

Welcome, Introduction & Invocation

Opening Hymn: “O Great Light of the World”

[Children may bring their offerings up at this time.]

Sometimes at night when I am afraid,
I cover my eyes and I cover my shame
So here in the dark broken apart,
Come with Your light and fill up my heart

**O Great Light of the world fill up my soul,
I'm half a man here so come make me whole
O Great Light of the world come to impart,
The light of Your grace to fill up my heart**

The wind of this world can push us around,
Folding us up backing us down
But here in the dark I'm not alone,
So come with Your strength and carry me home

Responsive Reading (based on Psalm 18:1-6):

Leader: I love you, O LORD, my strength.

People: The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer

Leader: my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge,

People: my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.

Leader: I call upon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised,

People: and I am saved from my enemies.

Leader: In my distress I called upon the LORD;

People: to my God I cried for help.

Leader: From his temple he heard my voice,

People: and my cry to him reached his ears.



Scripture Readings: Job 38:4-18, Matthew 14:22-33

Children's Message

Hymn: "Just a Closer Walk With Thee"

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.

**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.**

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.

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

Message: "God Lays Down the Smack" – Job 38:4-18

Song: "He Will Hold Me Fast"

When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast
When the tempter would prevail, He will hold me fast
I could never keep my hold, Through life's fearful path
For my love is often cold, He must hold me fast

**He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast
For my Savior loves me so, He will hold me fast**

Those He saves are His delight, Christ will hold me fast
Precious in His holy sight, He will hold me fast
He'll not let my soul be lost, His Promises shall last
Bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast

For my life He bled and died, Christ will hold me fast
Justice has been satisfied, He will hold me fast
Raised with Him to endless life, He will hold me fast
Till our faith is turned to sight, When He comes at last

Apostles' Creed

Dedication of New and Re-opened Spaces: Coffee House, Food Pantry (new), & Rooms (Mustard Seed, Olive Branch, Willow Tree)

Prayers & Lord's Prayer

Announcements & Blessing

Closing Song: "Yes, I Will"

I count on one thing, the same God that never fails
Will not fail me now, You won't fail me now
In the waiting the same God who's never late
Is working all things out, You're working all things out

**Yes I will, lift You high In the lowest valley
Yes I will, bless Your name. Yes I will, sing for joy
When my heart is heavy All my days, Yes I will**

*I choose to praise, To glorify, glorify
The name of all names That nothing can stand against*

For all my days, Yes I will

It's hard to believe, but **Fall Events** are just around the corner! Here are some up-and-coming happenings to keep in mind. More information will be in the newsletter, on the Information Table, and/or in the bulletin as dates get closer.

American Heritage Girls (AHG) – August 30: Informational meeting for parents and girls (current or interested members) and ice cream social from 2:00-4:00pm

Women's Ministry & Potluck – Wednesday, September 9: Peggy Westin will present information about Lutheran Women in Mission. Watch the Information Table for sign-up in the coming weeks. Gathering begins at 5:00pm.

Rally Day – September 14: School is back in session! Sunday School begins at 8:30am and we will welcome and bless our 2026-27 teachers and leaders. *We are in need of one more Sunday School Teacher to round out our roster.* Please contact Pastor Gomez if you would like to join the team.

Bible Study Fellowship – Ecumenical women's 2026-27 study of Romans begins September 16. Meets weekly at Prince of Peace from 9:30-11:30am.

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(Special Occasions, Daily Activities)



Sunday, August 16 – 12th Sunday after Pentecost

Scripture Readings: Isaiah 56:1, 6-8; Matthew 15:21-28

Today – Join us for our “Thank You” Open House and Fellowship immediately following service.

Monday – Tap Brothers (6524 Barrick Rd) @ 7:00pm

Abundant Harvest Time is back!

Drop off extra & edible vegetables on Thursday, and on Tuesday we'll deal with leftovers (Feed My People or disposed of, if necessary).

Please help yourself to the bounty!



There is an offering plate at Ushers stand in the Sanctuary, available upon arrival.

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