



SHEPHERD OF THE PRAIRIE LUTHERAN CHURCH

Saturday Evening Worship

July 11, 2026

5:00 p.m.

The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude

Welcome

(please rise in body or spirit)

Call to Worship

(based on Psalm 65)

God, you visit the earth and water it; your river is flowing full and free.

All of creation was made for this purpose. Fields are plowed, seeds are planted, the rains fall, and the fields bloom.

Each year is crowned with your creative splendor.

The pastures, hills, meadows, and valleys all sing for joy. They are clothed in your beauty and filled with your goodness. We praise you and worship you in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen!

Hymn

God of the Fertile Fields ACS 1063

Confession and Forgiveness

God, we want to be free from the guilt, the power, and the pain of sin. Lead us to your cross. Hear our prayers of confession.

We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought,

(please rise in body or spirit)

Prayer of Blessing

Let us pray together. **God of this day and every day, we bring these gifts to be used for your purposes in your kingdom. Bless them that they might become visible signs of your gracious love. You have blessed us to be a blessing to others. Teach us how to be your grateful, thankful followers in Jesus' name.**

The Table

Come, gather at the table of God's love and grace.

We are God's people who receive the free gift of forgiveness, life, and salvation in this meal.

Christ's body and blood are given and shed for us. He is both the host and the meal.

He is risen and present with us as we respond to his command to "do this and remember me."

Words of Institution

As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes again.

Christ has died! Christ is risen! Christ will come again!

Holy Spirit, come and be the creative source of new life springing up inside of us. Holy Spirit, come and liberate us from the grip of sin and death. Holy Spirit, come and move through us and make us the hands and feet of Jesus in a hurting world.

Lord's Prayer

Invitation to Communion

Communion Distribution

Blessing

Prayer

Let us pray together. **Compassionate God, through the gifts of bread and wine, our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love. Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal, may share your love freely, as you have shared with us. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever. Amen.**

Benediction

Hymn God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind ELW 400

Dismissal

Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news!
Thanks be to God.

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