

Of the Land and Seasons Summer Liturgy 2026

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed by the Holy Trinity + one God,
Who forgives all our sin,
Whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

(Brief silence)

Most merciful God,

We confess that we are captive 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 neglected to nurture the new growth you cause to sprout among us.

We have failed to protect those tender and vulnerable in faith

From the choking weeds of our indifference and inflexibility.

For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.

Forgive us, rededicate us, and compel us,

So that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways,

To the glory of your holy name. Amen.

God, who is rich in mercy,

Loved us even when we were dead in sin,

and made us alive together with Christ.

By grace you have been saved.

In the name of +Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.

Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit,

that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

APOSTOLIC GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the community of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Above the Hills the Angel Hosts



1 A - bove the hills the an - gel hosts
2 In heav'n, on earth reigns God Most High,
3 Sing jus - tice, mer - cy, joy, and peace, sing
4 We wor - ship you, our thanks we bring,
5 To Je - sus Christ, God's Son, our Lord,



glo - ry! Glo - ry! Glo - ry!
God's love is come to
Yet ten - der - ly God
God's own good will grants
We bow be - fore you
The Lamb of God, e -



seek the lost.
hears our cry.
sin's re - lease. Give glo - ry to God in the high - est!
as we sing.
ter - nal Word.

Text: Beth Bergeron Folkemer, based on the Gloria in excelsis

Music: THE DEVIL'S NINE QUESTIONS, Appalachian traditional

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

CHILDREN'S TIME

1ST READING

PSALM

2ND READING

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION ("GRADUAL HYMN")

O God, Whose Word Well-Planted



1 O God, whose word well-plant - ed yields fruit a hun - dred - fold,
2 O God of seed and har - vest, of sun and soil and rain,
3 O God, your fi - nal har - vest of his - t'ry's an - cient field



we praise your grac - es grant - ed to those who sowed of old,
at - tend the word we sow, lest its plant - ing be in vain.
will test with truth the proud - est that hu - man work can yield.



who by their wit - ness scat - tered good seed up - on the soil
Send show - ers of your Spir - it, bright sun - shine of your grace,
Op - pres - sion's blight will van - ish, fair free - dom's fruits in - crease;



where oth - ers, reap - ing, gath - ered the har - vest of their toil.
that mul - ti - tudes who hear it your gos - pel may em - brace.
and love and joy will flour - ish to clothe the earth with peace.

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

Music: ABIDING PRESENCE, Stephen P. Folkemer, b. 1952

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GOSPEL

Our gospel is from the __ chapter of Matthew. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

(The gospel is read)

This is the gospel of our Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

CREED

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.***

**On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come 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.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

PEACE AND OFFERING

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

**P: You are welcome to share the peace with one another in whatever way you
find comfortable. While we greet one another, please consider supporting
Perry Highway Lutheran Church with your financial support.**

OFFERING SONG

Accept, O Lord, the Gifts We Bring



1 Ac - cept, O Lord, the gifts we bring to
2 The vines were plant - ed, seeds were sown. They
3 Our hopes and dreams, our toils and cares we



place up - on your ta - ble. We do not wor - ship
grew in your good plea - sure. What once was com - mon,
lift in prayer be - fore you. Lord, by your grace now



as we ought but on - ly as we're a - ble.
dai - ly food be - comes a ho - ly trea - sure.
come to us, as hum - bly we a - dore you.

Text: Beth Bergeron Folkemer

Music: BARB'RY ELLEN, Appalachian traditional

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OFFERING PRAYER

A: Gracious God,

C: you bless us with gifts of guidance, new life, growth in grace, and fruitful labor. Accept the first fruits of time and toil, field and orchard we offer here. Bless and multiply these gifts to our nurture and the care of your creation; for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

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.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you,
almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ.
You sent your Son to reveal your never-failing love for creation.
Through your Holy spirit you provide for our nurture and protection,
That we might have all things necessary for growth in grace
And humble service to your people.
And so, with all the choirs of angels,
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,
We praise your name and join in adoring song.

Long, Long Ago In Jerusalem

Verses: Cantor or choir



1 Long, long a - go in Je - ru - sa - lem, as the
2 High on a throne sat the might - y Lord, robes
3 Oh, what a sight it was to see and



scrip - tures do re - cord, I - sa - iah to the
flow - ing through the hall, while six - wing - ed an - gels
oh, what a sound to hear! The tem - ple door - posts



tem - ple came to see the ho - ly Lord.
flew a - bove. I - sa - iah heard them call.
shook and quaked, and smoke was in the air.

Refrain: Assembly



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, God's



glo - ry fills all heav'n and earth, God of pow - er and might.

Text: Beth Bergeron Folkemer, based on the Sanctus

Music: SHADY GROVE, Appalachian traditional

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THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P: You are indeed holy, God of power and might,
And your glory fills the whole earth.
You created all that exists: stars and suns,
Flowing streams and ripening grain;

Abundance stored in the ground and beneath it;
The richness of life and plants and animals.
You created humans to care for and enjoy your creation,
And to give words to its song of praise.

When humanity fell into sin,
You were faithful to the promise of your covenant.
Through the ages you nurtured and nourished your chosen people,
Using prophets and judges, story and poetry to guide and guard them.
And at the midsummer of the ages,
You sent your son to bring your life to your people and your creation.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this, participating in me.
Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his birth for our hope,
His teaching for our correction,
His welcome for our reconciliation,
His healing for our encouragement,
His death for our forgiveness,
His resurrection for our jubilation,
His ascension for our companionship,
And his promise to come again for our reassurance,
We give you thanks not only with our lips but with our lives.

Send, we pray your Holy Spirit, the life-giver and advocate.
By this meal, let the fruit of your Spirit ripen in our midst and in our lives.
Unite us with all who share this feast,
And nurture us to become what you have made us-
Your beloved people, the body of your Son, the temple of your Spirit.

Through your Son, in your Spirit, with all your people,
We give you thanks and praise,
O source of our life and fountain of all good,
Now and forever.

C: Amen.

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.**

COMMUNION SONG

O Lamb of God, to Earth You Came

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of three staves of music in G major (one sharp). The first staff has two vocal parts: Part 1 and Part 2. The lyrics are: '1 O Lamb of God, to earth you came to' and '2 O Lamb of God, the on - ly Son, to'. The second staff continues the lyrics: 'save us all from grief and shame. Shorn of your life, up -' and 'us show mer - cy, Ho - ly One. You save the world from'. The third staff concludes the lyrics: 'on the tree you hung in deep hu - mil - i - ty.' and 'all its sin. Lord, give to us your peace. A - men.' The music is written in a simple, folk-like style with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp.

Text: Beth Bergeron Folkemer, based on the Agnus Dei

Music: THE SUFFOLK MIRACLE, Appalachian traditional

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A: Gracious God,

C: we give thanks for your pruning, planting, and nurture.

We rejoice that you have used the harvest of field and vineyard

To renew and sustain us.

Lead us as we go from this life-giving meal

Into lives of grateful service to you and your cherished creation;

Through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.

Amen.

BLESSING

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C: Amen.

SENDING SONG

DISMISSAL

A: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.