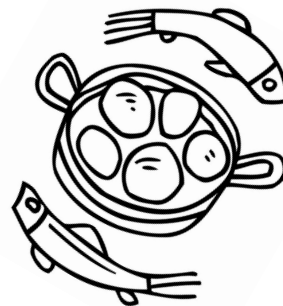




Ebenezer & Tripolis Lutheran Churches

August 2, 2026
Tenth Sunday after Pentecost



WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP



O-pen our lips to sing your praise, o-pen our hearts to de - clare your love.



Sure as the morn - ing sun will rise, your end-less mer - cies will nev-er cease.



Glo-ry to God who was and is, Glo-ry through-out all e - ter - ni - ty!

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CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity,† one God, whose compassion endures forever. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin to God.

Compassionate God, you know our names

and all of our struggles. You bless us with your promises.

We confess to you all our sins.

Forgive us when we doubt your presence.

When we harm or neglect your creation,

or any of your beloved children, grant us mercy.

Replace anger, jealousy, and doubt

with compassion, gratitude, and trust in your grace.

Make us bold witnesses to the gospel

in all we do and say. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.

People of God, if God is for us, who is against us? We are always loved by our Creator.

We are called by our Redeemer back to God's fullness and grace

whenever we sin, stray, forget, or neglect God's loving intention for us.

In the name of God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. **Amen.**

GATHERING SONG ELW 658 "O Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts"

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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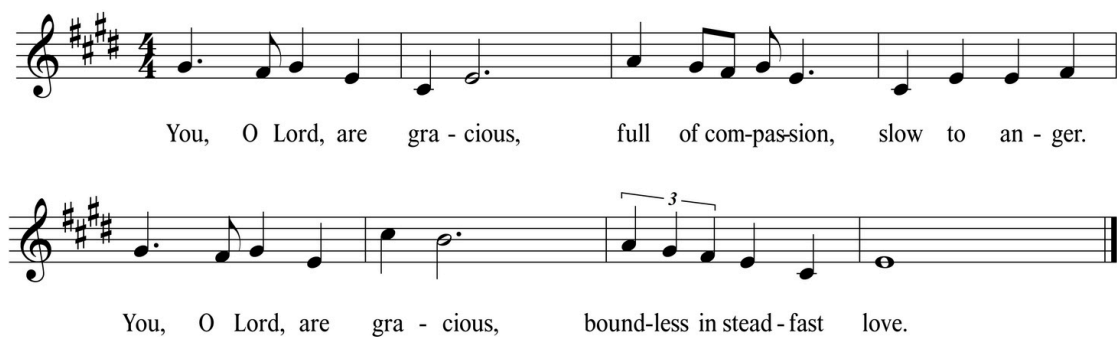
1. God, Cre - a - tor, El - o - him, Yah - weh, I Am
2. God with us, Im - man - u - el, Bread of Life and
3. God of all com - pas - sion, All Em - brac - ing

who I Am, El _____ Roi, the God who sees,
Liv - ing Well, Faith - ful Shep - herd, Love who leads,
Pa - tient One, Shap - er of all beau - ty,

ALL

grant us mer - cy.
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grant us mer - cy.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE (Sing twice)



You, O Lord, are gra - cious, full of com - pas - sion, slow to an - ger.

You, O Lord, are gra - cious, bound - less in stead - fast love.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Glorious God, your generosity waters the world with goodness, and you cover creation with abundance. Awaken in us a hunger for the food that satisfies both body and spirit, and with this food fill all the starving world. We pray in Jesus' name, Amen.

READING *Genesis 32:22-31* The same night Jacob got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. Jacob was left alone, and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket, and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans and have prevailed."

Then Jacob asked him, “Please tell me your name.” But he said, “Why is it that you ask my name?” And there he blessed him. So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, “For I have seen God face to face, yet my life is preserved.” The sun rose upon him as he passed Peniel, limping because of his hip. The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION from WOV 671



The gospel according to Matthew, the fourteenth chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Matthew 14:13-21 Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, “This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves.”

Jesus said to them, “They need not go away; you give them something to eat.”

They replied, “We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish.”

And he said, “Bring them here to me.” Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and blessed and broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And all ate and were filled, and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

The gospel of our Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY ACS 966 “Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken” *See insert*

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PRAYERS Prayers will begin and end with this refrain:



OFFERING AND OFFERING SONG ELW 712 “Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service”

OFFERING PRAYER

Loving God, with trust in your grace and mercy we offer these gifts. Guide us to share generously with our neighbors. We pray in Jesus’ name, through the Spirit who abides with us always. 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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD’S PRAYER

SONGS DURING COMMUNION

ELW 461 “All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly”

ELW 592 “Just As I Am, Without One Plea”

ELW 856 “How Great Thou Art”

BLESSING

May God our Creator,

Redeemer, Sustainer, ☩

bless, heal, and hold you today and always. **Amen.**

SENDING SONG ELW 674 “Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ”

DISMISSAL

Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news!

