

Feast of Victory Lutheran Church  
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Sunday, July 13, 2025  
Fifth Sunday after Pentecost  
Holy Communion

**PREACHING MINISTER, PASTOR SCOTT MCKINNEY  
PRESIDING MINISTER, PASTOR HALEY VAY BEAMAN  
ASSISTING MINISTER, CAYLYN MOGLIA  
MUSICIAN, CLIFF KELTO**

## **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **PRELUDE**

## **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

In the name of the Father,  
and of the ✠ Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

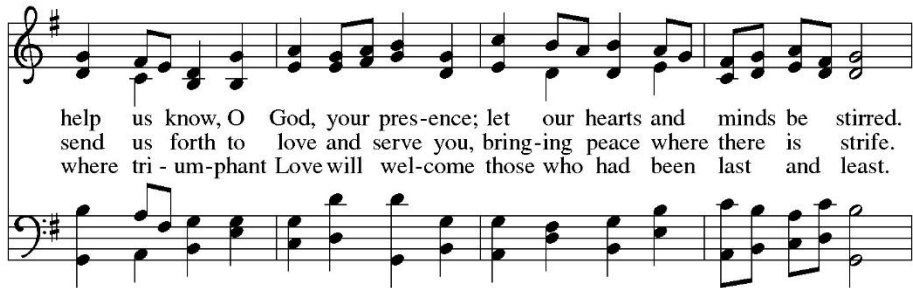
Merciful God,  
**you free us to love others,  
but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way.  
You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace,  
but we turn away from the abundant life you offer.  
You surround us with patience, kindness,  
and generosity,  
but we grow weary in doing what is right.  
In your mercy, forgive us.  
Do not give up on us.  
Heal us, break our bonds,  
and show us the path of life.  
Amen.**

You belong to Christ Jesus  
and you are God's children through faith.  
In the cross of ✝ Christ,  
and through the power of the Holy Spirit,  
your sins are forgiven.  
Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation.  
**Amen.**

# GATHERING HYMN: AS WE GATHER AT YOUR TABLE, ELW 522



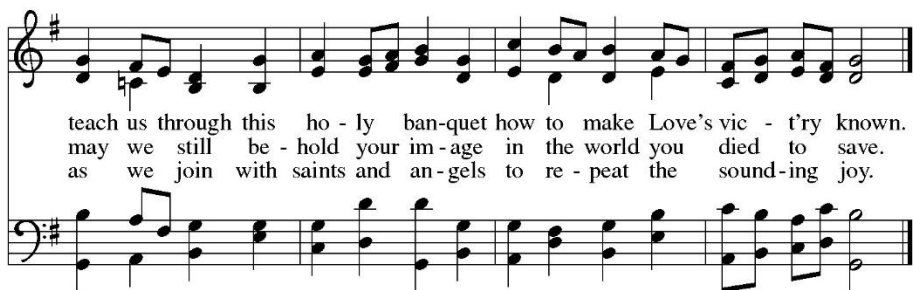
1 As we gath-er at your ta-ble, as we lis-ten to your word,  
2 Turn our wor-ship in-to wit-ness in the sac-ra-ment of life;  
3 Gra-cious Spir-it, help us sum-mon oth-er guests to share that feast



help us know, O God, your pres-ence; let our hearts and minds be stirred.  
send us forth to love and serve you, bring-ing peace where there is strife.  
where tri-um-phant Love will wel-come those who had been last and least.



Nour-ish us with sa-cred sto-ry till we claim it as our own;  
Give us, Christ, your great com-pas-sion to for-give as you for-gave;  
There no more will en-vy blind us nor will pride our peace de-stroy,



teach us through this ho-ly ban-quet how to make Love's vic-t'ry known.  
may we still be-hold your im-age in the world you died to save.  
as we join with saints and an-gels to re-peat the sound-ing joy.

## GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

## KYRIE



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



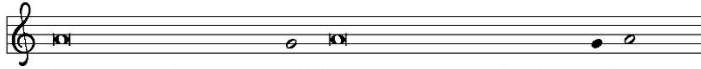
Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. Lord have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord. A - men.

# THIS IS THE FEAST

## *Refrain*

Assisting minister



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia.

All



1 Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow-er and rich-es and wis-dom and



strength, and hon-or and bless-ing and glo-ry are his.

