

JOINT OUTDOOR WORSHIP  
HUTCHINSON AREA CHURCHES OF WELS  
JULY 13, 2025

*“Our Hope is in the Lord”*

HYMN – 820 “O God Our Help in Ages Past”



1 O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come,  
2 Un - der the shad - ow of your throne your saints have dwelt se - cure;  
3 Be - fore the hills in or - der stood or earth re - ceived its frame,  
4 A thou - sand a - ges in your sight are like an eve - ning gone,



our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, and our e - ter - nal home:  
suf - fi - cient is your arm a - lone, and our de - fense is sure.  
from ev - er - last - ing you are God, to end - less years the same.  
short as the watch that ends the night be - fore the ris - ing sun.

- 5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream,  
soon bears us all away;  
we fly forgotten, as a dream  
dies at the op'ning day.
- 6 O God, our help in ages past,  
our hope for years to come,  
still be our guard while troubles last  
and our eternal home!

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M: In the name of the Father and of the Æ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

CONFESSION

M: If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

C: **If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just  
and will forgive us our sins  
and purify us from all unrighteousness.**

M: Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

C: **Holy God, gracious Father,  
I am sinful by nature  
and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and  
actions.**

**I have not loved you with my whole heart;**

**I have not loved others as I should.**

**I deserve your punishment both now and forever.**

**But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins  
with his innocent suffering and death.**

**Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

*Silence for meditation and reflection*

M: Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Æ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

LORD, HAVE MERCY

M: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

M: For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

M: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

M: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

M: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**C: Amen.**

### **CHOIR – “How Great Is Our God”**

#### **The Word**

M: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

M: Let us pray.

God of all power and might, you are the giver of all that is good. Help us love you with all our heart, strengthen us in true faith, provide us with all we need, and keep us safe in your care; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

### **FIRST READING – Jeremiah 17:5-8**

<sup>5</sup>This is what the Lord says: “Cursed is the one who trusts in man, who draws strength from mere flesh and whose heart turns away from the Lord. <sup>6</sup>That person will be like a bush in the wastelands; they will not see prosperity when it comes. They will dwell in the parched places of the desert, in a salt land where no one lives. <sup>7</sup>“But blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord, whose confidence is in him. <sup>8</sup>They will be like a tree planted by the water that sends out its roots by the stream. It does not fear when heat comes; its leaves are always green. It has no worries in a year of drought and never fails to bear fruit.”

### **PSALM 62 – CHOIR “My Soul Finds Rest”**

### **SECOND READING – 1 Peter 1:3-9**

<sup>3</sup>Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, <sup>4</sup>and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade. This inheritance is kept in heaven for you, <sup>5</sup>who through faith are shielded by God’s power until the coming of the salvation that is ready to be revealed in the last time. <sup>6</sup>In all this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while you may have had to suffer grief in all kinds of trials. <sup>7</sup>These have come so that the proven genuineness of your faith—of greater worth than gold, which perishes even though refined by fire—may result in praise, glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. <sup>8</sup>Though you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and are filled with an inexpressible and glorious joy, <sup>9</sup>for you are receiving the end result of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

### **VBS CHILDREN SING**

#### **GOSPEL – Luke 12:13-21**

<sup>13</sup>Someone in the crowd said to him, “Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me.”

<sup>14</sup>Jesus replied, “Man, who appointed me a judge or an arbiter between you?” <sup>15</sup>Then he said to them, “Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; life does not consist in an abundance of possessions.”

<sup>16</sup>And he told them this parable: “The ground of a certain rich man yielded an abundant harvest. <sup>17</sup>He thought to himself, ‘What shall I do? I have no place to store my crops.’

<sup>18</sup>“Then he said, ‘This is what I’ll do. I will tear down my barns and build bigger ones, and there I will store my surplus grain. <sup>19</sup>And I’ll say to myself, “You have plenty of grain laid up for many years. Take life easy; eat, drink and be merry.”’

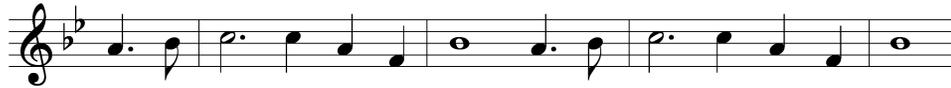
<sup>20</sup>“But God said to him, ‘You fool! This very night your life will be demanded from you. Then who will get what you have prepared for yourself?’

