

✝ THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST ✝

August 23, 2026



Nain Evangelical Lutheran Church

1665 South 57th St.
West Allis, WI 53214

✚ Nain Evangelical Lutheran Church ✚

1665 South 57th Street | West Allis, Wisconsin 53214 | 414-545-6925

www.nainlutheran.org | www.youtube.com/@nainlutheran | www.facebook.com/nainlutheran



Nain is a member congregation of the
Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod
www.wels.net

Pastor: Joseph M. Berg
Phone: 414-810-3392
Email: revjberg@gmail.com

About Our Worship Service

Welcome in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ! Our message is as old as God's Word to mankind: Jesus Christ, crucified and risen to take away our sins. We gather for the Divine Service not merely for the sake of ritual or tradition. Nor do we come to worship primarily to give something back to God. Rather, we meet together to hear and receive what God has done for us. In Word and Sacrament, our gracious Lord gives those who believe in him forgiveness of sins, unity with him in new life, and the promise of eternal salvation in heaven! Through this same gospel he motivates and equips us to follow his holy will for our lives. We hope that you are comforted with the message of Jesus Christ's love for you as you worship today. Please join us again soon!

Visitors

Thank you for joining us for worship! Please read the following notes about our congregation. If you have any questions or need any assistance, please speak with the pastor.

Our Practice of Closed Communion

If you have not communed with us before, please read the notes printed later in this bulletin under the section titled "Our Holy Communion Practices."

Restrooms

Restrooms are located in the downstairs fellowship hall. A wheelchair accessible restroom is located at the front of the church, through the doors to the left of the chancel.

Guest Book

If you feel comfortable doing so, please sign our guest book located in the narthex so we can have a record of your visit.

Parent's Room

Parents with crying children are welcome to use the parent's room, located off the narthex.

Chair Lifts

Chair lifts are located off the northwest entrance for those who need to go to the fellowship hall on the lower level but have difficulty with stairs.

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Proper 16



Church

The classic image of a church built on the rock finds a fresh treatment in this icon. A circular bounding shape creates structure for the icon and alludes to traditional associations with both unity and eternity. Twelve windows are included as a subtle reference to the importance of the number twelve in Christian theology.

Season after Pentecost

Unexpected Truths

The United States Declaration of Independence boldly asserts that certain truths are “self-evident” – truths accessible to human reason and widely recognized by observation of the world. The founders appealed to principles they believed reasonable people could recognize simply by reflecting on human nature and justice. Lutherans, however, note that the most important truths revealed in the Bible are not self-evident at all. In fact, they frequently appear surprising or even contrary to human expectations. Most unexpected of all is the message that God brings forgiveness and eternal life through the suffering and death of Jesus Christ! Biblical truth is revealed by God rather than discovered by reason alone. While some truths may seem obvious to human judgment, the truths of the Bible are often unexpected.

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

The Son of Man Is God

Jesus asked, “Who do you say that I am?” It’s the most important question in the world, and it is a question every human being must answer. The expected answer may be dead wrong. Some in Jesus’ day thought he was John the Baptist or the prophet Elijah come back from the dead. Today plenty of people believe Jesus existed. They think he was a wise teacher or a role model for love. Both answers are expected. However, both miss the main point.

Jesus is a real human being, the Son of Man. The unexpected truth is that he is also the Son of the living God, our Lord and Savior. This unexpected truth is the core of saving faith, and the central message God has called our Church to proclaim.

The Service

Setting Three

Welcome to God's house in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!

Please enter the sanctuary quietly so you and others can prepare your hearts for God's worship service.

A personal prayer for before worship is printed on the first page of the blue hymnal.

The hymns are located in the middle to back portion of the blue hymnal.

