

BOLDLY SHARING THE GRACE OF GOD WITH THE WORLD

KING OF GLORY

L U T H E R A N C H U R C H

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

July 27, 2025 ~ 10:15 a.m.

Evangelical Lutheran Worship – Holy Communion Setting ten

Gathering

Opening Voluntary

Prelude and Fugue in C major

J. F. K. Fisher

Welcome and Community Life

The congregation may stand.

Entrance Hymn 544

Praise the Lord, Rise Up Rejoicing

ALLES IST AN GOTTES SEGEN

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.

Confession and Forgiveness

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

Amen.

Because God loves us unconditionally, and is eager to forgive, we are given the freedom to confess before God and one another, the ways we fall short of sharing God's love and grace with the world.

Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

We begin in silence before God.

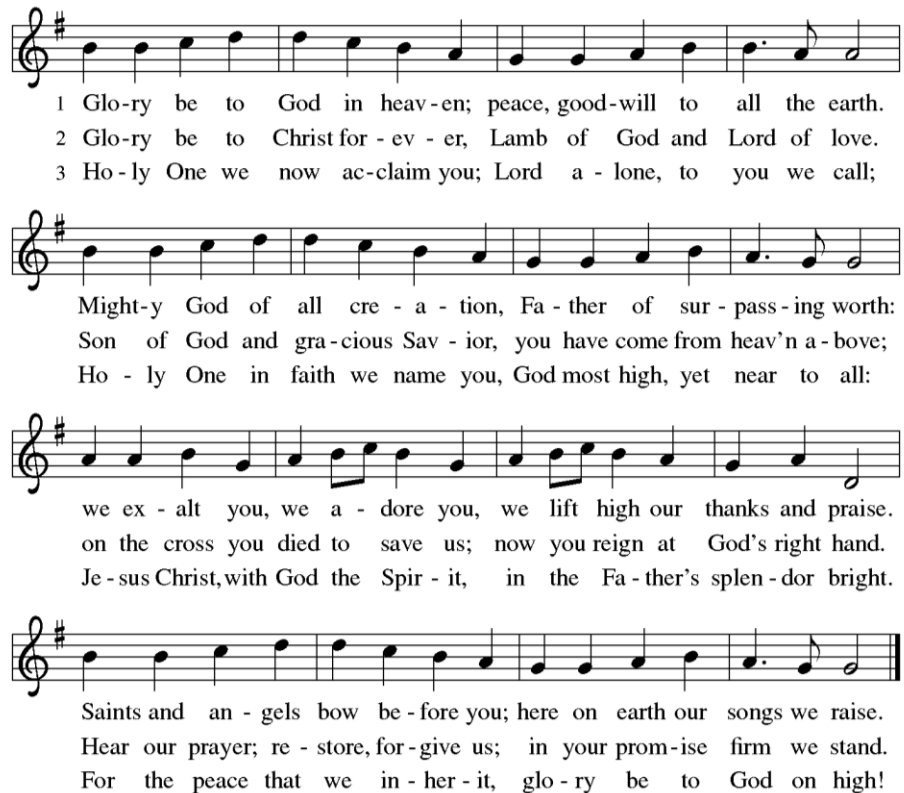
Merciful God,

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.

Hymn of Praise



1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;

Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:
Son of God and gra-cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;
Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:

we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.

Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.
Hear our prayer; re - store, for-give us; in your prom-ise firm we stand.
For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray: Almighty and ever-living God, you are always more ready to hear than we are to pray, and you gladly give more than we either desire or deserve. Pour upon us your abundant mercy. Forgive us those things that weigh on our conscience, and give us those good things that come only through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

The congregation may be seated.

