

TABOR LUTHERAN CHURCH

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August 23, 2026

13th Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 a.m.

Holy Communion Setting 10 - ELW (Evangelical Lutheran Book of Worship Year A)

INTRODUCTION

In Isaiah the people are advised to look to their spiritual ancestors as the rock from which they were hewn. Jesus declares that the church will be built on the rock of Peter's bold confession of faith. God's word of reconciliation and God's mercy are keys to the church's mission. Paul urges us to not be conformed to this world but to offer our bodies as a living sacrifice, using our individual gifts to build up the body of Christ. From the table we go forth to offer our spiritual worship through word and deed.

PRELUDE

Announcements are on page 12-14.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

A very warm welcome to all who worship here this morning, we thank God for sending you to Tabor.

Please stand if you are able.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,
whose compassion endures forever.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin to God.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Compassionate God,
we confess to you all our sins.
Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves.
In your mercy, call us back to you.
Your yoke is easy and your burden is light.
Restore us to dwell in your peace.
In Christ's name we pray,
Amen.

Jesus says, "Come to me,
all you who are weary
and are carrying heavy burdens,
and I will give you rest."
In the name of God,
Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit,
your sins are forgiven.
Rest in God's love.
Amen.

GATHERING

GATHERING SONG

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

ELW 645

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

1 Christ is made the sure foun - da - tion, Christ, our head and
 2 To this tem - ple, where we call you, come, O Lord of
 3 Here be - stow on all your ser - vants what they seek from
 4 Praise and hon - or to the Fa - ther, praise and hon - or

cor - ner stone, cho - sen of the Lord and pre - cious,
 hosts, and - stay; come with all your lov - ing - kind - ness,
 you to gain; what they gain from you, for - ev - er
 to the Son, praise and hon - or to the Spir - it,

bind - ing all the church in one; ho - ly Zi - on's
 hear your peo - ple as they pray; and your full - est
 with the bless - ed to re - tain; and here - af - ter
 ev - er three and ev - er one: one in might and

help for - ev - er and our con - fi - dence a - lone.
 ben - e - dic - tion shed with - in these walls to - day.
 in your glo - ry ev - er - more with you to reign.
 one in glo - ry while un - end - ing a - ges run!

Text: Latin hymn, c. 7th cent.; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–1866, alt.
 Music: WESTMINSTER ABBEY, Henry Purcell, 1659–1695; arr. Ernest Hawkins, 1802–1868

GREETING

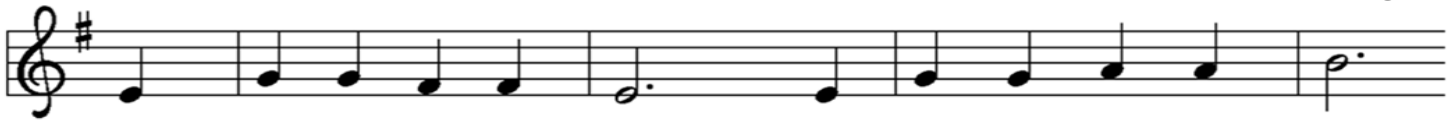
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS & CHILDREN'S SERMON

The children come forward wearing their backpacks

KYRIE

ELW Setting 10



- 1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.
- 2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.
- 3 Have mer - cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part.



We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.
Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.
Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Glory to God

ELW Setting 10



- 1 Glo - ry be to God in heav - en; peace, good - will to all the earth.
- 2 Glo - ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
- 3 Ho - ly One we now ac - claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might - y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:
Son of God and gra - cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;
Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.
Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.
For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

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.

Please be seated.

WORD

FIRST READING: Isaiah 51:1-6

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

PSALM: Psalm 138

Read responsively

¹ I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with [|] my whole heart;
before the gods I will [|] sing your praise.

² **I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your name, because of
your steadfast [|] love and faithfulness;
for you have glorified your name and your word a- [|] bove all things.**

³ When I called, you [|] answered me;
you increased my [|] strength within me.

⁴ **All the rulers of the earth will praise [|] you, O LORD,
when they have heard the words [|] of your mouth.**

⁵ They will sing of the ways [|] of the LORD,
that great is the glory [|] of the LORD.

⁶ **The LORD is high, yet cares [|] for the lowly,
perceiving the haughty [|] from afar.**

⁷ Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you [|] keep me safe;
you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right [|] hand
shall save me.

⁸ **You will make good your pur- [|] pose for me;
O LORD, your steadfast love endures forever; do not abandon the works [|]
of your hands.**

SECOND READING: Romans 12:1-8

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Please stand if you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



The Holy gospel according to Matthew, the 16th Chapter.

