

Ninth Sunday After *Pentecost*



July 30, 2023 | 9:30am

* Congregational responses in **bold**

Gathering Music

El Espíritu de Dios esta en este lugar

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El Espíritu de Dios se mueve en este lugar	Toca mi mente, mi corazón
Está aquí para consolar	Llena mi vida de tu amor
Está aquí para liberar	Muévete en mí, Dios Espíritu
Está aquí para guiar	Muévete en mí
El Espíritu de Dios está aquí	

Words of Welcome

Hymn of Praise

Señor, Señor ten piedad / Lord, Have Mercy On Us

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Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.**

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Silence for Reflection

Most merciful God, **we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Gathering Hymn *You Are Holy / Eres Santo* (vs.1 - Spanish, vs.2 - English)

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Eres santo, eres Dios por toda la eternidad;
Siempre tu muy cerca estás en tu pueblo, buen Señor.
Te alabamos hoy aquí, te adoramos con fervor.
A tu iglesia en vino y pan nueva vida así les das.
Eres santo, eres Dios, te sentimos.
La creación te de loor. Aleluya. Aleluya. Aleluya. Aleluya, Señor.

Greeting

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

Prayer of the Day

Beloved and sovereign God, through the death and resurrection of your Son you bring us into your kingdom of justice and mercy. Now, by your Spirit, give us your wisdom, that we may treasure the life that comes from Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Reading

Romans 8:26-39

Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God. We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified. What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered." No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

Hymn

Behold, How Pleasant / Miren que bueno

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Gospel Acclamation

Aleluya

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Gospel

Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

He put before them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches." He told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened." The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it. Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will

(Gospel continued on the next page)

come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Have you understood all this? They answered, "Yes." And he said to them, "Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old."

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Thanks be to God.

Gospel Response

Alaben todos al Señor

(Alaben). Amén, alaben al Señor (2x)

Amén, amén. Amén, Amén.

Amén, alaben al Señor.

*Oremos, cantemos, amemos

Sermon

Pastora Melissa Melnick Gonzalez

Hymn of the Day

You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore

ELW 817

Thanks for Your Generosity | Announcements

Sharing of the Peace

Music at the Offering

Shout to the Lord

Hillsong

Noisy Offering | Offertory Response

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

(Children are invited to cheerfully bring their "Noisy Offering" forward during the Offertory Response)

Prayers of the People

(Congregational response following each prayer petition)

Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

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.

Sending Hymn

We Are Marching in the Light

ELW 866

Caminemos a la luz de Dios (4x)

Caminemos (todos). Caminemos (juntos).

Caminemos a la luz de Dios. (2x)

Sending

Go in peace and serve the Lord!

Thanks be to God.

Sending Music

Recap of *We Are Marching in the Light*

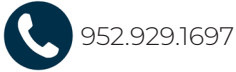
WELCOME TO NORMANDALE



WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE!

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SUNDAY AT NORMANDALE

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Nursery is closed for the summer. See you in the fall!

PrayGround is located at the front of the worship space and is filled with quiet toys and comfy seating for the littlest in our midst and their caregivers.

Busy Bags filled with quiet activities are hanging outside the main entrance of the sanctuary.

Bulletins & Coloring Sheets are located on a table outside of the main sanctuary doors.

Noisy Offering

Children are invited to cheerfully bring their "Noisy Offering" to the front during the Offertory Response. This offering will help support the Sunday School Ministry and be collected every Sunday.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Presider: Pastora Melissa Melnick Gonzalez
Deacon: Deacon Josué Gonzalez
Organist/Pianist: Lorna Wolthoff
Lector: Jean Wikoff
Greeter: Shirley Ramberg
Ushers: Bob Sannerud, Jan Hahn,
Dave Wikoff

Musicians from Tapestry Church, Richfield
Vocals: Julie Hopkins, Alfredo Rincon
Guitar: Ibrahin Moreno
Percussion: Deacon Josué Gonzalez
Bass: Miguel Gonzalez Quintero

We Need You!

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