First Lesson

Genesis 18:20-32

²⁰ Then the Lord said, "How great is the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah and how very grave their sin! ²¹ I must go down and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me, and if not, I will know." ²² So the men turned from there and went toward Sodom, while Abraham remained standing before the Lord. ²³ Then Abraham came near and said, "Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? ²⁴ Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city; will you then sweep away the place and not forgive it for the fifty righteous who are in it? ²⁵ Far be it from you to do such a thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?" ²⁶ And the Lord said, "If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will forgive the whole place for their sake." ²⁷ Abraham answered, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to my lord, I who am but dust and ashes. ²⁸ Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?" And he said, "I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there." ²⁹ Again he spoke to him, "Suppose forty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of forty I will not do it." ³⁰ Then he said, "Oh, do not let my lord be angry if I speak. Suppose thirty are found there." He answered, "I will not do it, if I find thirty there." ³¹ He said, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to my lord. Suppose twenty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it." ³² Then he said, "Oh, do not let my lord be angry if I speak just once more. Suppose ten are found there." He answered, "For the sake of ten I will not destroy it."

Second Lesson

Colossians 2:6-15 [16-19]

⁶ As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to walk in him, ⁷ rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving. ⁸ Watch out that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental principles of the world, and not according to Christ. ⁹ For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, ¹⁰ and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority. ¹¹ In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by the removal of the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; ¹² when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. ¹³ And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, ¹⁴ erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this

aside, nailing it to the cross. ¹⁵ He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it. [¹⁶ Therefore, do not let anyone condemn you in matters of food or drink or of observing festivals, new moons, or Sabbaths. ¹⁷ These are only a shadow of what is to come, but the body belongs to Christ. ¹⁸ Do not let anyone disqualify you, insisting on self-abasement and worship of angels, initiatory visions, puffed up without cause by a human way of thinking, ¹⁹ and not holding fast to the head, from whom the whole body, nourished and held together by its ligaments and tendons, grows with a growth that is from God.]

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

The congregation may stand.

Gospel Acclamation



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.

Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.

Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

Gospel

Luke 11:1-13

The holy gospel according to Luke, the eleventh chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹ [Jesus] was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, “Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples.” ² So he said to them, “When you pray, say: Father, may your name be revered as holy. May your kingdom come. ³ Give us each day our daily bread. ⁴ And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us. And do not bring us to the time of trial.” ⁵ And he said to them, “Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, ‘Friend, lend me three loaves of bread, ⁶ for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.’ ⁷ And he answers from within, ‘Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.’ ⁸ I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything out of friendship, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs. ⁹ “So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. ¹⁰ For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. ¹¹ Is there anyone among you who, if your child asked for a fish, would give a snake instead of a fish? ¹² Or if the child asked for an egg, would give a scorpion? ¹³ If you, then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

The congregation may be seated. Children ages 4 years through 3rd grade are invited to attend the children’s sermon in room 115.

Sermon

Pastor Kenny Dickson

The congregation may stand. Children will return from the children’s sermon.

Hymn of the Day 745

Lord, Teach Us How to Pray Aright

SONG 67

The 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

... Lord, in Your mercy,
receive our prayer.

Receive these prayers, O God, and those in our hearts known only to you, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Peace

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

We make peace with God and each other before coming to the Lord's table.

The congregation may be seated.

Meal

Offering

We give back to God out of the abundance with which He has blessed us.

Faithful Ones offering received during the month of July will support **King of Glory Youth Summer Mission Trip**. The King of Glory youth will be heading to North Carolina for a mission trip from July 19–26, 2025, to help with Hurricane Helene relief efforts. The trip includes transportation, lodging, meals, service projects, nightly devotions, and outdoor adventures like rafting and ropes courses. Faithful Ones in July will go directly towards ensuring a strong experience for KOG youth. It's a week of experiencing God, giving back, growing closer, and making unforgettable memories along the way. If you wish to offer additional funds to this ministry, please use an envelope found in the pew rack or the narthex. checks should be made out to King of Glory with "Faithful Ones" in the memo.



We will now present our offerings. You can share your gifts online at koggives.com or via Venmo @kingofglory. You may also place your offering in the offering plate.

Cantate Domino

Ottavio Pittoni

The congregation may stand.

Love one an - oth - er as I have loved you. Care for each
oth - er. I have cared for you. Bear each oth - er's bur - dens.
Bind each oth - er's wounds; and so you will know my re - turn.

Prayer

Let us pray: 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.

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

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places ... and join their unending hymn:

Sanctus, *Holy, holy, holy*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er 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, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Words of Institution

In the night in which he was betrayed, Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

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.

