# October 12, 2025 Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost



**Mount Tabor Lutheran Church** 



#### **Welcome to Our Service**

**Our mission at Mount Tabor** is to be "an inclusive, compassionate faith community living God's love in the world." Mount Tabor is a member of the Evangelical

Lutheran Church in America and a *Reconciling in Christ* congregation of the ELCA. This means that all are welcome and affirmed, especially our LGBTQ+ siblings, and that we are connected to the world. We all have a place here at God's round table just as we are!

If this is your first time here, a special welcome to you! We are mask optional and mask friendly. Please sign the guest register in the narthex (along with your e-mail and cell) so we can be in touch, put on a name tag, and join us for refreshments after the service.

**Holy Communion is open to all**. Children of all ages are invited to receive communion with their parents' or guardians' permission. Come when you are ready. Gluten-free bread is available. If you would like a blessing, come to the altar with your arms folded.

**Children are always welcome** in the sanctuary. We are blessed to be part of their faith formation through worship!

**Prayer slips** are available from the ushers. Write your prayers and then leave them in the offering plates to be added to the prayer chain around the altar. **Please turn off cell phones** in the sanctuary before worship begins.

You may add names to the prayer list by sending a request to Kristin Jensen (office@mttaborslc.org), or Pastor Christine (pastor@mttaborslc.org). Names added to the prayer list will remain there for one month. You may request that they stay on longer or come off sooner by contacting the same people.

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# Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost Liturgy - Dancing at the Harvest

# **Greeting & Preparation for Worship**

**Prelude** Bob Brown

#### **GATHERING**

The Holy Spirit Calls Us Together as the People of God.

\*Call to Worship Dath 2



Text: Ray Makeever

Music: GOD GIVE US LIFE, Ray Makeever

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#### Confession and Absolution

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, our maker, our helper, and our keeper.

Amen.

Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful and loving God,
we are your stiff-necked people.
We trample on the needy.
We grumble about your grace to others.
We turn away from the poor.
Have mercy on us and forgive our sins.
Rejoice over us as ones who were lost and have been found.
Amen.

Even when we are faithless, God remains faithful. Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners. You who were lost have been found. In the name of ± Jesus, your sins are forgiven!

Amen.

**Gathering Song** 

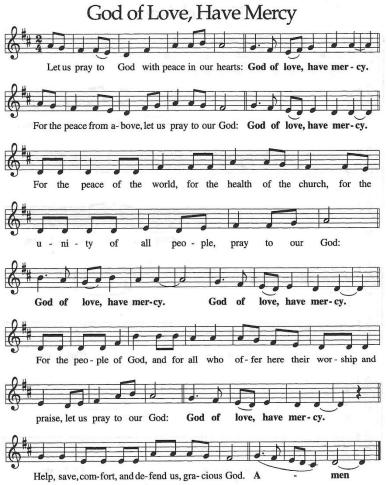
O Christ, the Healer, We Have Come

**ELW 610** 

# 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.



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# **Jubilate**



Text: Traditional

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# **Prayer of the Day**

Almighty and most merciful God, your bountiful goodness fills all creation. Keep us safe from all that may hurt us, that, whole and well in body and spirit, we may with grateful hearts accomplish all that you would have us do, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

#### Amen.

#### THE WORD

God Speaks to Us in Scripture Reading, Preaching and Song

# **First Reading**

2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c

<sup>1</sup> Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master because by him the LORD had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from a skin disease. <sup>2</sup> Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. <sup>3</sup> She said to her mistress, "If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his skin disease." <sup>7</sup> When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his skin disease? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a guarrel with me." 8 But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel." 9 So Naaman came with his horses and chariots and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. 10 Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored, and you shall be clean." 11 But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, "I thought that for me he would surely come out and stand and call on the name of the LORD his God and would wave his hand over the spot and cure the skin disease! <sup>12</sup> Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them and be clean?" He turned and went away in a rage. <sup>13</sup> But his servants approached and said to him, "Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, 'Wash, and be clean'?" 14 So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean. 15 Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company; he came and stood before him and said, "Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel; please accept a present from your servant."

