

# Dennison & Vang Lutheran Parish

## Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, September 14, 2025



# GATHERING

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father,  
and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

Merciful God,  
**You free us to love others,**  
**but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way.**  
**You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace,**  
**but we turn away from the abundant life you offer.**  
**You surround us with patience, kindness, and generosity,**  
**but we grow weary in doing what is right.**  
**In your mercy, forgive us.**  
**Do not give up on us.**  
**Heal us, break our bonds,**  
**and show us the path of life.**  
**Amen.**

You belong to Christ Jesus  
and you are God's children through faith.  
In the cross of Christ,  
and through the power of the Holy Spirit,  
your sins are forgiven.  
Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation.  
**Amen.**

## Gathering Song

## GREETING

The grace of our Lord 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**

Let us pray.

**O God, overflowing with mercy and compassion, you lead back to yourself all those who go astray. Preserve your people in your loving care, that we may reject whatever is contrary to you and may follow all things that sustain our life in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## **WORD**

### **FIRST READING: Exodus 32:7-14**

A reading from Exodus.

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The Lord said to Moses, "Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it and said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!' " The Lord said to Moses, "I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. Now let me alone so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them, and of you I will make a great nation."

But Moses implored the Lord his God and said, "O Lord, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? Why should the Egyptians say, 'It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains and to consume them from the face of the earth'? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, 'I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever.' " And the Lord changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **PSALM: Psalm 51:1-10**

Have mercy on me, O God,

according to your steadfast love;

according to your abundant mercy,

blot out my transgressions.

**Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,**

**and cleanse me from my sin.**

For I know my transgressions,

and my sin is ever before me.

**Against you, you alone, have I sinned**

**and done what is evil in your sight,  
so that you are justified in your sentence  
and blameless when you pass judgment.**

Indeed, I was born guilty,  
a sinner when my mother conceived me.

**You desire truth in the inward being;  
therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart.**

Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean;  
wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

**Let me hear joy and gladness;  
let the bones that you have crushed rejoice.**

Hide your face from my sins,  
and blot out all my iniquities.

**Create in me a clean heart, O God,  
and put a new and right spirit within me.**

## **SECOND READING: 1 Timothy 1:12-17**

A reading from Timothy.

I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he considered me faithful and appointed me to his service, even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance: that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the foremost. But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience as an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **Gospel Acclamation – 172 - “Halle, Halle, Hallelujah”**

*Halle, halle, halle-lu-jah*

*Halle, halle, halle-lu-jah*

*Halle, halle, halle-lu-jah*

*Hallelujah! Hallelujah*

## **GOSPEL: Luke 15:1-10**

The holy gospel according to Luke.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to him. And the Pharisees and the scribes

were grumbling and saying, “This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them.”

So he told them this parable: “Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found my lost sheep.’ Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

“Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? And when she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.’ Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.”

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Sermon**

**Pastor Peter Coen Tuff**

**Song of the Day**

**Apostle’s Creed**

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come 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.**

**Prayers of the People**

Lord in your mercy...

**Hear our prayer.**

### **Passing of the Peace**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**And also with you.**

### **Offering**

#### **Offertory –186 – “Create in Me a Clean Heart”**

*Create in me a clean heart, O God,*

*And renew a right spirit within me.*

*Cast me not away from your presence,*

*and take not your holy spirit from me.*

*Restore to me the joy of your salvation,*

*and uphold me with your free spirit.*

### **Offering Prayer**

Creator God,

In your wisdom you bring forth all that is good and the harvest is plentiful. Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth and our labor, that we may work for the good of all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

**Amen**

## MEAL

### **Great Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

### **Holy, Holy, Holy p. 153**

### **Lord's Prayer**

**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**

### **Lamb of God p. 154**

## **Distribution of Communion**

*(All are welcome at the Lord's table. Gluten free bread and grape juice is available please let the Communion server know if that is your preference)*

## **Prayer after Communion**

## **SENDING**

### **Blessing**

### **Sending Song**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!

**Thanks be to God!**

**Special Prayers for:** Liala Hedstrom, John Machacek II, Chrys Eggum, Terry Haugen, James Haugen, David Wood and all of our homebound people, service members and their families, and for all those in need of healing and strength.

## ***Worship at Dennison & Vang***

### **Sunday, September 21st**

Vang – 9:00 am

Dennison– 10:30 am

## ***Upcoming Events***

### **Lutefisk Supper Important Dates!**

**\*9/20** @ Vang 8 am to ?. Rolling meatballs. We are rolling and baking in 2 shifts that day. Please sign up for one shift or both.

**\*9/28** Set up/table and chair moving, right after church.

**\*9/28** Mix Fruit soup & fill cups. Make Cole Slaw syrup @1pm

**\*10/2** Mix Cole Slaw @9am

Thanks much for all your help!

Kari, Ann & Louise

## **Dennison Turkey Dinner**

**Sunday, October 26th** at Dennison Lutheran Church. Serving 11:30 am-1:30 pm. Menu: Turkey roast, dressing, mashed potatoes, corn and pies. Take out available. Call ahead or text your to go orders. 507-645-6042. See <https://www.dennisonvang.org> for more information.

<b>Vang</b>	<b>Greeter</b>	<b>Acolyte</b>	<b>Reader</b>	<b>Usher</b>
<b>Sept. 21</b>	R & P Koester	Denise	Steve Sviggum	R & P Koester
<b>Sept. 28</b>	Bonnie Schuster	Denise	Nicole Benjamin	
<b>Oct. 5</b>	Kari Flom	Kari Flom	Nicole Benjamin	Larry & Kari Flom
<b>Oct. 12</b>	Ann & Dick Sviggum			Ann & Dick Sviggum