Thanks be to God.

Worship Leaders Today

Pastor Sherri Larson

Musician: Betsy Hallberg

Lector: Mary Redepenning

Ushers: Wayne and Marilyn Zarnott

Council Member on duty: Ebenezer-Eric Struck

Tripolis-Jim Oyen, Jeanette Jacobson

Altar Committee: Cindy Lindstrand, Mary Redepenning

Flowers: Naomi Struck



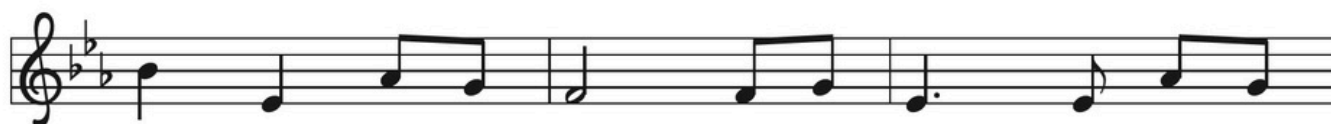
Shalom Hill Farm

Elements of this service are from the Daily Prayers and Communion liturgy commissioned by Shalom Hill Farm, Windom, MN, with lyrics and music by Carol Meier, 2023.

Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken



1 Loaves were bro - ken, words were spo - ken by the
 2 Loaves were bro - ken, words were spo - ken in a
 3 Loaves are bro - ken, words are spo - ken, as in
 4 By the loaves you break and give us, send us



Gal - i - le - an shore. Je - sus, Bread of life from
 qui - et room one night. In the bread and wine you
 faith we gath - er here. Je - sus speaks a - cross the
 in your name to share bread for which the mil - lions

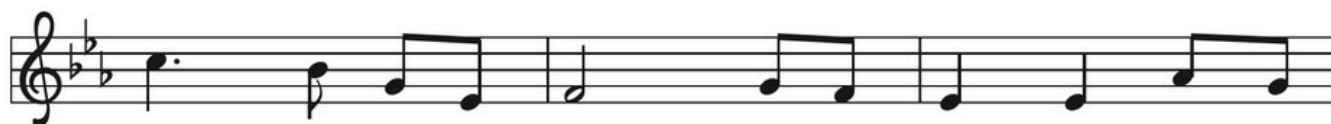


heav - en, was their food for - ev - er - more.
 gave them, Christ, you came as Light from Light.
 a - ges: "I am with you; do not fear!"
 hun - ger, words that tell your love and care.

Refrain



By your bod - y bro - ken for us, by your



wine of life out - poured, Je - sus, feed a - gain your



peo - ple. Be our Host, our Life, our Lord.

Text: Herman G. Stuempfle Jr., 1923-2007

Music: JOYOUS LIGHT, Marty Haugen, b. 1950

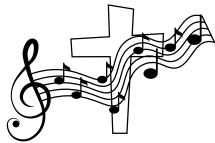
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Coming Up at Our Churches

August 2: 9:30am worship at Ebenezer
August 3: 3pm Graveside service for Bruce Mattson
at Tripolis Cemetery
5-7pm visitation at Harvey Anderson &
Johnson Funeral home, Willmar.
August 9: 9:30am worship at Ebenezer
August 11: 7pm Church Council at Ebenezer



Worship and Music

Tripolis Worship and Music committee is planning a day retreat at St. Ben's on September 17 from 9-3:30. But you don't need to be on the committee to come. If anyone would like to use that day for a retreat, either as part of the committee or individually, let Pastor Sherri know.

thank you

Thank you for the many prayers and cards I have received as I have been recovering from surgery. Your kindness is such a blessing.

Kristine Benson



We hope to have this event the second week in August at Tripolis. Stay tuned!

A graphic with the text "Shared Summer Worship" in a blue script font, set against a background of watercolor splashes in blue, green, and purple.

July 26 - September 6:
9:30am **at Ebenezer**
Coffee Fellowship after worship
on July 26 and August 9

KANDIYOHI COMMUNITY PICNIC

FREE
EVENT!

FOOD - KIDS' ACTIVITIES - BOOK GIVEAWAY

EBENEZER LUTHERAN CHURCH

610 ATLANTIC AVE

**PULLED PORK SANDWICHES-COWBOY BEANS-COLESRAW
CHIPS-WATERMELON-PICKLES-LEMONADE
ROOTBEER FLOATS**

THURSDAY

5:00-6:30 P.M.

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AUGUST

~ **BUS DRIVER APPRECIATION** ~
HELP US CELEBRATE AND THANK OUR
LOCAL SCHOOL BUS DRIVERS!



News from Tripolis

Thanks to all involved in our summer projects!
The sewer upgrade project happened this past week.
The sound system upgrade will begin next week.