

Good Soil Lutheran Ministries
Growing Together in Christ



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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 "prayground" area in the back of the sanctuary and a nursery/cry room behind that on the back left side. We pray that worshiping 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).*

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Consideration of and care for those in need (especially those “at our gate,” visible to us, of whom we are aware) is an essential component of good stewardship. It is in the sharing of wealth that we avoid the snare of wealth. It is the one whom death could not hold—who comes to us risen from the dead—who can free us from the death grip of greed.

Gathering

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

Prelude and Welcome

† Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
who is eager to forgive
and who loves us beyond our days.
Amen.

Dear friends, together let us acknowledge
our failure to love this world as Jesus does.

Silence is kept for reflection.

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.

God of mercy and forgiveness,
we confess that sin still has a hold on us.
We have harmed your good creation.
We have failed to do justice,
love kindness,
and walk humbly with you.
Turn us in a new direction.
Show us the path that leads to life.
Be our refuge and strength on the journey,
through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend.
Amen.

Beloved of God:
your sins are forgiven † and you are made whole.
God points the way to new life in Christ,
who meets us on the road.
Journey now in God's abiding love
through the power of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Gathering Hymn: Gather Us In ELW 532

- 1 Here in this place the new light is streaming,
now is the darkness vanished away;
see in this space our fears and our dreamings
brought here to you in the light of this day.
Gather us in, the lost and forsaken,
gather us in, the blind and the lame;
call to us now, and we shall awaken,
we shall arise at the sound of our name.
- 2 We are the young, our lives are a myst'ry,
we are the old who yearn for your face;
we have been sung throughout all of hist'ry,
called to be light to the whole human race.
Gather us in, the rich and the haughty,

gather us in, the proud and the strong;
give us a heart, so meek and so lowly,
give us the courage to enter the song.

- 3 Here we will take the wine and the water,
here we will take the bread of new birth,
here you shall call your sons and your daughters,
call us anew to be salt for the earth.
Give us to drink the wine of compassion,
give us to eat the bread that is you;
nourish us well, and teach us to fashion
lives that are holy and hearts that are true.
- 4 Not in the dark of buildings confining,
not in some heaven, light years away—
here in this place the new light is shining,
now is the kingdom, and now is the day.
Gather us in and hold us forever,
gather us in and make us your own;
gather us in, all peoples together,
fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

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The presiding minister greets the assembly with the words used by Paul in 2nd Corinthians to greet churches. The assembly also greets the presiding minister in return. It is a

† 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.

moment of mutuality that signifies trust, love, mutual service, and a shared hope in God.

† 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 are about to hear.

† Prayer of the Day

O God, rich in mercy, you look with compassion on this troubled world. Feed us with your grace, and grant us the treasure that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

The Word

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

First Reading: 1 Timothy 6:6-12, 17-19

To put this reading into context:

Timothy is reminded of the confession he made at his baptism and of its implications for daily life. His priorities will be different from those of people who merely want to be rich.

Hear now the reading.

⁶Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; ⁷for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; ⁸but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. ⁹But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. ¹⁰For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

¹¹But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. ¹²Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses.

¹⁷As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. ¹⁸They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, ¹⁹thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

Word of God. Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

*We speak
the psalm
together
responsively.*

Psalm 146 (read responsively)

¹Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD, O my soul!

²I will praise the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God all my life long.

³Do not put your trust in princes, in mortals, in whom there is no help.

⁴When their breath departs, they return to the earth; on that very day their plans perish.

⁵Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the LORD their God,

⁶who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them; who keeps faith forever;

⁷who executes justice for the oppressed; who gives food to the hungry. The LORD sets the prisoners free;

⁸the LORD opens the eyes of the blind. The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down; the LORD loves the righteous.

⁹The LORD watches over the strangers; he upholds the orphan and the widow, but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.

¹⁰The LORD will reign forever, your God, O Zion, for all generations. Praise the LORD!

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 16:19-31

To put this reading into context:

Jesus tells a parable in which the poor one is “lifted up” and the rich one is “sent away empty.” Jesus makes it clear that this ethic of merciful reversal is not new but is as old as Moses and the prophets.

