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# **18<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**



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**Welcome & Announcements**

**Confession and Forgiveness**

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God,  
our maker, our helper, and our keeper.  
Amen.

P Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin  
in the presence of God and of one another.  
*(Silence is kept for reflection.)*  
Merciful and loving God,

**C we are your stiff-necked people.  
We trample on the needy.  
We grumble about your grace to others.  
We turn away from the poor.  
Have mercy on us and forgive our sins.  
Rejoice over us as ones who were lost  
and have been found.  
Amen.**

P Even when we are faithless, God remains faithful.  
Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners.  
You who were lost have been found.  
In the name of Jesus, your sins are forgiven! **C Amen.**

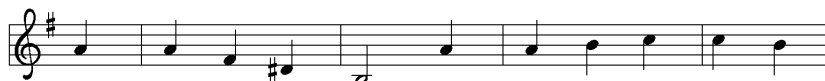
# Gathering Song: Oh Sing to the Lord (ELW 822)

## Oh, Sing to the Lord

*Cantad al Señor*



1 Can - tad al Se - ñor un cán - ti - co nue - vo.  
 1 Oh, sing to the Lord, oh, sing God a new song.  
 2 For God is the Lord, and God has done won - ders.  
 3 So dance for our God and blow all the trum - pets.  
 4 Oh, shout to our God, who gave us the Spir - it.  
 5 For Je - sus is Lord! A - men! Al - le - lu - ia!



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2 *Pues nuestro Señor ha hecho prodigios.  
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 ¡Cantad al Señor, cantad al Señor!*

4 *Es él que nos da el Espíritu Santo.  
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 Es él que nos da el Espíritu Santo.  
 ¡Cantad al Señor, cantad al Señor!*

3 *Cantad al Señor, alabadle con arpa.  
 Cantad al Señor, alabadle con arpa.  
 Cantad al Señor, alabadle con arpa.  
 ¡Cantad al Señor, cantad al Señor!*

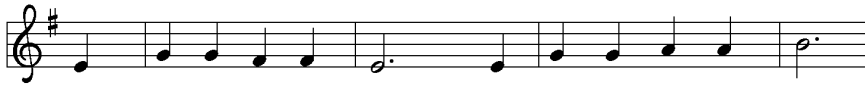
5 *¡Jesús es Señor! ¡Amén, aleluya!  
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 ¡Jesús es Señor! ¡Amén, aleluya!  
 ¡Cantad al Señor, cantad al Señor!*

## 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!

## Canticle 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 Almighty and most merciful God,

**C your bountiful goodness fills all creation. Keep us safe from all that may hurt us, that, whole and well in body and spirit, we may with grateful hearts accomplish all that you would have us do, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## First Reading: 2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c

*Naaman, a Syrian general, suffers from leprosy. In this passage Elisha miraculously cures his illness, but only after Naaman realizes, with the help of his servants, that he also needs healing for his pride. This foreign general then acknowledges the sovereignty of the God of Israel.*

<sup>1</sup> Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master because by him the Lord had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from a skin disease. <sup>2</sup> Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. <sup>3</sup> She said to her mistress, "If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his skin disease."

<sup>7</sup> When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his skin disease? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me."

<sup>8</sup> But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel." <sup>9</sup> So Naaman came with his horses and chariots and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. <sup>10</sup> Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored, and you shall be clean." <sup>11</sup> But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, "I thought that for me he would surely come out and stand and call on the name of the Lord his God and would wave his hand over the spot and cure the skin disease! <sup>12</sup> Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them and be clean?" He turned and went away in a rage. <sup>13</sup> But his servants approached and said to him, "Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, 'Wash, and be clean'?" <sup>14</sup> So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean.

<sup>15a, b, c</sup> Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company; he came

and stood before him and said, "Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel."

L Word of God, word of life.

C **Thanks be to God.**

### ***Psalm: Psalm 111***

L <sup>1</sup> Hallelujah! I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart,  
in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.

C <sup>2</sup> **Great are your works, O Lord,  
pondered by all who delight in them.**

L <sup>3</sup> Majesty and splendor mark your deeds,  
and your righteousness endures forever.

C <sup>4</sup> **You cause your wonders to be remembered;  
you are gracious and full of compassion.**

L <sup>5</sup> You give food to those who fear you,  
remembering forever your covenant.

C <sup>6</sup> **You have shown your people the power of your works  
in giving them the lands of the nations.**

L <sup>7</sup> The works of your hands are faithfulness and justice;  
all of your precepts are sure.

