

Good Soil Lutheran Ministries  
*Growing Together in Christ*



Fourth Sunday After Pentecost  
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9:30 a.m.



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## Welcome

We welcome all who are seeking God's love and grace. We welcome all because God welcomes all, regardless of race or culture, sexual orientation, gender identity, or relationship status. We welcome all without regard to addictions, physical or mental health, imprisonment, socio-economic circumstances, or anything that too often divides us. Our unity is in Christ.

## For Parents with Children

Good Soil loves kids and the "holy noise" they bring! Your children are warmly welcome in worship. Sing, pray, and respond; your children will learn by worshiping with you. There's also a "pryground" area in the back of the sanctuary and a nursery/cry room behind that on the back left side. We pray that worshipping together as a family is a meaningful experience!

## For Those Needing Hearing Assistance

Please ask an usher about our hearing assistance devices to enhance your worship experience.

## Holy Communion

Christ is truly present with us in worship and through this meal. All are welcome to participate in Holy Communion here at Good Soil. Gluten-free wafers and grape juice are available upon request.

Key:

**Bold Font** – Spoken by the Congregation

**Regular Font** – Spoken by the Pastor or Worship Assistant

† – Please stand as you are able, in body or spirit.

*Please Note: In an effort to protect those who are vulnerable, **masking is strongly recommended**. In addition, the first four rows of pews on the left side of the sanctuary are reserved as a “masking only” section (for those who wish to be in close proximity only with others who are masking).*

## Fourth Sunday After Pentecost

*God is the source of our nourishment. Jesus’ invitation to “take and eat . . . take and drink” is a repeated one. In holy communion, in the word read and proclaimed, in the assembly of the people of God, the dominion of God has come near. Rejoice! Your name is written in heaven.*

### Gathering

*The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.*

#### **Prelude and Welcome**

*In the Confession and Forgiveness, we are drawn by God’s mercy to prepare to assemble around the Word and Sacrament. It may be seen as a return to the gift of Baptism through repentance.*

#### † **Confession and Forgiveness**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,  
whose steadfast love endures forever.

**Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Merciful God,  
**we confess that we have not followed your path  
but have chosen our own way.**

**Instead of putting others before ourselves,  
we long to take the best seats at the table.**

**When met by those in need,  
we have too often passed by on the other side.**

Set us again on the path of life.  
Save us from ourselves  
and free us to love our neighbors.  
Amen.

Hear the good news!  
God does not deal with us according to our sins  
but delights in granting pardon and mercy.  
In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.  
You are free to love as God loves.  
Amen.

**Gathering Hymn: Spread, Oh, Spread, Almighty Word  
ELW 663 vs 1, 3, & 4**

- 1 Spread, oh, spread, almighty Word,  
spread the reign of God the Lord.  
Send forth our Creator's call,  
heaven's gifts extend to all.
  
- 3 Tell of God the Spirit giv'n  
now to guide us on to heav'n,  
strong and holy, just and true,  
working both to will and do.
  
- 4 Lord of harvest, great and kind,  
rouse to action heart and mind;  
let the gath'ring nations all  
see your light and heed your call.

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*The presiding  
minister  
greet the  
assembly  
with the*


**† Greeting**

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

*words used by Paul in 2<sup>nd</sup> Corinthians to greet churches. The assembly also greets the presiding minister in return. It is a moment of mutuality that signifies trust, love, mutual service, and a shared hope in God.*

**And also with you.**

**† Hymn of Praise**



1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.  
Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:  
we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.  
Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.

*The Prayer of the Day highlights themes from the scripture readings we*

**† Prayer of the Day**

O God, you knit us together as one family of faith. With your Spirit accompany us on our life's journey, that we may spread your peace

*are about to hear.*

in all the world, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.  
**Amen.**

### The Word

*God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.*

**First Reading: Galatians 6:1-2, 6-10**

To put this reading into context:

*In the close of his letter to the Galatians, Paul encourages them to live as people made right with God through faith in Jesus Christ. Here Paul offers practical advice about how believers exercise common concern for one other in “the family of faith.”*

Hear now the reading:

<sup>1</sup>My friends, if anyone is detected in a transgression, you who have received the Spirit should restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness. Take care that you yourselves are not tempted. <sup>2</sup>Bear one another’s burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ.

<sup>6</sup>Those who are taught the word must share in all good things with their teacher.

<sup>7</sup>Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. <sup>8</sup>If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh; but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. <sup>9</sup>So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up. <sup>10</sup>So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith.

Word of God. Word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

*We speak  
the psalm  
together  
responsively.*

## Psalm 66:1-9 (read responsively)

<sup>1</sup>Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth;

<sup>2</sup>sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise.