Word of God, Word of Life.

# **Second Reading**

2 Timothy 2:8-15

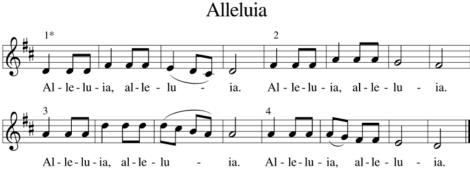
<sup>8</sup> Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David—that is my gospel, <sup>9</sup> for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. <sup>10</sup> Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. <sup>11</sup> The saying is sure: If we have died with him, we will also live with him; <sup>12</sup> if we endure, we will also reign with him; if we deny him, he will also deny us; <sup>13</sup> if we are faithless, he remains faithful— he cannot deny himself. <sup>14</sup> Remind them of this, and warn them before the Lord that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. <sup>15</sup> Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

## \*Gospel Acclamation

**DATH 15** 



\* May be sung in canon

Music: Ray Makeever, b. 1943 Music: © 1983 Ray Makeever, admin. Augsburg Fortress The Gospel Luke 17:11-19

The Holy Gospel according to Luke. Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>11</sup>On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. 12 As he entered a village, ten men with a skin disease approached him. Keeping their distance, <sup>13</sup> they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" 14 When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. <sup>15</sup> Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. <sup>16</sup> He prostrated himself at Jesus's feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. <sup>17</sup> Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? So where are the other nine? 18 Did none of them return to give glory to God except this foreigner?" 19 Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Message

Pastor Christine Higueria-Street

A time of silence follows the sermon for reflection on the message.

\*Hymn of the Day Now Thank We All Our God

**ELW 840** 

Please be seated.

# The Prayers of the People

Renewed in God's everlasting grace, let us pray for the church, the world, and all creation.

A brief silence.

## After each petition:

God of grace,

# Receive our prayer.

## We remember in prayer. . . . .

Vicki Lange Travis and Nathan Jelsma- Beery

Paul Robinson Tobias Goldsmith
Stephanie Wilson Brenna Brown
Sheri Clark Coni Hampton
Charlie Clapp Janice Palumbos
Scott Wilson Barb Viskochil

We pray for all those suffering the effects of traumatic events, natural disasters and climate change. We pray for the recovery efforts, the first responders and volunteers who are serving in these areas.

We offer our prayers, O God, trusting in your everlasting grace and mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

## **Sharing the Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

#### MEAL

#### God Feeds Us with the Presence of Jesus Christ.

## **Sharing our Gifts and Gratitude**

We provide several ways of sharing your financial blessings with our congregation. Offering plates are located at the doors of the sanctuary and envelopes can be found in the pews. **Simply Giving is** an automatic direct-donation method of supporting our life and ministry together. If you would like to enroll in **Simply Giving** or if you are interested in updating your giving amount, frequency, etc., please contact <a href="mailto:office@mttaborslc.org">office@mttaborslc.org</a> with your request. We are grateful and thankful for your support and wonderful generosity. Alternately, feel free to use this QR code to contribute Electronically.



## **Prayer of Gratitude**

Let us pray,
Lord of the harvest,
we return to you a portion of what you have given to us.
Turn us to set our hope not on the uncertainty of riches,
but on you, who richly provides for us.
Multiply what we have gathered
to bless all who are suffering and in need,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

# **Great Thanksgiving**

The table is prepared as the assembly sings:

Lamb of God DATH 23

# Lamb of God



Text: "Agnus Dei," traditional Music: Ray Makeever, b. 1943

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# \*Dialogue

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.

### **Table Prayer**

Holy God, our Bread of Life... to become food for the world.

#### The Words of Institution

In the night.... in your holy Church, both now and forever. **Amen.** 

## **Lord's Prayer**

Loving God, in whom is heaven,

May Your name be honored everywhere.

May Your kin-dom come.