The Preparation

Opening Hymn

856 "Built on the Rock"



1 Built on the Rock the Church shall stand e - ven when
2 Sure - ly in tem - ples made with hands God, the Most
3 We are God's house of liv - ing stones, built for his
4 Here stands the font be - fore our eyes, tell - ing how
5 Grant then, O God, your will be done, that, when the



stee - ples are fall - ing. Crum - bled have spires in
High, is not dwell - ing; high a - bove earth his
own hab - i - ta - tion. He through bap - tis - mal
God has re - ceived us. Th'al - tar re - calls Christ's
church bells are ring - ing, man - y in sav - ing



ev - 'ry land; bells still are chim - ing and call -
tem - ple stands, all earth - ly tem - ples ex - cel -
grace us owns heirs of his won - drous sal - va -
sac - ri - fice and what the sac - ra - ment gives
faith may come where Christ his mes - sage is bring -



ing, call - ing the young and old to rest,
ling. Yet he who dwells in heav'n a - bove
tion. Were we but two his name to tell,
us. Here sound the Scrip - tures that pro - claim
ing: "I know my own; my own know me.



but a - bove all the soul dis - tressed,
choos - es to live with us in love,
yet he would deign with us to dwell
Christ yes - ter - day, to - day, the same,
You, not the world, my face shall see.



long - ing for rest ev - er - last - ing.
mak - ing our bod - ies his tem - ple.
with all his grace and his fa - vor.
and ev - er - more, our Re - deem - er.
My peace I leave with you. A - men."

Text: Nikolai F. S. Grundtvig, 1783–1872, abr.; tr. Carl Döving, 1867–1937, alt. Tune: Ludvig M. Lindeman, 1812–1887 Text and tune: Public domain

Please stand

Invocation

(Matthew 28:19; 2 Corinthians 13:14)

In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Confession

(1 John 1:8-9; Luke 18:13)

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

**If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just
and will forgive us our sins
and purify us from all unrighteousness.**

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Silence for meditation and reflection

Holy God, gracious Father,

I am sinful by nature

and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.

I have not loved you with my whole heart;

I have not loved others as I should.

I deserve your punishment both now and forever.

But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins

with his innocent suffering and death.

Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Silence for meditation and reflection

Absolution

(Matthew 16:19; John 20:21-23)

Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Lord, Have Mercy Kyrie

(Psalm 51:1; Mark 10:47; Luke 17:13)

In peace let us pray to the Lord.



For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



Glory to God in the Highest *Gloria in Excelsis*

(Luke 2:14; John 1:29; Acts 7:56)

The musical score is written for a single melodic line in treble clef with a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#). The tempo and meter are not explicitly stated. The lyrics are written below the notes, with some words hyphenated across measures. The score begins with a key signature change from C major to D major (two sharps). The melody is simple and hymn-like, with many half and quarter notes. There are several double bar lines throughout the piece, indicating the end of phrases. The final measure ends with a double bar line and repeat dots.

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, glo - ry to
God, and peace to his peo - ple on earth,
and peace to his peo - ple on earth.
Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and
Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we
praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly
Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on
us. You are seat - ed at the right hand of the

Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer. For
you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the
Lord, you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus
Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it in the
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.
Glo - ry to God in the high - est, glo - ry to
God, and peace to his peo - ple on earth,
and peace to his peo - ple on earth.

Tune: William Gokelman; David Kauffman
Tune: © 2010, 2021 GFTSMUSIC Publishing Company, Inc., admin. Music Services. Used by permission: OneLicense no. 726758

The Word

Salutation

(Ruth 2:4; 2 Timothy 4:22)

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

(Matthew 7:7-11; Philippians 4:6)

Let us pray.

Almighty God, whom to know is everlasting life, grant us to know your Son, Jesus, to be the way, the truth, and the life that we may boldly confess him to be the Christ and steadfastly walk in the way that leads to life eternal; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Please be seated

First Reading

Exodus 34:5-9

God proclaimed to Moses what he was like. Likewise, the Church's job is to proclaim to the world who Christ is and what he is like.