The congregation may be seated.

Celebrating Communion

At King of Glory we welcome all who believe Jesus Christ is present for and with us in the bread and wine.

If you choose to share in our table of communion while at home, consider that your table is part of ours, and your bread and wine is the body and blood of Christ we all share. Please only use bread and wine (or grape juice) as we remain faithful to our Lord's command.

If you would prefer not to receive wine, simply request white grape juice when served. Gluten-free wafers may also be requested. Children and adults not communing are invited to come forward for a word of blessing. Open hands show you wish to receive communion; folded hands show you want a blessing.

Agnus Dei, *Lamb of God*



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
 2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
 3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
 you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
 e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

You are invited to share the bread and wine now as you hear the Pastor say:
 "This is the body of Christ, given for you."
 "This is the blood of Christ, shed for you."


Communion Hymns

742 *What a Friend We Have in Jesus*


CONVERSE

Sweet Hour of Prayer


SWEET HOUR




1 Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer, that calls me from a world of care,
 2 Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer, thy wings shall my pe - ti - tion bear,
 3 Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer, may I thy con - so - la - tion share,



and bids me at my Fa-ther's throne make all my wants and wish-es known.
 to him whose truth and faith-ful - ness en - gage the wait - ing soul to bless;
 till from Mount Pis - gah's loft - y height I view my home and take my flight.



In sea - sons of dis - tress and grief my soul has of - ten found re - lief.
 and since he bids me seek his face, be - lieve his word and trust his grace,
 With joy I'll has - ten to the place where God my Sav - ior shows his face,



and oft es-caped the tempt-er's snare by thy re - turn, sweet hour of prayer.
 I'll cast on him my ev - 'ry care, and wait for thee, sweet hour of prayer.
 and glad - ly take my sta - tion there, thy prom-ise gained, sweet hour of prayer.

The communion table is cleared.

The congregation may stand.

Blessing

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace.

Amen.

Prayer after Communion

Mothering God, you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace. Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus' name.

Amen.

Sending

Benediction

Just as we began, we end worship in the Name of the Triune God.

The love of God abound in you; the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts; and the life of the Spirit ✠ bless you and give you peace.

Amen.

Sending Hymn 543

Go, My Children, with My Blessing

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Dismissal

Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.

Thanks be to God.

Closing Voluntary

Prelude and Fugue in g minor

J. F. K. Fisher

SERVING OUR WORSHIP

Pastor Kenny Dickson, Harold Huddleston

Valarie Remmers, *liturgist*

John Harris, *reader*

Luka Nagy, *acolyte* Jonas White, *crucifer*

The Choral Scholars

Zvony Nagy, *Director of Music and Worship*

Ross Weir, *audio visual*; Keith Prim, *av volunteers*

Lilian Felekeni, Paul Jentz, *greeter*

Liesl Bredeson, Sara Jones, *communion assistants*

Dave Carlson, Rachel Chewakin, Marilyn Cupp, Angie Hutchison, Ron Leeper, Bill Terry, *ushers*

Lisa Bloodgood, Beckie Robinson, *altar guild*

The flowers in the sanctuary this morning are given by
Glenn Schubert in loving memory of his wife Louise Schubert.

Other floral dedication dates are available on the poster in the Narthex.

BOLDLY SHARING THE GRACE OF GOD WITH THE WORLD

Visiting for the first time?

We are glad you are here! Please fill out the **Friendship Pad** or a **Connect Card** so we can get to know you and share more about KOG and our ministries.

Our worship is **liturgical**; rooted in **Scripture**. We follow a pattern of worship that embraces the diversity and richness of modern language and traditions.

Listening Devices are available during **worship services**. Ask an usher to acquire one of these devices.

A **Sensory Room** is located at the back of the **Sanctuary**. This room is equipped with comfortable seating, adjustable lighting and sound, and is a safe place for those with disabilities.

Children are welcome in worship!

Clipboards with activity pages and fidgets are available in the Narthex. If you prefer, we have a nursery available for infants through Kindergarten in Room 211.

