

TABOR LUTHERAN CHURCH

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August 30, 2026

14th Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 a.m.

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

INTRODUCTION

The prophet Jeremiah speaks of the incurable wound of his suffering yet finds in God's words the delight of his heart. When Peter doesn't grasp Jesus' words about suffering, Jesus tells the disciples they will find their lives in losing them. Such sacrificial love is described by Paul when he urges us to associate with the lowly and not repay evil with evil. In worship we gather as a community that we might offer ourselves for the sake of our suffering world.

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

Lift High the Cross

ELW 660

Lift High the Cross

Refrain

The musical score is written for four voices (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) on a grand staff. The key signature has one sharp (F#), and the time signature is common time (C). The refrain consists of two lines of music. The first line of the refrain is: "Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim till". The second line is: "all the world a - dore his sa - cred name." Below the refrain, there is a four-part setting of the hymn. The lyrics for the four parts are: 1. "Come, Chris - tians, fol - low where our cap - tain trod," 2. "All new - born ser - vants of the Cru - ci - fied", 3. "O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree," 4. "So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be:". The four-part setting is followed by another refrain. The lyrics for the second refrain are: "our king vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God. bear on their brows the seal of him who died. as thou hast prom - ised, draw us all to thee. praise to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry!".

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim till

all the world a - dore his sa - cred name.

1 Come, Chris - tians, fol - low where our cap - tain trod,
2 All new - born ser - vants of the Cru - ci - fied
3 O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,
4 So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be:

Refrain

our king vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God.
bear on their brows the seal of him who died.
as thou hast prom - ised, draw us all to thee.
praise to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry!

Text: George W. Kitchin, 1827–1912; rev. Michael R. Newbolt, 1874–1956

Music: CRUCIFER, Sydney H. Nicholson, 1875–1947

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GREETING

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

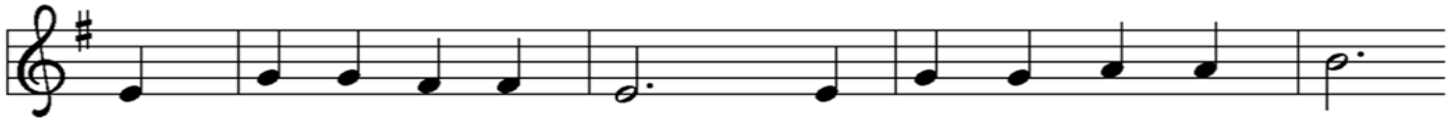
And also with you.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

The children are invited to come forward.

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, we thank you for your Son, who chose the path of suffering for the sake of the world. Humble us by his example, point us to the path of obedience, and give us strength to follow your commands, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Please be seated.

WORD

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 15:15-21

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

PSALM: Psalm 26:1-8

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 12:9-21

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 16:21-28

The gospel of the Lord

Praise to you O Christ.

Please be seated.

REFLECTION

A brief silence for reflection.

Ryan Kessinger

Please stand if you are able.

HYMN OF THE DAY

ELW 798

Will You Come and Follow Me *The Summons*

1 "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call
2 "Will you leave your - self be - hind if I but call
3 "Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call
4 "Will you love the you you hide if I but call
5 Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call

your name? Will you go where you don't
your name? Will you care for cruel and
your name? Will you set the pris - 'ners
your name? Will you quell the fear in -
my name. Let me turn and fol - low

know and nev - er be the same?
kind and nev - er be the same?
free and nev - er be the same?
side and nev - er be the same?
you and nev - er be the same.

Will you let my love be shown, will you let my
Will you risk the hos - tile stare, should your life at -
Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as
Will you use the faith you've found to re - shape the
In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and

name be known, will you let my life be
tract or scare? Will you let me an - swer
this un - seen, and ad - mit to what I
world a - round, through my sight and touch and
foot - steps show. Thus I'll move and live and

grown in you and you in me?"
pray'r in you and you in me?"
mean in you and you in me?"
sound in you and you in me?"
grow in you and you in me.

Text: John L. Bell, b. 1949

Music: KELVINGROVE, Scottish traditional

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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