⁵ The LORD came down in the cloud. He took his stand there with Moses and proclaimed the name of the LORD. ⁶ The LORD passed by in front of him and proclaimed: "The LORD, the LORD, the compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger, and overflowing with mercy and truth, ⁷ maintaining mercy for thousands, forgiving guilt and rebellion and sin. He will by no means clear the guilty. He calls their children and their children's children to account for the guilt of the fathers, even to the third and the fourth generation."

⁸ Moses quickly bowed to the ground and worshipped. ⁹ He said, "If I have now found favor in your sight, Lord, please let the Lord go along with us. Although this is a stiff-necked people, pardon our guilt and our sin, and accept us as your possession."

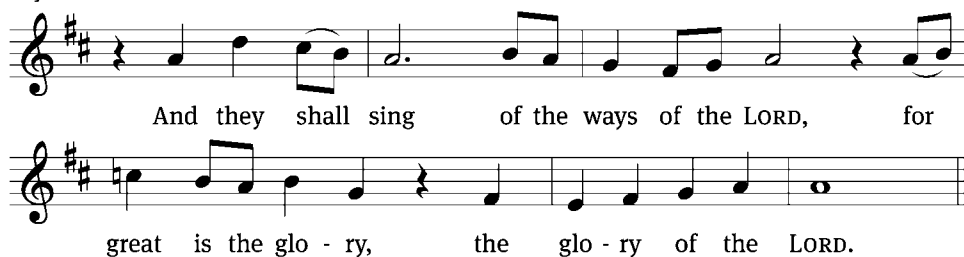
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm of the Day

Psalm 138 B “And They Shall Sing”

The Church sings Psalm 138 in services celebrating public confession that God is a gracious Savior.

Refrain



Tone



I will / praise you, LORD,
with / all my heart;

I will bow down toward your holy temple and will / praise your name
for your unfailing love and your / faithfulness.

When I called, you / answered me;
you greatly em- / boldened me.

Refrain

Though the LORD is exalted, he looks kindly on the / lowly;
though lofty, he sees them / from afar.

Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you pre- / serve my life;
with your right hand you / save me.

The LORD will vindi- / cate me;
your love, LORD, endures for- / ever.

Glory be to the Father and / to the Son
and to the Holy / Spirit,
as it was in the be- / ginning,
is now, and will be forever. / Amen.

Refrain

Second Reading

Romans 10:5-13

St. Paul teaches that those who know in their heart that Jesus is both Lord and Savior will be saved. They really know Jesus.

⁵ Indeed, Moses writes this about the righteousness that comes by the law: “The one who does these things will live by them.” ⁶ But the righteousness that comes by faith speaks like this: “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’” (that is, to bring Christ down) ⁷ “or ‘Who will descend into the abyss?’” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). ⁸ But what does it say? “The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart,” that is, the word of faith that we are proclaiming. ⁹ Certainly, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰ For it is with the heart a person believes, resulting in righteousness, and it is with the mouth that a person confesses, resulting in salvation. ¹¹ For Scripture says, “Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame.”

¹² So there is no distinction between Jew and Greek, because the same Lord is Lord of all, who gives generously to all who call on him. ¹³ Yes, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand as the Gospel Acclamation is introduced

Gospel Acclamation

John 6:68



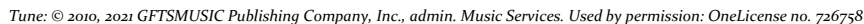
Refrain



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!



Please be seated

Hymn of the Day

510 "In Christ Alone"

