Communion Hymn

All Who Hunger

Verses

Cantor(s):



1. All who hun-ger, gath - er glad - ly; ho - ly man - na
2. All who hun-ger, nev - er stran-gers, seek-er, be a
3. All who hun-ger, sing to - geth - er; Je - sus Christ is



is our bread. Come from wil - der - ness and wan-d'ring.
wel - come guest. Come from rest - less - ness and roam - ing.
liv - ing bread. Come from lone - li - ness and long - ing.



Here, in truth, we will be fed. You that yearn for
Here, in joy, we keep the feast. We that once were
Here, in peace, we have been led. Blest are those who



days of full-ness, all a - round us is our food.
lost and scat-tered in com - mun-ion's love have stood.
from this ta - ble live their lives in grat - i - tude.



Taste and see the grace e - ter-nal. Taste and see that God is good.

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

All who are able, please stand or kneel

Celebrant and People

**Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image
and nourishing us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.**

Now send us forth

a people, forgiven, healed, renewed;

that we may proclaim your love to the world

and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

Blessing

The priest blesses the people, saying

Remember that life is short and we haven't much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel with us. So be swift to love, make haste to be kind, and the blessing of God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit be with you and remain with you, always. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn:

Bring Forth the Kingdom

Verses



1. You are salt for the earth, O peo - ple:
2. You are a light on the hill, O peo - ple:
3. You are a seed of the Word, O peo - ple:
4. We are a blest and a pil - grim peo - ple:



Salt	for	the	King-dom	of	God!	Share	the	fla - vor	of
Light	for	the	Cit - y	of	God!	Shine	so	ho - ly	and
Bring	forth	the	King-dom	of	God!	Seeds	of	mer - cy	and
Bound	for	the	King-dom	of	God!	Love	our	jour - ney	and

life, O peo - ple: Life in the King-dom of God!
 bright, O peo - ple: Shine for the King-dom of God!
 seeds of jus - tice, Grow in the King-dom of God!
 love our home-land: Love is the King-dom of God!

Refrain

Bring forth the King-dom of mer - cy, Bring forth the
 King-dom of peace; Bring forth the King-dom of jus - tice,
 Bring forth the Cit - y of God!

Dismissal

Deacon Alleluia, Alleluia, let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the spirit.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

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Next Sunday: August 2nd ~ 10:00 a.m. ~ Holy Eucharist



“Outdoor Services”

Irv Anderson Amphitheater on the River

Hwy 11 East, Voyageur Lane, International Falls, MN 56649

Dates Will Be:

Aug. 2nd & 16th



***July 26th - Aug 1st ~ Lee Grim
~ Rick Windschitl
~ Willie Corrin***



***July 27th ~ Sarah O’Kane
July 27th ~ Tessa Walls***

***Congratulations to you: May your faith be true &
may God’s love and blessing descend upon you!***