

SHARING THE PEACE L) The peace of Christ be with you all. **C) And also with you.**

OFFERING/OFFERING SONG “Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful” **ELW #182**

Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing.
Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gather the hopes and the dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer now.
Grace our table with your presence and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE L) Lord in your mercy **C) Hear our Prayer**

HOLY COMMUNION *(continuous)*

- ✚ Words of Institution
- ✚ The Lord’s Prayer
- ✚ Distribution of the Sacrament
- ✚ Communion Blessing/Benediction

CLOSING SONG “What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine” **WOV #780**

- 1 What a fellowship, what a joy divine, leaning on the everlasting arms;
what a blessedness, what a peace is mine, leaning on the everlasting arms.

Refrain

Leaning, leaning, *(Leaning on Jesus, leaning on Jesus.)*
safe and secure from all alarms;
leaning, leaning, *(leaning on Jesus, leaning on Jesus.)*
leaning on the everlasting arms.

- 2 Oh, how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way, leaning on the everlasting arms;
oh, how bright the path grows from day to day, leaning on the everlasting arms. *Refrain*
- 3 What have I to dread, what have I to fear, leaning on the everlasting arms?
I have blessed peace with my Lord so near, leaning on the everlasting arms. *Refrain*

DISMISSAL L) Go in peace, Serve the Lord and your neighbors. **C) Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE



Willow Creek and Benton Lutheran Churches

June 14th, 2026

Vicar Kendra Kappler and Pastor Renae Boehmer

Accompanist: Paul Mesner, Willow Creek, Kari Vosburg, Benton

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✚ one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. *(Silence for Reflection)*

Gracious God, **have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ✚ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **Amen.**

GATHERING SONG**“You Are My King (Amazing Love)”**

I'm forgiven because You were forsaken I'm accepted, You were condemned
And I'm alive and well, Your Spirit is within me Because You died and rose again.

Amazing love, how can it be That You, my King, should die for me?
Amazing love, I know it's true And it's my joy to honor You

Amazing love, how can it be That You, my King, should die for me?
Amazing love, I know it's true And it's my joy to honor You In all I do, to honor You

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Amazing love, how can it be That You, my King, should die for me?
Amazing love, I know it's true And it's my joy to honor You

You are my King You are my King Jesus, You are my King Jesus, You are my King

Amazing love, how can it be That You, my King, should die for me?
Amazing love, I know it's true And it's my joy to honor You

In all I do, to honor You In all I do, to honor You

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Gracious God, *you have given us peace with you through Jesus Christ, even while our lives are often unsettled and uncertain. When our circumstances change and our hearts grow anxious, remind us that your love does not change. Strengthen us by your Spirit to trust in the promise of your Son, who gave his life for us while we were still sinners. Keep us in your peace that passes all understanding, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.*

FIRST READING Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19

¹ I love the LORD, who has heard my voice, and listened to my supplication,

² *for the LORD has given ear to me whenever I called.*

¹² How shall I repay the LORD for all the good things God has done for me?

¹³ *I will lift the cup of salvation and call on the name of the LORD.*

¹⁴ I will fulfill my vows to the LORD in the presence of all God's people.

¹⁵ *Precious in your sight, O LORD, is the death of your servants.*

¹⁶ O LORD, truly I am your servant; I am your servant, the child of your handmaid; you have freed me from my bonds.

¹⁷ *I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving and call upon the name of the LORD.*

¹⁸ I will fulfill my vows to the LORD in the presence of all God's people,

¹⁹ *in the courts of the LORD's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem. Hallelujah!*

L) Word of God, Word of Life. **All) Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING (Gospel) Matthew 9:35 – 10:8

³⁵ 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. ³⁶ When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. ³⁷ Then he said to his disciples, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; ³⁸ therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.”

^{10:1} 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. ² 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; ³ Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus and Thaddeus; ⁴ Simon the Cananaean and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him.

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

CHILDREN'S SONG/MESSAGE**“Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying”****WOV 775**

Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your Spirit in this place;
Lord, listen to your children praying, send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**“Sanctuary”**

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary Pure and holy, tried and true
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living Sanctuary for You

THIRD READING**Romans 5:1-8**

¹ Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ² 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. ³ And not only that, but we also boast in our afflictions, knowing that affliction produces endurance, ⁴ and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵ 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.

⁶ For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷ Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. ⁸ But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

L) The Gospel of the Lord. **All) Praise to you, O Christ.**

MESSAGE**“Peace Beyond the Forecast”****Vicar Kendra Kappler****SONG OF THE DAY****“When Peace Like a River”****ELW #785**

1 When peace like a river attendeth my way, when sorrows like sea billows roll,
whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say, it is well, it is well with my soul.

Refrain

It is well (it is well), with my soul, (with my soul,) it is well, it is well with my soul.

2 Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come, let this blest assurance control,
that Christ has regarded my helpless estate, and has shed his own blood for my soul. **Refrain**

3 He lives--oh, the bliss of this glorious thought; my sin, not in part, but the whole,
is nailed to his cross and I bear it no more. Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul! **Refrain**

4 Lord, hasten the day when our faith shall be sight, the clouds be rolled back as a scroll,
the trumpet shall sound and the Lord shall descend; even so it is well with my soul. **Refrain**