13th Sunday after Pentecost

Mission Trip Sunday
Youth Director Installation

August 23, 2026

Pastor John Stiles ~ Readers: Annabelle, Ella, Major
Communion Asst.: Annabelle, Evan, Ella, Hazel

PRELUDE *Glenna Reierson & Jen Krinke*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

NOW THE FEAST AND CELEBRATION

By Marty Haugen

GATHERING HYMN *'Built on the Rock'* *ELW 652*

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.

KYRIE *Booklet p. 3*

NOW THE FEAST *Booklet p. 4-5*

PRAYER OF THE DAY O God,
with all your faithful followers of every age, we praise you, the rock of our life. Be our strong foundation and form us into the body of your Son, that we may gladly minister to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

FIRST READING *Isaiah 51:1-6*

Listen to me, you who pursue righteousness, you who seek the Lord. Look to the rock from which you were hewn and to the quarry from which you were dug. Look to Abraham your father and to Sarah, who bore you, for he was but one when I called him,

but I blessed him and made him many. For the Lord will comfort Zion; he will comfort all her waste places and will make her wilderness like Eden, her desert like the garden of the Lord; joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the voice of song. Listen to me, my people, and give heed to me, my nation, for a teaching will go out from me and my justice for a light to the peoples. I will bring near my deliverance swiftly; my salvation has gone out, and my arms will rule the peoples; the coastlands wait for me, and for my arm they hope. Lift up your eyes to the heavens and look at the earth beneath, for the heavens will vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment, and those who live on it will die like gnats, but my salvation will be forever, and my deliverance will never be ended. The Word of the Lord. ~ **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM *Psalm 138*

I give you thanks, O Lord, with my whole heart; before the gods I sing your praise;

I bow down toward your holy temple and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness, for you have exalted your name and your word above everything.

On the day I called, you answered me; you increased my strength of soul.

All the kings of the earth shall praise you, O Lord, for they have heard the words of your mouth.

They shall sing of the ways of the Lord, for great is the glory of the Lord.

For though the Lord is high, he regards the lowly, but the haughty he perceives from far away.

Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you preserve me against the wrath of my enemies; you stretch out your hand, and your right hand delivers me.

The Lord will fulfill his purpose for me; your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever. Do not forsake the work of your hands.

SECOND READING *Romans 12:1-8*

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, on the basis of God's mercy, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your reasonable act of worship. Do not be conformed to this age, but be transformed by the renewing of the mind, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect. For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts

that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the encourager, in encouragement; the giver, in sincerity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

The Word of the Lord. ~ **Thanks be to God.**

HYMN *'My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less'* *ELW 597*

GOSPEL VERSE *Booklet p. 8*

GOSPEL READING *Matthew 16:13-20* ~ **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" And they said, "Some say John the Baptist but others Elijah and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

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

MISSION TRIP SHARE

INSTALLATION OF Child, Youth & Family Director *Mandie Mishler*

P: Our Lord, who came among us as a servant, calls us to faith and a life of loving service to our neighbor. You come among us as one commissioned to be our minister of Children, Youth & Families.

Mandie, in the presence of this assembly will you commit yourself to this new trust and responsibility, in the confidence that it comes from God through the call of the church?

Mandie: I will, and I ask God to help me.

Will you carry out this ministry in accordance with the Holy Scriptures and the Confessions of the Lutheran Church and in harmony with the constitutions of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in *America?*

Mandie: I will, and I ask God to help me.

Will you be diligent in your study of the Holy Scriptures and faithful in your use of the means of grace?
Mandie: I will, and I ask God to help me.

Trusting in God's care, will you witness to Jesus Christ in word and deed, pray for God's people, seek to grow in love for those you serve, strive for excellence in your skills, and adorn the gospel of Jesus Christ with a godly life?
Mandie: I will, and I ask God to help me.

Almighty God, who has given you the will to do these things, graciously give you the strength and compassion to perform them. Amen.

People of God, will you receive *Mandie Mishler* into this ministry as people called and sent to serve others in Christ's name? Will you pray for *her*, help and honor *her*, and in all things strive to live together in the peace and unity of Christ? If so, say, "We will, and we ask God to help us."
C: We will, and we ask God to help us.

Mandie, the ministry of *Children, Youth & Family* is now committed to you in the name of the Father, the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Now, receive this Irish blessing from John O'Donohue:
P: May your new work excite your heart Kindle in your mind a creativity
C: to journey beyond the old limits of all that has become wearisome.

P: May this work challenge you toward new frontiers that will emerge as you begin to approach them
C: Calling forth from you the full force And depth of your undiscovered gifts

P: May the work fit the rhythms of your soul
C: Enabling you to draw from the invisible New ideas and a vision that will inspire
P: Remember to be kind to those who work for you
C: Endeavor to remain aware of the quiet world That live lives behind each face

P: Be fair in your expectations, compassionate in your criticism. May you have the grace of encouragement
C: To awaken the gift in the other's heart, building in them, the confidence to follow the call of the gift

P: May you come to know that work which emerges from the mind of love will have beauty and form
C: May this new work be worthy of the energy of your heart And the light of your thought

P: May your work assume A proper space in your life Instead of owning or using you
C: May it challenge and refine you Bringing you every day further Into the wonder of your heart. Amen.

