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30 – 3rd Street S. W.

Sunday, October 18, 2026, at 10:30 a.m.
Hymn Sing Service
Twenty First Sunday after Pentecost, Year A



Welcome

Hymn Sing

623 “Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me”

“Lord of the Dance”

I danced in the morning when the world was begun,
And I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun,
And I came from heaven and I danced on the earth,
At Bethlehem I had my birth.

Refrain

Dance, then, wherever you may be;
I am the Lord of the dance, said he,
And I'll lead you all, wherever you may be,
And I'll lead you all in the dance, said he.

I danced for the scribe and the pharisee,
But they would not dance and they would not follow me,
I danced for the fishermen, for James and John,
They came with me and the dance went on. R

I danced on the Sabbath and I cured the lame,
The holy people said it was a shame,
They whipped and they stripped and they hung me high,
And left me there on a cross to die. R

I danced on a Friday when the sky turned black
It's hard to dance with the devil on your back,
They buried my body and they thought I'd gone,
But I am the dance and I still go on. R

They cut me down and I leap up high,
I am the life that will never, never die,
I'll live in you if you'll live in me,
I am the Lord of the dance, said he. R

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774 *“What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine”*
(Leaning on The Everlasting Arms)

Indigenous Land Acknowledgement

Children’s Hymn

Our God is an awesome God,
He reigns from heaven above
With wisdom, power and love,
Our God is an awesome God.
Text: Rich Mullins , 1988

“Awesome God” X2



Renewers of Faith

Luke, Evangelist Sunday, October 18, 2026

Identified as the author of both Luke and Acts, Luke was careful to place the events of Jesus' life in their social and religious contexts. His gospel gives us some of the most beloved parables, as well as the songs of Zechariah, Mary, the angels, and Simeon.

James of Jerusalem, martyr, died around 62 Friday, October 23, 2026

One of three early-church leaders named James, this man is identified in the New Testament and by a historian of the time as a brother of Jesus. Scholars are uncertain whether this means a blood brother. He was a leader of the church in Jerusalem.



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Sharing of the Peace

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

Offering Hymn

694 *“Sing to the Lord of Harvest”*

Offering Prayer

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

Blessing

Sending Hymn

545 *“Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing”*

Announcements

Activities for the Week of October 19, 2026, to October 25, 2026

Tuesday, October 20 – Choir at 7 PM, Deadline for ELC Newsletter articles

Thursday, October 22– Romp N’ Rhyme at 10 AM, Private Event Kitchen Rental

Friday, October 23 - Private Kitchen Rental

Sunday, October 25 – Lay Service, followed by Coffee, Reformation Day Observed

Dismissal

Go out in joy. Be led forth in peace.

Thanks be to God.

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

“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

Sovereign God, raise your throne in our hearts. Created by you, let us live
in your image; created for you, let us act for your glory; redeemed by you,
let us give you what is yours, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

Song of Praise

724 “All Who Love and
Serve Your City”
(Hymn of the Month)

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 45:1-7, Psalm 96:1-
9 [10-13], Acts 10:34-43



Psalm 96:1-9 [10-13]

(in red hymnal after page 338)

Gospel Hymn

744 “Lord, Be Glorified”

Gospel

Matthew 22:15-22

Word of God Word of Life Thanks be to God

Reflection

Rev. Heather Parrott-Howdle

Hymn of the Day

705 “God of Grace and God of Glory”

Apostles Creed

(tune: Bradbury)

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 for the People

Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.