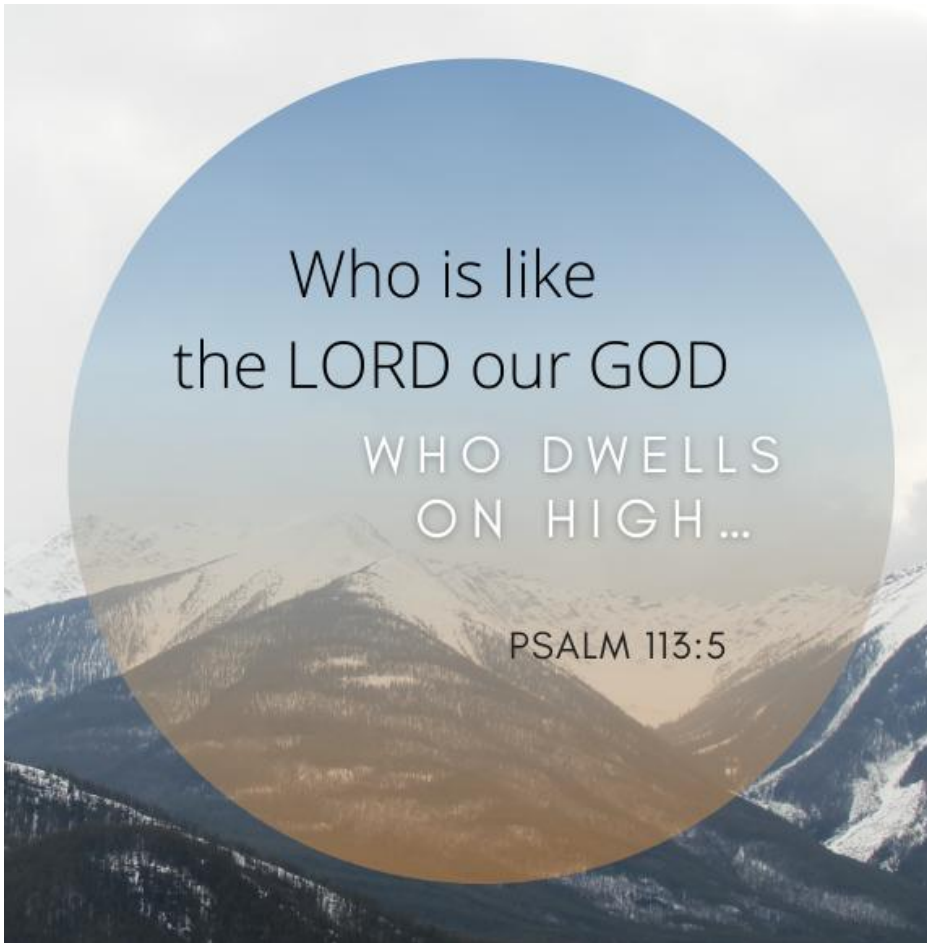


St. Luke Lutheran Church
15th Sunday after Pentecost
September 21, 2025
10:45 a.m. Contemporary



SERMON
Pastor Johnson
Who is like the Lord our God?
—Psalm 113:5a

Welcome to
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Welcome!

In the name of Jesus Christ, we welcome both members and guests to His church. We are present this day to worship Him. In this service we thank and honor our Lord for His many blessings and seek His guidance and comfort for each day of life.

- ❖ Be **reverent** and **thoughtful** in this Holy place.
- ❖ **Before** the service, speak with God.
- ❖ **During** the service, let God speak to you.
- ❖ **After** the service, speak to one another.

As We Gather: We begin our worship today praising the lamb of God who has taken away the sins of the world. For this saving work, Christ is truly worthy of praise, adoration, thanks and honor. He is truly worthy of our worship because of who He is and what He has done for us. Now we shall hear again the great story of salvation that was won for us by the Lamb of God. Rejoice! For the lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia!

Holy Communion is celebrated at each Worship Service.

The Lord's Supper is a gift from our Savior in which He offers us Himself and His forgiveness. Those who partake witness of their love for Him and their faith and fellowship for each other. If you have confessed your sins and if you have been properly instructed regarding the Lord's Supper and believe in the presence of Christ in the form of bread and wine, which are the body and blood of Christ, please join us for the celebration of Holy Communion.

