

**16th Sunday after Pentecost**



**GATHERING: The Spirit Calls Us Together**

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Temple Talk

David Magnuson

Call to Worship

Gathering Song

*"He's Got the Whole World"*

*(Uke's and Congregation)*

Greeting

Song

*"Nothing Can Trouble"*

ACS 1033

Prayer of the Day

Special Music

*"Scarborough Fair"*

Carolyn Bell Choir

**WORD: We Hear God in Scripture & Preaching**

**Children's Message**

**Psalms 146...** Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD, O my soul! <sup>2</sup> I will praise the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God all my life long. <sup>3</sup> Do not put your trust in princes, in mortals, in whom there is no help. <sup>4</sup> When their breath departs, they return to the earth; on that very day their plans perish. <sup>5</sup> Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the LORD their God, <sup>6</sup> who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them; who keeps faith forever; <sup>7</sup> who executes justice for the oppressed; who gives food to the hungry. The LORD sets the prisoners free; <sup>8</sup> the LORD opens the eyes of the blind. The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down; the LORD loves the righteous. <sup>9</sup> The LORD watches over the strangers; he upholds the orphan and the widow, but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin. <sup>10</sup> The LORD will reign forever, your God, O Zion, for all generations. Praise the LORD!

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

**1 Timothy 6:6-19...** Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment, <sup>7</sup> for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it, <sup>8</sup> but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. <sup>9</sup> But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. <sup>10</sup> For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains. <sup>11</sup> But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. <sup>12</sup> Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. <sup>13</sup> In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you <sup>14</sup> to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>15</sup> which he will bring about at the right time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. <sup>16</sup> It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen. <sup>17</sup> As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches but rather on

God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment.<sup>18</sup> They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share,<sup>19</sup> thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Luke 16:19-31...** “There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day.<sup>20</sup> And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores,<sup>21</sup> who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man’s table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores.<sup>22</sup> The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried.<sup>23</sup> In Hades, where he was being tormented, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side.<sup>24</sup> He called out, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in agony in these flames.’<sup>25</sup> But Abraham said, ‘Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things and Lazarus in like manner evil things, but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony.’<sup>26</sup> Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.’<sup>27</sup> He said, ‘Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father’s house<sup>28</sup> for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.’<sup>29</sup> Abraham replied, ‘They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.’<sup>30</sup> He said, ‘No, father Abraham, but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent.’<sup>31</sup> He said to him, ‘If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.’ ”

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Message Pastor Heather Grell

