

PRELUDE
 WELCOME

"Hand in Hand" by David Neuve

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, whose steadfast love endures forever. **Amen.**
 Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Merciful God, **We confess we are not always consistent in our faith and prayer life. We confess that when our asking, searching and knocking is not answered in the way we desire, we can lose heart. One thing we know to ask for is forgiveness. Today and each day we are in need of God's grace. Save us from ourselves and free us to love our neighbors. Amen.**

Hear the good news! God does not deal with us according to our sins but delights in granting pardon and mercy. In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. You are free to love as God loves. **Amen.**

HYMN OF PRAISE

"The Earth Adorned in Verdant Robe" vs. 2

ACS, #1068

2 From out the wood, the birds now sing and each its
 song now rais - es, to join with all the u - ni -
 verse in voic - ing thank - ful prais - es. With hope and
 joy their songs em - ploy a rap - turous ex - ul - ta -
 tion in praise of God's cre - a - tion.

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PRAYER OF THE DAY The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Almighty and ever-living God, **You are always more ready to hear than we are to pray, and You gladly give more than we either desire or deserve. Pour upon us Your abundant mercy. Forgive us those things that weigh on our conscience, and give us those good things that come only through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

ELW, #174

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Michelle Lata

READING: Genesis 18:20-32

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

GOSPEL: Luke 11:1-13

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

Pastor Wende West

OFFERING

*Through your donations we are able to support the ministries of GLC including Mission Trips.
There are many ways you can give—place your offering in the plate at the back, put a check in the mail,
text: 630-528-2407 with a dollar amount or give online.*

SPECIAL MUSIC

“A Plea For Mercy” by Jason W. Krug

Joyful Ringers

OFFERING PRAYER

**Your church is composed of people like me. I help make it what it is.
It will be friendly, if I am. Its pews will be filled, if I help fill them, even if they don't look like pews.
It will do great work, if I work. It will make generous gifts to many causes, if I am a generous giver. It will be a
place of forgiveness and grace, if I forgive and receive forgiveness. It will bring other people into its worship
and fellowship, here and online, if I invite and bring them. It will be a church where people grow in faith and
serve you, if I am open to such growth and service. Therefore, with your help Lord, I shall dedicate myself to
the task of being all the things you want your church to be. Amen.**

*We welcome Connor Raymond Lotz son of Laura & Matthew Lotz,
who joined us through the waters of baptism on July 17.*

People of God, do you promise to support Connor and his family and pray for his new life in Christ? **We do.**

APOSTLES' CREED

Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the son of God?

**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, and is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**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 petition: God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

PEACE

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER I WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

sung to: AWAY IN A MANGER

**Our Father in heaven, all praise to Your name!
Your kingdom among us, Your will done the same
By mortals and angels, come, Lord, reign alone
O hear us and bless us from heavens high throne**

**For Yours is the kingdom; o'er all things You reign
And Yours is the power; all things you maintain
To You be the glory, resounding again
For all of creation, forever! Amen.**

**The bread that we yearn for, provide us each day
As we forgive others, our sins take away
In time of temptation, to lead us be near
From evil deliver Your children most dear**

COMMUNION
LAMB OF GOD

ELW, #195

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

COMMUNION HYMN

“There Is a Longing in Our Hearts”

ACS, #1078

Refrain — All

There is a long-ing in our hearts, O Lord, for you to re -
veal your - self to us. There is a long-ing in our
hearts for love we on - ly find in you, our God.

Leader or All

1 For jus - tice,	for free - dom,	for mer - cy:
2 For wis - dom,	for cour - age,	for com - fort:
3 For heal - ing,	for whole - ness,	for new life:
4 Lord, save us,	take pit - y,	light in our

hear our prayer. In sor - row, in grief:
hear our prayer. In weak - ness, in fear:
hear our prayer. In sick - ness, in death:
deep - est night. We call you; we wait:

Refrain

be near; hear our prayer, O God.

PRAYER
GRATITUDE AND BLESSINGS FOR PASTOR WENDE
ANNOUNCEMENTS

BENEDICTION

The God of peace, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you, comfort you, and show you the path of life this day and always. **Amen.**

HYMN **“Ask The Complicated Questions”** ACS, #1005



1 Ask the com - pli - cat - ed ques - tions.
2 Seek the dis - con - cert - ing an - swers,
3 Knock on doors of new i - de - as,
4 For in strug - gle we dis - cov - er



Do not fear to be found out; for our God makes
fol - low where the Spir - it blows; test com - pet - ing
test as - sump - tions long grown stale, for Christ calls from
truth both sim - ple and pro - found; in the knock - ing,



strong our weak - ness, forg - ing faith in fires of doubt.
truths for wis - dom, for in ten - sion new life grows.
shores of won - der, dar - ing us to try and fail.
ask - ing, seek - ing, we are o - pened, an - swered, found.

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DISMISSAL
POSTLUDE

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**
Intermezzo from “Agnus Dei” by Georges Bizet