1 In Christ a-lone my hope is found; he is my
 2 In Christ a-lone, who took on flesh, full-ness of
 3 There in the ground his bod-y lay, light of the
 4 No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the
 light, my strength, my song; this cor-ner-stone, this sol-id
 God in help-less babe; this gift of love and right-eous-
 world by dark-ness slain; then burst-ing forth in glo-rious
 pow'r of Christ in me; from life's first cry to fi-nal
 ground, firm through the fierc-est drought and storm.
 ness, scorned by the ones he came to save.
 day, up from the grave he rose a-gain!
 breath, Je-sus com-mands my des-ti-ny.
 What heights of love, what depths of peace, when fears are
 Till on that cross as Je-sus died, the wrath of
 And as he stands in vic-to-ry, sin's curse has
 No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man can ev-er
 stilled, when striv-ings cease! My com-fort-er, my all in
 God was sat-is-fied; for ev-'ry sin on him was
 lost its grip on me; for I am his and he is
 pluck me from his hand; till he re-turns or calls me
 all; here in the love of Christ I stand.
 laid; here in the death of Christ I live.
 mine, bought with the pre-cious blood of Christ.
 home, here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

Nicene Creed *Credo*

(Romans 10:9-10; Philippians 2:10-11)

Please stand

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is,
seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one being with the Father.**

Through him all things were made.

**For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,
and became truly human.**

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who in unity with the Father and the Son
is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Please be seated

Offering Collection

(Proverbs 3:9-10; Matthew 6:19-34; Romans 12:1; 2 Corinthians 9:7-11; Galatians 6:6-10)

Offerings

God, who blesses us with all we have, gives us the privilege of thanking him in many ways. One way is by offering a portion of our income to financially support the ministry of our congregation and synod.

If you are a guest, please do not feel like you must give an offering.

We are happy to share with you the free, good news of Jesus' gracious love for you!

If you would like to give an offering, you can place it in the collection plate when it is passed to you.

If you wish to give your offering via [PayPal](#), you can scan the QR code on the last page of this bulletin.

Thank you for your financial support of our congregation!

Friendship Registers

You are invited to write your name in the Friendship Register - the maroon book at the end of each pew. Please write down your name and the names of those with you, check any appropriate box, and provide your contact information if you want the pastor to speak with you.

Prayer of the Church

(Matthew 18:19,20; Ephesians 6:18; 1 Timothy 2:1-4)

Let us pray.

Special prayers and intercessions

The Christian Church has traditionally marked August 24 as a day to remember God's work through St. Bartholomew, Apostle. We will recognize this minor church year festival in our prayers today.

After the prayer, please stand at the direction of the pastor

The Sacrament

Visitors, before approaching the altar, please read the notes printed later in this bulletin under the section titled "Our Holy Communion Practices"

Prefaces

(2 Timothy 4:22; Colossians 3:1; Psalm 107:1)

The Lord be with you.



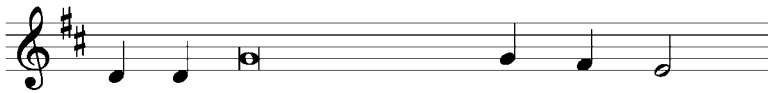
And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts.



We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Tune: William Gokelman; David Kauffman Tune: © 2021 GFTSMUSIC Publishing Company, Inc., admin. Music Services. Used by permission: OneLicense no. 726758

It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who promised that wherever two or three come together in his name, there he is with them to shepherd his flock until he comes again in glory.

Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

Holy, Holy, Holy Sanctus

(Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of hosts,
heav - en and earth are full, full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Tune: William Gokelman; David Kauffman Tune: © 2010 GFTSMUSIC Publishing Company, Inc., admin. Music Services. Used by permission: OneLicense no. 726758

Prayer of Thanksgiving

(John 1:3; Romans 8:32)

Blessed are you, Lord God, eternal King and gracious Father. In love you made us the crown of your creation. In mercy you planned our salvation. In grace you sent your Son to redeem us from sin.

We remember and give you thanks that your eternal Son, Jesus Christ, became flesh and made his dwelling among us, that he willingly placed himself under law to redeem those under law, that he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death on a cross, that he has destroyed death and has brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.

