10:00 A.M. ORDER OF WORSHIP June 15, 2025 THE HOLY TRINITY

PRELUDE: "Now We Join in Celebration" – Johannes Brahms

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BRIEF ORDER OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS:

During the Confession you may either stand or kneel as you are able.

P: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

P: 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.

C: Amen

- P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.
- P: Most merciful God,
- C: we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart: we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen
- P: Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: AMEN.

GATHERING HYMN: "Come, Thou Almighty King"

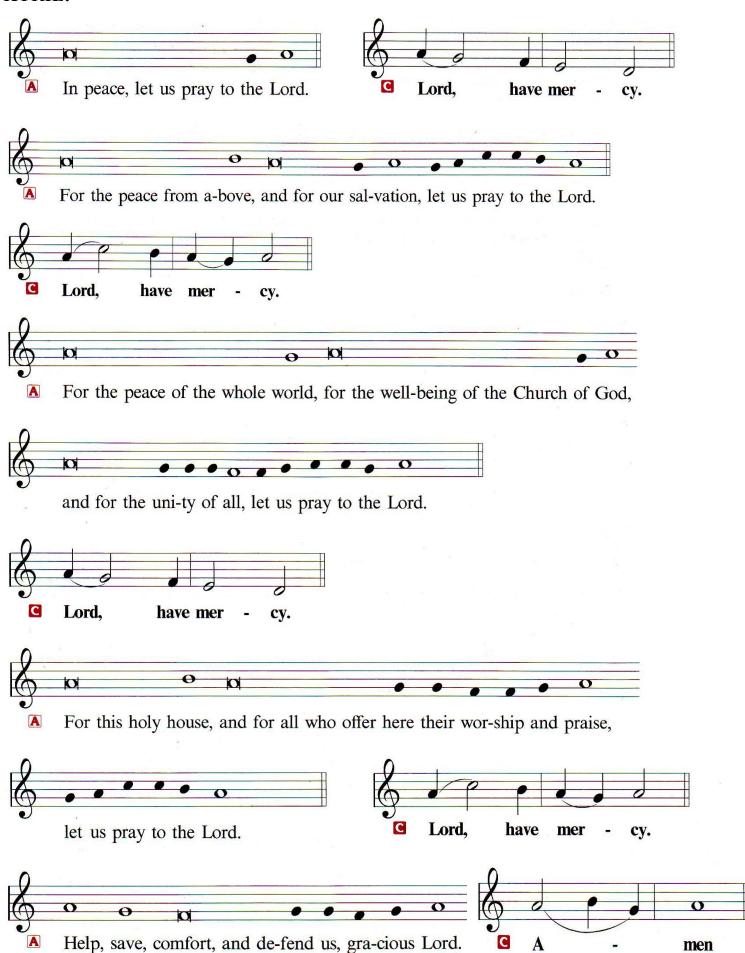


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APOSTOLIC GREETING:

- P. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C. And also with you.

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HYMN OF PRAISE:



PRAYER OF THE DAY:

- P. The Lord be with you.
- C. And also with you.
- P. Let us pray.

Almighty Creator and ever-living God: we worship your glory, eternal Three-in-One, and we praise your power, majestic One-in-Three. Keep us steadfast in this faith, defend us in all adversity, and bring us at last into your presence, where you live in endless joy and love, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Please be seated

READINGS FOR TODAY

FIRST READING: Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31

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PSALM 8

Spoken responsively, the Lector speaks the verses in regular print and congregation speaks the verses in **bold** print.

- ¹O Lord our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!
- ²you whose glory is chanted above the heavens out of the mouths of infants and children; you have set up a fortress against your enemies, to silence the foe and avenger.
- ³ When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,
- ⁴ what are mere mortals that you should be mindful of them, human beings that you should care for them?
- ⁵ Yet you have made them little less than divine; with glory and honor you crown them.
- ⁶ You have made them rule over the works of your hands; you have put all things under their feet:
- ⁷ all flocks and cattle, even the wild beasts of the field,
- ⁸ the birds of the air, the fish of the sea, and whatever passes along the paths of the sea.
- ⁹ O Lord our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

SECOND READING: Romans 5:1-5 see back of bulletin

Please stand as you are able.



GOSPEL: The Holy Gospel according to St. John 16:12-15

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After the reading the minister says: "The Gospel of the Lord"



Please be seated

SERMON:

Reverend Dan Forehand



HYMN OF THE DAY: "Now We Join in Celebration"



APOSTLES' CREED:

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again 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

Please be seated.

INSTALLATION OF PASTOR AMY BARTLESON BALCAM

Presentation:

Rev. Dan Forehand: Having been authorized by the church to install Amy Bartleson Balcam, our co-worker in the gospel, as pastor, I now ask for certification of this call.

Christi Tam, Council President: After prayerful deliberation, we, of First Lutheran Church, have called Reverend Amy Bartleson Balcam as Pastor. I present her and this letter certifying the call.