Glory to you O Lord.

GOSPEL: Matthew 16:13-20

The gospel of the Lord

Praise to you O Christ.

Please be seated.

REFLECTION

A brief silence for reflection.

Adam Bowens

Please stand if you are able.

HYMN OF THE DAY

ELW 652

Built on a Rock

1 Built on a rock the church shall stand, e - ven when stee - ples are
2 Sure - ly, in tem - ples made with hands God the Most High is not
3 Christ builds a house of liv - ing stones: we are his own hab - i -
4 Yet in this house, an earth - ly frame, Je - sus the chil - dren is

fall - ing; crum - bled have spires in ev - 'ry land, bells still are
dwell - ing— high in the heav'ns his tem - ple stands, all earth - ly
ta - tion; he fills our hearts, his hum - ble thrones, grant - ing us
bless - ing; hith - er we come to praise his name, faith in our

chim - ing and call - ing— call - ing the young and old to rest, call - ing the
tem - ples ex - cel - ling. Yet God who dwells in heav'n a - bove deigns to a -
life and sal - va - tion. Where two or three will seek his face, he in their
Sav - ior con - fess - ing. Je - sus to us his Spir - it sent, mak - ing with

souls of those dis - tressed, long - ing for life ev - er - last - ing.
bide with us in love, mak - ing our bod - ies his tem - ple.
midst will show his grace, bless - ings up - on them be - stow - ing.
us his cov - e - nant, grant - ing his chil - dren the king - dom.

CREED

**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 into hell.
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.**

Please be seated.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

With bold trust in God's unfailing provision, we pray for the church, those in need,
and all of God's creation.

A brief silence

Each petition ends:

Merciful God,

Receive our prayer.

Prayers conclude with:

Receive our prayers and answer, O God, as you have promised. All this we ask in
the name of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

*The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say:
Peace be with you.*

Please be seated.

OFFERING OF GIFTS, TITHES AND MUSIC

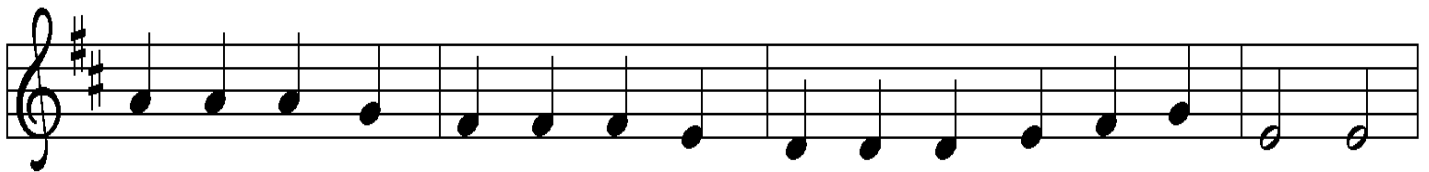
Special Piano music

Please stand if you are able.

OFFERTORY:

ELW 466

In the Singing



1 In the sing - ing, in the si - lence, in the hands ex - pect - ant, o - pen,
2 In the ques - tion, in the an - swer, in the mo - ment of ac - cept - ance,



in the bless - ing, in the break - ing, in your pres - ence at this ta - ble,
in the heart's cry, in the heal - ing, in the cir - cle of your peo - ple,



Je - sus Christ, Je - sus Christ, be the wine of grace;



Je - sus Christ, Je - sus Christ, be the bread of peace.

Text: Shirley Erena Murray, b. 1931

Music: BREAD OF PEACE, Carlton R. Young, b. 1926

OFFERING PRAYER

Loving God,
we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts.
Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love,
so that all creation can taste your abundance.
We ask this in the name of Jesus,
through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever.
Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

SENDING

BLESSING

Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer,
✠ one God,
bless, heal, and hold you
today and always.
Amen.