Bless us as we receive your Son's body and blood in this Sacrament. Forgive our sins, increase our faith, strengthen our fellowship, and deepen our longing for the day when Christ will welcome us to his eternal feast. Praise and thanks and honor and glory be to you, O God our Father, and to your Son and to the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Lord's Prayer

(Matthew 6:9-13; Luke 11:2-4)

**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.**

Words of Institution Verba

(Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25)

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my T body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my T blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

Peace of the Lord Pax Domini

(John 14:27; 20:19; 2 Thessalonians 3:16)

The peace of the Lord be with you always.
Amen.

Lamb of God *Agnus Dei*

(John 1:29; Isaiah 53:4-7; 1 Peter 1:18-19)

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; grant us, grant us peace.

Tune: William Gokelman; David Kauffman Tune: © 2010 GFTSMUSIC Publishing Company, Inc., admin. Music Services. Used by permission: OneLicense no. 726758

Please be seated

Our Holy Communion Practices

(Matthew 10:32-33; Romans 16:17; 1 Corinthians 10:16-17; 11:27-29; Ephesians 4:4-6; 1 John 1:3; 2 John 9-11)

Visitors

Before approaching the altar to receive Holy Communion, please read the following notes:

The Holy Bible teaches the celebration of the Lord's Supper is an expression of unity in faith and teaching. To be "in communion" means to share and hold in common. By receiving Holy Communion, we are not only sharing Christ's true body and blood, but we are also confessing that we publicly hold in common the same teachings of God's Holy Word.

We therefore invite to Holy Communion only those Christians who share the same teachings to which we hold, all the while recognizing the true spiritual unity and fellowship of all believers in God's Holy Christian Church (i.e. the Communion of Saints). Confirmed members of Nain and confirmed visiting members of sister congregations in the WELS (Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod) and the ELS (Evangelical Lutheran Synod) are welcome to commune with us.

If you are a member of another Lutheran synod, another Christian denomination, or of another belief, we ask that you refrain from communing with us at this time. We do this out of love and in accordance with God's words through St. Paul in 1 Corinthians 11:27-29. The pastor would be happy to speak with you if you have interest in communing in the future or have any other questions or concerns about our practices. Thank you for your patience and understanding, and for respecting our beliefs.

Communicants

"Christian Questions," a guide for personal preparation before receiving Holy Communion is printed on pages 295-296 in the hymnal. Prayers for before and after communing are printed on the first page of the hymnal.

The usher will direct you to the front of the nave, where you will commune. When the pastor distributes the bread and body of Christ, he will say, "The body of Christ, given for you." When he distributes the wine and blood of Christ, he will say, "The blood of Christ, poured out for you." Before consuming the sacramental elements, you may respond to the pastor's words by saying, "Amen" (which is Hebrew for, "Truly," or "Yes, it is so") as a way to confess your belief that the body and blood of Jesus are truly present in the Lord's Supper for the forgiveness of your sins.

Children and Non-Communicants

Children and other non-communicants are welcome to approach the altar to receive a blessing from the pastor. He will make the sign of the cross on the head of each and say, "The Lord bless you." Non-Communicant adults are asked to cross their arms over their chest to indicate that they do not intend to commune.

Distribution Hymn

861 "Lord Jesus Christ, the Church's Head"



1 Lord Je - sus Christ, the Church's head, you are her one foun-
 2 O Lord, let this your lit - tle flock, your name a - lone con-
 3 Help us to serve you ev - er - more with hearts both pure and
 4 And for your gos - pel let us dare to sac - ri - fice all



da - tion; in you she trusts, be - fore you bows, and waits for
 fess - ing, con - tin - ue in your lov - ing care, true u - ni-
 low - ly; and may your Word, that light di - vine, shine on in
 trea - sure; teach us to bear your bless - ed cross, to find in



your sal - va - tion. Built on this rock se - cure, your Church
 ty pos - sess - ing. Your sac - ra - ments, O Lord, and your
 splen - dor ho - ly that we re - pent - ance show, in faith
 you all plea - sure. O grant us stead - fast - ness in joy



shall en - dure though all the world de - cay and all things
 sav - ing Word to us e'er pure re - tain; grant that they
 ev - er grow; the pow'r of sin de - stroy and e - vils
 and dis - tress. Lord, for your mer - cy's sake, let us by



pass a - way. O hear, O hear us, Je - sus!
 may re - main our on - ly strength and com - fort.
 that an - noy. O make us faith - ful Chris - tians.
 grace par - take of end - less joy and glo - ry.

