

9th Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday August 10th , 2025
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WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Soprano

GATHERING

(The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God)

The assembly stands.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
the God of manna,
the God of miracles,
the God of mercy.

C: Amen.

P: Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance,
let us confess our sin.

P: God, our provider,

C: help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share.

We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.

P: Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough.

Through Jesus, ✠ the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

C: Amen.

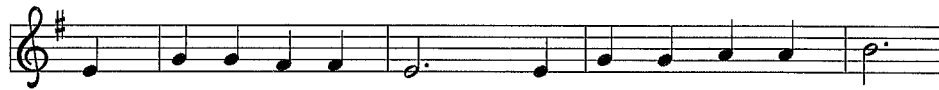
GATHERING HYMN – O Master, Let Me Walk with You ELW - 818

GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

KYRIE



- 1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.
- 2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.
- 3 Have mer - cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part.



We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.
Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.
Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

HYMN OF PRAISE



1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:
Son of God and gra - cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;
Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.
Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.
For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let Us Pray.

Almighty God, you sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your church. Open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may be ready to receive you wherever you appear, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

The assembly is seated.

WORD

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

FIRST READING: Genesis 15:1-6

A: A reading from Genesis

¹ After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." ² But Abram said, "O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" ³ And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." ⁴ But the word of the LORD came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." ⁵ He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." ⁶ And he believed the LORD, and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness.

A: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 33:12-22

The Psalm is read responsively.

¹² Happy is the nation whose God **I** is the LORD!

Happy the people chosen to **I** be God's heritage!

¹³ **The LORD looks I down from heaven,
and sees all I humankind.**

¹⁴ God sits firmly en- **I** throned and watches
all who dwell **I** on the earth.

- ¹⁵ **God fashions | all their hearts
and observes | all their deeds. R**
- ¹⁶ A king is not saved by the size | of the army,
nor are warriors rescued by | their great strength.
- ¹⁷ **The horse gives vain | hope for victory;
despite its great strength it | cannot save.**
- ¹⁸ Truly, your eye is upon those who fear | you, O LORD,
upon those who wait for your | steadfast love,
- ¹⁹ **to deliver their | lives from death,
and to keep them alive in | time of famine. R**
- ²⁰ Our innermost being waits for | you, O LORD,
our helper | and our shield.
- ²¹ **Surely, our heart rejoic- | es in you,
for in your holy name we | put our trust.**
- ²² Let your lovingkindness, O LORD, | be upon us,
even as we place our | hope in you. **R**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *The Assembly stands to welcome the gospel.*



GOSPEL: Luke 12:32-40

P: The Holy Gospel according to Luke

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] ³² "Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. ³³ Sell your possessions and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. ³⁴ For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

³⁵ "Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; ³⁶ be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. ³⁷ Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. ³⁸ If he comes during the middle of the night or near dawn and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

³⁹ "But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. ⁴⁰ You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect."

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

The assembly is seated

SERMON

Rev. Bruce Davidson

The assembly remains seated.

HYMN OF THE DAY – Have No Fear, Little Flock ELW - 764

CREED

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

**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. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

*Each prayer ends with the words, "God of Grace," and the congregation
responds, "Hear our Prayer"*

PEACE

*The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other in the peace of the
risen Christ.*

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

*The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say,
Peace be with you," or similar words.*

MEAL

(God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.)

The assembly stands.

OFFERING PRAYER

P: Let us pray.

**P: 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.

C: Amen.

DIALOGUE

The presiding minister greets the assembly and invites all present to give thanks.

P: The Lord be with you

C: And also with you

P: Lift up your hearts

C: We lift them up to the Lord

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise

PREFACE

The presiding minister continues:

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

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.

The musical score is written on four staves in G-clef, treble clef, with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below each staff. The first staff ends with a double bar line. The second staff ends with a double bar line. The third staff ends with a double bar line. The fourth staff ends with a double bar line.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P: Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven an earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

P: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me. Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

P: Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever.

C: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

C: 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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!

The assembly may be seated. The bread is broken for communion.

COMMUNION

You may come to the rail to receive communion. The bread is gluten free, and you may dip it in the wine or grape juice. If you can't come to the rail communion will be brought to you.

LAMB OF GOD



- 1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

The assembly stands.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: Let us pray.

Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray.

C: Amen.

SENDING

(God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.)

BLESSING

P: The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, ☩ be upon you now and forever.

C: Amen

SENDING HYMN – O God, Our Help in Ages Past ELW - 632

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Be the Body of Christ

C: Thanks be to God.

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Our Prayer List

Our Community: Bob Conn

Our Friends: Terry Garf, Kathy Kellmer, Lea and Paul Ressler, Ruth Mann, Melissa Kuchler, Linda Moore, Robert Donnelly and Family, Patricia Weiser, Eileen Krygier, Kathy Schultz, Shannon Puitro, Josh, Sue & Dave Goldstein, Jack Horvath, friend of Diane & John Graham, Joe Wolf, Mason Family, Nate Van Sant, Nina Liptak, Barbara Laudenbacker, Jo Valentine.

Announcements

During this time of Pastoral transition, we want to share weekly updates on our financial status with the congregation by reporting the amount budgeted for offering income this month, versus where we stand each week with actual offering income. Our monthly budgeted offering income is \$4,200. To date we have received \$1,122.

Feast of Justice Collection – Personal Care items are needed. Full-sized bottles of shampoo, conditioner and body wash. Soap, toothpaste, deodorant and especially feminine products would be greatly appreciated. You can place them in the box in the Narthex.

Audio Training – We are looking for volunteers to manage the Streaming of worship. If you are interested, please reach out to Cheryl Lafferty at: cae184@yahoo.com or 215-990-2111.

Church Directory – We are in the process of updating the Church Directory. Please fill out a 3x5 card with your name, address, e-mail address & preferred phone number. You can place it in the offering plate.

School Supplies Collection – Let's support our very own teacher, Julie Rush, by collecting supplies for her school. Did you know that Community Academy of Philadelphia CS was the first Charter School in the city? The items requested are markers, colored pencils, glue sticks, tissues, Clorox wipes, scotch tape and masking tape. Please place donated items in the box in the Narthex.

Dining Fundraiser – On Tuesday, August 26th (11:00am – 8:00pm) we are partnering with Sweet Lucy's Smokehouse for a "Dine-to-Donate" fundraiser. 10% of the day's sales will be donated back to Redemption. In turn, Redemption will donate 10% of the event proceeds to Lutheran Disaster Response. Enjoy great barbecue and raise funds for two worthy organizations.
Tell your family and friends!

Save the Date - We will be hosting a Lemonade Stand after worship on Sunday, September 14th. All proceeds will be donated to Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation.