

The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 7, 2025

Blessed Be Your Name

1. Bless - ed be Your name in the land that is plen -
2. Bless - ed be Your name when I'm found in the des -
3. Bless - ed be Your name when the sun's shin - ing down
4. Bless - ed be Your name on the road marked with suf -

ti - ful, where Your streams of a - bun - dance flow, bless - ed
ert place, though I walk through the wil - der - ness, bless - ed
on me, when the world's "all as it should be." bless - ed
fer - ing, though there's pain in the of - fer - ing, bless - ed

PRE-CHORUS

be Your name. (To Verse 2) Ev - 'ry bless - ing You pour out I'll
be Your name. (To Pre-Chorus)
be Your name. (To Verse 4)
be Your name. (To Pre-Chorus)

turn back to praise. When the dark - ness clos - es in, Lord, still I will

CHORUS

say, "Bless - ed be the name of the Lord, bless - ed be Your name. Bless - ed be the
name of the Lord, bless - ed be Your glo - ri - ous name." (To Verse 3)
(2nd time to Bridge)

BRIDGE

You give and take a - way, You give and take a - way. My

heart will choose to say, "Lord, Bless - ed be Your name." (To Chorus)

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Confession and Absolution

Invocation

- L** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

Kyrie

- L** Lord, have mercy upon us.
C Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

Exhortation

- L** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- C** **who made heaven and earth.**

- L** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- C** **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

- L** Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

Confession and Absolution

- L** Let us confess our sins to God our Father: Holy and merciful God,
- C** **in your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against you. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease you. Forgive our sins, and help us to live in your light and walk in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.**
- L** Because of Jesus, God has forgiven all our sin. Hear the gospel of Christ from 1 John: "I am writing to you, little children, because your sins are forgiven on account of Jesus' name."
- C** **Amen.**

Reflection on God's Forgiveness

- L** God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.
 - C** **Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God.**
 - L** For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life.
 - C** **More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.**
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Service of the Word

Psalm

Psalm 1

- L** Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked, nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers;
- C** **but his delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law he meditates day and night.**
- L** He is like a tree planted by streams of water that yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not wither. In all that he does, he prospers.
- C** **The wicked are not so, but are like chaff that the wind drives away.**
- L** Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;
- C** **for the LORD knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.**
- C** **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen**

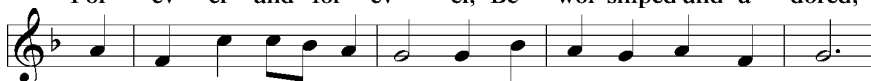
Gloria in Excelsis



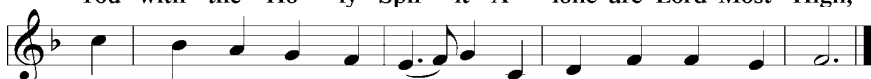
- C** 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;
2 To You, O sole-be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro- claimed at Je-sus' birth!
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor-shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King.
Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—
In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

¹²Now many signs and wonders were regularly done among the people by the hands of the apostles. And they were all together in Solomon's Portico. ¹³None of the rest dared join them, but the people held them in high esteem. ¹⁴And more than ever believers were added to the Lord, multitudes of both men and women, ¹⁵so that they even carried out the sick into the streets and laid them on cots and mats, that as Peter came by at least his shadow might fall on some of them. ¹⁶The people also gathered from the towns around Jerusalem, bringing the sick and those afflicted with unclean spirits, and they were all healed.

¹⁷But the high priest rose up, and all who were with him (that is, the party of the Sadducees), and filled with jealousy ¹⁸they arrested the apostles and put them in the public prison. ¹⁹But during the night an angel of the Lord opened the prison doors and brought them out, and said, ²⁰"Go and stand in the temple and speak to the people all the words of this Life." ²¹And when they heard this, they entered the temple at daybreak and began to teach.

Now when the high priest came, and those who were with him, they called together the council and all the senate of Israel and sent to the prison to have them brought. ²²But when the officers came, they did not find them in the prison, so they returned and reported, ²³"We found the prison securely locked and the guards standing at the doors, but when we opened them we found no one inside." ²⁴Now when the captain of the temple and the chief priests heard these words, they were greatly perplexed about them, wondering what this would come to. ²⁵And someone came and told them, "Look! The men whom you put in prison are standing in the temple and teaching the people." ²⁶Then the captain with the officers went and brought them, but not by force, for they were afraid of being stoned by the people.