Hymn of the Day

*“Blessed Are You”*

Prayers

Sharing God’s Peace

**MEAL: God Feeds us with the Presence of Jesus**

Offering

Special Music

Offertory

*“On Bended Knee”*

Words of Institution

*“Remember Me”*

Lord’s Prayer

Communion

Communion Songs

*“Lovely Needy People”*

Communion Blessing

Post-Communion Prayer

**SENDING: Being Loved, God Sends Us to Love**

Blessing

Sending Song

*“For Everyone Born (A Human Rights’ Hymn)”*

Dismissal

Postlude

### Announcements

- ⇒ **Altar Flowers** are given by Barb Kay in memory of John Furrow.
- ⇒ **Food Pantry** Our next food pantry is Saturday, October 4th from 8 to 9:30 am. [CLICK HERE](#) to help. Donations are needed! Our most pressing needs right now are cereal, soup, bar soap and toilet paper. The blue bin has been moved from the hallway to in front of the Food Pantry bulletin board in the narthex, for better visibility. To help with our inventory control please only put your donations in the blue bin. Thank you for your continued support of this vital community ministry.
- ⇒ **Prayer Shawls** If you have someone in your life who could use some extra comfort and prayers, please feel free to take a Prayer Shawl or Prayer Square from the display in the Narthex at any time.
- ⇒ **Centering Prayer Group** meets at Paula McDonald's house on Monday's at 1:00 pm. Wednesday prayer will resume in the fall.
- ⇒ **Free Outdoor Concert** Join us on the lawn for a fun evening of music and fellowship Sunday, October 5th at 4:00pm. Featuring Josh Hoyer, a singer/songwriter from Lincoln as seen on NBC's "The Voice", with musical style blends of soul, rock, and a dash of blues. Bring your own lawn chair, snacks and drinks.
- ⇒ **Pet Blessing** is Sunday, October 5th at 2:00 pm on the front lawn. Bring your cat, dog, reptile, and/or amphibian for a blessing. This is a rain or shine event. Watch Facebook for updates!
- ⇒ **Fall Picnic + Bonfire** On Sunday, October 19th from 4 to 8pm, we'll have a congregational picnic and bonfire at Monke Lodge at Carol Joy Holling Camp in Ashland, NE. There will be games, a bonfire and lots of fun! This will be a potluck picnic, so bring your favorite picnic item to share (electricity and fridge available if needed). Smore supplies for the bonfire and a few drink options will be provided. We hope you can join us!
- ⇒ **Giving through Venmo** You can now support the ministries of Holy Cross via Venmo. Find us on Venmo @HolyCrossLutheran.

### Calendar for Upcoming Week

#### **Sunday, September 28**

9:30 am Worship  
10:40 am Sunday School/Adult Forum  
10:50 am MS/HS Ensemble  
11:00 am MS/HS Bell Choir  
3:00 pm Girl Scout Troup 48012 Mtg

#### **Monday, September 29**

1:00 pm Centering Prayer  
6:30 pm Boy Scouts  
9:00 pm CMA Meeting

#### **Tuesday, September 30**

7:30 pm AA Meeting

#### **Wednesday, October 1**

12:30 pm Tai Chi Balance Class  
6:00 pm Confirmation/Uke Choir  
6:30 pm Youth Worship  
7:00 pm Radical Ringers/Youth Group

#### **Thursday, October 2**

6:30pm Carolan Bell Choir  
7:30 pm Chancel Choir

#### **Friday, October 3**

1:00 pm Knitting  
5:00 pm Pantry Prep  
7:00 pm Belles n Beaus

#### **Saturday, October 4**

8:00 am Food Pantry

#### **Sunday, October 5**

9:30 am Worship  
10:40 am Sunday School/Adult Forum  
10:50 am MS/HS Ensemble  
11:00 am MS/HS Bell Choir  
2:00 pm Pet Blessing  
3:00 pm Girl Scout Troup 48012 Mtg  
4:00 pm Outdoor Concert

### Prayer Requests from our Church Community

**Member Concerns:** Lee Noteman; Gordon Schnack; Norm Firkins; Phyllis Beam; Donna McCoy; Connie Mertz.

**On-Going Member Concerns:** Edie Nabity at Hillcrest Papillion

**Friends and Relatives:** Wayne Roberts, brother of Walter Roberts; Savannah Barb, cousin of Emma & Geno Roberts; Sunrisa Lewis, friend of the Harvey family; Avery W.; Ken Gross, cousin of Julie Noteman; Josh Moreau, friend of Wendy Brenner's family; Nancy Bartell, sister-in-law of Peg Schneider; Michael Schadendorf, grandfather of Edith and Tanya Valandra; Erin Peters, daughter of Gail Ginger; Anna Victor, aunt of Jen Gitt; Dave Huggins, friend of Jim & Peg Schneider; Mya Calendar, daughter of Trisha Ryan; Carol Deditz, sister of Julie Noteman; Opal Calendar, foster granddaughter of Trisha Ryan; Kelsey Schneider, daughter of Jim & Peg Schneider; Theresa Ramelb, friend of Jacque Petersen; Shari Jensen, friend of Ed Krueger; Ronda Bayer, friend of Debbie Risinger; Debbie Haacke, coworker of Debbie Risinger; Linda Anderson, Barb Kay's sister; Aaron McDonald and Family and Caregivers, McDonald's grandson.