<sup>3</sup>Say to God, “How awesome are your deeds! Because of your great power, your enemies cringe before you.

<sup>4</sup>All the earth worships you; they sing praises to you, sing praises to your name.”

<sup>5</sup>Come and see what God has done: he is awesome in his deeds among mortals.

<sup>6</sup>He turned the sea into dry land; they passed through the river on foot. There we rejoiced in him,

<sup>7</sup>who rules by his might forever, whose eyes keep watch on the nations— let the rebellious not exalt themselves.

<sup>8</sup>Bless our God, O peoples, let the sound of his praise be heard,

<sup>9</sup>who has kept us among the living, and has not let our feet slip.

*We welcome  
the gospel  
by singing  
the Gospel  
Acclamation.*

## † Gospel Acclamation



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

*The Gospel reading is announced. We rise to our feet, if able, as a sign of respect and anticipation for the Gospel that reveals Jesus Christ to us.*

**† Gospel Reading: Luke 10:1-11, 16**

To put this reading into context:

*Jesus commissions harvesters and laborers to go where he would go and do what he would do. Risking hardship and danger in exchange for the experience of great joy, they offer peace and healing as signs that the reign of God is near.*

The holy gospel according to Luke.  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. <sup>2</sup>He said to them, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. <sup>3</sup>Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. <sup>4</sup>Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. <sup>5</sup>Whatever house you enter, first say, ‘Peace to this house!’ <sup>6</sup>And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. <sup>7</sup>Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. <sup>8</sup>Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; <sup>9</sup>cure the sick who are there, and say to them, ‘The kingdom of God has come near to you.’ <sup>10</sup>But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, <sup>11</sup>‘Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.’”

<sup>16</sup>“Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me.”

The gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**



	<p><b>Children's Sermon</b></p>
	<p><b>Sermon: The Rev. Julianne Smith, Assistant to the Bishop for Congregational Vitality, Northeastern Ohio Synod</b></p> <p><i>Silence for Reflection</i></p>
<p><i>The Hymn of the Day invites the Assembly's participation in the sermon event—it is a response to the proclaimed Word of God.</i></p>	<p><b>† Hymn of the Day: To Be Your Presence ELW 546</b></p> <p>1 To be your presence is our mission here, to show compassion's face and list'ning ear, to be your heart of mercy ever near, alleluia!</p> <p>2 To be your presence is our mission bold, to feed the poor and shelter homeless cold, to be your hands of justice, right uphold, alleluia!</p> <p>3 To be your presence is our mission blest, to speak for all the broken and oppressed, to be your voice of hope, your love expressed, alleluia!</p> <p>4 We are your heart, O Christ, your hands and voice, to serve your people is our call and choice, and in this mission we, the church, rejoice, alleluia!</p> <p><small>Text: Delores Dufner, OSB, b. 1939 Text © 2000 GIA Publications, Inc., 7404 S. Mason Ave., Chicago, IL 60638. www.giamusic.com. 800.442.3358. All rights reserved. Used by permission.</small></p>
<p><i>As the church, we pray for those in our community and around</i></p>	<p><b>† Prayers of Intercession</b></p> <p>United in Christ and guided by the Spirit, we pray for the church, the creation, and all in need.</p>

*the world.  
The prayers  
are also  
responsive,  
emphasizing  
our  
participation.*

*A brief silence.*

Lord of the harvest, you send your church into the world to proclaim Christ's new creation to all. Renew the church as it carries out your mission of peace and healing. We pray for missionaries who accompany your people. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Your creation abounds with flowing waters and diverse creatures. Guide the work of climate scientists as they develop and advocate ways to restore earth's natural balance. Motivate humankind to adopt lifestyles that protect and sustain the earth. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

You guard the nations. Help all leaders to lift up the most vulnerable and work for the good of all. Send your Spirit to eradicate classism and inequity, violence and war, poverty and hunger. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**


You desire abundant life for all. As we celebrate Independence Day, instill in us gratitude, generosity, and persistence in working toward freedom for all people. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Mothering God, you care for all people in need. Heal those who are sick, and comfort all who are grieving especially Max, Joe, Jeff, Oakley, Andrew, Jamie, Willie, Char, Jen, Rich, Jerry, Marie, Tony, Jeanette, the family of Ted Sternad . . . God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

We remember the saints who proclaimed your reign on earth and now rest in you. Make us faithful in our witness to Christ's new creation. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

God of every time and place, in Jesus' name and filled with your Holy Spirit, we entrust these spoken prayers and those in our hearts into your holy keeping.