May the desire of Your heart for the world be done, in us, by us and through us.

Give us the bread we need for each day.

Forgive us.

Enable us to forgive others.

Keep us from all anxiety and fear.

For You reign in the power that comes from love which is Your glory forever and ever.

Amen.\*\*

### **Invitation to Communion**

The Distribution Come when you are ready, children are always welcome!

# **Communion Song**

Healer of Our Every III ELW 612

By Your Hand You Feed Your People **ELW 469** 

## \*Post Communion Blessing

# **Prayer after Communion**

Let us pray,

O God.

through this meal you have strengthened us and appointed us to be your servants.
Send us to do good and to share our possessions with all in need.

We ask this in Jesus' name.

Amen.

#### **SENDING**

God Blesses Us and Sends Us in Mission to the World.

# Our Life Together (pg. 16)

# \*Blessing & Benediction

The God of righteousness, who gives justice to the oppressed, who gives food to the hungry, who sets the prisoners free,

+ bless you now and forever.

Amen.

Sending Song

Go, My Children with My Blessing

**ELW 543** 

**Dismissal** 

Go in peace. Do not lose heart.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude Bob Brown

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16th Sunday after Pentecost: October 12, 2025

**Assisting Minister:** Casey White

**Lector:** Dannie Gavros **Usher:** Dave Warren

Counters: N/A

**Greeter:** Leslie Carey **Altar Ministry:** Lanea Brown

AV Technicians: Lee Kreutzer, Duane Lee

Presiding Minister: Rev. Christine Higueria-Street

Administrative Assistant: Kristin Jensen

# **Our Life Together Announcements**

Worship & Music Ministry will be meeting today, Sunday October 12, immediately following worship.

"Dinner At Vinnies" service opportunity is Tuesday, October 14th from 4:30-6:30pm at the St Vincent DePaul Dining Hall at the Weigand Center downtown.

Please join us **Sunday**, **October 19** after service to **celebrate Pastor Christine's ordination anniversary** (and her birthday, too)! It will mark her 13th year as an ordained minister. Congratulations and God's blessings!

**Newsletter Deadline is October 19**. Please send in your articles by this date to: office@mttaborslc.org

**The Nominating Committee Meeting** will be **Monday, October 20** at 7PM on Zoom.

Fall is here! OAKS will be meeting for lunch and fellowship on Tuesday, October 21st at noon. Let Pastor Christine know if you plan on attending at 801-215-9208. Come join us for fellowship and fun!

**Senior Food Box Distribution:** Our distribution of USDA food boxes to seniors in our neighborhood continues with our next distribution set for **Wednesday**, **October 22<sup>nd</sup>**. These boxes are available for those who meet eligibility guidelines and have signed up through the Utah Food Bank.

In my role as President, I am calling for a **Congregational Meeting** to occur on **Sunday, 26 October 2025**, to consider the following recommendation from the Church Council. The council requests that the congregation consider changing Pr. Christine's position from a Sunday Plus 1 Day Bridge pastor to a Sunday Plus 2 Day Bridge Pastor in recognition of the large amount of effort that she has put into Mt Tabor. This change would be effective as of 1 June 2025, which is the start of her second year as our Bridge Pastor, and would cause an effective increase in her salary of \$8,225 for 2025. ~Dave Warren

**Family Promise Public Open House** on **October 28th:** 6-7PM at 324 East 1100 North, Harrisville, UT

We are **updating the current membership directory**. Please send all updated contact information to Kristin at office@mttaborslc.org.

**Our new office assistant**, Kristin, is now in person in the office during the week. Please be mindful to pick up after yourself and not leave a mess.

Please refrain from placing anything with liquid or food in the recycling can. Please empty all liquids into the sink before placing items in the trash. If you make a mess, please clean up after yourselves. We want to be an example to the groups we share our space with.

**Pastor Christine** is available by voice mail or text message. Her contact information is 801-215-9208. Emails can be sent to pastor@mttaborslc.org.