

**16th SUNDAY after  
PENTECOST  
September 13, 2026**



*Our vision:*

*"Joy is a spiritual community sharing the  
love of Christ in a challenging world."*



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*Our mission is to share  
the Good News of grace and love with  
all through worship, service, and fellowship.*

***Worship text is on the screen.***  
***\*Indicates Congregation Stands if able***  
***ALTAR RAIL COMMUNION IS OBSERVED TODAY***

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**Prelude: "Awakening" - com. Richard Kingsmore**

**\*Confession and Forgiveness**

**\*Gathering Hymn: ACS 1097-**

***"Ten Thousand Reasons" (Page 4-Music & Lyrics)***

**\*Greeting**

**\*Kyrie: Kyrie Eleison– ACS (Page 5-Music & Lyrics)**

**\*Prayer of the Day**

**Children's Message**

**First Reading: Genesis 50: 15-21**

**Psalm: 103:[1-7], 8-13 ( Page 6 & 7-Psalm & Response)**

**Second Reading: Romans 14: 1-12**

***Special Music: (8:15 AM)-"El Shaddai"- Jill Davis***

***Choir Anthem: "Disciples of Christ"-JOY Choir***

**\*Gospel Acclamation: "Alleluia"- ACS (Page 5-Music & Lyrics)**

**\*Gospel: Matthew 18:21-35**

**Today's Message is Given by: Pr. Art Wuertz**

**\*Hymn of the Day: ELW #482-"I Come With Joy"**

**\*Apostles' Creed**

**\*The Prayers of the People**

**\*Passing of the Peace**

**\*Offertory: "Here, O Lord, Your Servants Gather"-com. Isao Koizumi**

**\*Congregational Offertory: ELW #884-**

**"Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"**

**\*Offertory Prayer**

**\*The Great Thanksgiving**

**\*"It is indeed right....."**

**\*Sanctus: - "Holy, Holy, Holy Lord"-ACS (*Page 8-Music & Lyrics*)**

**\*Eucharistic Prayer**

**\*Words of Institution**

**\*The Lord's Prayer**

**\*Invitation to Communion**

**\*Lamb of God: ELW page 182- "Lamb of God"**

***Communion Meditation:(11:00 AM)-"El Shaddai"- Jill Davis***

**Distribution Hymns:**

**ELW # 496-"One Bread, One Body"**

**ELW # 466-"In The Singing"**

**ELW # 608-"Softly And Tenderly"**

**\*Communion Blessing**

**\*Prayer after Communion**

**\*Blessing**

**\*Sending Hymn: ACS 1000-"God's Work, Our Hands"  
(*Page 9 Music & Lyrics*)**

**\*Sending**

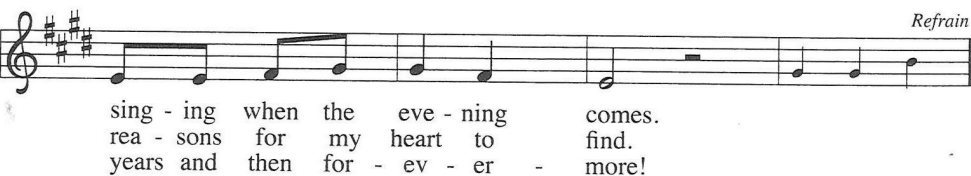
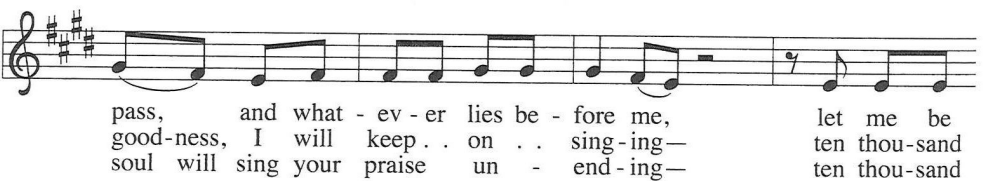
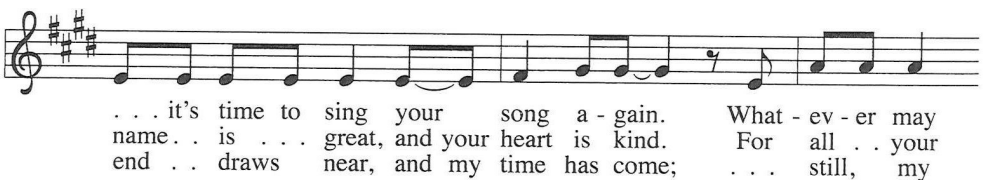
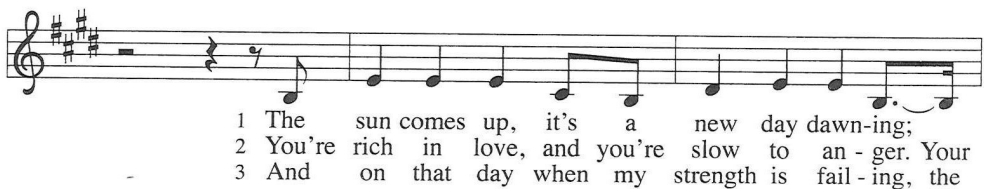
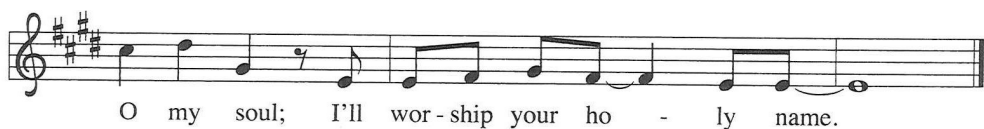
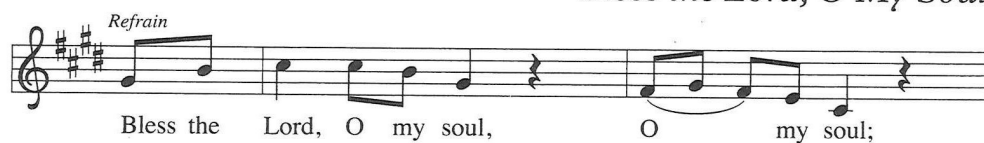
**\*Postlude: "Let All Things Now Living" -arr. Pepper Choplin**