The holy gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] ¹⁹“There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. ²⁰And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, ²¹who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man’s table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. ²²The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. ²³In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. ²⁴He called out, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.’ ²⁵But Abraham said, ‘Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are

	<p>in agony. ²⁶Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.’ ²⁷He said, ‘Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father’s house—²⁸for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.’ ²⁹Abraham replied, ‘They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.’ ³⁰He said, ‘No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.’ ³¹He said to him, ‘If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.’ ”</p> <p>The gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.</p>
	<p>Children’s Sermon</p>
	<p>Sermon: The Rev. Jim Kulma</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>† Hymn of the Day: Christ, Be Our Light ELW 715 vs 1-3 & 5</p> <p>1 Longing for light, we wait in darkness. Longing for truth, we turn to you. Make us your own, your holy people, light for the world to see.</p> <p><i>Refrain</i></p> <p> Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness. Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gathered today.</p> <p>2 Longing for peace, our world is troubled. Longing for hope, many despair.</p>

Your word alone has pow'r to save us.
Make us your living voice. *Refrain*

3 Longing for food, many are hungry.
Longing for water, many still thirst.
Make us your bread, broken for others,
shared until all are fed. *Refrain*

5 Many the gifts, many the people,
many the hearts that yearn to belong.
Let us be servants to one another,
signs of your kingdom come. *Refrain*

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As the church, we pray for those in our community and around the world. The prayers are also responsive, emphasizing our participation.

† Prayers of Intercession

As scattered grains of wheat are gathered together into one bread, so let us gather our prayers for the church, those in need, and all of God's good creation.


A brief silence.

O God, rich in mercy, fill your church with righteousness, faith, love, endurance, and gentleness. Empower the baptized by your Spirit to be rich in good works and ready to share. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Protect the earth and its creatures. Provide water, food, shelter, and favorable habitats, especially for endangered species. Preserve threatened ice caps, glaciers, parks, and beaches. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Increase justice in nations, local governments, and courtrooms. Guide lawyers and those who hold public office to act with compassion and discernment. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

	<p>Give food to the hungry. Set the captives free. Lift up those who are bowed down. Watch over the stranger. Tend to those in need especially Max, Jae, Jeff, Oakley, Andrew, Jamie, Willie, Char, Jen, Rich, Jerry, Marie, Tony, Jeanette, Wardell, Gloria . . . and those whom we lift up in our hearts silently or aloud. Stir us to act in the best interest of our neighbors. God of grace, hear our prayer.</p> <p>Enfold the saints who have died in the arms of your loving care. Grant that the holy angels accompany us and bring us to eternal life with them in the light of your presence. God of grace, hear our prayer.</p> <p>Gathered together in the communion of the Holy Spirit, gracious God, we offer these and all our prayers to you; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.</p>
<p><i>A practice of the ancient church, where we recognize Christ's peace in one another and share it together.</i></p>	<p>† Passing of the Peace</p> <p>The Peace of Christ be with you always, And also with you.</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</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>The Meal</u> <i>God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.</i></p> <p>Offering</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 www.goodsoillutheran.org/support or by using this QR code:</p>

<p><i>ministry of the church.</i></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>† Offering Hymn: Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ ELW 674</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><i>Refrain</i></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> <p><small>Text: Fred Kaan, b. 1929 Text © 1975 Hope Publishing Company, Carol Stream, IL 60188. All rights reserved. Used by permission.</small></p>	
	<p>† Offering Prayer</p> <p>Gracious God, in your great love you richly provide for our needs. Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing, and make us ready to share with all in need; through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all. Amen.</p>	

† 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

<p><i>The Lord's Prayer is Jesus' response to his disciples when they asked him to teach them how to pray.</i></p>	<p>† Lord's Prayer</p> <p>Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.</p> <p>Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.</p> <p>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.</p>
	<p>† Invitation to the Table</p> <p>Christ invites you to this table. Come, taste and see.</p>
	<p>Communion Hymn: Not in a Hurry (by Will Reagan)</p> <p>1 Lord I don't want to rush on ahead In my own strength When You're right here <i>Refrain</i></p> <p><i>Refrain</i> I'm not in a hurry When it comes to Your Spirit When it comes to Your presence When it comes to Your voice I'm learning to listen Just to rest in Your nearness I'm starting to notice You are speaking</p>