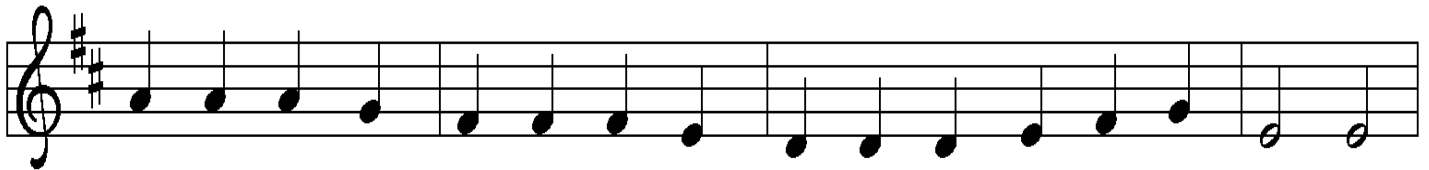
Special Piano music

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

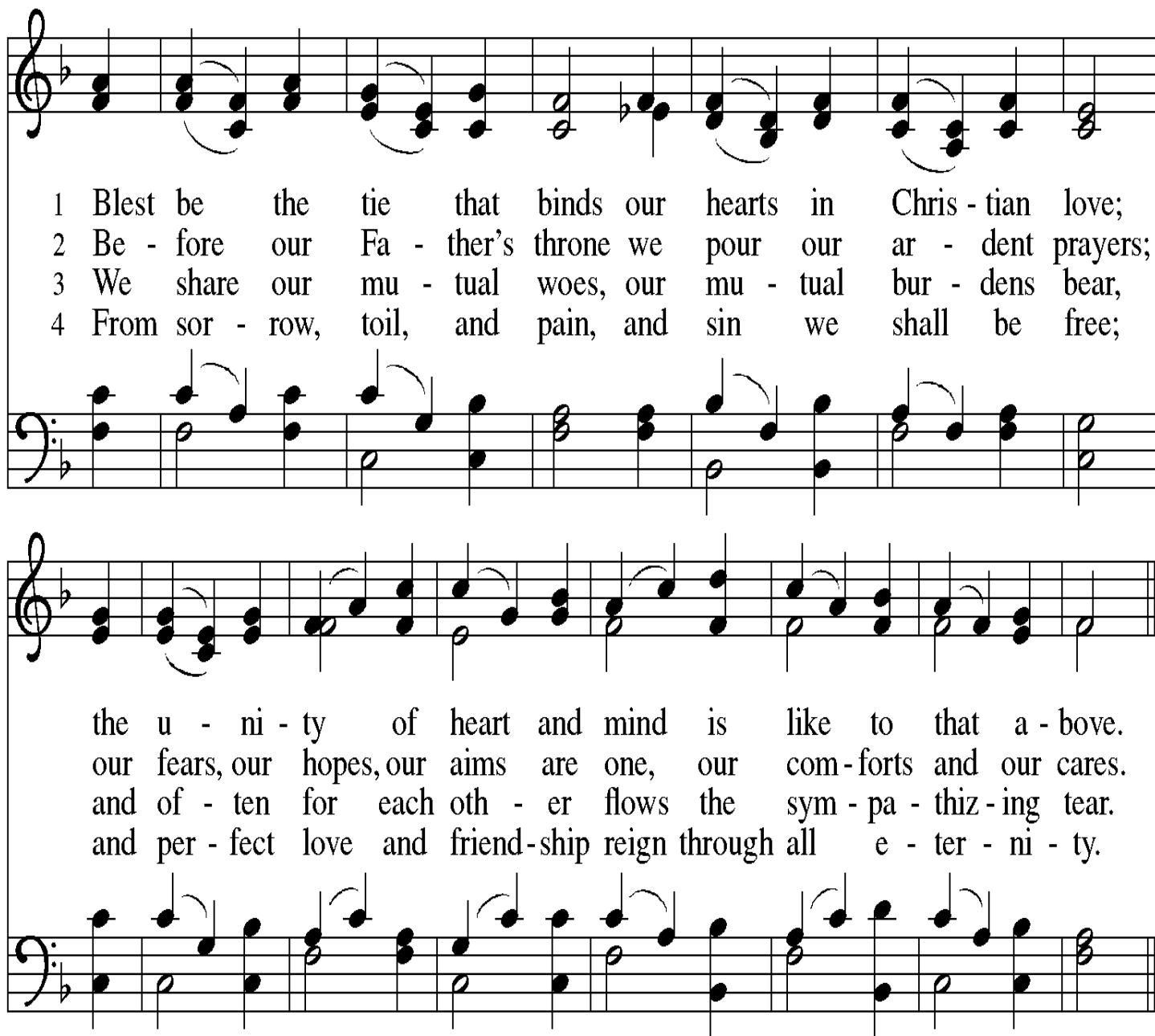
**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is 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.

Blest Be the Tie That Binds



1 Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Chris - tian love;
 2 Be - fore our Fa - ther's throne we pour our ar - dent prayers;
 3 We share our mu - tual woes, our mu - tual bur - dens bear,
 4 From sor - row, toil, and pain, and sin we shall be free;

the u - ni - ty of heart and mind is like to that a - bove.
 our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, our com - forts and our cares.
 and of - ten for each oth - er flows the sym - pa - thiz - ing tear.
 and per - fect love and friend - ship reign through all e - ter - ni - ty.

Text: John Fawcett, 1740–1817, alt.

Music: DENNIS, Johann G. Nägeli, 1773–1836, adapt.

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	Ryan Kessinger	Pastor Karen Matuska
Assisting Minister:	Cyrisse Cooley	Ryan Kessinger
Pianist:	Dr. J. Michael Beck	Dr. J. Michael Beck
Altar Guild:	Cassie Walgren	Kathy Lambert/Linda Johnson
Ushers/Greeters:	Tony Martinet	Jerry Vargues
Counters/Posters:	Stacie Bowens/Leanne Neu	Deb Huisman/Sue Kastelic
JAM:	Children's Sermon	Children's Sermon

BIRTHDAYS

August 30	Cyrisse Cooley
September 2	Ruth Valencia
September 4	Darrell Neu
September 5	Adam Bowens

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- † We will be selling Burritos with Green Chili after church today 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
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 27, 2026



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 and water 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 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

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