The Council President and the congregation are seated.

Address and Questions:

Rev. Dan Forehand:

<u>A reading from John:</u> Jesus said, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you. Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." (John 20:21-23)

A reading from Matthew: Jesus said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age." (Matthew 28:18-20)

<u>A reading from First Timothy</u>: Set the believers an example in speech and conduct, in love, in faith, in purity. Attend to the public reading of scripture, to exhorting, to teaching. Do not neglect the gift that is in you, which was given to you through prophecy with the laying on of hands by the council of elders. Put these things into practice, devote yourself to them, so that all may see your progress. Pay close attention to yourself and to your teaching; continue in these things, for in doing this you will save both yourself and your hearers. (1 Timothy 4:12-16)

Pastor Amy, in the presence of this assembly will you commit yourself to this new trust and responsibility, in the confidence that it comes from God through the call of the church?

Pastor Amy: I will, and I ask God to help me.

Will you preach and teach in accordance with the holy scriptures and with the confessions of the Lutheran church?

Will you carry out this ministry in harmony with the constitutions of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America?

Pastor Amy: I will, and I ask God to help me.

Will you be diligent in your study of the holy scriptures and in your use of the means of grace?
Will you love, serve, and pray for God's people, nourish them with the word and sacraments, and lead them by your own example in faithful service and holy living?

Pastor Amy: I will, and I ask God to help me.

Will you give faithful witness in the world, that God's love may be known in all that you do?

Pastor Amy: I will, and I ask God to help me.

Almighty God, who has given you the will to do these things, graciously give you the strength and compassion to perform them.

All: Amen.

The congregation stands.

Rev. Dan Forehand addresses the congregation.

People of God,

will you receive Rev. Amy Bartleson Balcam as a messenger of Jesus Christ sent to serve all people with the gospel of hope and salvation? Will you regard her as a servant of Christ and a steward of the mysteries of God?

All: We will, and we ask God to help us.

Will you pray for her, help and honor her for her work's sake, and in all things strive to live together in the peace and unity of Christ?

All: We will, and we ask God to help us.

Pastor Amy, the office of pastor is now committed to you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Blessing:

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, make you complete in everything good so that you may do God's will, working in you that which is pleasing in God's sight; through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory forever and ever.

Amen.

Please be seated.

The following procession to the places of the word and sacraments now takes place:

Rev. Dan Forehand escorts Pastor Amy to baptismal font. A representative of the congregation Ann Haas: You have been called to be among us to baptize, to teach, and to forgive sins.

They proceed to the pulpit. A representative of the congregation Magen Pillar: You have been called to be among us to proclaim the good news.

They proceed to the altar. A representative of the congregation **Terry Trautman:** You have been called to be among us to preside at the Lord's supper.

They then proceed to the front of the church.

Rev. Dan Forehand: People of God, I present to you Reverend Amy Bartleson Balcam, your pastor. Let us welcome her in the name of Christ.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION:

A. Drawn into the embrace of the holy Trinity, we lift our prayers for the wholeness of the church, the world, and all creation.

A brief silence.

A God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Gather all our prayers in your mercy, O God, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C: Amen.

Please stand as you are able.

SHARING OF THE PEACE:

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

C: And also with you.

Please share the PEACE of the Lord with one another.

CHOIR ANTHEM: "O How Amiable" - R. Vaughn Williams



PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING:



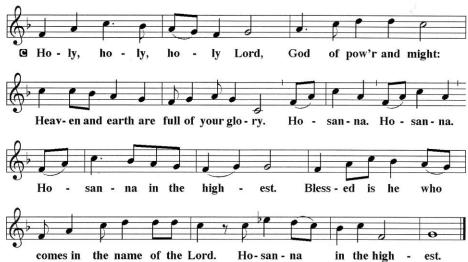
OFFERTORY PRAYER:

- A. Merciful Father,
- C. we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



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.
- A: It is right to give our thanks and praise.
- P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



EUCHARISTIC PRAYER:

C. Amen

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION:

P. Come to God's table. There is a place for you and enough for all.

Sit

HOLY COMMUNION:

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion. We trust and teach the "real presence" of Jesus, in, with, and under the elements of bread and wine.

AGNUS DEI:



Please allow the choir to Commune first.

CHOIR ANTHEM: "Break Forth Into Joy" - Stan Pethel



Please stand as you are able

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

C: Amen.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER:

P. Let us pray. We give you thanks almighty God that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift – in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen

BENEDICTION:

- P. The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face shine upon you, and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace.
- C. Amen.

SENDING HYMN: "Holy God, We Praise Your Name"



DISMISSAL:

- A. Go in peace! Serve the Lord!
- C. Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE: Finale Jubilante – Healey Willan

Today's altar flowers are given by Bob & Lucie Stricker in honor of Pastor Amy's Installation!