



# Jerusalem

evangelical lutheran church

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Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 AM Worship Service



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### *Mission Statement*

**SOW.** The Gospel of Jesus the Christ to all generations  
**GROW.** His followers into spiritually mature disciples  
**GO.** Back into the world to serve others in His name

## WELCOME

**Welcome!** We are so glad you have chosen to join with us today as we gather in worship to give thanks to our gracious and loving God. Many have found this community helpful for their spiritual journey. We hope you find in us the open and welcoming arms of God.

If you have particular needs and/or questions please speak with an usher. Again, thanks for spending a little time with us.

## THIS WEEK AT JERUSALEM

Sunday, August 8	9:30 AM	In-person & live stream worship service
Tuesday, August 10	7:30 PM	Council Mtg (Social Hall)
Wednesday, August 11	8:00 PM	AA Meeting (YC)
Thursday, August 12	7:00 PM	JLNSDC Finance Mtg (YC)
Sunday, August 15	9:30 AM	In-person & live stream worship service w/ ASP Report
	11:00 AM	In-person worship service in Sanctuary. <b>Masks are required.</b>

**The People of Jerusalem Congregation, Ministers  
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OFFICE HOURS

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**PRELUDE** “*Wade in the Water*” Hayes

**WELCOME**

**HOLY BAPTISM**

P: In baptism our gracious heavenly Father frees us from sin and death by joining us to the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. We are born children of a fallen humanity; by water and the Holy Spirit we are reborn children of God and made members of the church, the body of Christ. Living with Christ and in the communion of saints, we grow in faith, love, and obedience to the will of God.

*Parent (s):* **We present Atalie Dee Shearer for Baptism.**

P: Called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to have your child baptized into Christ?

*Parents:* I do.

P: As you bring Atalie to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities:

to live with her among God's faithful people,  
bring her to the word of God and the holy supper,  
teach her the Lord's Prayer, the Creed,  
and the Ten Commandments,  
place in her hands the holy scriptures,  
and nurture her in faith and prayer,  
so that your child may learn to trust God,  
proclaim Christ through word and deed,  
care for others and the world God made,  
and work for justice and peace.

P: Do you promise to nurture your child and help her grow in the Christian faith and life?

*Parent (s):* I do.

*The presiding minister addresses the assembly:*

P: People of God, do you promise to support Atalie and pray for her in her new life in Christ?

**We do.**

**\*PROFESSION OF FAITH**

P: I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

*Response: I renounce them.*

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

*Response: I renounce them.*

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

*Response: I renounce them.*

P: Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**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.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**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.**

**THANKSGIVING AT THE FONT**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

P: We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family, and through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you set us free from the power of sin and death and raise us up to live in you.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, the power of your living Word, that those who are washed in the waters of baptism may be given new life. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

**Amen.**

P: Atalie Dee, I baptize you in the name of the Father; and of the Son; and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

*Congregational Response:* **You belong to Christ, in whom you have been baptized. Alleluia.**

P: Let us pray. We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your daughters and sons new birth, cleanse them from sin, and raise them to eternal life. Sustain Atalie with the gift of your Holy Spirit; the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever. **Amen.**

Atalie Dee, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever. **Amen.**

Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

**We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.**

**\*HYMN** *“Power of Your Love”*

Lord, I come to You, let my heart be changed, renewed,  
 flowing from the grace that I've found in You;  
 And Lord, I've come to know the weaknesses I see in me  
 will be stripped away by the pow'r of Your love.

**REFRAIN:** Hold me close, let Your love surround me,  
 bring me near, draw me to Your side;  
 And as I wait I'll rise up like the eagle,  
 and I will soar with You,  
 Your Spirit leads me on in the pow'r of Your love.

Lord, unveil my eyes, let me see You, face to face,  
 the knowledge of Your love, as You live in me;  
 And Lord, renew my mind, as Your will unfolds in my life,  
 in living ev'ry day by the pow'r of Your love. **REFRAIN.**

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**\*GREETING****\*PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**SCRIPTURE** *Today's Readings insert*

**\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

**ALL:** Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**CANTOR:** I am the living bread that came down from heaven.  
 Whoever eats this bread will live forever.

**ALL:** Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**\*GOSPEL READING** John 8:1-11 (*not printed*)

P: The holy gospel according to John. **C:** Glory to you, O Lord.

*The gospel concludes*

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

**INSTRUMENTAL MEDITATION**

*“Breathe on Me, Breath of God”* Koch

**SERMON**

**\*HYMN “Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound”**

**Amazing grace!---how sweet the sound---  
that saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost, but now am found;  
was blind, but now I see.**

**'Twas grace that taught my heart  
to fear, and grace my fears relieved;  
how precious did that grace appear  
the hour I first believed!**

**Through many dangers, toils,  
and snares I have already come;  
'tis grace has brought me safe this far,  
and grace will lead me home.**

**\*PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

**\*SHARING OF THE PEACE**

*Please wave to maintain safe non-contact and social distancing.*  
The peace of the Lord be with you all! **And also with you.**

**CHILDREN’S MESSAGE**

**\*OFFERING PRAYER**

Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self,  
and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us,  
and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here,  
your body for the life of the world. **Amen.**

**\*LORD’S PRAYER**

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**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.**

**\*BLESSING****\*HYMN** *“Shine, Jesus, Shine”***REFRAIN: Shine, Jesus, shine,****fill this land with the Father's glory;****blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire.****Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy;****send forth your Word, Lord, and let there be light!****Lord, the light of your love is shining,****in the midst of the darkness, shining;****Jesus, light of the world, shine upon us,****set us free by the truth you now bring us.****Shine on me, shine on me: REFRAIN.**

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**\*DISMISSAL**Go in peace. You are the body of Christ. **Thanks be to God.****POSTLUDE** *“My Heart Rejoices”* Paxton**You may support this ministry by placing your offering in the offering plate near the door or going to [jelc.org/giving](http://jelc.org/giving). Thank You!**

**Atalie Dee Shearer,  
born on 3/20/19, daughter of Anthony & Laura Shearer .**