PRAISE, THANKSGIVING

1097

# Ten Thousand Reasons

*Bless the Lord, O My Soul*



## ACS Setting 12 - Kyrie

Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Lord, have mer - cy.

Chris - te e - lei - son. Christ, have mer - cy.

Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Lord, have mer - cy.

## ACS Setting 12 - Alleluia

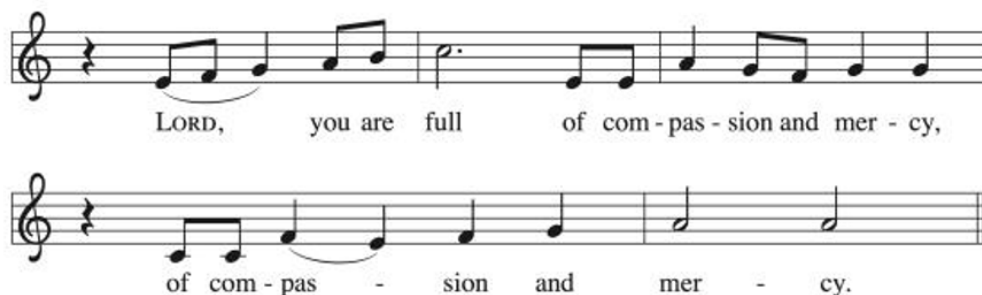
Al-le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia.

Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

*Repeat alleluia*

| ATTENDANCE |            |          |     |
|------------|------------|----------|-----|
| WEDNESDAY  | 09/02/2026 | 6:30 PM  | 20  |
| SUNDAY     | 09/06/2026 | 10:00 AM | 128 |

**PSALM 103:[1-7], 8-13**



Psalm 103:8

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***R: Lord, you are full of compassion and mercy,  
of compassion and mercy. (Ps. 103:8)***

- [ <sup>1</sup> Bless the Lord, <sup>1</sup> O my soul,  
and all that is within me, bless God's <sup>1</sup> holy name.
- <sup>2</sup> **Bless the Lord, <sup>1</sup> O my soul,  
and forget not <sup>1</sup> all God's benefits—**
- <sup>3</sup> who forgives <sup>1</sup> all your sins  
and heals all <sup>1</sup> your diseases;
- <sup>4</sup> **who redeems your life <sup>1</sup> from the grave  
and crowns you with steadfast <sup>1</sup> love and mercy; R**
- <sup>5</sup> who satisfies your desires <sup>1</sup> with good things  
so that your youth is renewed <sup>1</sup> like an eagle's.
- <sup>6</sup> **O Lord, you provide <sup>1</sup> vindication  
and justice for all who <sup>1</sup> are oppressed.**
- <sup>7</sup> You made known your <sup>1</sup> ways to Moses  
and your works to the chil- <sup>1</sup> dren of Israel.]