## *Refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia.



2 Sing with all the peo-ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre-a-tion: Bless-ing and hon-or and glo-ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for-ev-er. A-men.

## *Final refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be-gun his reign. Al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia.

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**O Lord God, your mercy delights us, and the world longs for your loving care. Hear the cries of everyone in need, and turn our hearts to love our neighbors with the love of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

*Please be seated*

### **First Reading: Deuteronomy 30:9-14**

<sup>9</sup> The Lord your God will make you abundantly prosperous in all your undertakings, in the fruit of your body, in the fruit of your livestock, and in the fruit of your soil. For the Lord will again take delight in prospering you, just as he delighted in prospering your ancestors, <sup>10</sup> when you obey the Lord your God by observing his commandments and decrees that are written in this book of the law, because you turn to the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul.

<sup>11</sup> “Surely, this commandment that I am commanding you today is not too hard for you, nor is it too far away. <sup>12</sup> It is not in heaven, that you should say, ‘Who will go up to heaven for us and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?’ <sup>13</sup> Neither is it beyond the sea, that you should say, ‘Who will cross to the other side of the sea for us and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?’ <sup>14</sup> No, the word is very near to you; it is in your mouth and in your heart for you to observe.

Word of God. Word of Life.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm: Psalm 25:1-10

*The psalm is sung responsively. The congregation sings the verses in bold print.*



- <sup>1</sup> To | you, O Lord,  
I lift | up my soul.
- <sup>2</sup> **My God, I put my trust in you; let me not be | put to shame,**  
**nor let my enemies triumph | over me.**
- <sup>3</sup> Let none who look to you be | put to shame;  
rather let those be put to shame | who are treacherous.
- <sup>4</sup> **Show me your | ways, O Lord,**  
**and teach | me your paths.**
- <sup>5</sup> Lead me in your | truth and teach me,  
for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all | the day long.
- <sup>6</sup> **Remember, O Lord, your compas- | sion and love,**  
**for they are from | everlasting.**
- <sup>7</sup> Remember not the sins of my youth and | my transgressions;  
remember me according to your steadfast love and for the sake of your  
good- | ness, O Lord.
- <sup>8</sup> **You are gracious and up- | right, O Lord;**  
**therefore you teach sinners | in your way.**
- <sup>9</sup> You lead the low- | ly in justice  
and teach the low- | ly your way.
- <sup>10</sup> **All your paths, O Lord, are steadfast | love and faithfulness**  
**to those who keep your covenant and your | testimonies.**



## **Second Reading: Colossians 1:1-14**

<sup>1</sup> Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother,

<sup>2</sup> To the saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae:  
Grace to you and peace from God our Father.

<sup>3</sup> In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>4</sup> for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, <sup>5</sup> because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. You have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth, the gospel <sup>6</sup> that has come to you. Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the grace of God. <sup>7</sup> This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on our behalf, <sup>8</sup> and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit.

<sup>9</sup> For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, <sup>10</sup> so that you may walk worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God. <sup>11</sup> May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, so that you may have all endurance and patience, joyfully <sup>12</sup> giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. <sup>13</sup> He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, <sup>14</sup> in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

Word of God. Word of Life.

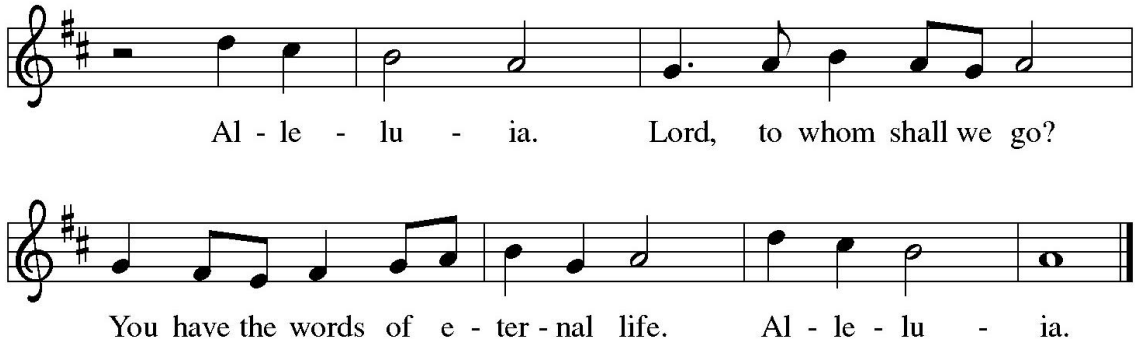
**Thanks be to God.**

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

### NOISY OFFERING

*The Noisy Offering supports the Community Needs Fund and we collect Pennies from Heaven for ELCA World Hunger; these are collected in bread pans often by our children serving in worship.*

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

### Gospel: Luke 10:25-37

The gospel for the Fifth Sunday after Pentecost is from the gospel according to St. Luke.

#### Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>25</sup> An expert in the law stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" <sup>26</sup> He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?" <sup>27</sup> He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind and your neighbor as yourself." <sup>28</sup> And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live."

<sup>29</sup> But wanting to vindicate himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" <sup>30</sup> Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and took off, leaving him half dead. <sup>31</sup> Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. <sup>32</sup> So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. <sup>33</sup> But a

Samaritan while traveling came upon him, and when he saw him he was moved with compassion. <sup>34</sup> He went to him and bandaged his wounds, treating them with oil and wine. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. <sup>35</sup> The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him, and when I come back I will repay you whatever more you spend.' <sup>36</sup> Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?" <sup>37</sup> He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**SERMON – Pastor Scott McKinney**

**HYMN OF THE DAY:**  
**WHEN I NEEDED A NEIGHBOR, LS 153,**

*Solo Verses 1 & 4, then congregation joins in singing verses 1-4 and refrain.*



1 When I need - ed a neigh - bor, were you there, were you  
2 I was hun - gry and thirst - y, were you there, were you  
3 When I need - ed a shel - ter, were you there, were you  
4 Wher - ev - er you trav - el, I'll be there, I'll be

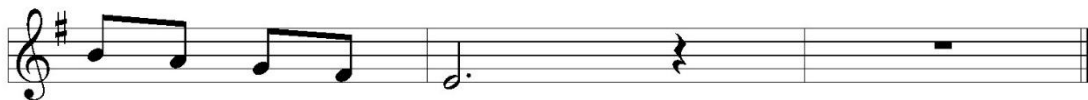


there? When I need - ed a neigh - bor, were you there?  
there? I was hun - gry and thirst - y, were you there?  
there? When I need - ed a shel - ter, were you there?  
there; wher - ev - er you trav - el, I'll be there.



*Refrain*

And the creed and the col - or and the name won't



mat - ter; were you there?  
(4) I'll be there.

## APOSTLES' 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 saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting.  
Amen.

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

After each petition, the congregation responds by saying **"Receive our prayer."**

## SHARING THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

## THE OFFERING

*Weekly giving may be placed in the round collection plate that is distributed by our ushers. Thank you for your faithful giving that supports the ministry we share.*

## OFFERING MUSIC

**OFFERTORY:**  
**GOODNESS IS STRONGER THAN EVIL, ELW 721**

Good-ness is stron-ger than e - vil; love is stron-ger than hate;

light is stron-ger than dark - ness; life is stron-ger than death; vic-t'ry is  
Oh,

ours, vic-t'ry is ours, through God who loves us. Vic-t'ry is  
vic-t'ry is ours, vic-t'ry is ours, through God who loves us. Oh,

ours, vic-t'ry is ours, through God who loves us.  
vic-t'ry is ours, vic-t'ry is ours, through God who loves us.

## OFFERING PRAYER

Creator God,  
in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good  
and the harvest is plentiful.  
Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth  
and our labor,  
that we may work for the good of all;  
through Jesus Christ, our Savior.  
**Amen.**

