Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time

July 20, 2025

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Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship

Managers, commuters, Workers stuck behind computers...

Lay your burdens down, Come to me and rest.

Laborers on the soil, All who dig and sweat and toil...

Lay your burdens down, Come to me and rest.

Overstretched and overstressed, Underpaid, abused, oppressed...

Lay your burdens down, Come to me and rest.

In the home, on the road, Those with dangerous overload...

Lay your burdens down, Come to me and rest.

Those who never get a break, Those who give while others take...

Lay your burdens down, Come to me and rest.

God of eternity, teach us to pause.

God of creation, teach us to wonder.

God of Sabbath, teach us to rest.

God of delight, teach us to play.

God of the poor, teach us to share in your work of liberation.

God of love, reconciling us through Christ Jesus,

Fill our lives with your perfect peace. Amen.

Opening Hymn "I Am Here in the Heart of God"

Erin McGaughan

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



Welcome!

Welcome newcomers to ECLC. Thank you for worshipping with us today.

The **bold text** throughout is to be read aloud by the congregation.

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Inclusivity Statement

God's love is inclusive. Guided by this love, Edina Community Lutheran Church joyfully welcomes, affirms, and celebrates the wholeness of who you are as people of all:

- Abilities and disabilities
- Ages
- Family structures
- Gender identities and expressions
- Immigration statuses
- Races and ethnicities
- Sexual orientations

• Socio-economic statuses We believe our lives and our faith become stronger through diversity; we welcome all as guests, members, volunteers, and leaders of our community.

Call to Worship from: Course Prayer from Life Balance: a 5-session course on rest, work, and play for Lent by Robert Warren & Sue Mayfield



Children's Message

First Reading: Genesis 18:1-10a

Word of God, word of life. Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation



Gospel Reading: Luke 10:38-42

The holy gospel according to Luke. **Glory to you, O Lord.** The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon



Light a Candle!

In many faith traditions, a candle symbolizes a prayer. You are invited to light a candle on the votive candle screen as you enter for worship, after communion, or whenever you feel moved to do so. Our lit candles together represent our prayers lifted up to God.

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Hymn of the Day "Build a Longer Table"



Prayers of Intercession

God of all creation, Receive our prayer.

Passing the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you.

Passing the Peace

What is the Passing of the Peace? The Peace, in Lutheran liturgy, comes from Matthew 5 where Jesus says, "When you are offering your gift at the altar, if you remember that a sibling has something against you, first be reconciled, and then offer your gift." In other words, first go to the person you may have harmed to be reconciled, then come to the table. This ritual of peace-making can also be symbolic, demonstrating your desire to make amends with anyone you may have harmed. Mindful of the power of forgiveness, we greet one another saying, "Peace be with you," before we come to the table where God offers ultimate peace.



The Lord's Prayer

ECLC values inclusive language while honoring Lutheran worship traditions. This version of the Lord's Prayer reflects both commitments. Drawn from ELCA liturgies, it includes "Our Creator" and "Our Mother" alongside "Our Father" to preserve the intimacy of the original parent/child relationship while offering a gender-expansive address.

Some people may choose to use the word "kin_dom" instead of "kingdom to emphasize God's vision of community rooted in mutual care, and justice, rather than hierarchy and domination. The term was popularized by theologian Ada Maria Isasi-Diaz, a Latina feminist theologian.



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Gathering of Tithes and Offerings

Offering Song "Pour Out Your Heart"



Offering Prayer

The Great Thanksgiving

God be with you. And also with you. Lift up your hearts. We lift them to God. Let us give thanks to God. It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Our Creator, Our Father, Our Mother 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.

Invitation to Communion

Communion Hymn I "For the Healing of the Nations"



Communion Hymn II "We Come to the Hungry Feast"



Invitation to Communion

We welcome all to receive the gift of Christ's presence given in this meal. Here is offered for you the forgiveness of sins and the promise of life in God.

Communion will be directed by the ushers; Cups are in trays—filled communion cups contain grape juice, empty cups will receive wine.

Gluten-free wafers are available on the table. See bulletin "About Us" section for wafer ingredients.

Children are welcome to commune at their parent's discretion.

If you would like to receive communion and are unable to come forward, please inform an usher and a pastor will come to you.

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Prayer After Communion

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Blessing

Announcements

Closing Hymn "Go Forth"



Sending Forth

Go in peace, serve the Lord. Thanks be to God!

Postlude



Sending

All children are invited to process out with the worship leaders during the last verse of the sending song in order to lead the Dismissal. *Go in peace, serve the Lord.*

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