O Savior, Precious Savior

1 O Sav - ior, pre - cious Sav - ior, whom yet un - seen we love;
 2 O bring - er of sal - va - tion, who won - drous - ly hast wrought,
 3 In thee all full - ness dwell - eth, all grace and pow'r di - vine;
 4 Oh, grant the con - sum - ma - tion of this our song a - bove,

O name of might and fa - vor, all oth - er names a - bove:
 thy - self the rev - e - la - tion of love be - yond our thought:
 the glo - ry that ex - cel - leth, O Son of God, is thine.
 in end - less ad - o - ra - tion and ev - er - last - ing love;

we wor - ship thee; we bless thee; to thee a - lone we sing;
 we wor - ship thee; we bless thee; to thee a - lone we sing;
 We wor - ship thee; we bless thee; to thee a - lone we sing;
 then shall we praise and bless thee where per - fect prais - es ring,

we praise thee and con - fess thee, our ho - ly Lord and King.
 we praise thee and con - fess thee, our gra - cious Lord and King.
 we praise thee and con - fess thee, our glo - rious Lord and King.
 and ev - er - more con - fess thee, our Sav - ior and our King!

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879
 Music: ANGEL'S STORY, Arthur H. Mann, 1850–1929

DISMISSAL

Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news!

Thanks be to God.

<u>Disciples Serving:</u>	<u>This Sunday</u>	<u>Next Sunday</u>
Presider/Supply	Adam Bowens	Ryan Kessinger
Assisting Minister:	Cyrisse Cooley	Cyrisse Cooley
Pianist:	Dr. J. Michael Beck	Dr. J. Michael Beck
Altar Guild:	Cassie Walgren	Cassie Walgren
Ushers/Greeters:	Tony Martinet	Tony Martinet
Counters/Posters:	Lynn Truxell/Charlotte Vargues	Stacie Bowens/Leanne Neu
JAM:	Backpack Blessing/Children's Sermon	Children's Sermon

BIRTHDAYS

August 25 Lynn Truxell

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- † We will be making burritos for the State Fair Parade at the church on Friday August 28th starting at 10:00am. Any youth interested in going to camp can come help prepare.
- † We will be selling breakfast burritos ,water and gatorade at the Colorado State Fair Parade on Saturday, August 29th. Kids that are planning on going to Rainbow Trail camp and those wishing to help sell on the parade route, please meet at the church at 8:00am in the parking lot. Go through the alley to park in our lot.
- † We will be selling Burritos with Green Chili after church on Sunday, August 30th for a youth camp fundraiser.
- † Exciting News! Tabor has a new and easier way to tithe. Just scan the PayPal QR code below to donate directly to **Tabor Evangelical Lutheran Church of Pueblo** (full PayPal account name). Or use the email:
tltreasurerpueblo@gmail.com (Venmo coming soon!)



PRAYERS

Members, Friends/Relatives	Added by Members
Doris Ask	People of Tabor
Shirley Bass	People of Tabor
Michael Beck	People of Tabor
Robert Bogusch	Nephew of Kathy Lambert
Family of Emily Briggs	People of Tabor
Pam Cardinal	Sister of Clay Kashner
Devin Caveza	Grandson of Tony Martinet
John Centa	Bowens Family
Terry Engler	Sister of Vicki Moore
Vicki Granato	Michelle Vargues
Marcus Hall	Bowens Family
Brian & Geri Helm	Bowens Family
Nina Jesmain	People of Tabor
Etta Kay Johnson	Sister-in-law of Linda Johnson
Linda Johnson	People of Tabor
Clay Kashner	People of Tabor
Kathy Lambert	People of Tabor
Kathy Laney & Family	Connie Wisthoff
DJ Nichols	Truxell Family
Will Nichols	Truxell & Vargues Families
Evelyn Omev	Twin sister of Shirley Bass
Andrea Pitre	Friend of Emily Briggs
Family of Cheryl Salay	People of Tabor
Starcher Family	Friends of Emily Briggs
Caitlan Thorne & Family	Granddaughter of Kathy Lambert
Justin, Harper & Hazel Tolan	Grandson/Great-granddaughters of Denise
Marvin Truxell	Truxell & Vargues Families
Charlotte Vargues	People of Tabor
Sandra Zupan	Sister of Ruth Valencia



THE GOOD NEWS

TABOR TIDBITS WEEKLY UPDATE

August 20, 2026



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We are joining King of Kings for their annual Church Picnic on Sunday, September 6th immediately after 9:30 worship.

Join us at Tabor for our 9:30am worship service or you are welcome to join King of Kings for their 9:30am worship service.

King of Kings is providing hamburgers, hot dogs, brats and all the fixings.

Please bring your favorite salad, beans (or other side dish) or dessert to share with the many others who will be there.

Sign-up sheets are in the Narthex.



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God's Work, Our Hands
September 13, 2026

We will work with King of Kings on a project for God's Work, our Hands. More information to come.



Joy Circle will have an organizational meeting on September 21 at 9:30am in the parlor

Birthdays

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Lynn Truxell

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