²⁷And when they had brought them, they set them before the council. And the high priest questioned them, ²⁸saying, "We strictly charged you not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching, and you intend to bring this man's blood upon us." ²⁹But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than men. ³⁰The God of our fathers raised Jesus, whom you killed by hanging him on a tree. ³¹God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior, to give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. ³²And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit, whom God has given to those who obey him."

L This is the word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God

¹Paul, a prisoner for Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother,
To Philemon our beloved fellow worker ²and Apphia our sister and
Archippus our fellow soldier, and the church in your house:

³Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

⁴I thank my God always when I remember you in my prayers, ⁵because I
hear of your love and of the faith that you have toward the Lord Jesus and all
the saints, ⁶and I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective for
the full knowledge of every good thing that is in us for the sake of Christ. ⁷For
I have derived much joy and comfort from your love, my brother, because
the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you.

⁸Accordingly, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do
what is required, ⁹yet for love's sake I prefer to appeal to you—I, Paul, an old
man and now a prisoner also for Christ Jesus— ¹⁰I appeal to you for my child,
Onesimus, whose father I became in my imprisonment. ¹¹(Formerly he was
useless to you, but now he is indeed useful to you and to me.) ¹²I am sending
him back to you, sending my very heart. ¹³I would have been glad to keep
him with me, in order that he might serve me on your behalf during my
imprisonment for the gospel, ¹⁴but I preferred to do nothing without your
consent in order that your goodness might not be by compulsion but of your
own free will. ¹⁵For this perhaps is why he was parted from you for a while,
that you might have him back forever, ¹⁶no longer as a slave but more than a
slave, as a beloved brother—especially to me, but how much more to you,
both in the flesh and in the Lord.

¹⁷So if you consider me your partner, receive him as you would receive me.
¹⁸If he has wronged you at all, or owes you anything, charge that to my
account. ¹⁹I, Paul, write this with my own hand: I will repay it—to say nothing
of your owing me even your own self. ²⁰Yes, brother, I want some benefit
from you in the Lord. Refresh my heart in Christ.

²¹Confident of your obedience, I write to you, knowing that you will do
even more than I say.

L This is the word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God

L The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the fourteenth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

²⁵Now great crowds accompanied [Jesus], and he turned and said to them, ²⁶“If anyone comes to me and does not hate his own father and mother and wife and children and brothers and sisters, yes, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple. ²⁷Whoever does not bear his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple. ²⁸For which of you, desiring to build a tower, does not first sit down and count the cost, whether he has enough to complete it? ²⁹Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it begin to mock him, ³⁰saying, ‘This man began to build and was not able to finish.’ ³¹Or what king, going out to encounter another king in war, will not sit down first and deliberate whether he is able with ten thousand to meet him who comes against him with twenty thousand? ³²And if not, while the other is yet a great way off, he sends a delegation and asks for terms of peace. ³³So therefore, any one of you who does not renounce all that he has cannot be my disciple.

³⁴“Salt is good, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? ³⁵It is of no use either for the soil or for the manure pile. It is thrown away. He who has ears to hear, let him hear.”

L This is the Gospel of the Lord

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

C I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.

730 What Is the World to Me



1 What is the world to me With all its vaunt - ed plea - sure
2 The world seeks to be praised And hon - ored by the might - y
3 The world seeks af - ter wealth And all that mam - mon of - fers
4 What is the world to me! My Je - sus is my trea - sure,



When You, and You a - lone, Lord Je - sus, are my trea - sure!
Yet nev - er once re - flects That they are frail and flight - y.
Yet nev - er is con - tent Though gold should fill its cof - fers.
My life, my health, my wealth, My friend, my love, my plea - sure,



You on - ly, dear - est Lord, My soul's de - light shall be;
But what I tru - ly prize A - bove all things is He,
I have a high - er good, Con - tent with it I'll be:
My joy, my crown, my all, My bliss e - ter - nal - ly.



You are my peace, my rest. What is the world to me!
My Je - sus, He a - lone. What is the world to me!
My Je - sus is my wealth. What is the world to me!
Once more, then, I de - clare: What is the world to me!

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Sermon

Offering

Prayer of the Church

L Lord, in Your mercy,
C hear our prayer.

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

L The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

L Lift up your hearts.

