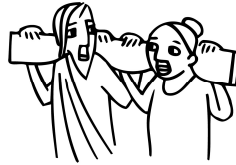


Erickson Lutheran Church  
30 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Street S. W.

Sunday, July 5, 2026, at 10:30 a.m.  
Hymn Sing Service and Outdoor Barbeque Potluck  
Sixth Sunday after Pentecost, Year A  
“no Livestream, in person service only”



## Welcome

## Hymn Sing

### *“This Land is Your Land”*

#### Refrain

This land is your land, this land is my land  
From Bonavista to Vancouver Island  
From the Arctic Circle to the Great Lake waters  
This land was made for you and me

As I was walking that ribbon of highway  
I saw above me that endless skyway  
I saw below me a golden valley  
This land was made for you and me R

I roamed and rambled and followed my footsteps  
And all around me a voice was calling  
Through the sparkling sand of their golden beaches  
This land was made for you and me R

As the sun came shining and I was strolling  
Thru the wheat fields waving and the dust clouds rolling  
A voice was chanting as the fog was lifting, singing  
This land was made for you and me. R

### *“Bringing in The Sheaves”*

Sowing in the morning, sowing seeds of kindness,  
Sowing in the noon-tide and the dewy eve;  
Waiting for the harvest and the time of reaping  
We shall come rejoicing, bringing in the sheaves.

#### Refrain

Bringing in the sheaves, bringing in the sheaves,  
We shall come rejoicing, bringing in the sheaves  
Bringing in the sheaves, bringing in the sheaves,  
We shall come rejoicing, bringing in the sheaves

Sowing in the sunshine, sowing in the shadows,  
Fearing neither clouds or winter's chilling breeze;  
By and by the harvest and the labour ended,  
We shall come rejoicing, bringing in the sheaves. R

Going forth with weeping, sowing for the Master,  
Tho' the loss sustained our spirit often grieves;  
When our weeping' over, He will bid us welcome,  
We shall come rejoicing, bringing in the sheaves. R  
George A. Minor in 1880

### *“To The River”*

To the river I am going, bringing sins I cannot bear;  
Come and cleanse me, come, forgive me; Lord, I need to meet You there.

In these waters, healing mercy flows with freedom from despair;  
I am going to that river; Lord, I need to meet You there.

Precious Jesus, I am ready to surrender every care  
Take my hand now, lead me closer; Lord I need to meet You there.

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Come and cleanse me, come forgive me; Lord I need to meet You there.

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Precious Jesus, I am ready to surrender every care;  
Take my hand now, lead me closer; Lord, I need to meet you there.

Come and join us in the river; come find life beyond compare  
He is calling, He is waiting; Jesus longs to meet you there.

Precious Jesus, I am ready to surrender every care;  
Take my hand now, lead me closer, Lord, I need to meet You there.  
Text Brian Doerksen, alongside co-writers Brian Thiessen and Michael Hansen 2004

### Indigenous Land Acknowledgement

#### Children's Song

#### *"Jesus Loves Me"*

Jesus loves me this I know, for the bible tells me so;  
Little ones to him belong, they are weak, but he is strong.

#### Refrain

Yes, Jesus loves me, yes Jesus loves me  
Yes, Jesus loves me the Bible tells me so.

Jesus loved me he who died heaven's gates to open wide;  
He will wash away my sin, let his little child come in. R

Jesus loves me he will stay close beside me all the way;  
If I love him when I die, he will take me home on high. R

Text: Anna B. Warner, 1820-1915, alt.

### Confession and Forgiveness

Compassionate God,  
we confess to you all our sins.  
Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves.  
In your mercy, call us back to you.  
Your yoke is easy and your burden is light.  
Restore us to dwell in your peace.  
In Christ's name we pray,  
Amen.

#### Gathering Hymn

#### *"To God Be The Glory"*



To God be the glory great things He has done,  
So loved He the world that He gave us His Son,  
Who yielded His life an atonement for sin,  
And opened the Life-gate that all may go in.

#### Refrain

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear His voice!  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!  
O come to the Father, through Jesus the Son  
And give Him the glory, great things He has done.