Distribution Hymn

869 "Onward, Christian Soldiers"



1 On - ward, Chris - tian sol - diers, march - ing as to war,
2 Like a might - y ar - my moves the Church of God;
3 Crowns and thrones may per - ish, king - doms rise and wane,
4 On - ward, then, ye faith - ful, join our hap - py throng,



with the cross of Je - sus go - ing on be - fore.
broth - ers, we are tread - ing where the saints have trod.
but the Church of Je - sus con - stant will re - main.
blend with ours your voic - es in the tri - umph song:



Christ, the roy - al mas - ter, leads a - gainst the foe;
We are not di - vid - ed, all one bod - y we,
Gates of hell can nev - er 'gainst that Church pre - vail;
Glo - ry, laud, and hon - or un - to Christ the King;



for - ward in - to bat - tle see his ban - ners go!
one in hope and doc - trine, one in char - i - ty.
we have Christ's own prom - ise, and that can - not fail.
this through count - less a - ges saints and an - gels sing.



On - ward, Chris - tian sol - diers, march - ing as to war,



with the cross of Je - sus go - ing on be - fore.

Distribution of Holy Communion

(1 Corinthians 11:23-26; Acts 2:42)

As he distributes the elements, the pastor says to the communicants:

The body of Christ, given for you.

Amen.

The blood of Christ, poured out for you.

Amen.

As he dismisses the communicants, the pastor says:

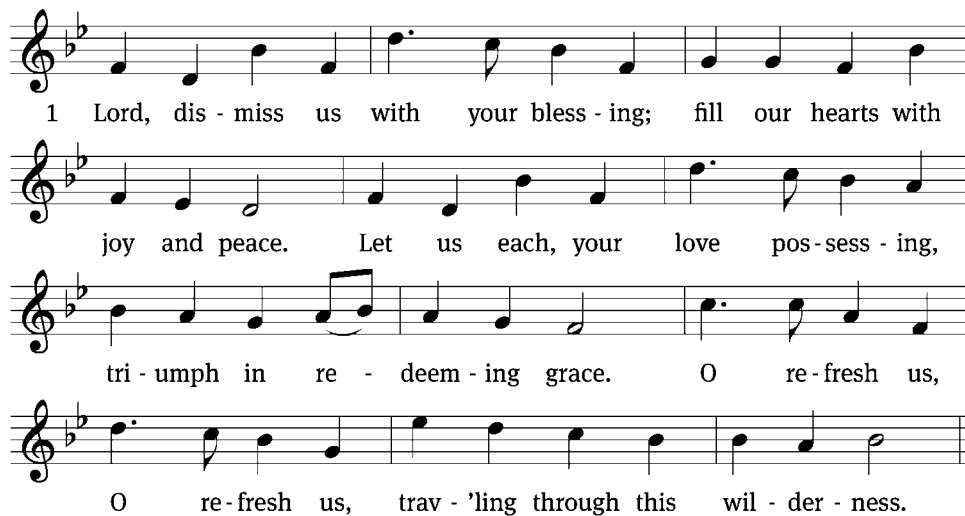
The true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you to life everlasting. Go T in peace.

Amen.

Post-Communion Canticle

927 “Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing” (stanza 1)

Please stand as the canticle is introduced



1 Lord, dis - miss us with your bless - ing; fill our hearts with
joy and peace. Let us each, your love pos - sess - ing,
tri - umph in re - deem - ing grace. O re - fresh us,
O re - fresh us, trav - 'ling through this wil - der - ness.

