



Sunday, August 30, 2026
14th Sunday after Pentecost
Introduction to the Day

Today we welcome Layne Kilbreath and Alphonse Nepoose from "Walk As We" - a relational Christian Ecumenical ministry that supports Indigenous initiatives and fosters healing relationships between Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples. We give thanks to God for the land upon which we gather, work, pray and play, and we give thanks for our connection to the land and to one another. Our God meets us in creation and in our neighbour. Our Saviour is at our side as we journey together towards reconciliation.

GATHERING

Welcome to Worship

Advent Summer Liturgy

PEACE

L: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

♪ **Gathering Song**

"For the Fruit of All Creation"

ELW 679

Greeting

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

C: And also with you.

♪ **Canticle of Praise**

"We Are Marching in the Light"

ELW 866

Prayer of the Day:

L: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray. God of holy ground and reconciling love,
C: you meet us in the places where we stand and walk beside us on the way. Open our eyes to the sacredness of the land, our ears to the stories of our neighbours, and our hearts to one another. Give us courage to listen, humility to learn, and grace to walk together in truth, justice, and peace; through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. Amen.

WORD

First Lesson: Exodus 3:1-15

¹ Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness and came to Mount Horeb, the mountain of God. ² There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. ³ Then Moses said, "I must turn aside and look at this great sight and see why the bush is not burned up." ⁴ When the Lord saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." ⁵ Then he said, "Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." ⁶ He said further, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

⁷ Then the Lord said, "I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, ⁸ and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land to a good and spacious land, to a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. ⁹ The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. ¹⁰ Now go, I am sending you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt." ¹¹ But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?" ¹² He said, "I will be with you, and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall serve God on this mountain."

¹³ But Moses said to God, "If I come to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" ¹⁴ God said to Moses, "I am who I am." He said further, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'I am has sent me to you.' " ¹⁵ God also said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'The Lord, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you': This is my name forever, and this my title for all generations.

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalms 26:1-8 (Spoken responsively by whole verse)

¹ Vindicate me, O Lord, for I have walked in my integrity,
and I have trusted in the Lord without wavering.

² Prove me, O Lord, and try me; test my heart and mind.

³ For your steadfast love is before my eyes,
and I walk in faithfulness to you.

**⁴ I do not sit with the worthless,
nor do I consort with hypocrites;**

⁵ I hate the company of evildoers
and will not sit with the wicked.

**⁶ I wash my hands in innocence
and go around your altar, O Lord,**

⁷ singing aloud a song of thanksgiving
and telling all your wondrous deeds.

**⁸ O Lord, I love the house in which you dwell
and the place where your glory abides.**

Second Lesson: Romans 12:9-21

⁹ Let love be genuine; hate what is evil; hold fast to what is good; ¹⁰ love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. ¹¹ Do not lag in zeal; be ardent in spirit; serve the Lord. ¹² Rejoice in hope; be patient in affliction; persevere in prayer. ¹³ Contribute to the needs of the saints; pursue hospitality to strangers.

¹⁴ Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. ¹⁵ Rejoice with those who rejoice; weep with those who weep. ¹⁶ Live in harmony with one another; do not be arrogant, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you

are. ¹⁷ Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. ¹⁸ If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. ¹⁹ Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God, for it is written, "Vengeance is mine; I will repay, says the Lord." ²⁰ Instead, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink, for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." ²¹ Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

"Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil"

ELW 512

L: The holy gospel according to St. Luke, the 24th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: Luke 24:13-35

L: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

MESSAGE: Layne Kilbreath & Alphonse Nepoose

♪ **Hymn of the Day**

"Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song"

ELW 808

A New Creed (United Church of Canada, 1968)

Prayers of Intercession

♪ **Response:** (Refrain)

"Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"

ELW 752

MEAL

Offering (*Offerings may be submitted by PAR, a cheque mailed or delivered to Advent, or by e-transfer to giving@adventlutheran.ca.*)

♪ **Offertory Song** (tune of "Shall We Gather at the River")

"Commonwealth Is God's Commandment"

ACS 1036

Offering Prayer

GREAT THANKSGIVING (ELW p. 161)

♪ **Sanctus**

"Holy, Holy, Holy, Holy"

ELW 762

Thanksgiving at the Table

♪ **Lord's Prayer** (Gibney, back of ELW hymnal)

♪ **Communion Songs:**

"Now Behold the Lamb"

ELW 341

"All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly"

ELW 461

"I Want Jesus to Walk with Me"

ELW 325

"Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ"

ELW 674

"Let Us Break Bread Together"

ELW 471

Communion Blessing

Prayer After Communion

SENDING

Announcements

Blessing

♪ **Sending Song**

"My Lighthouse" (Rend Collective)

Dismissal:

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

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

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Worship Statistics

Sunday, August 23rd, 10:00 am Attendance:

In Person~38, Online~20, Sunday School~ N/A

Prayers for the Wider Church

- for Bishop Carla Blakley of the Eastern Synod, and for the synod staff, rostered ministers, and people of the Eastern Synod
- for Rev. Dr. Tim Wray, Dean, and the rostered ministers, and people of the Southern Area
- for our Synod Campus Ministries and especially for Rev. Elly McHan, Chaplain of Lutheran Campus Ministry, University of Alberta, Edmonton
- for spouses and families of rostered ministers
- for Rocky Mountain Lutheran, Rocky Mountain House, and Faith Lutheran, Rolling Hills

- for Rains of Grace Mission, Ubicada en Bosa – Provenir, Bogota, Colombia
 - for the pastors and people of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Argentina and the Bolivian Evangelical Lutheran Church
 - for Right Rev. Bishop Sidney Black, Indigenous Bishop of Treaty 7 Territory; for the Most Rev. Greg Kerr-Wilson, Anglican Archbishop of Calgary, and the staff, priests, and people of the Anglican Diocese of Calgary
 - for the pastors and people of the Reformed Church of Canada
- ACC:** The Rt. Rev. Chad McCharles, Bishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Saskatoon
- ELCIC:** Bishop Kathy Martin, the people and rostered ministers of the British Columbia Synod
- MORAVIAN:** The administration and staff of the Board of Elders Canadian District and the Northern Province

Weekly Announcements

Submissions to the Fall ***ADVENTure*** are due on Tuesday, September 1st at 5:00 pm, either to the church office or Connie Z. directly.

Garlic: Thank you to everyone who has supported sales of garlic, which is almost ready. You may pre-order on the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board. All sales will go to the youth. Contact the Minchaus for additional information.

Scent Policy: Advent has a low-scent policy, because many people have environmental sensitivities and scent allergies. Please do not use perfumes, colognes, scented lotions, etc. when coming to Advent. Thank you for your consideration!

Wings & Beer: Please join us at Stavros in Ranchlands for a time of fun, food and fellowship on the first Tuesday of each month. We meet at 5:30 pm and look forward to having you meet us there on September 1st.

Garnet Leach's funeral will be held in Strathmore on September 5, 2026. Details to follow.

Food Bank Sunday: The first Sunday of every month is Advent's designated Food Bank Sunday. Please make a financial donation or a non-perishable food-item donation. During this time of escalating fuel and food prices, many

Calgarians are experiencing food insecurity. Every little bit helps. THANKS!

Advent's next **Town Hall** meeting will take place after worship on September 27th, in person and online. Please plan to attend!

Highwood Lutheran Church is celebrating their **70th Anniversary** with a special Worship Service! Mark your calendar for Sunday, 13 Sept. 2026, at 10:30 AM. Join them as they honor their history with photos, memorabilia and a reception. Please spread the word, invite a friend or anyone from Highwood's community over the years.

Camp Kuriakos is hosting a special general meeting on Sept. 26th at 4:00 pm and they would like us to send a congregational representative. Please consider volunteering for this position.

Lutheran Hospital Ministries: We are looking for volunteers to visit Calgary hospitals, hospices and long-term care centres. Our next training session is Sept 30th, Oct 7th, and Oct 14th from 6 to 9:30 pm at St. Matthew Lutheran Church upstairs in the Parish Hall. If you feel called, please contact Pastor Rekken at (587) 228-2597 or the office.

Flowers: If you are able to donate cut flowers for the altar, please sign up on the large chart in the Fellowship Hall. Please do not bring lilies due to allergy issues. Thank you! A special thanks to **Melodie & Brian M.** for our altar flowers this weekend in honour of their anniversary in July!

Coffee Fellowship Ministry Sign Up: Hosts are needed for the Coffee Fellowship. This involves preparing coffee, tea and cold drinks, setting up and cleaning up. Treat is optional. No experience needed! On-the-job training is provided.

Financial Giving: *Thank you to everyone for faithfully continuing to contribute and keeping Advent thriving, whether by weekly or monthly giving through cash, cheques or PAR and e-transfer. Instructions for both the PAR program and e-transfers are under ONLINE GIVING on our website (www.adventlutheran.ca).*

Sunday Service Online Links: If you are only able to join us by **phone**, please call **1.855.703.8985**. Then press **483 597 7957** followed by the pound key (#). Password: **569693**. If you are

joining us by **computer**, here is the link:
<https://zoom.us/j/4835977957>. Password: **569693**

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Serving Soon	August 30, 2026	Sept. 6, 2026
Worship Presider	Pastor Aaron S.	Pastor Aaron S.
Assisting Minister	Children/Youth	Greg L.
Communion Asst.	Children/Youth	Bruce M.
Altar Guild	Doug & Diane K.	Evelyn S.
Lector	Children/Youth	Mike H.
Ushers	Steve C. & Bruce M.	Bryce & Dianne J.
Greeters	Children/Youth	Susanne G.
Sound/Zoom	Amanda J. & Geoff W	Volunteer & John
Musician	Sorena C.	Sorena C.
Offering Counters	Geoff, Deana, & Ron	Sheila B. & Karen M.
Coffee Fellowship	Volunteer Needed	Colin & Sheila B.
Flowers	Melodie M.	CGCC

We give thanks to Jesus, the Creator who sets free, who has gifted us with this land that we are blessed to share and care for together. We acknowledge that the land we gather on, Mohkinstsis, is the ancestral territory of the Siksik-aitsitapi: the Siksika, Kainai, Piikani, and Amskapi Pikuni. We acknowledge all the Treaty 7 signatories, including the Tsuut'ina people, as well as the Iyarhe Nakoda Nations: Bearspaw, Chiniki, and Wesley. This land is also the home of Métis Nation Region 3 and all other people who make their home here.