- <sup>8</sup> Lord, you are full of compas- <sup>l</sup> sion and mercy,  
slow to anger and abounding in <sup>l</sup> steadfast love; R
- <sup>9</sup> you will not al- <sup>l</sup> ways accuse us,  
nor will you keep your an- <sup>l</sup> ger forever.
- <sup>10</sup> **You have not dealt with us according <sup>l</sup> to our sins,  
nor repaid us according to <sup>l</sup> our iniquities.**
- <sup>11</sup> For as the heavens are high a- <sup>l</sup> bove the earth,  
so great is your steadfast love for <sup>l</sup> those who fear you.
- <sup>12</sup> **As far as the east is <sup>l</sup> from the west,  
so far have you removed our transgres- <sup>l</sup> sions from us.**
- <sup>13</sup> As a father has compassion <sup>l</sup> for his children,  
so you have compassion for those who fear <sup>l</sup> you, O Lord. R



**JOY** Lutheran  
Church

Thinking about becoming a member of Joy?  
Would you like to learn more about us?

Join us for ...

## **JOY!FORMATION**

Class Dates

**Tuesdays, September 15 & 22**

**7:00–8:30 pm • Swenson Hall**

Please plan to attend both classes

## ACS Setting 12 - Holy, holy, holy Lord

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and  
God of might, heav - en and earth are full of your  
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is the one who comes in the name of the  
Lord. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

The musical score is written on six staves in a single system. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is written in a soprano voice. The lyrics are: 'Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and God of might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.' The score ends with a double bar line.

## ***WHAT'S HAPPENING TODAY AT JOY!***

***1. LIFE SOUTH BLOOD DRIVE— 7:30 am—1:00 pm***

***Stop in and sign up to donate—***

***2. SWING THEORY JAZZ Concert—3:00 pm—Sanctuary***

## God's Work, Our Hands



1 God's work, our hands: work - ing to - geth - er,  
 2 God's work, our feet: trav - 'ling to - geth - er,  
 3 God's work, our voice: sing - ing to - geth - er,  
 4 God is at work in and a - round us:



build - ing a fu - ture, re - pair - ing the world,  
 fol - low - ing Je - sus to plac - es un - known,  
 prais - ing, pro - claim - ing to all who will hear,  
 seed - lings are sprout - ing and bread's on the rise!



rais - ing up homes, plant - ing new gar - dens,  
 walk - ing as friends, march - ing for free - dom,  
 pray - ing for peace, shout - ing for jus - tice,  
 Washed and set free, hum - bled and hon - ored,



feed - ing the hun - gry and shelt - 'ring the cold.  
 run - ning the race with God's fu - ture the goal.  
 claim - ing God's love for the lost and the least.  
 gift - ed by grace, we re - spond in God's love.



Bless, God, our hands as we work in your name,  
 Bless, God, our feet as we fol - low your way,  
 Bless, God, our voice as we speak in your name,  
 Bless, God, our lives as we an - swer your call,



shar - ing the good news of your gos - pel.  
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Text: Wayne L. Wold, b. 1954

Music: EARTH AND ALL STARS, David N. Johnson, 1922–1987

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### THIS WEEK'S PRAYER LIST

Michelle Burkett\*-Cancer  
Mike Cira\*-Cancer  
John Cobb-Health  
Robert Cretul\* – Cancer  
Carole & Jorge Darena\*-Awaiting  
heart & lung diagnosis  
Lon Fairchild\*-Cancer  
Kim Fintel\*-Cancer  
Violet Frey-Health Issues  
Elaine Grass\*-Recovery from stroke  
Guy Griemey\*-Cancer  
John Henderson-Pain  
Trudy Herzog\*-Heart & Lung  
Issues  
Lee Hewitt\*-Cancer-Recurring  
Hines, Doug-Recover from fall  
Laura Kaschmitter\*-Cancer  
Linda Lushbaugh-Cancer  
Mahabeer Family-Bereavement on  
passing of Stanley  
Ginny McCabe\*-Recovery from  
surgery  
Kimberly Randall-Mcracken\*-  
Cancer  
Miller & Holmes Families-  
Bereavement on passing of Susan

Juan Munoz\*-Stroke  
Doris & Raymond Neff\*-Health  
issues  
Wayne Nelson\*-Cancer  
Gay Saari\*-Surgery for tongue  
cancer  
Dolly Schember-Health  
Brian Shull\*-Special  
Circumstances  
Ruth Ann Silliman-Recovery  
Nancy Spitzack\*-Family Issues  
Debbie Spivey\*-Stage 4 colon  
cancer  
Samantha Stafferi\*-Possible  
Cancer  
Lee & Edie Stewart – Health  
Helen Vance\*-Cancer  
Ken Warner\*- Lung Cancer  
Dawn Winblad-Cancer Treatment  
Mary Wright-Healing  
  