**Amen.**

<p><i>A practice of the ancient church, where we recognize Christ's peace in one another and share it together.</i></p>	<p><b>† Passing of the Peace</b></p> <p>The Peace of Christ be with you always, <b>And also with you.</b></p> <p><i>The people greet one another saying, "Peace" or "Peace be with you" sharing the peace of Christ with one another in a no-touch or low-touch way, such as a wave, peace sign, or elbow bump.</i></p>
<p><i>God entrusts us with everything we have. Our offering is one way we give thanks to God and support the ministry of the church.</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>The Meal</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.</i></p> <p><b>Offering</b></p> <p>God's ministry through Good Soil makes a difference, and your offering makes that possible. Help Good Soil continue making an impact by giving at <a href="http://www.goodsoillutheran.org/support">www.goodsoillutheran.org/support</a> or by using this QR code:</p> <p><i>Aim your phone camera at the QR code, but don't take a picture. A link will appear to click on that will take you to Good Soil's support page.</i></p> 
<p><i>The offering is brought forward to the altar to signify our gratitude for God's blessings.</i></p>	<p><b>† Offering Hymn: Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ</b> <b>ELW 674 v 1</b></p> <p>1 Let us talents and tongues employ, reaching out with a shout of joy: bread is broken, the wine is poured, Christ is spoken and seen and heard.</p> <p><b>Refrain</b></p> <p>Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again, pass the Word around: loaves abound! Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again, pass the Word around: loaves abound!</p>

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### † Offering Prayer

God of abundance:  
you have set before us a plentiful harvest.  
As we feast on your goodness,  
strengthen us to labor in your field,  
and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all,  
in the name of Jesus.  
**Amen.**

### † Great Thanksgiving

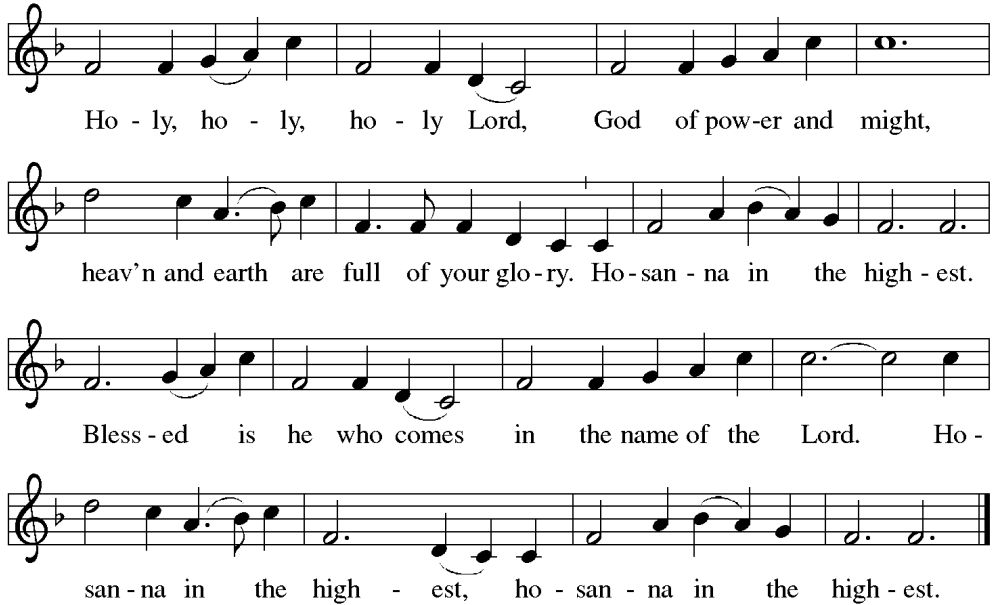
The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

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.**

### † Sanctus

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy . . .  
. . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,  
 heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.  
 Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
 san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

† Eucharistic Prayer and Words of Institution

*The Lord's Prayer is Jesus' response to his disciples when they asked him to teach them how to pray.*

† Lord's Prayer

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**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.**

† Invitation to the Table

In Christ's presence there is fullness of joy.

Come to the banquet, for Christ is here.

## † Communion

*Christ is with us in this meal. All who are hungry for the presence of Jesus are welcome to commune here at Good Soil. Please wait for the usher to release your row before proceeding up front. You are invited to kneel at the altar rail. Gluten-free communion is available upon request. The wine is red and grape juice has a foil top.*

The body of Christ, given for you. **Amen.**

The blood of Christ, shed for you. **Amen.**

## Communion Hymn: Lord, I Need You by Matt Maher

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

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

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

So 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

Lord, I need You, oh, I need You  
Every hour, I need You  
My one defense, my righteousness

Oh God, how I need You  
You're my one defense, my righteousness  
Oh God, how I need You  
My one defense, my righteousness  
Oh God, how I need You

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Songwriters: Christy Nockels / Matt Maher / Daniel Carson / Jesse Reeves / Kristian Stanfill  
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### † Post-Communion Table Blessing

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**Amen.**

### † Prayer after Communion

Life-giving God,  
through this meal you have bandaged our wounds  
and fed us with your mercy.