2 Lord I want to love like You
I want to feel what You feel
I want to see what You see *Refrain*

Bridge

Open my eyes I want to see You
Open my ears I want to hear You speak
Tell me Your thoughts what's on Your mind
I'll be Your friend I want to see through Your eyes

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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**

God of the abundant table,
you have refreshed our hearts in this meal
with bread for the journey.
Give us your grace on the road
that we might serve our neighbors with joy;
for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.
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

God, who gives life to all things
and frees us from despair,
bless you with truth and peace.

And may the holy Trinity, † one God,
guide you always in faith, hope, and love. **Amen.**

† Sending Hymn: Canticle of the Turning ELW 723

1 My soul cries out with a joyful shout
that the God of my heart is great,
and my spirit sings of the wondrous things
that you bring to the ones who wait.
You fixed your sight on your servant's plight,
and my weakness you did not spurn,
so from east to west shall my name be blest.
Could the world be about to turn?

Refrain

My heart shall sing of the day you bring.
Let the fires of your justice burn.
Wipe away all tears, for the dawn draws near,
and the world is about to turn.

2 Though I am small, my God, my all,
you work great things in me,
and your mercy will last from the depths of the past
to the end of the age to be.
Your very name puts the proud to shame,
and to those who would for you yearn,
you will show your might, put the strong to flight,
for the world is about to turn. *Refrain*

- 3 From the halls of pow'r to the fortress tow'r,
not a stone will be left on stone.
Let the king beware for your justice tears
ev'ry tyrant from his throne.
The hungry poor shall weep no more,
for the food they can never earn;
there are tables spread, ev'ry mouth be fed,
for the world is about to turn. *Refrain*
- 4 Though the nations rage from age to age,
we remember who holds us fast:
God's mercy must deliver us
from the conqueror's crushing grasp.
This saving word that our forebears heard
is the promise which holds us bound,
till the spear and rod can be crushed by God,
who is turning the world around. *Refrain*

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*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!*

† Dismissal

Go in peace, with Christ beside you.
Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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Today's Worship Servants:

Presiding: The Rev. Jim Kulma	Reader: Bill Fink
Ushers: TBD Michael Wancata	Counters: Larry Jacobson Becky Williamson
Online Usher: Kim Wylie	Acolyte: George Young



Announcements from Good Soil Sunday, August 28, 2022

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

For those celebrating birthdays: Donna Michalski (Sept 2), Barbara Munch (Sept 3), Pastor Paula Maeder-Connor (Sept 3)

For those celebrating wedding anniversaries: Alin and Sarah Sburlea (Sept 1), Pastors David Connor and Paula Maeder-Conner (Sept 1), Mark and Denise Johnson (Sept 3)

For those celebrating the anniversary of their baptism: TJ Lanter (Aug 31)

The flowers adorning the altar today are given to the glory of God by Barbara Demko-Werner in loving memory of her husband, Ron, and his parents, Ralph and Marie.

Good Soil Calendar

Date	Event	Time
Sun, Aug 28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In-Person and Livestream Worship • Coffee Hour 	9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.
Sat, Sept 3	Ladies' Breakfast – Gene's Place	9:00 a.m.
Sun, Sept 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In-Person and Livestream Worship • Coffee Hour 	9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.
Mon, Sept 5	Labor Day – Church Office Closed	
Sun, Sept 11	God's Work. Our Hands. Sunday <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In-Person and Livestream Worship • Coffee Hour 	9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.
Tues, Sept 13	Good Soil Executive Team Meeting	7:30 p.m.
Sun, Sept 18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In-Person and Livestream Worship • Coffee Hour 	9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.
Tues, Sept 20	Good Soil Council Meeting	7:30 p.m.