

The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost: August 2, 2026

Gathering Hymn

We Are Your People - H51

All stand as able



1 We are Your peo - ple, heart and voice u - nit - ing, praise God who
2 This ____ is God 's house, home of all Your peo - ple, school for the
3 This ____ is Your day, day of Your own mak - ing, day of cre -
4 In ____ Your ser - vice bread and wine are of - fered, that Christ may



called us out of sin and dark-ness in - to Your own light,
faith - ful, ref - uge for the sin - ner, rest for the pil - grim,
a - tion, day of re - sur - rec - tion, day of the Spi - rit,
take them, bless them, break, and give them to all his peo - ple,



that You might a - noint us a roy - al priest-hood.
ha - ven for the wea - ry; all find a wel - come.
sign of hea - ven's ban - quet, day for re - joic - ing.
his own life im - part - ing, food ev - er - last - ing.

Collect of the Day *All stand as able*

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People Amen.

First Reading – Isaiah 55:1-5 *All may be seated.*

Reader A reading from the book of Isaiah

Thus says the Lord:

"Ho, everyone who thirsts,
come to the waters;
and you that have no money,
come, buy and eat!
Come, buy wine and milk
without money and without price.
Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread,
and your labor for that which does not satisfy?
Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good,
and delight yourselves in rich food.
Incline your ear, and come to me;
listen, so that you may live.
I will make with you an everlasting covenant,
my steadfast, sure love for David.
See, I made him a witness to the peoples,
a leader and commander for the peoples.
See, you shall call nations that you do not know,
and nations that do not know you shall run to you,
because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel,
for he has glorified you."

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 17:1-7, 16 *All remain seated; text is read in unison.*

**Hear my plea of innocence, O Lord;
give heed to my cry;
listen to my prayer, which does not come from lying lips.**
**Let my vindication come forth from your presence;
let your eyes be fixed on justice.**
**Weigh my heart, summon me by night,
melt me down; you will find no impurity in me.**
**I give no offense with my mouth as others do;
I have heeded the words of your lips.**
**My footsteps hold fast to the ways of your law;
in your paths my feet shall not stumble.**
**I call upon you, O God, for you will answer me;
incline your ear to me and hear my words.**
**Show me your marvelous loving-kindness,
O Savior of those who take refuge at your right hand
from those who rise up against them.**
**But at my vindication I shall see your face;
when I awake, I shall be satisfied, beholding your likeness.**

Second Reading – Romans 9:1-5 *All remain seated.*

Reader A reading from the book of Romans

I am speaking the truth in Christ-- I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit-- I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Messiah, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Holy Gospel – Matthew 14:13-21 *All stand as able*

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

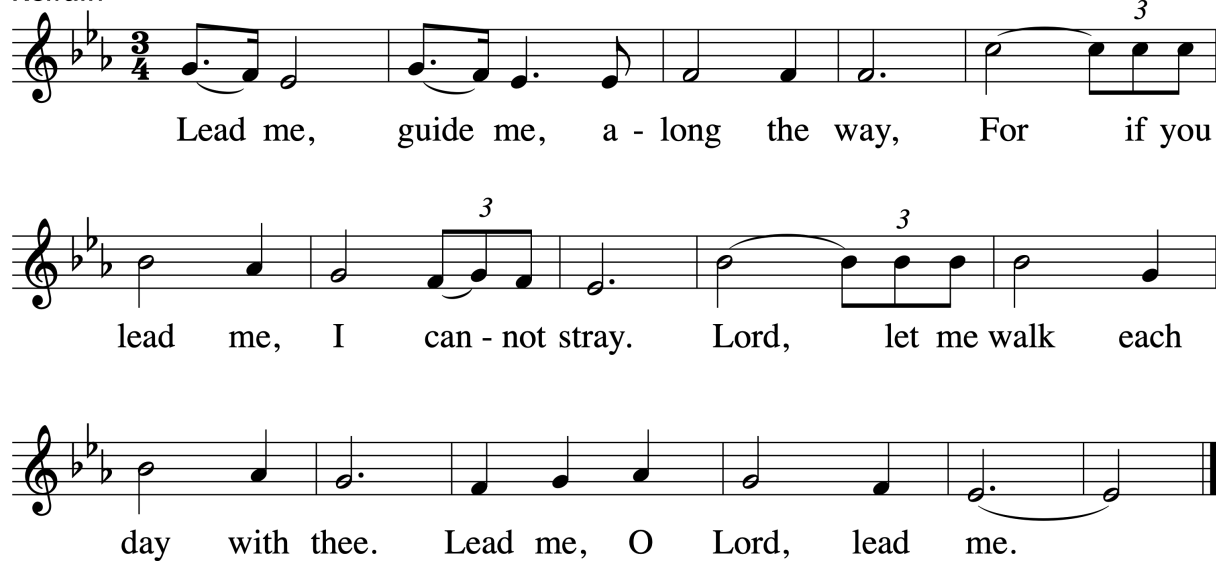
Jesus withdrew in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." And he said, "Bring them here to me." Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ**