OFFERING with SPECIAL MUSIC *'How Beautiful'* *Piano & Organ Duet*
Jen Krinke & Glenna Reierson

OFFERING PRAYER God who provides,
we return to you a portion of all that you have given us. Bless and use these gifts, our hands, our hearts, our ministry, to care for the world you so love. Now prepare us to receive you at this table and again in the world beyond our doors. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Response: Merciful God, ~ **receive our prayer.**

PEACE
The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.
You may greet and share Christ's peace with one another with a handshake or hands folded.

GREAT THANKSGIVING *Booklet p. 11*

HOLY HOLY HOLY *Booklet p.11-12*

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER
Our Father in heaven,
Hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen

COMMUNION

COMMUNION SONGS: *'Lamb of God'* *Booklet p. 14*
'As the Grains of Wheat' *Booklet p. 10*

COMMUNION BLESSING

THANKS BE TO YOU Booklet p. 15

BENEDICTION/THREE FOLD AMEN

SENDING HYMN Congregation Choice!

DISMISSAL
Go in peace, serve the Lord.
Thank be to God.

THIS WEEK AT ORLC

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Sunday (23rd)
8am Prayer
9am Worship
10am Coffee & Fellowship

Monday
9am Quilting
7:30pm A.A

Tuesday
6:30pm OR Readers

Wednesday
6:30am Men's Breakfast
9am Sewing Group

Thursday
8am Sonrisers
1pm Grief Group

ANNOUNCEMENTS

COFFEE & FELLOWSHIP: Join us after service for coffee and fellowship. All are welcome!

S'MORES & MORE Girl's Night Out: September 13 at 6:30pm**.** Activities, music, conversation and of course s'mores! New this year: Bring a book for book bingo! Bring your mom, daughter, aunt, friend….everyone welcome.

RUMMAGE SALE: The fall rummage sale quickly approaches! Time to clean out those drawers, closets, attics and garages for stuff you are ready to pass along. Donation days are Sept 20 from 4-6pm, Sept 21 from 8-5pm, and Sept 22 from 8-10am.
Sale Days are Sept 22 from 11-5—Early bird $1 admission and Sept 23 from 8-5pm

ALTAR GUILD: Altar Guild is seeking a new member. Please connect with Becky Berglund or Rhonda Williamson if you are interested in joining this important ministry. Each member of this team takes 1 month out of the year to prep items for Sundays in that month. Training is available and will be done with other altar guild members.

RAINY DAY COMMITTEE: We have had some interest in forming a new team to serve on the Rainy Day Committee at ORLC and are looking for one more person. If you are feeling called to serve your community through your church please connect with Pastor John or Becca in the office.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES: We are gearing up for Lutheran World Relief School kits and with school supplies making their way to the store shelves we are looking for donations. If it so moves you to help supply kids around the world with basic school supplies see the list below. Items can be dropped off with Becca in the office. Thank you!
*70-sheet notebooks of wide- or college-ruled
*30-centimeter ruler, or a ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other
*pencil sharpener, *blunt scissors, *black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel ink); *box of 16 or 24 crayons, *2 ½" eraser

LET'S CELEBRATE! Helen Clarke, a longtime member, is turning 90! Friends are invited to a celebration on **Saturday, August 29th from 12-2pm**. Location of the party is at St. Andrews Village: 220 East Ave, Mahtomedi, MN in the Shoreline Room. A carpool will leave the church at 10:30am for those interested in riding down together. Can't go but would like to send well wishes? Please reach out to Becca in the office for Helen's personal address. Any other questions please reach out to Carolyn Tuckner.

RITE OF INSTALLATION: Bishop Taryn K. Montgomery of the NEMN Synod
Saturday, Sept 12th at 2pm at First Lutheran in Duluth. Invitation information is on the door of the main office if interested. RSVPs request by QR code but not required.

BACKPACK PROGRAM: ***August Needs:*** Individual oatmeal packets, Pudding cups and/or individual snack packs such as teddy grahams, animal crackers etc.

ALTAR FLOWERS Altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Rod & Rhonda Williamson in honor of their anniversary AND Sandy Plaster in honor of her husband Tom's birthday.

Note: When taking your flowers please do so by taking the vase around to the back side of the altar space. Remove the flowers from the plastic insert & place them in the bags we have there for your convenience.

RADIO SPONSORSHIP Burt & Rosie Rude

CREATION CARE: August 23

With the back-to-school season upon us, shop at a second-hand store or organize a clothing swap for what the kids need this year, rather than buy all new clothes, backpacks, and school supplies. Over-consumerism and the desire for new things contribute to an unsustainable economy that continues to deplete the earth of natural resources. Remember the old saying, "Use it up, wear it out, make it do, or do without."

HEALING PRAYER TEAM

"Do not worry. Tell God what you need with a thankful heart. His peace will guard your mind." Philippines 4:6-7. Martin Luther viewed prayer as an essential, daily conversation with God rather than a chore. He advised engaging with scripture, starting each day with prayer.

Dear God, Thank You for my life, both the trials and the triumphs. Thank You, I woke up this morning. Thank you, I get to have another go. Thank You that You work all things together for my good. I accept the difficult things in my life. I turn them over to You. I trust in your plan. In Jesus' name Amen. *Gideon Hengh, Tearfund.*

ORLC PRAYER LIST: Prayer is powerful & a way to support those seeking comfort and guidance. The list below are those who need your prayers.

<u>TO PRAY FOR:</u>

Heesook K (friend of Larry G), Carolyn M, Ray W, Nancy W (daughter of Judy B), Kinsley K, Eric J (son of Sherwood & Marietta J), Bill M (son of Ron & Donna P)