

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 23, 2026 9:00AM

'Now the Feast' liturgy

(maroon Hymnal Supplement, located on the shelf below red hymnal)

Prelude

Welcome

Opening Hymn- ELW #857 Lord, I Lift Your Name on High

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

All: And also with you.

Kyrie- Hymnal Supplement pg. 3

Now the Feast- Hymnal Supplement pgs. 4 & 5

Prayer of the Day-

Gracious God, you name us and claim us and mark us with water and word. You splash us with promise and invite us forward by inviting us to walk on water by faith. Water is a metaphor, a symbol, an essential part of our existence each day. So is faith. Remind us of our connection to you for life...for love, for hope and for this day. Help us forward with grace and truth. Amen.

Baptism of Hayes Patrick Harvat

Hayes's Parents are Dale Patrick Harvat and Amy Julia Harvat

Hayes's Sponsors/Godparents are Matt and Monica Mielcarek

Gospel Verse- Hymnal Supplement pg. 8

Gospel of Matthew 16:13-20 NRSVUE

¹³ Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" ¹⁴ And they said, "Some say John the Baptist but others Elijah and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." ¹⁵ He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" ¹⁶ Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." ¹⁷ And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you but my Father in heaven. ¹⁸ And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. ¹⁹ I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." ²⁰ Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

Special Music- Brethren, We Have Met to Worship Toby Shucha, Euphonium Solo

Sermon

Hymn of the Day- ELW #652 vs. 1-4 Built on a Rock

Prayers of the People

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

All: And also with you.



Sharing of the Peace

Offering- As the Grains of Wheat Hymnal Supplement pgs. 12 & 13

P: Let us pray.

All: Gracious God, we come to you with hearts filled with gratitude for all you give us each day. Our giving is an expression of our deep love for you and our gratitude for all that you provide for us and all people. Thank you for empowering us to share. Amen.

Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving- Hymnal Supplement pg. 14

Holy- Hymnal Supplement pg. 15

Words of Institution

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.**

Distribution

Music during Distribution- 'Lamb of God' Hymnal Supplement pgs. 18-19

Communion Hymn- HS #820 Many Are the Lightbeams

'Thanks Be To You'- Hymnal Supplement pg. 20

Post-Communion Blessing

Announcements

Benediction

Closing Hymn- ELW #796 vs. 1-2 How Firm a Foundation

Postlude

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Musicians:

Sherry Johnson, Director of Music, sherry.johnson@explorepeace.org

Toby Shucha- Song Leader & Euphonium Soloist

Sherry Johnson- Pianist

Greeter: Kristina Luedtke

Ushers: Kevin Arvold, Tom Wilson, Leo & Walter Olson

Communion Assistants: Bob Gross, Judy Engebretson, Kristina Luedtke

Sunday AM Hospitality Time: JoAnn Hoffman

Audio/Visual Team: The Walkes

Bread Bakers: Carolyn Niehoff, Jackie Erlandson, Paulette Emberson

Communion Setup: Mike and Carolyn Niehoff

Pastoral Team:

Rev. Karen Locken, Lead Pastor karen.locken@explorepeace.org

Rev. Doug Locken, Congregational Life Pastor doug.locken@explorepeace.org