Cynthia Randall-Memory Care

*May God's hands of healing, grace, mercy, and  
comfort surround everyone.*



***NEXT WEEK'S DATELINE***  
**September 14, 2026—September 20 2026**



**DATELINE LEGEND:** SH= SWENSON HALL; S=SANCTUARY; N=NARTHEX;  
 OR= OUTREACH ROOM; MG=MEMORIAL GARDEN; CG=CHURCH GROUNDS; OC=OFF CAMPUS

| DATE          | TIME          | EVENT                               | LOC  |
|---------------|---------------|-------------------------------------|------|
| Mon. 9/14     | 9:30 AM       | Stephen Ministry                    | S    |
|               | 1:00 PM       | Bible Study With Charlie            | N    |
| Tues. 9/15    | 11:00 AM      | Beginners' Bible Study              | SH   |
|               | 1:00 PM       | Council                             | SH   |
|               | 7:00 PM       | JOY!Formation                       | SH   |
| Wed. 9/16     | 9:00 AM       | Happy Hands Ministry                | SH   |
|               | 9:00 AM       | Joyful Hands Ministry               | SH   |
|               | 11:00 AM      | Mr. Piano– Tuning                   | S    |
|               | 3:00-4:30 PM  | JOY Choir Rehearsal                 | S    |
|               | 6:30 PM       | Worship Service                     | S    |
| Thur. 9/17    | 6:30 PM       | Brick City Ringers– Rehearsal       | S    |
| Fri. 9/18     | 10:00 AM      | JOY Handbell Choir Rehearsal        | S    |
|               | 1:00-3:00 PM  | Cleaning Service                    | S/SH |
| Sat. 9/19     | 7:30-10:00 AM | Charlie & Friends                   | N    |
| Sun. 9/20     | 8:15 AM       | Worship Service                     | S    |
|               | 11:00 AM      | Worship Service                     | S    |
| Altar Angels  | 8:15/11:00    | Peggy Dietz, Jean Groth/Vicki Valli | S    |
| Ambassadors   | 8:15/11:00    | /Irene Henderson                    | N    |
| Fellowship    | 8:15/11:00    | Ethel Kleiner/3 Cooks & 3 Stooges   | N    |
| Ushering Team | 8:15/11:00    | Groth/ Faris                        | S    |
| Mon. 9/21     | Counters      | Carolyn Cummings, Tom Ittner        | SH   |



**ALTAR FLOWERS TODAY ARE PLACED BY  
 INTERN LINDA MURPHY  
 IN CELEBRATION OF THE 20TH ANNIVERSARY OF  
 PASTOR ART'S ORDINATION**

| THANKS TO TODAY'S MINISTRY TEAMS |                         |                     |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|
|                                  | 8:15 AM                 | 11:00 AM            |
| Assistant Minister               | Donna Schmidt           | Paul Hyatt          |
| Reader                           | Mike Beaver             | Irene Henderson     |
| Cross Bearer                     |                         |                     |
| Communion Assistant              | Intern Linda Murphy     | Intern Linda Murphy |
| Altar Angels                     | Peggy Dietz, Jean Groth | Vicki Valli         |
| Ambassador                       | Jean Beaver             | Diane Knox          |
| Food & Fellowship                | Sally Hurley            | Grapes of Wrap      |
| Ushering                         | Heinzen                 | Owen                |
| Counters                         | Judy & Joe Spillane     |                     |

| OUR STAFF                |                   |
|--------------------------|-------------------|
| Administrative Assistant | Zsuzsanna Jobbagy |
| Director of Music        | Silas Daniel      |
| Choir Director           | Linda Aker        |
| Handbell Choir Director  | Melissa Daniel    |
| Treasurer                | Caroline Bernard  |
| Sexton                   | Carson Faris      |

**OFFICE HOURS:-**

Monday-Thursday 8:00 am—3:30 pm CLOSED ON FRIDAY



**FOR OUR MEMBERS & GUESTS**

Our bulletin and music for the hymns is available on our website and can be accessed by scanning the QR code on the LEFT. It will take you to our Worship Tools : click on HYMNS You can view the music for the entire service on your phone or i-pad.

*Our Sanctuary is 'hearing aid-friendly' and also connects with Bluetooth devices."*



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