

Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity - September 24, 2023 Pastor Rob Morris

Welcome and Prelude God So Loved the World John Stainer

Your Hand, O Lord, in Days of Old **Opening Hymn** LSB 846 -• 1 Your hand. 0 Lord. in of days old 2 Your touch then, Lord. brought life and health. 3.0 be our great de liv 'rer still, Was strong to heal and save; It tri - umphed 0 ver Gave speech and strength and sight; And youth re - newed and Re - store The Lord of life and death; and quick - en. ills and death. O'er dark - ness the and grave. fren - zy calmed Re vealed You, Lord of light. giv soothe and With bless, Your life ing breath. То You they came, the blind, the mute. And now, 0 Lord, be near to bless, То hands that work and eyes that see pal - sied The and the lame, The lep - ers their in crowd - ed street, by might - y be - fore, Al as In wis - dom's heal-ing Give pow'r That whole and sick and The with mis er sick fe - vered frame. у, of beds pain, As by Gen nes - 'ret's shore. weak and strong May praise You ev - er more. Text: Edward H. Plumptre, 1821-91, alt.

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Confession and Absolution

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- P In the name of the Father and of the +→ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- **C** Amen.
- If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- **C** But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Kneel/Sit

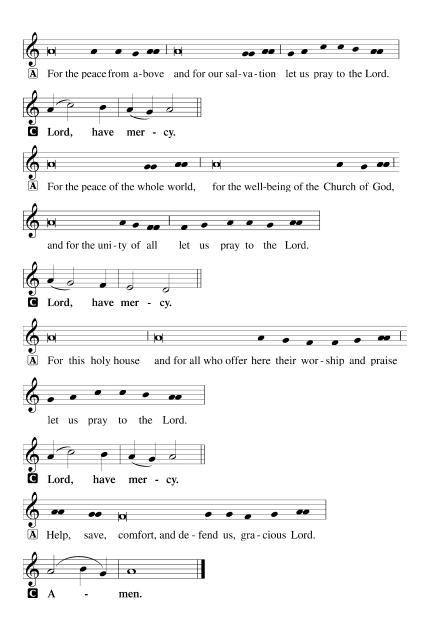
Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- \blacksquare Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.
- Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

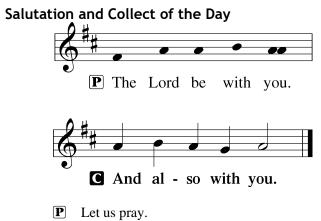




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C O Lord, we pray that Your grace may always go before and follow after us, that we may continually be given to all good works; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

Sit

Old Testament Reading

1 Kings 17:17-24

¹⁷After this the son of the woman, the mistress of the house, became ill. And his illness was so severe that there was no breath left in him. ¹⁸And she said to Elijah, "What have you against me, O man of God? You have come to me to bring my sin to remembrance and to cause the death of my son!" ¹⁹And he said to her, "Give me your son." And he took him from her arms and carried him up into the upper chamber where he lodged, and laid him on his own bed. ²⁰And he cried to the LORD, "O LORD my God, have you brought calamity even upon the widow with whom I sojourn, by killing her son?" ²¹Then he stretched himself upon the child three times and cried to the LORD, "O LORD my God, let this child's life come into him again." ²²And the LORD listened to the voice of Elijah. And the life of the child came into him again, and he revived. ²³And Elijah took the child and brought him down from the upper chamber into the house and delivered him to his mother. And Elijah said, "See, your son lives." ²⁴And the woman said to Elijah, "Now I know that you are a man of God, and that the word of the LORD in your mouth is truth."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Choral Anthem Now the Laborer's Task Is O'er Traditional (9:30 a.m.)

Psalm

Psalm 30 ¹I will extol you, O LORD, for you have drawn me up* and have not let my foes rejoice | over me. ²O LORD my God, I cried to you for help,* and you have | healed me. ³O LORD, you have brought up my soul | from Sheol;* vou restored me to life from among those who go down to the pit. ⁴Sing praises to the LORD, O | you his saints,* and give thanks to his | holy name. ⁵For his anger is but for a moment, and his favor is for a | lifetime.* Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the morning. ⁶As for me, I said in my pros- | perity,* "I shall nev- | er be moved." ⁷By your favor, O LORD, you made my mountain | stand strong;* vou hid vour face: I | was dismaved. ⁸To you, O | LORD, I cry,* and to the Lord I plead for | mercy: ⁹"What profit is there in my death, if I go down | to the pit?* Will the dust praise you? Will it tell of your | faithfulness? ¹⁰Hear, O LORD, and be merci- | ful to me!* O LORD, be my | helper!" ¹¹You have turned for me my mourning into | dancing;* vou have loosed my sackcloth and clothed me with | gladness, ¹²that my glory may sing your praise and not be | silent.* O LORD my God, I will give thanks to you for- ever! Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit

As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Epistle

Ephesians 3:13-21

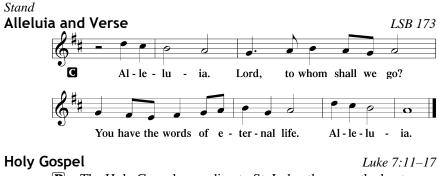
¹³So I ask you not to lose heart over what I am suffering for you, which is your glory.