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

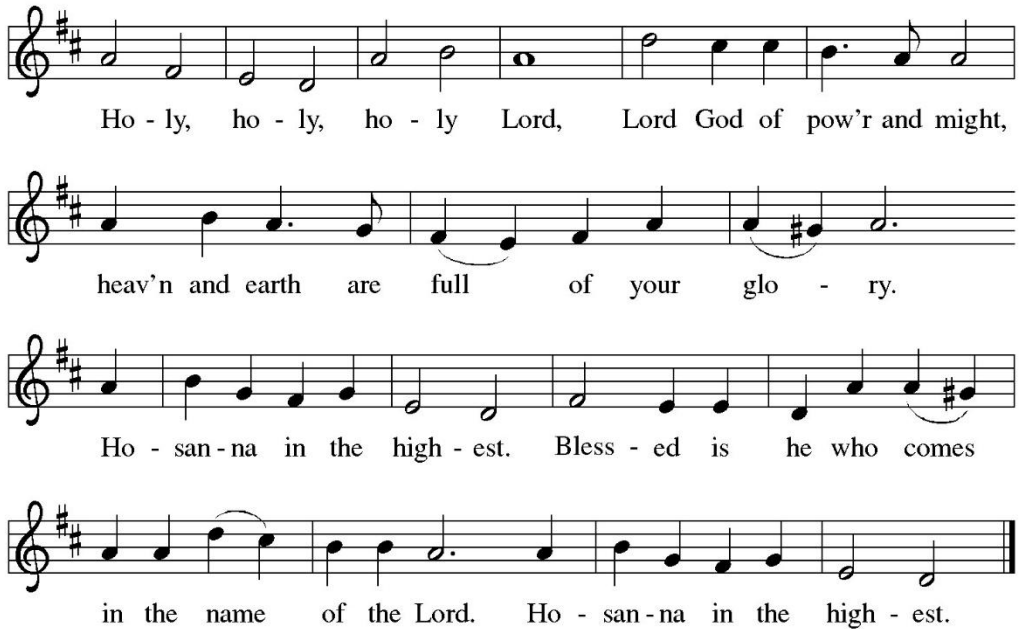
The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## PREFACE

## SANCTUS: HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



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

## EUCCHARISTIC 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.**

### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The kingdom of God is set before you.  
Eat and rejoice.



## DISTRIBUTION

*All are welcome to the table where we receive Christ's Real Presence. Please follow the directions of ushers and pastor for coming to the altar. If coming forward is a challenge, please let an usher know so that we can meet you where you are with Communion. If you wish to receive a blessing in place of bread, please cross your arms over your chest so the pastor will know. Gluten-free wafers are available, and you may indicate your preference to the pastor when you come forward. Red wine and white grape juice are in the individual cups. As you return to your seat, you will find a small basket on the table in which to place your empty cup.*

## LAMB OF GOD



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the



sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

# COMMUNION HYMN: WHEN THE POOR ONES, ELW 725



1 Cuan-do\_el po - bre na - da tie - ne y\_aún re - par - te,  
 1 When the poor ones, who have noth-ing, still are giv - ing;  
 2 When com - pas - sion gives the suf - f'ring con - so - la - tion;  
 3 When our spir - its, like a chal - ice, brim with glad - ness;  
 4 When the good - ness poured from heav - en fills our dwell - ings;



cuan - do al - guien pa - sa sed y\_a - gua nos da,  
 when the thirst - y pass the cup, wa - ter to share;  
 when ex - pect - ing brings to birth hope that was lost;  
 when our voic - es, full and clear, sing out the truth;  
 when the na - tions work to change war in - to peace;



cuan-do\_el dé - bil a su her-ma - no for - ta - le - ce:  
 when the wound-ed of - fer oth - ers strength and heal - ing;  
 when we choose love, not the ha - tred all a - round us:  
 when our long - ings, free from en - vy, seek the hum - ble:  
 when the strang - er is ac - cept - ed as our neigh - bor:

*Refrain / Estribillo*



Va Dios mis - mo en nues-tro mis - mo ca - mi - nar;  
 We see God, here by our side, walk - ing our way;



va Dios mis - mo en nues-tro mis - mo ca - mi - nar.  
 we see God, here by our side, walk - ing our way.

## POST COMMUNION BLESSING

### POST COMMUNION CANTICLE: THANKFUL HEARTS AND VOICES RAISE, ELW 207



Thank-ful hearts and voice-es raise; tell ev-'ry-one what God has done. Let



ev - 'ry-one who seeks the Lord re - joice and bear the name of Christ.



Send us with your prom - is - es and lead your peo - ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia.