Text: attr. John Fawcett, 1740-1817, alt. Tune: Henry T. Smart, 1813-1879 Text and tune: Public domain

Thanksgiving

(Psalm 118:1)

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his mercy endures forever.

Proclamation

(1 Corinthians 11:26)

Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Post-Communion Prayer

(Romans 15:1-2; 1 Thessalonians 3:12, 5:11)

O God the Father, source of all goodness, in your loving-kindness you sent your Son to share our humanity. We thank you that through him you have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament. We also pray that you will not forsake us but will rule our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit so that we willingly serve you day after day; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Blessing

(Numbers 6:24-26)

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look on you with favor and T give you peace.

Amen.

Please be seated

Closing Hymn

581 "Lord, 'Tis Not That I Did Choose You"



1 Lord, 'tis not that I did choose you; that, I know, could
2 It was grace in Christ that called me, taught my dark - ened
3 Praise the God of all cre - a - tion, praise the Fa - ther's



nev - er be, for this heart would still re - fuse you
heart and mind; else the world had yet en - thrall'd me,
bound - less love. Praise the Lamb, our ex - pi - a - tion,



had your grace not cho - sen me. You re - moved the
to your heav'n - ly glo - ries blind. Now I wor - ship
Priest and King en - throned a - bove. Praise the Spir - it



sin that stained me, cleans - ing me to be your own; for this
none a - bove you; for your grace a - lone I thirst, know - ing
of sal - va - tion, him by whom our spir - its live. Un - di -



pur - pose you or - dained me, that I live for you a - lone.
well that, if I love you, you, O Fa - ther, loved me first.
vid - ed ad - o - ra - tion to the great Je - ho - vah give.

Text: Josiah Conder, 1789-1855, alt. Tune: Erbaulicher Musicalischer Christen-Schatz, Basel, 1745 Text and tune: Public domain





A **personal prayer for after worship** is printed on the first page of the hymnal.

If you haven't done so already, **please write your name in the Friendship Register before you leave.**

Thank you for joining us as we together worshiped our Triune God. The Lord be with you this week!

Special thanks to:

Linda Loeffel for playing organ... Joe Lopina for serving as distribution assistant...

Jerry Loeffel for serving as usher... Brooke Smith for operating the A/V equipment for the live stream...
and Joan Vitense for serving on Altar Duty.

For more information about today's Scripture readings, the current season of the Church Year, and the words and symbols featured on the paraments, please visit the "[Worship Resources](#)" page of our website to read this Sunday's "**About the Propers**," a weekly document that explains the changeable parts of the service.

All worshipers are encouraged to take home a copy of our **weekly newsletter, the "Nain Messenger"** to stay informed about all congregational news. Printed copies are available on the countertop in the narthex.

"The Congregation at Prayer," a document offering suggestions for daily devotions and Scripture readings, is also posted on the "[Worship Resources](#)" page of our church website.

Nain is a member congregation of the **Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod.**

For more information about our synod, please visit its website: www.wels.net



Unless otherwise noted, Scripture quotations are from the Holy Bible, Evangelical Heritage Version® (EHV®)
© 2017 Wartburg Project. All rights reserved. Used by permission. www.wartburgproject.org

Setting Three from Christian Worship
Liturgical and musical settings of Scripture based on text from
The Holy Bible, New International Version®, NIV®. Copyright © 1973, 1978, 1984, 2011 by Biblica, Inc.™
Used by permission of Zondervan. All rights reserved worldwide.

Software distributed in partnership with [Northwestern Publishing House](#).
Created by Christian Worship: Service Builder © 2026 Concordia Publishing House.

Psalms introduction from Christian Worship: Psalter
© 2021 Northwestern Publishing House. Reprinted by permission.

Front and back cover artwork by Ian M. Welch <https://paramentics.com>. Used by permission.

Page 3 icon artwork and explanation courtesy of Northwestern Publishing House. Used by permission.

Reprinted under OneLicense.net # 726758.