<sup>21</sup>“This is how it will be with whoever stores up things for themselves but is not rich toward God.”

## HYMN – 839 “Rock of Ages Cleft For Me”



1 Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, let me hide my - self in thee;  
2 Not the la - bors of my hands can ful - fill thy law's de - mands;  
3 Noth - ing in my hand I bring, sim - ply to thy cross I cling;  
4 While I draw this fleet - ing breath, when mine eye - lids close in death,



let the wa - ter and the blood, from thy riv - en side which flowed,  
could my zeal no res - pite know, could my tears for - ev - er flow,  
na - ked, come to thee for dress, help - less, look to thee for grace;  
when I soar to worlds un - known, see thee on thy judg - ment throne,



be of sin the dou - ble cure: cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.  
all for sin could not a - tone; thou must save and thou a - lone.  
foul, I to the foun - tain fly; wash me, Sav - ior, or I die.  
Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, let me hide my - self in thee.

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## SERMON – Luke 12:13-21

### “Jesus Teach Us Where to Put Our Hopes”

## APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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.**

**The third day he rose again from the dead.**

**He ascended into heaven**

**and is seated at the right hand of God the Father  
Almighty.**

**From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

***RITE OF INSTALLATION – Mrs. Rachel Markgraf will be  
installed to teach grades 1-2 at IGLS.***

## HYMN – 833 “I Run to Christ”



1 I run to Christ when chased by fear and find a ref - uge  
2 I run to Christ when worn by life and find my soul re -  
3 I run to Christ when stalked by sin and find a sure es -



sure. “Be - lieve in me,” his voice I hear; his words and  
fleshed. “Come un - to me,” he calls thro’ strife; fa - tigue gives  
cape. “De - liv - er me,” I cry to him; temp - ta - tion



wounds se - cure. I run to Christ when torn by grief and  
way to rest. I run to Christ when vexed by hell and  
yields to grace. I run to Christ when plagued by shame and



find a - bun - dant peace. “I too had tears,” he  
find a might - y arm. “The dev - il flees,” the  
find my one de - fense. “I bore God’s wrath,” he



gent - ly speaks; thus joy and sor - row meet.  
Scrip - tures tell; he roars but can - not harm.  
pleads my case— my ad - vo - cate and friend.

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## PRAYER

### 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.**

### BLESSING

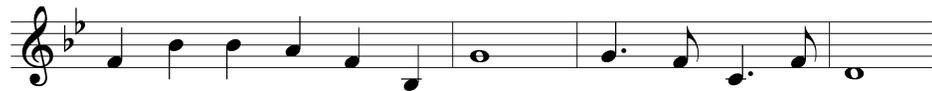
**OFFERING – Undesignated offerings will be given to  
Immanuel Grace Lutheran School.**

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**During the offering, choir will sing “Where Your Treasure Is”**

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## HYMN - 813 "He Will Hold Me Fast"



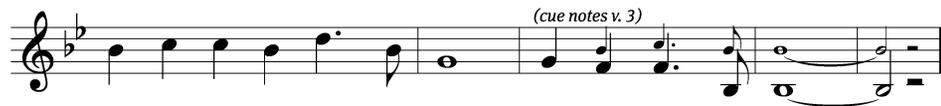
1 When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast;  
2 Those he saves are his de-light; Christ will hold me fast;  
3 For my life he bled and died; Christ will hold me fast;



when the tempt-er would pre-vail, he will hold me fast.  
pre-cious in his ho-ly sight, he will hold me fast.  
jus-tice has been sat-is-fied; he will hold me fast.



I could nev-er keep my hold thro' life's fear-ful path,  
He'll not let my soul be lost; his prom-is-es shall last;  
Raised with him to end-less life, he will hold me fast



for my love is of-ten cold— he must hold me fast.  
bought by him at such a cost, he will hold me fast.  
till our faith is turned to sight when he comes at last! (Refrain 2X)



He will hold me fast; he will hold me fast;



for my Sav-ior loves me so, he will hold me fast.

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