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood,  
To every believer the promise of God;  
The vilest offender who truly believes,  
That moment from Jesus a pardon receives. R

Great things He has taught us, great things He has done,  
And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;  
But purer, and higher, and greater will be  
Our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see. R

Text Fanny Crossby- 1872

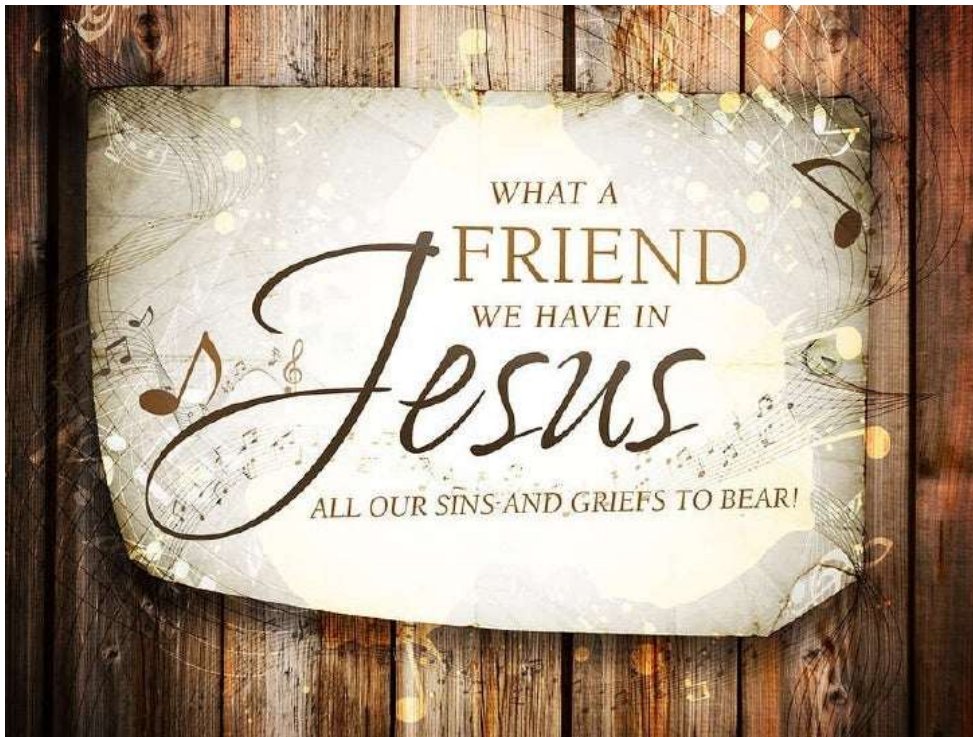
## Prayer of the Day

You are great, O God, and greatly to be praised. You have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you. Grant that we may believe in you, call upon you, know you, and serve you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

## Song of Praise

*"What A Friend We Have in Jesus"*



What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear!  
What a privilege to carry ev'rything to God in prayer!  
Oh, what peace we often forfeit; oh, what needless pain we bear--  
all because we do not carry ev'rything to God in prayer!

Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere?  
We should never be discouraged take it to the Lord in prayer.  
Can we find a friend so faithful who will all our sorrows share?  
Jesus knows our ev'ry weakness- take it to the Lord in prayer.

Are we weak and heavy-laden, cumbered with a load of care?  
Precious Savior, still our refuge- take it to the Lord in prayer.  
Do your friends despise, forsake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer.  
In his arms he'll take and shield you; you will find a solace there.

Text: Joseph Scriven, 1820-1886

Scripture Readings *Zechariah 9:9-12, Psalm 145:8-14, Romans 7:15-25a*

## Psalm 145:8-14

<sup>8</sup> The LORD is gracious and full of compassion,  
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

<sup>9</sup> **LORD, you are good to all,  
and your compassion is over all your works. R**

<sup>10</sup> All your works shall praise you, O LORD,  
and your faithful ones shall bless you.

<sup>11</sup> **They shall tell of the glory of your kingdom  
and speak of your power,**

<sup>12</sup> that all people may know of your power  
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

<sup>13</sup> **Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; your dominion endures  
throughout all ages.**

**You, LORD, are faithful in all your words, and loving in all your works.**

<sup>14</sup> The Lord upholds all those who fall  
and lifts up those who are bowed down. **R**

**Gospel Hymn**

***“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”***

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father;  
there is no shadow of turning with thee;  
thou changest not, thy compassions they fail not;  
as thou hast been, thou forever wilt be.

