

**EPIPHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost, June 14, 2026**

Traditional Worship

Austin Campus 9:00 AM, Far Hills Campus 10:30 AM\* (\*Livestreamed)

Gather

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**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**MINISTRY MOMENT:** *EPIPHANY PLAYERS*

“Forgiveness” from *JANE EYRE*

*Kandis Gibson, Kellie Dabb, John Benjamin*

**PRELUDE:** *CANZON SEPTIMI TONI NO. 1 (Giovanni Gabrieli, arr. David Marlatt)*

*Adena Brass*

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P: Compassionate God

**C: We confess to you all our sins**

**Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves**

**In your mercy, call us back to you**

**Your yoke is easy and your burden is light**

**Restore us to dwell in your peace**

**In Christ’s name we pray, Amen**

**SHARING THE PEACE**

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C: And also with you.**

## OPENING HYMN: LET US ENTER IN



1 Let us en-ter in to the song of thanks - giv - ing and free - dom.  
2 Let us en-ter in to the place where our God has pre - ced - ed.  
3 Let us en-ter in to the heart of a world that is bro - ken.



Let us en-ter in to the long line of peo - ple in need.  
Let us en-ter in to the face of the fear and the pain.  
Let us en-ter in to the start of a hope we can share.



Let us en-ter in to the strong mind that God is still liv - ing.  
Let us en-ter in to the grace of the love when it's need - ed.  
Let us en-ter in to the part where we call one an - oth - er



Heal - ing, for - giv - ing— Let us en - ter in.  
Death is de - feat - ed! Let us en - ter in.  
sis - ter and broth - er. Let us en - ter in.

Text: Ray Makeever, b. 1943  
Music: LET US ENTER IN, Ray Makeever  
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## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Word

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## WELCOMING THE CHILDREN

## FIRST READING: ROMANS 5:1-8

<sup>1</sup> Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>2</sup> through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand, and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. <sup>3</sup> And not only that, but we also boast in our afflictions, knowing that affliction produces endurance, <sup>4</sup> and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, <sup>5</sup> and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. <sup>6</sup> For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. <sup>7</sup> Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. <sup>8</sup> But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

A: The word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: NOW THE FEAST AND CELEBRATION

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

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

P: The holy gospel according to St. Matthew.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

**GOSPEL READING: MATTHEW 9:35-10:8**

<sup>35</sup> Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness. <sup>36</sup> When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. <sup>37</sup> Then he said to his disciples, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; <sup>38</sup> therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.”

<sup>10:1</sup> Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness.

<sup>2</sup> These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee and his brother John; <sup>3</sup> Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James, son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; <sup>4</sup> Simon the Cananaean and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him.

<sup>5</sup> These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: “Do not take a road leading to gentiles, and do not enter a Samaritan town, <sup>6</sup> but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. <sup>7</sup> As you go, proclaim the good news, ‘The kingdom of heaven has come near.’ <sup>8</sup> Cure the sick; raise the dead; cleanse those with a skin disease; cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment.

P: The gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

**SERMON**

# HYMN OF THE DAY: IN CHRIST, CALLED TO BAPTIZE (v. 1,2,4)

#575



1 In Christ called to bap - tize, we wit - ness to grace  
2 In Christ called to ban - quet, one ta - ble we share,  
3 In Christ called to wit - ness, by grace we will preach  
4 U - nite us, a - noint us, O Spir - it of love,



and gath - er a peo - ple from each land and race.  
a ha - ven of wel - come, a cir - cle of care.  
the life - giv - ing gos - pel; God's love we will teach.  
for you are with - in us, a - round us, a - bove.



In deep, flow - ing wa - ters, we share in Christ's death,  
Al - though we are man - y, we share in one bread.  
By grace may our liv - ing give proof to our praise  
E - quip us for ser - vice with gifts you be - stow.



then, ris - ing to new life, give thanks with each breath.  
One cup of thanks - giv - ing pro - claims Christ, our head.  
in cost - ly com - pas - sion re - flect - ing Christ's ways.  
In Christ is our call - ing. In Christ may we grow.

Text: Ruth Duck, b. 1947  
Music: ST. DENIO, Welsh traditional  
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## PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Meal

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**OFFERING:** COME THOU FOUNT OF EVERY BLESSING (arr. Mike Gallehue)

Adena Brass

# OFFERTORY: AS THE GRAINS OF WHEAT (v. 2)

#465

*Refrain*



As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were  
gath-ered in - to one to be - come our bread; so may all your peo-ple from  
all the ends of earth be gath-ered in - to one in you.

