

Erickson Lutheran Church
30 – 3rd Street S. W.

Sunday, September 6, 2026, at 10:30 a.m.
Worship Service and Potluck Lunch
Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost, Year A



Welcome

Indigenous Land Acknowledgement

Children's Song

"Kumbayah"



Kumbayah, my Lord, kumbayah;
kumbayah, my Lord, kumbayah;
Kumbayah, my Lord, kumbayah; Oh,
Lord - kumbayah!

Come by here, my Lord, kumbayah;
come by here, my Lord, kumbayah;
Come by here, my Lord, kumbayah; Oh,
Lord, kumbayah;

Someone's praying, Lord, kumbayah, Someone's praying, Lord,
kumbayah;
Someone's praying, Lord, kumbayah; Oh, Lord - kumbayah!

Someone's crying, Lord, kumbayah; Someone's crying Lord,
kumbayah;
Someone's crying, Lord, kumbayah; Oh, Lord - kumbayah!

Someone's singing, Lord, kumbayah; Someone's singing, Lord,
kumbayah;
Someone's singing, Lord, kumbayah; Oh, Lord - kumbayah!

"Kumbayah" is a traditional African American spiritual,

Celebration Candle

Confession and Forgiveness

Compassionate God,
we confess that we struggle to embody your goodness
in the world and in our own hearts.
Creation groans from overuse.
Jealousy and bitterness strain our relationships.
Indifference keeps us from seeking justice.
Divisions disrupt your call to show genuine love
to others.
Turn our hearts back to you.
Restore our world and reconcile us to one another.
Renew us to live as your holy people,
following the way of Jesus Christ.
Amen.

Gathering Hymn

815 *"I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"*

Prayer of the Day

O Lord God, enliven and preserve your church with your perpetual mercy. Without your help, we mortals will fail; remove far from us everything that is harmful and lead us toward all that gives life and salvation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

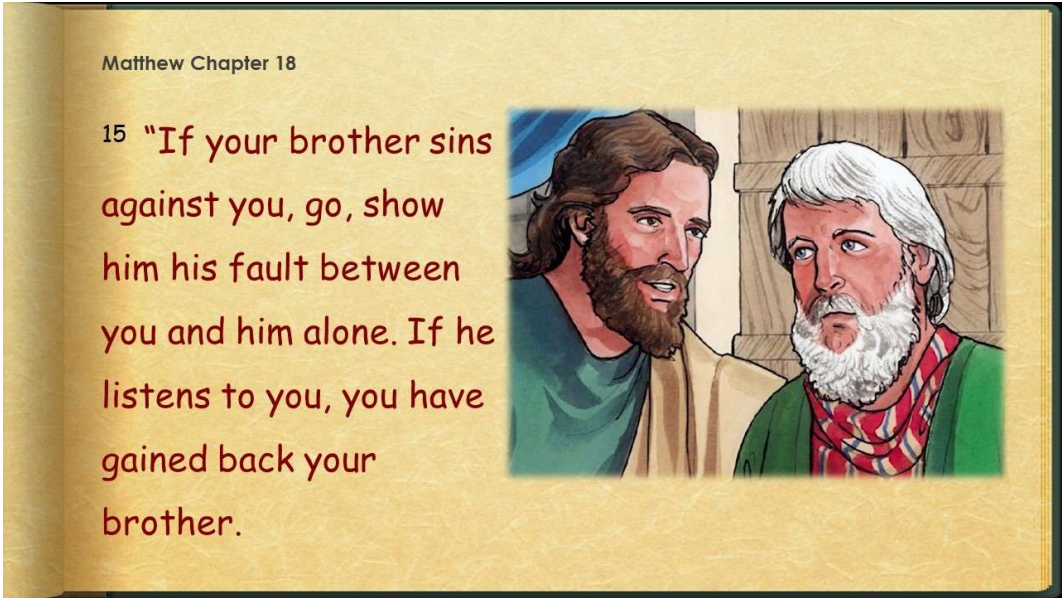
Song of Praise 706 *“The People Walk” (Hymn of the Month)*

Scripture Readings

Ezekiel 33:7-11, Psalm 119:33-40, Romans 13:8-14

Psalm 119:33-40 *(in our red hymnal after page 338)*

Gospel Hymn 592 *“Just As I Am, Without One Plea”*



Gospel

Matthew 18:15-20

Word of God Word of Life Thanks be to God

Reflection *Rev. Heather Parrott-Howdle*

Hymn of the Day 708 *“Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love”*

Apostles Creed *(tune: Nettleton)*

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

Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Sharing of the Peace



May the Peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Offering Hymn

“Bind Us Together”

Refrain:

**Bind us together, Lord,
Bind us together with cords that cannot be broken
Bind us together, Lord,
Bind us together bind us together in Love**

**There is only one God, there is only one King
There is only one Body, that is why we sing. R**

**You are the family of God You are the promise divine
You are God's chosen desire. You are the glorious new wine. R**

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Offering Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (in red hymnal on page 221 right hand column)

Blessing

Sending Hymn

656 “Blest Be the Tie That Binds”



Table Grace

Tune 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.
Amen**

Announcements

Activities for the Week of September 7, 2026, to September 13, 2026

Tuesday, September 8, 2026 – Choir Practice at 7 PM
Thursday, September 10, 2026 – Romp N Rhyme 10 AM; ELW Bible Study at Dolores' House 7 PM
Sunday, September 13, 2026 – Communion Service, followed by Coffee, Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Dismissal

Go out in joy. Be led forth in peace. Thanks be to God.

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