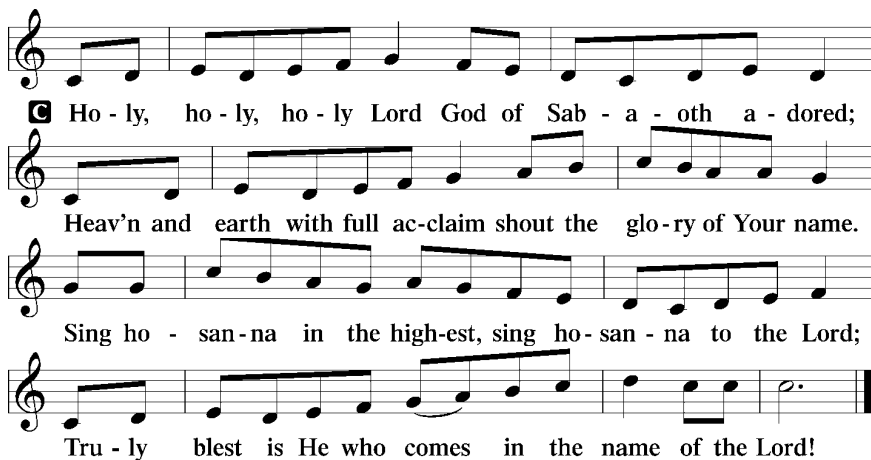
C We lift them to the Lord.

L Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

L It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

Sanctus



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;
Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.
Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho-san - na to the Lord;
Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

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Lord's Prayer

- C** 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.

The Words of Our Lord

- L** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Agnus Dei

C 1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,

You take the sin of the world a - way;
You take the sin of the world a - way;

O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,

Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

Distribution

Keep the Feast



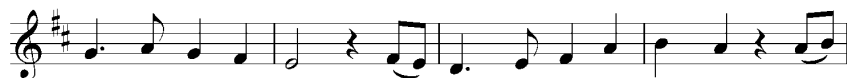
1. Joy - ful - ly we join You at Your ta - ble, plead - ing not our
2. Who is fit to feast with such a Sav - ior? Who His san - dals
3. Hap - py sign of friend - ship and re - un - ion with the bless - ed



right - eous - ness. By Your wealth of mer - cy we are a - ble
could un - tie? Who are we that He would show us fa - vor,
Three in One. Fore - taste of that glo - ri - ous com - mun - ion.



now to feast in con - fi - dence. Take this bread and eat.
grant - ing us this gift of life?
vis - ion of the world to come.



Take this cup and drink. Re - mem - ber how He loved us. Re -



joice and keep the feast.

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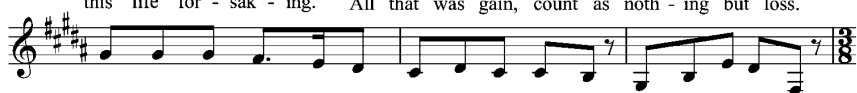
Come Unto Jesus



1. Come un - to Je - sus all
2. Joy of the com - for - less,
3. Come, taste the Bread of Life,
4. Come, now and fol - low Him,



you who are wea - ry. Come to the mer - cy seat, fer - vent - ly kneel.
 Light for the stray - ing, Hope of the pen - i - tent, Peace in our strife.
 bro - ken for sin - ners. Drink from the cup of His prom - ise made sure.
 this life for - sak - ing. All that was gain, count as noth - ing but loss.



Here, bring your wound - ed hearts, bro - ken and need - y. Come un - to Je - sus,
 Here speaks the Com - for - ter, ten - der - ly say - ing My yoke is eas - y, my
 Feast at His ta - ble as sons and as daugh - ters. Grace o - ver - flow - ing is
 Trade all this world for His king - dom un - fad - ing. Come un - to Je - sus,



might - y to heal. *(To Verse 2)*
 bur - den is light. Come un - to Je - sus. Come un - to Je - sus.
 yours ev - er - more.
 take up your cross.



Lay down your bur - dens, He is e - nough. Come un - to Je - sus, rest in His



love.

