

Prayer: We thank you, generous God, for the refreshment we have received at your banquet table. Send us now to spread your generosity into all the world, through the one who is our dearest treasure, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen

Blessing

The God who calls across the cosmos and speaks in the smallest seed+ bless, keep and sustain you now and to the end of the age.

Bell

Sending Hymn: Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heav'n, to earth come down!
Fix in us thy humble dwelling, all thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love thou art;
Visit us with thy salvation, enter ev'ry trembling heart.

Breathe, oh, breathe thy loving Spirit into ev'ry troubled breast;
Let us all in thee inherit; let us find they promised rest.
Take away the love of sinning; Alpha and Omega be;
End of faith, as its beginning, set our hearts at liberty.

Dismissal: Go in peace. Share the harvest. **Thanks be to God**

Mark your calendars:

- Sunday, July 30 – NO CHURCH
- Sunday, August 6 – 9am at Nora
- Sunday, August 13 - 9am Kirkebo
- Sunday, August 20 – 9am Nora
- Sunday, August 27 – 9am Kirkebo

Perley Parish
Eighth Sunday After Pentecost
July 23, 2023

Prelude and Bell

Gathering Hymn: Oh Worship the King

Oh, worship the King, all glorious above
Oh, gratefully sing, his pow'r and his love;
Our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days,
Pavilioned in splendor, and girded with praise.

Oh, tell of his might; oh, sing of his grace,
Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space;
His chariots of wrath the deep thunder-clouds form,
And dark is his path on the wings of the storm.

Welcome and Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, +one God, who greets us in this and every season, whose word never fails, whose promise is sure. Amen.
Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of our neighbors.
Righteous God, we confess that we have sinned. We have failed to be honest. We have lacked the courage to speak. We have spoken falsely. In the name of Jesus, forgive us and grant us your mercy.

God is a cup of cold water when we thirst. God offers boundless grace when we fail. Claim the gift of God's mercy: you are freed and forgiven in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Prayer of the Day. Amen.

Psalm 65:9-13 (Read responsively)

You visit the earth and water it, you greatly enrich it; the river of God is full of water; you provide the people with grain, for so you have prepared it. **You water its furrows abundantly, settling its ridges, softening it with showers, and blessing its growth.** You crown the year with your bounty; your wagon tracks overflow with richness. **The pastures of the wilderness overflow, the hills gird themselves with joy,** the meadows clothe themselves with flocks, the valleys deck themselves with grain, they shout and sing together for joy.

First Reading: Isaiah 55:10-13

Second Reading: Romans 8:1-11

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew 13:1-9,18-23

Glory to you O Lord

The Gospel of our Lord, **Praise to you, O Christ**

Message

Hymn of the Day: Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

Come you thankful people, come; raise the song of harvest home
All is safely gathered in, ere the winter storms begin.
God, our maker, does provide for our wants to be supplied,
Come to God's own temple, come;
Raise the song of harvest home.

Even so, Lord, quickly come to your final harvest home.
Gather all your people in, free from sorrow, free from sin,
There, forever purified, in your garner to abide.
Come, with all your angels, come, raise the glorious harvest home!

Offering Response: *We give thee but thine own, whatever the gift may be. All that we have is thine alone a trust, Oh Lord in thee.*

Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. 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, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy catholic Church, the communion of the saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen

Prayers of the people (Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**)

Receive our prayers and answer us, O God, in the name of Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

As brothers and sisters in Christ, let us say together the prayer that Jesus taught us: ***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. 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***

Meal

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory.
In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all. Amen.

Words of Institution

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory. **Pour out your Holy Spirit, that by this Holy Communion we may know the unity we share with all your people in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.** Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, **all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.**

All people are called to Christ's table. Come, eat what is good.