2 Let this be a fore - taste of all that is to come when

*Refrain*

all cre - a - tion shares this feast with you.

Text: Didache, 2nd cent.; Marty Haugen, b. 1950

Music: AS THE GRAINS, Marty Haugen

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## OFFERING PRAYER

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and  
 might; heav - en and earth are filled with your  
 glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
 Bless - ed is the one who comes in your name. Ho -  
 san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

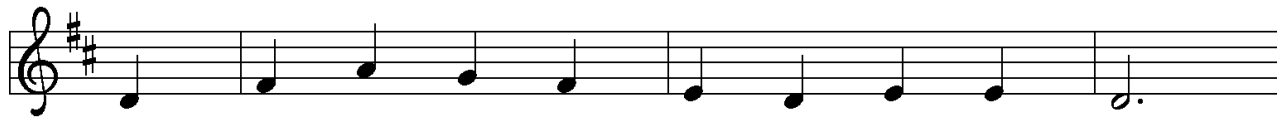
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**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**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.**

# COMMUNION HYMN: THE SON OF GOD, OUR CHRIST

#584



1 The Son of God, our Christ, the Word, the Way,  
2 In ev - 'ry test, in tri - als man - i - fold,  
3 To - day, as then, Christ sum - mons us to dare  
4 In cit - y street, in town, or on the soil,  
5 Wher - e'er we find our wit - ness should be made,



shared hu - man life and toiled through - out the day;  
these ser - vants wit - nessed, by their faith made bold;  
to fol - low bold - ly and his work to share,  
may each serve Christ in faith - ful dai - ly toil,  
what - e'er our task, be thou, O Christ, our aid,



from com - mon folk he called the twelve to be  
and with the gifts and tal - ents which they brought  
to help and heal the sick, the blind, the lame,  
and in each thought and kind - ly word and deed,  
that we may glad - ly give for thee our best



co - work - ers in his sa - cred min - is - try.  
the church was found - ed and God's mes - sage taught.  
de - clar - ing to the world his ho - ly name.  
o - bey Christ's call and go where he shall lead.  
and find each task di - vine - ly sent and blest.

Text: Edward M. Blumenfeld, b. 1927, alt.

Music: SURSUM CORDA, Alfred M. Smith, 1879-1971

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## POST-COMMUNION BLESSING AND PRAYER

Send

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## BENEDICTION

# CLOSING HYMN: I LOVE TO TELL THE STORY (vv. 1-2)

#661



1 I love to tell the sto - ry of un - seen things a - bove,  
2 I love to tell the sto - ry: how pleas - ant to re - peat  
3 I love to tell the sto - ry, for those who know it best



of Je - sus and his glo - ry, of Je - sus and his love.  
what seems, each time I tell it, more won - der - ful - ly sweet!  
seem hun - ger - ing and thirst - ing to hear it like the rest.



I love to tell the sto - ry, be - cause I know it's true;  
I love to tell the sto - ry, for some have nev - er heard  
And when, in scenes of glo - ry, I sing the new, new song,



it sat - is - fies my long - ings as noth - ing else would do.  
the mes - sage of sal - va - tion from God's own ho - ly word.  
I'll sing the old, old sto - ry that I have loved so long.

## *Refrain*



I love to tell the sto - ry; 'twill be my theme in glo - ry



to tell the old, old sto - ry of Je - sus and his love.

Text: Katherine Hankey, 1834–1911  
Music: HANKEY, William E. Fischer, 1849–1936

## SENDING

A: Heaven has come near. Go share the good news.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE:** “*La Réjouissance*” from *MUSIC FOR THE ROYAL FIREWORKS*

(G. F. Handel, arr. David Marlatt)

Adena Brass

### Serving in Worship

#### Austin Campus 9:00 AM

Presiding Minister: Pastor Corey Wagonfield

Pianist: John Benjamin

Lay Reader: Donna Cooper

#### Far Hills Campus 10:30 AM

Presiding Minister: Pastor Tracy Paschke-Johannes

Assisting Minister: Sandy Houpt

Organist: John Benjamin

Cantor: Kathleen Wilson

Adena Brass: Doug Albright, Bob Gray, trumpets, Julie Swank, horn  
Don Greiman, trombone, Mike Gallehue, tuba

Sound: Alex Wasser

Stream Team: Landon Henderson, Melonie June Warren

Ushers: Todd Armstrong, David Huber

Communion: Ann Painter, Charlotte & Sam Richard, Verity Snyder

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