**Refrain**

Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning new mercies I see;  
all I have needed thy hand hath provided;  
great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,  
sun, moon, and stars in their courses above  
join with all nature in manifold witness  
to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. R

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;  
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,  
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! R

Text: Thomas O. Chisholm, 1866-1960  
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**Gospel**

***Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30***

Word of God                      Word of Life                      Thanks be to God

**Reflection**

***Rev. Heather Parrott-Howdle***

**Hymn of the Day**

***“Amazing Grace”***

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me.  
I once was lost, but now I'm found. 'Twas blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear and grace my fears relieved.  
How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed.

Through many dangers, toils, and snares I have already come;  
'tis grace has brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me; his word my hope secures:  
He will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.

When we've been there ten thousand years bright shining as the sun,  
We've no less days to sing God's praise than when we first begun.  
Text: John Newton, 1725-1807, alt., sts. 1-4; anonymous, st. 5

**Apostles Creed**

***tune “Joyful, Joyful”***

We believe in God the Father, God almighty, by whose plan  
Earth and heaven sprang to being all created things began.  
We believe in Christ the Saviour, Son of God in human frame,  
Virgin-born, the child of Mary upon whom the Spirit came.

Christ, who on the cross forsaken, like a Lamb to slaughter led,  
Suffered under Pontius Pilate, He descended to the dead.  
We believe in Jesus risen, heaven's King to rule and reign,  
To the Father's side ascended till as judge He comes again.  
We believe in God the Spirit; In one church, below, above:  
Saints of God in one communion, one in holiness and love.  
So by faith, our sins forgiven, Christ our Saviour, Lord and friend,  
We shall rise with Him in glory to the life that knows no end.

## Prayers of the People

God of grace, hear our prayer.

## Sharing of the Peace

May the Peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

## Offering Hymn

*“Lord, I Want To Be A Christian In My Heart”*

Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart, in my heart;

Lord, I want to be a Christian in my

heart, in my heart, in my heart,

Lord, I want to be a Christian in my

heart.

Lord, I want to be more loving in my  
heart, in my heart;

Lord, I want to be more loving in my  
heart, in my heart, in my heart,

Lord, I want to be more loving in my  
heart.

Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart, in my heart;

Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart, in my heart, in my heart,

Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart.

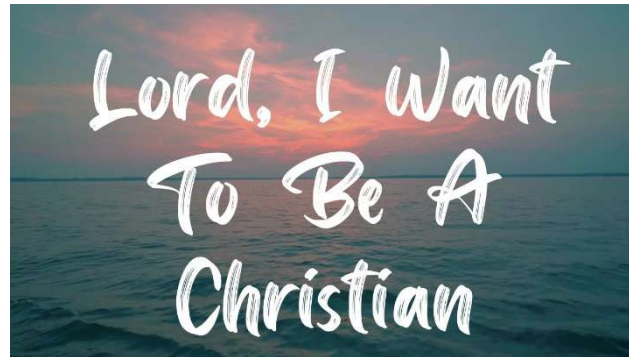
Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart, in my heart;

Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart, in my heart, in my heart,

Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart.

Text: African American spiritual

## Offering Prayer



## 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

## Blessing

## Sending Hymn

*“Just A Closer Walk”*

Refrain:

Just a closer walk with Thee, grant it Jesus, is my plea,

Daily walking close to Thee, let it be dear Lord, let it be.

I am weak but Thou art strong, Jesus keep me from all wrong

I'll be satisfied as long as I walk, let me walk close to Thee. R

Through this world of toil and snares, if I falter, Lord, who cares?

Who with me my burden shares? None but Thee, dear Lord, none but Thee. R

When my feeble life is o'er, time for me will be no more,

Guide me gently, safely o'er to Thy kingdom shore to Thy shore. R

Text: North American traditional

## Announcements

### Activities for the Week July 6, 2026 to July 12, 2026

Wednesday, July 8 – Communion PCH Service, Erickson PCH at 10:00 AM  
Thursday, July 9 – Communion PCH Service, Sandy Lake PCH at 3:00 PM  
Sunday, July 12 – Communion Service, followed by Coffee, Seventh Sunday  
After Pentecost

## Dismissal

Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news! **Thanks be to God.**

## Table Grace

***Bless Our Friends (to the tune of Edelweiss)***

Bless our friends, bless our food,  
Come, O Lord, and sit with us.  
May our talk glow with peace,  
May your wisdom surround us.  
Friendship and love may it bloom and grow,  
Bloom and grow forever.  
Bless our friends, bless our food,  
Come, O Lord, and sit with us.



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