REGULAR WORSHIP SCHEDULE **Traditional Worship with Holy Communion**

8:15am & 10:45am w/ Sunday School

Contemporary Band plays Sundays two times/month (check online calendar)

Sundays at 10:45 AM

BIBLE STUDY SCHEDULE

Sunday morning between services at 9:30 AM

Wednesday Mornings online at 10:00 AM

The **C.A.R.E Team** encourages *anyone experiencing illness or a challenging situation in their life to reach out to us for support. Support can consist of emotional/spiritual support, meals, transportation, help with errands or chores, and other areas as they are identified. Contact via **Hotline: (631) 600-0271** Or email careteam@stlukedixhills.org Coordinators: Trish Klare & Amanda Fenty*

Mission Statement

To know Christ and make him known by Serving, Teaching, and Loving.

PRE-SERVICE
Come, Now is the Time to Worship

PASTORAL GREETING

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

SUNDAY SCHOOL SONG

OPENING SONG
Here I Am to Worship

Verse

Light of the world; You stepped down into darkness
Opened my eyes let me see
Beauty that made this heart adore You
Hope of a life spent with You

Chorus

So here I am to worship, here I am to bow down
Here I am to say that You're my God
And You're altogether lovely, Altogether worthy
Altogether wonderful to me

Verse

King of all days, oh so highly exalted
Glorious in heaven above
Humbly You came to the earth You created
All for love's sake became poor... Chorus

Bridge

And I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross
And I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross... Chorus

Light of the world you stepped down into darkness,
opened my eyes let me see

OPENING PRAYER

PSALM 113

¹ Hallelujah! Give praise, you servants of the LORD; praise the name of the LORD.

² **Let the name of the LORD be blessed, from this time forth forevermore.**

³ From the rising of the sun to its going down let the name of the LORD be praised.

⁴ **The LORD is high above all nations; God's glory above the heavens.**

⁵ Who is like the LORD our God, who sits enthroned on high,

⁶ **but stoops to behold the heavens and the earth?**

⁷ The LORD takes up the weak out of the dust and lifts up the poor from the ashes,

⁸ **enthroning them with the rulers, with the rulers of the people.**

⁹ The LORD makes the woman of a childless house to be a joyful mother of children.
Hallelujah!

SECOND READING: 1 Timothy 2:1-7

¹ First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, ² for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. ³ This is right and acceptable before God our Savior, ⁴ who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. ⁵ For

there is one God;

there is also one mediator between God and humankind,
Christ Jesus, himself human,

⁶ who gave himself a ransom for all
—this was attested at the right time. ⁷ For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth; I am not lying), a teacher of the gentiles in faith and truth.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

THE GOSPEL

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 16th chapter.

People: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

GOSPEL: Luke 16:1-13

1 Then Jesus said to the disciples, “There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. ² So he summoned him and said to him, ‘What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management because you cannot be my manager any longer.’ ³ Then the manager said to himself, ‘What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. ⁴ I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.’ ⁵ So, summoning his master’s debtors one by one, he asked the first, ‘How much do you owe my master?’ ⁶ He answered, ‘A hundred jugs of olive oil.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.’ ⁷ Then he asked another, ‘And how much do you owe?’ He replied, ‘A hundred containers of wheat.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill and make it eighty.’ ⁸ And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly, for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. ⁹ And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

¹⁰ “Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much, and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. ¹¹ If, then, you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? ¹² And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? ¹³ No slave can serve two masters, for a slave will either hate the one and love the other or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.”

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sit

SERMON

Pastor Johnson

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—Psalm 113:5a

APOSTLES’ CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.
He 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, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again 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.