Now send us forth to live for others,  
both friend and stranger,  
that all may come to know your love.

This we pray in the name of Jesus.

**Amen.**

### The Sending

*God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.*

*With the  
blessing of  
God, we go  
out to live as  
Christ's body  
in the world.*

### † Blessing

The God of peace,  
Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit,  
bless you, comfort you,  
and show you the path of life  
this day and always. **Amen.**

† Sending Hymn: In Christ Called to Baptize ELW 575

- 1 In Christ called to baptize,  
we witness to grace  
and gather a people  
from each land and race.  
In deep, flowing waters,  
we share in Christ's death,  
then, rising to new life,  
give thanks with each breath.
- 2 In Christ called to banquet,  
one table we share,  
a haven of welcome,  
a circle of care.  
Although we are many,  
we share in one bread.  
One cup of thanksgiving  
proclaims Christ, our head.
- 3 In Christ called to witness,  
by grace we will preach  
the life-giving gospel;  
God's love we will teach.  
By grace may our living  
give proof to our praise  
in costly compassion  
reflecting Christ's ways.
- 4 Unite us, anoint us,  
O Spirit of love,  
for you are within us,  
around us, above.  
Equip us for service  
with gifts you bestow.  
In Christ is our calling.  
In Christ may we grow.



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<p><i>The dismissal sends us out into the world as Christ's Body—fed, nourished, and ready to serve. Worship has ended, and our service begins!</i></p>	<p><b>† Dismissal</b></p> <p>Go in peace. Love your neighbor. <b>Thanks be to God.</b></p>
	<p><b>Postlude</b></p>

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## Today's Worship Servants:

Presiding: The Rev. Marissa Harrison	Reader: JoAnne Wancata
Ushers: Stan Zeager Michael Wancata	Counters: Stan Zeager
Online Usher: Kathy Berkshire	Acolyte: Aaron Krankowski



## Announcements from Good Soil Sunday, July 3, 2022

**For those in need of healing, comfort, or strength:** Max Bechtel, Jae, Jeff, and Oakley; Andrew Evatt; Jamie Lanter; Willie Lee, Char Mattson; Jen Mitterholzer; Rich Petrusky; Jerry and Marie Sternad; family of family of Ted Sternad, Tony Sykaluk; Jeanette Weidlich

**For those celebrating birthdays:**

Ellen Young (July 3), Nick Young (July 3), Jay Shackelford (July 8)

**For those celebrating wedding anniversaries:**

Matt and Jen Mitterholzer (July 6)

**For those celebrating the anniversary of their baptism:**

Jennifer Krankowski (July 3)

**The flowers adorning the altar today** are given to the glory of God by Barbara Demko-Werner in loving memory of her mother, Kathryn.

**Good Groove is a new game (developed by Good Soil member Adam Pate!)** you can play by yourself or with others that is a fun way to help make the world a kinder place. The challenge is to make a conscious effort every day to do something GOOD, then share it and keep it going. Join in and see how much "good" you can grow! Connect with Good Groove's facebook page here: [facebook.com/goodgroovedaily/](https://facebook.com/goodgroovedaily/)

**The weekly e-news is on sabbatical!** It will return on Friday, August 12. Announcements will continue to be printed in the bulletin. Worship won't be on sabbatical, though, so we hope to see you in July.



<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Time</b>
<b>Sun, July 3</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>In-Person and Livestream Worship</b></li> <li>• <b>Coffee Hour</b></li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: right;"><b>9:30 a.m.</b></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>10:30 a.m.</b></p>
Mon, July 4	INDEPENDENCE DAY – CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED	
Tues, July 5	CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED	
<b>Sun, July 10</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>In-Person and Livestream Worship with Baptism of Henry Smith</b></li> <li>• <b>Coffee Hour</b></li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: right;"><b>9:30 a.m.</b></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>10:30 a.m.</b></p>
Fri, July 15	CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED	
<b>Sun, July 17</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>In-Person and Livestream Worship with Baptism of Lucy Alusheff</b></li> <li>• <b>Baptism Celebration</b></li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: right;"><b>9:30 a.m.</b></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>10:30 a.m.</b></p>
<b>Sun, July 24</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>In-Person and Livestream Worship</b></li> <li>• <b>Outside Fellowship and Coffee Hour</b></li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: right;"><b>9:30 a.m.</b></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>10:30 a.m.</b></p>