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680 Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise

1 Thine the a - men Thine the praise Al - le -
2 Thine the life e - ter - nal - ly Thine the
3 Thine the tru - ly Thine the yes Thine the
4 Thine the king - dom Thine the prize Thine the
5 Thine the glo - ry in the night No more

lu - ias an - gels raise Thine the ev - er - last - ing head
prom - ise let there be Thine the vi - sion Thine the tree
ta - ble we the guest Thine the mer - cy all from Thee
won - der full sur - prise Thine the ban - quet then the praise
dy - ing on - ly light Thine the riv - er Thine the tree

Thine the break - ing of the bread Thine the glo - ry Thine the
All the earth on bend - ed knee Gone the nail - ing gone the
Thine the glo - ry yet to be Then the ring - ing and the
Then the jus - tice of Thy ways Thine the glo - ry Thine the
Then the Lamb e - ter - nal - ly Then the ho - ly ho - ly

sto - ry Thine the har - vest then the cup Thine the
rail - ing Gone the plead - ing gone the cry Gone the
sing - ing Then the end of all the war Thine the
sto - ry Then the wel - come to the least Then the
ho - ly Cel - e - bra - tion ju - bi - lee Thine the

vine - yard then the cup is lift - ed up lift - ed up.
sigh - ing gone the dy - ing what was loss lift - ed high.
liv - ing Thine the lov - ing ev - er - more ev - er - more.
won - der all in - creas - ing at Thy feast at Thy feast.
splen - dor Thine the bright - ness on - ly Thee on - ly Thee.

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The Dismissal

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in
body and soul to life everlasting.
Amen.

Call to Christian Community

- L** The apostle Paul calls us to care for each other in the difficult times and to celebrate with each other in the good times. He wrote, “If one member suffers, all suffer together; if one member is honored, all rejoice together. Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it” (1 Cor. 12:26-27). As the body of Christ, we are called to care for one another in Christian community. Please take time after the last song to greet one another and introduce yourself to anyone you don’t recognize. Now receive God’s blessing.

Benediction

- L** Let us bless the Lord
- C** **Thanks be to God**
- L** The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.
- C** **Amen.**

AΩ

924 Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing



1 Lord, dis - miss us with Your bless - ing, Fill our hearts with
2 Thanks we give and ad - o - ra - tion For Your Gos - pel's
3 Sav - ior, when Your love shall call us From our strug - gling



joy and peace; Let us each, Your love pos - sess - ing,
joy - ful sound. May the fruits of Your sal - va - tion
pil - grim way, Let not fear of death ap - pall us,



Tri - umph in re - deem - ing grace. O re - fresh us;
In our hearts and lives a - bound. Ev - er faith - ful,
Glad Your sum - mons to o - bey. May we ev - er,



O re - fresh us, Trav - 'ling through this wil - der - ness.
ev - er faith - ful To Your truth may we be found.
may we ev - er Reign with You in end - less day.

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This Week at-a-Glance

Today

- Worship Service (Pastor Tony Boos) – 9:00 AM
- [Adult Bible Study](#) & Youth Confirmation – 10:45 AM (Downstairs)
- [Sunday School & Youth Confirmation](#) – 10:30 AM (Sanctuary)

Tuesday

- [Second Tuesday Women's Bible Study](#) – 6:00 PM

Wednesday

- [Men's Bible Study](#) – 6:30 AM (Downstairs)
- [Jr. & Sr. High Youth](#) – 6:30 PM (Staake Home)

Thursday

- AA Meeting – 6:30 PM (Downstairs)

Saturday

- AA Meeting – 1:30 PM
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Announcements

Second Tuesday Women's Bible Study

Please join us this Tuesday, September 9th from 6-8pm in the fellowship hall for friendship, food, and fun. We will be starting a 4 week study titled, Two Roads. If you have a favorite apple dish, feel free to bring it to share! Text Shala Baker with any questions at 618-315-0788.

St. James Education Support

St. James Lutheran Church provides tuition financial assistance to members of St. James who have children enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten through 12th grade at area LCMS Lutheran Schools. For 2025, applications will be accepted through September. An email was sent on Tuesday, August 26th to all member households with a link to the application. The link is also available on the banner on our St. James website at www.saintjamesglencarbon.org. If you have any difficulty accessing or completing the application, please contact the church office.

LYA (Lutheran Young Adults) September Event

Join LYA for a farmer's market stroll and brunch/coffee on Saturday, September 20 from 9am-12pm at Vine Street Market and June's Breakfast & Patio! Come and go as you're able!

St. James Guiding Statement

Together we have found healing and hope in Jesus Christ and welcome others to experience these same Gospel promises.

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