

St. Paul Lutheran Smithville

12th Sunday after Pentecost – August 16, 2026

*Please stand, as able, where marked with an asterisk**

Congregational responses are in bold

Prelude & Welcome

****Confession and Forgiveness***

C: Amen.

P: ...Compassionate God,

**C: we confess to you all our sins. It is you who frees us.
Restore our lives, mend our hearts, and place us on right
pathways. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.**

P: ...Start anew.

C: Amen.

****Gathering Hymn:***

“All Are Welcome”

ELW 641

****Greeting & Call to Worship***

P: ...be with you all

C: And also with you.

A: We gather here to worship our Lord.

C: To hear God's word and share the holy meal.

A: Here we are reminded of who God is,

C: and of who we were made to be.

A: Here we see the work of God.

**C: Here we prepare ourselves to join the work of Christ in the
world.**

A: Let us pray. God of all people,

**C: your arms reach out to embrace all those who call upon you.
Teach us as disciples of your Son to love the world with
compassion and constancy, that your name may be known
throughout the earth, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.**

First Reading: Isaiah 56:1, 6-8

R: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Responsive Reading: Psalm 67

R: May God be gracious to us and bless us
and make his face to shine upon us,

**C: that your way may be known upon earth,
your saving power among all nations.**

R: Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.

**C: Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
for you judge the nations with equity and guide all the
nations on earth.**

R: Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.

**C: The earth has yielded its increase;
God, our God, has blessed us.**

R: May God continue to bless us;
let all the ends of the earth revere him.

Second Reading: Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32

R: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

P: The Holy Gospel according to the book of Matthew, the fifteenth
chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

***Gospel Reading:** Matthew 15:10-28

P: The Gospel of the Lord

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Children's Sermon

Sermon: Pastor Kristy Buyok

Hymn of the Day: “In Christ There Is No East or West” ELW 650

The Apostles’ Creed ***ELW pg. 105***

The Prayers

A: ...Merciful God, **C: receive our prayer.**

P: ...Jesus Christ our Lord. **C: Amen.**

****Sharing of the Peace***

C: And also with you.

Offering: “No Outsiders”

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****Offertory Prayer***

****Holy Communion***

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: ...as we offer our unending praise:

C: Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

P: In the night in which he was betrayed...

P: Remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

****The Lord’s Prayer*** ***ELW pg. 112***

Communion Hymn: “Build a Longer Table”

Communion Hymn “One Bread, One Body” **ELW 496**

****Final Blessing***

****Sending Hymn:***

“Jesus Shall Reign”

ELW 434

****Dismissal***

A: Go, share the hope of Christ!

C: Thanks be to God!

Postlude