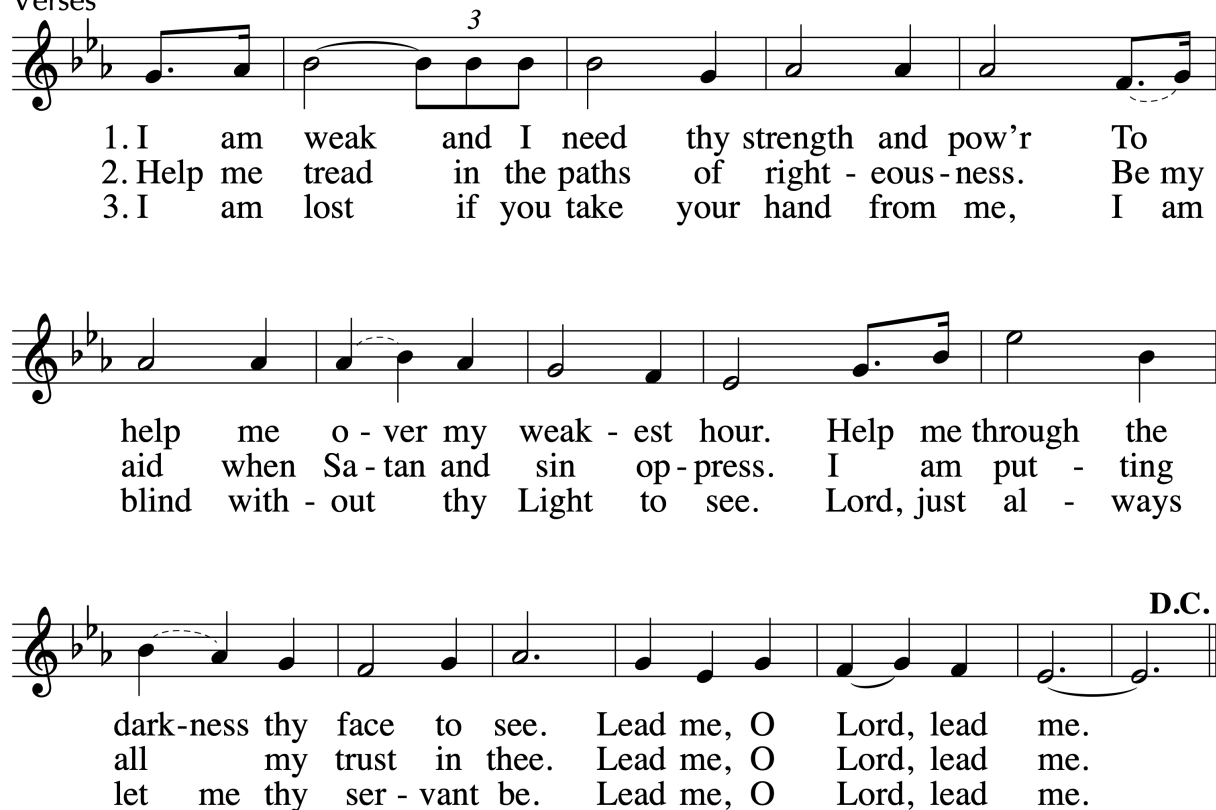
Lead Me, Guide Me

Refrain



Lead me, guide me, a - long the way, For if you
lead me, I can - not stray. Lord, let me walk each
day with thee. Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

Verses



1. I am weak and I need thy strength and pow'r To
2. Help me tread in the paths of right - eous - ness. Be my
3. I am lost if you take your hand from me, I am
help me o - ver my weak - est hour. Help me through the
aid when Sa - tan and sin op - press. I am put - ting
blind with - out thy Light to see. Lord, just al - ways
dark-ness thy face to see. Lead me, O Lord, lead me.
all my trust in thee. Lead me, O Lord, lead me.
let me thy ser - vant be. Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

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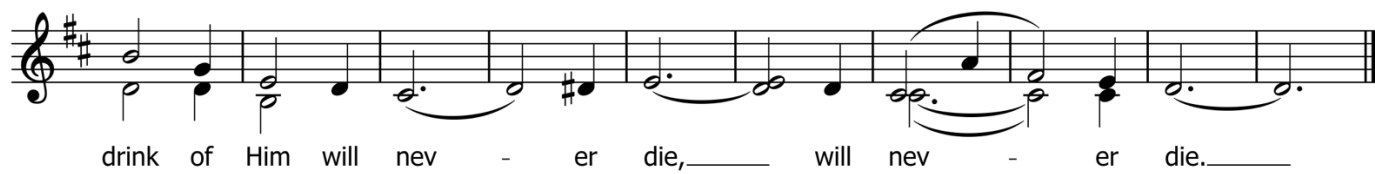
Communion

Jesus, the Bread of Life

LEVAS 150

Grayson Warren Brown

Refrain



Closing Hymn

Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ - VF79

All stand as able

1 Let us tal-ents and tongues em-ploy, reach-ing out with a shout of joy:
 2 Christ is a-ble to make us one, at his ta-ble he sets the tone,
 3 Je-sus calls us in, sends us out bear-ing fruit in a world of doubt,

bread is brok-en, the wine is poured, Christ is spok-en and seen and heard:
 teach-ing peo-ple to live to bless, love in word and in deed ex-press:
 gives us love to tell, bread to share: God Em-man-u-el ev-ery-where:

Je-sus lives a-gain, earth can breathe a-gain, pass the word a-round: loaves a-bound.

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