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Creative spirit, loving God,  
you gathered us to your table  
and we have received your abundant grace.  
Send us out by your Spirit  
to love our neighbors as ourselves  
and proclaim your love in Jesus' name.  
**Amen.**

## BLESSING

# SENDING HYMN: THEY'LL KNOW WE ARE CHRISTIANS BY OUR LOVE

*Unison*



1. We are one in the Spir-it, we are one in the Lord, We are  
 2. We will walk with each oth-er, we will walk hand in hand, We will  
 3. We will work with each oth-er, we will work side by side, We will  
 4. All praise to the Fa-ther, from whom all things come, And all

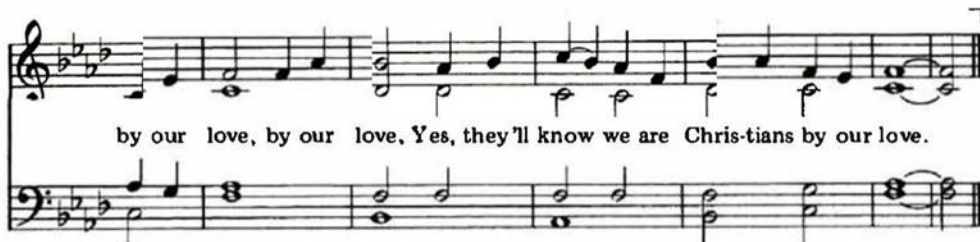


one in the Spir-it, we are one in the Lord, And we pray that all  
 walk with each oth-er, we will walk hand in hand, And to - geth - er we'll  
 work with each oth-er, we will work side by side, And we'll guard each one's  
 praise to Christ Je - sus, His on - ly Son, And all praise to the

*Refrain*



u - ni - ty may one day be re - stored:  
 spread the news that God is in our land: And they'll know we are Chris-tians  
 dig - ni - ty and share human pride:  
 Spir - it, who makes us one:



by our love, by our love, Yes, they'll know we are Chris-tians by our love.

## **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **POSTLUDE**

**WELCOME TO FEAST OF VICTORY:** If you are a guest, we invite you to please sign your name and some form of contact info in our Guest Book, located on the wall desk near the office door entrance, and join us for our fellowship time after our worship service so that we can get to know one another. We are glad that you are worshiping with us today either in person or on Zoom. If you would like to speak with our Pastor, schedule a home visit, unite with our congregation, or receive Holy Communion, please contact Pastor Haley Vay in our church office (231-938-1070).

**PRAYER REQUESTS AND WELCOME CARDS:** As Jesus welcomes us and prays for us, so we also welcome and pray for one another. There are Prayer Request and Welcome Cards located on the table to the left as you enter the front doors of the building. If you have a prayer request, please fill out a card and give it to the Assisting Minister or Pastor if you would like your prayer read aloud in worship, or to Pastor if your request is confidential. If you are visiting...*welcome!* Please consider filling out a Welcome Card and place it in the offering plate or give it to our Pastor, so that we may stay connected.

**STAY CONNECTED** on Facebook @FeastOfVictoryELCA and check out what's happening, ways to get involved, and watch recordings of worship on our website: [www.feastofvictory.org](http://www.feastofvictory.org). You may also pick up a copy of our Church Newsletter, "Feast Your Eyes" at the welcome table.

**THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION** is celebrated each Sunday. We believe that Jesus is really present in the bread and wine of Holy Communion. It is Jesus who serves us, bringing us forgiveness of sins, faith and new life, and hope for eternal life. All are welcome to receive the gift of faith and forgiveness that Jesus offers. Please let the Pastor know if you would prefer gluten-free bread, and if you prefer white grape juice instead of wine.

**FELLOWSHIP AFTER OUR WORSHIP SERVICE:** Special time has been set aside each Sunday following worship for refreshments and conversation. We welcome and encourage you to stay and connect in faith community.

**NURSERY AVAILABLE:** We have a nursery available for parents and small children. It is located in the last room on the right of the main hallway.

**Preaching Minister:** Pastor Scott McKinney  
**Presiding Minister:** Pastor Haley Vay Beaman  
**Assisting Minister:** Caylyn Moglia  
**Acolyte:** Christy Pawloski  
**Musician:** Cliff Kelto  
**Reader:** Rena Rudkin  
**Greeters & Ushers:** Tom Hurshman & Jean Friday  
**Communion:** Shelley Mishler  
**AV Operator:** Doug Satow  
**Coffee Host:** Christy Pawloski  
**Counter:** Jean Friday

*Altar flowers today are in memory and honor of the birthdays of Kathleen Williams  
and Carol Williams.*

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