*Or, to the dead.
**meaning, universal

SERMON SONG
You are Worthy of my Praise

Verse 1

I will worship (I will worship)
With all of my heart (with all of my heart)
I will praise You (I will praise You)
With all of my strength (all my strength)

I will seek You (I will seek You)
All of my days (all of my days)
I will follow (I will follow)
All of Your ways (all Your ways)

Chorus

I will give You all my worship
I will give You all my praise
You alone I long to worship
You alone are worthy of my praise

Verse 2

I will bow down (I will bow down)
And hail You as King (and hail You as King)
I will serve You (I will serve You)
Give You everything (everything)

I will lift up (I will lift up)
My eyes to Your throne (my eyes to Your throne)
I will trust You (I will trust You)
I will trust You alone (Trust You alone) ... Chorus

You alone are worthy of my praise

THE PRAYERS

SHARING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING SONG

“Lord I Need You”

Verse 1

Lord, I come, I confess,
Bowing here, I find my rest
Without you I fall apart,
You're the one
That guides my heart

Chorus

Lord, I need you, oh I need you
Every hour I need you
My one defense, my righteousness,
Oh God, how I need you

Verse 2

Where sin runs deep, Your grace is more
Where grace is found, is where you are
And where you are, Lord I am free,
Holiness is Christ in me... Chorus

Bridge

Teach my song to rise to you,
when temptation comes my way
And when I cannot stand I'll fall on you,
Jesus, you're my hope and stay

Chorus

Lord, I need you, oh I need you
Every hour I need you
My one defense, my righteousness,
Oh God, how I need you

My one defense, my righteousness,
Oh God, how I need you

My one defense, my righteousness,
Oh God, how I need you (soft)

OFFERTORY PRAYER

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor: Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

People: **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.**

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: **And also with you.**

HOLY COMMUNION



COMMUNION SONGS

The Revelation Song

Verse 1:

Worthy is the, Lamb who was slain
Holy, Holy, is He
Sing a new song, to Him who sits on
Heaven's mercy seat

Chorus:

Holy, Holy, Holy
Is the Lord God Almighty
Who was, and is, and is to come
With all creation I sing
Praise to the King of Kings
You are my everything
And I will adore You

Verse 2:

Clothed in rainbows, of living color
Flashes of lightning, rolls of thunder
Blessing and honor, strength and glory and power be
To You the only wise King... Chorus

Verse 3:

Filled with wonder, awestruck wonder
At the mention of your name
Jesus your name is power
Breath and living water
Such a marvelous mystery... Chorus

Awesome is the Sight

Verse

Awesome is the sight of Your holiness
Majestic is Your purity
Your righteousness shines brighter than the sun on me

Awesome is the sight of Your holiness
Majestic is Your purity
Your righteousness shines brighter than the sun On me

Chorus

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord our God
Glory, glory, glory to His matchless name
Worthy, worthy, worthy is the Lamb that was slain
That was slain, that was slain

Verse

Awesome is the sight of Your holiness
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REPEAT from the beginning

BLESSING

MINISTRY NEWS

CLOSING SONG

All Day Long

Chorus:

All Day Long
Never ending voices ringing out
From the break of daylight
And all through the night I'll praise
REPEAT

Verse 1:

You are the glorious One
Great victorious son
Your grace, fills this place
And all I can do is praise

Chorus:

All Day Long
Never ending voices ringing out
From the break of daylight
And all through the night I'll praise

Verse 2:

You are the ancient of days
Perfect in all of your ways
Your majesty surrounds
And all I can do is praise

Chorus:

All Day Long

Never ending voices ringing out

From the break of daylight

And all through the night I'll praise

Bridge:

All Day Long, We're singing your song

Let the bells ring out, Hear the mute man shout

All through the night, You're shining so bright, And all I can do is praise

Chorus

All Day Long

Never ending voices ringing out

From the break of daylight

And all through the night I'll praise

REPEAT

A SENDING WORD

Deacon: Go in peace. Do not lose heart.

People: Thanks be to God.

** Church Attendance and Offerings **
<p><u>Attendance week ending 9/7/2025</u> Sunday, September 7, 2025 10:45 AM:</p> <p><u>Offerings Received in July 2025</u> <i>(total monthly offerings includes online giving)</i></p> <p>ACTUAL July Regular Offerings Received: Regular Weekly Offerings: \$14,999.78 Loose Plate: \$207.00</p> <p>Total Offerings July: \$15,206.78 Regular Monthly Budgeted: \$22,608.33</p>
Year to Date 2025-2026 (July-June): \$15,206.78

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