The **Cry Room**, where you can sit with your child and watch the service via livestream, is **temporarily unavailable** due to remodeling



FAITH FORMATION

GROWING IN FAITH

[Summer Adult Faith Formation]

Sundays, June 29–Aug 24 (no class July 6)

9:00 AM | Lower Level - LL10

Sponsored by Rebels with a Cause

Summer Series Continues...We're diving into **How to End Christian Nationalism** by Amanda Tyler—exploring how faith shapes our views on justice, community, and civic life. It's not too late to join the conversation as we reflect together this summer! Next week's topic is *Commit to the Separation of Church and State*.



GENEROUS IN SERVICE AND GIVING

Faithful Ones

Our Youth traveled this past week to Western NC for their Missions Trip. This is the final week to contribute to July's Faithful Ones offering, which helps fund their annual mission trip and outreach work. Thank you!

Giving Statements

Financial Highlights as of June 30, 2025

YTD Budgeted Offerings	\$	947,648
YTD Actual Offerings	\$	807,664
YTD Other Income	\$	61,199
YTD Expenses	\$	994,978
YTD Net Surplus / (Deficit)	\$	(126,115)
Faithful Ones Offering Total	\$	1,304

Giving statements for Quarter 2 of 2025, along with a cover letter, have been mailed to all who have contributed to King of Glory.

As we are behind in our overall giving, it is important that we review the letter and consider our giving.

Thank you for your generosity and faithfulness.



GROUNDING IN LOVE

Celebrate Harold's 20 Years at KOG

We're honoring Harold Huddleston's 20 years of ministry with a special video tribute! Share a short message of thanks or a favorite memory.



Submit by August 10

Scan the QR code to record your video message.



Let's show Harold our gratitude!

Building Utilization

Our church space is a gift we share! If you know a mission-aligned group needing space—short or long term—contact Phil Thomas. Let's use our building to share God's grace!



Carter BloodCare

KoG Blood Drive - Today!

Give the Gift of Life – Blood Drive. Carter BloodCare is on-site Today until 12:30 PM in the parking lot. Stop by the mobile unit and help save lives! For questions, contact Suzanne Moore at 972-566-6271 or email at suzanne.moore@medicalcityhealth.com.



King of Glory IS a
RECONCILING in CHRIST
Congregation

Children's Area Renovation

Renovations progress to create a refreshed, secure space for our youngest members. During this time, nursery care is temporarily in Room 211 upstairs. Thank you for your support! This project is funded by the 2021 Miracle Offering.

Sanctuary Flower Dedications & Arranging

Help beautify our worship space! You can dedicate sanctuary flowers in honor or memory of a loved one, or sign up to help arrange them.

Use the QR code to sign up or visit the Giving page on our website for more details.



Thank you for sharing your gifts in this meaningful way!

EASY WAYS TO CONNECT

Joyful Spirit

Sundays at 5 PM

Extend an invitation to this inclusive and uplifting service and join them in worship. Streams monthly, on last Sunday. *Find out more at kingofglory.com/joyful-spirit-worship.*

Let's Eat Out! (LEOs)

Thursday, August 7 at 6:30 PM

Invite a friend and enjoy conversation with other KOG members over dinner at Cappuccino Italian Bistro, The Lennox Center. *Email office@kingofglory.com for more information.*

1st Saturday Social

Break for Summer - First Saturday of the Month

Young Adults, Young Families, and ACTION Groups will **start again in the fall** to connect while having fun. For more information, *Email andrea.schweitzer@yahoo.com*

Culture of Connection

September 7

Join us after Worship Service as continue exploring how our gifts shape our faith, purpose and life together.

Reservations for Six

Once a Month

Groups of 6 share brunch, lunch, or dinner out at a restaurant each month (March - November). *Sign up now! For more information, email hildchitchat@att.net*

Upcoming Events:

Take a look at our Event Calendar at kingofglory.com/events

Church office hours:

Mondays and Fridays 8:30 - Noon
Tuesdays - Thursdays 8:30 - 3:30

Ways you can give:

Venmo @kingofglory
kingofglory.com/koggives