¹⁴For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, ¹⁵from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, ¹⁶that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, ¹⁷so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, ¹⁸may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, ¹⁹and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

²⁰Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, ²¹to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

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P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the seventh chapter.



¹¹Soon afterward [Jesus] went to a town called Nain, and his disciples and a great crowd went with him. ¹²As he drew near to the gate of the town, behold, a man who had died was being carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow, and a considerable crowd from the town was with her. ¹³And when the Lord saw her, he had compassion on her and said to her, "Do not weep." ¹⁴Then he came up and touched the bier, and the bearers stood still. And he said, "Young man, I say to you, arise." ¹⁵And the dead man sat up and began to speak, and Jesus gave him to his mother. ¹⁶Fear seized them all, and they glorified God, saying, "A great prophet has arisen among us!" and "God has visited his people!" ¹⁷And this report about him spread through the whole of Judea and all the surrounding country.

P This is the Gospel of our Lord,









Sermon

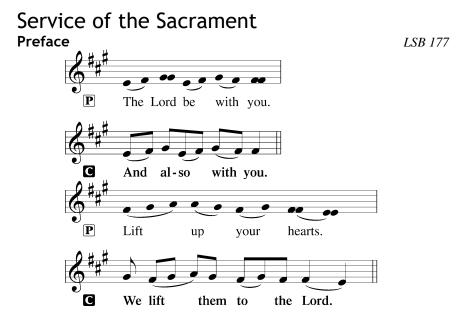
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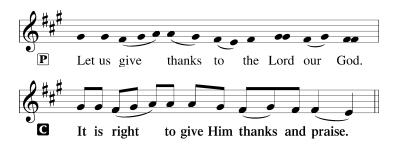
C I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

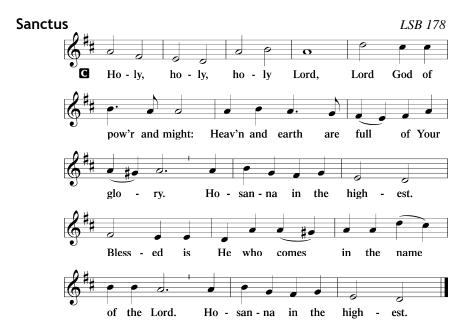
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life + everlasting. Amen.

Prayer of the Church and Passing of the Peace





P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; for what had been hidden from before the foundation of the world You have made known to the nations in Your Son. In Him, being found in the substance of our mortal nature, You have manifested the fullness of Your glory. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



Prayer of Thanksgiving

Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C 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.

The Words of Our Lord

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

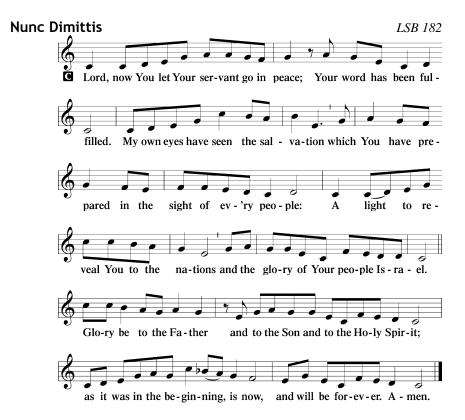
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In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.



Distribution - Note Special Instructions

*Gluten-free and alcohol-free options available in the center of each serving tray: indicate to the pastor if you need one of these.



Post-Communion Collect

- **A** Let us pray.
- **C** O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.





You'll hear the song resound Of endless jubilation

When you with life are crowned. In your right hand your maker Will place the victor's palm, And you will thank Him gladly With heaven's joyful psalm. 6 Our hands and feet, Lord, strengthen; With joy our spirits bless Until we see the ending Of all our life's distress. And so throughout our lifetime Keep us within Your care And at our end then bring us To heav'n to praise You there. Text: Paul Gerhardt, 1607-76; (sts. 1-5): tr. F. Samuel Janzow, 1913-2001, alt.; (st. 6): tr. Lutheran Service Book, 2006 Tune: Stephen R. Johnson, 1966 Text (sts. 1-5): © 1982 Concordia Publishing House; (st. 6): © 2006 Concordia Publishing House. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License no. 110000765 Tune: © 2002 Stephen R. Johnson. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License no. 110000765

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<u>Volunteers and Worship Staff:</u> (9:30 a.m.) Reader: Carol Woolery Communion Assistants: David Reitz and John Rau Acolyte: Kiley Bomba Chancel: Christy Morris Coffee Hour Hosts: Eva Koehm & Lynnae Rau Communion Preparation: Carolyn Mandarano and Sandy Wallace Greeters: Organist & Director of Music: Bev Thompson Assistant Organist: Elijah Morris Guitar: Peter Obre Trumpet: Gary Gollenberg

Altar flowers are given today by Chuck and Helen Hall in celebration of their 59th wedding anniversary. Thanks be to God.

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