C <sup>8</sup> **They stand fast forever and ever,  
because they are done in <sup>1</sup> truth and equity.**

L <sup>9</sup> You sent redemption to your people and commanded your covenant  
forever;  
holy and awesome <sup>1</sup> is your name.

C <sup>10</sup> **The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom;**

### **Second Reading: 2 Timothy 2:8-15**

*Though Paul is chained as a prisoner, the word of God is never shackled or confined. Timothy is encouraged to proclaim that word of freedom in an honest and upright life as well as in his teaching and preaching.*

<sup>8</sup> Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David—that is my gospel, <sup>9</sup> for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. <sup>10</sup> Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation

that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. <sup>11</sup> The saying is sure:

If we have died with him, we will also live with him;

<sup>12</sup> if we endure, we will also reign with him;

if we deny him, he will also deny us;

<sup>13</sup> if we are faithless, he remains faithful—

he cannot deny himself.

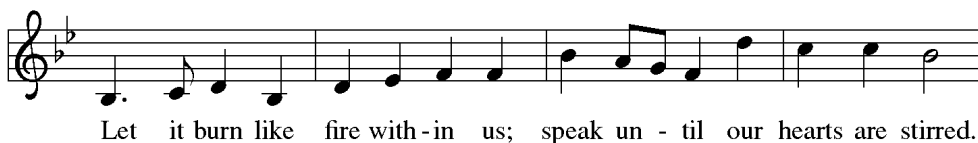
<sup>14</sup> Remind them of this, and warn them before the Lord that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are

listening. <sup>15</sup> Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

L Word of God, word of life.

C **Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Acclamation



## Gospel: Luke 17: 11-19

P The holy gospel according to Luke.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

*Jesus' mission includes making people clean again. Unexpectedly, a Samaritan healed of leprosy becomes a model for those who would praise and worship God and give thanks for God's mercy.*

<sup>11</sup> On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. <sup>12</sup> As he entered a village, ten men with a skin disease

approached him. Keeping their distance, <sup>13</sup>they called out, saying, “Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!” <sup>14</sup>When he saw them, he said to them, “Go and show yourselves to the priests.” And as they went, they were made clean. <sup>15</sup>Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. <sup>16</sup>He prostrated himself at Jesus’s feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. <sup>17</sup>Then Jesus asked, “Were not ten made clean? So where are the other nine? <sup>18</sup>Did none of them return to give glory to God except this foreigner?” <sup>19</sup>Then he said to him, “Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.”

P The Gospel of the Lord


**C Praise to you O, Christ**

**Children’s Sermon**

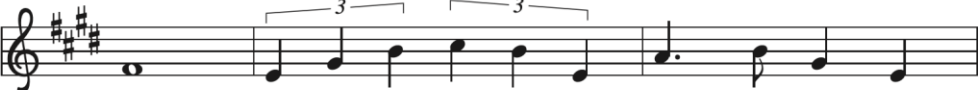
**Sermon**

**Hymn of the Day: *Come to the Water of Life* (ACS 955)**


**Come to the Water of Life**



1 All who are thirst-y for mer - cy, all who are thirst-y for  
2 All who are thirst-y for heal - ing, all who are thirst-y for  
3 All who are thirst-y for beau - ty, all who are thirst-y for  
4 All who are thirst-y for jus - tice, all who are thirst-y for



love; all who are thirst - y for love, for mer - cy,  
touch; all who are thirst - y for touch, for heal - ing,  
truth; all who are thirst - y for truth, for beau - ty,  
peace; all who are thirst - y for peace, for jus - tice,



come: come to the Wa - ter of life.  
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## Apostles' 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

**P** Renewed in God's everlasting grace, let us pray for the church, the world, and all creation.

*(A brief silence.)*

Gracious God, you lead your people to faith. Remind the church that your word flows into the world. By your Spirit, teach the church to share the word of God for the sake of the world. God of grace,

**C** **receive our prayer.**

**P** Creating God, you provided cleansing and healing waters for Naaman. Water the earth's lands in parched places. Restore clean water to all communities, and guide the work of all who advocate for safe and abundant water supplies. God of grace,

**C** **receive our prayer.**

**P** Righteous One, you bring justice and wholeness throughout the world, and your righteousness endures forever. By your spirit, guide leaders of all nations and lands to right relationship with you and with one another. God of grace,

**C** **receive our prayer.**

**P** Merciful God, you know the needs of your people. Show mercy to those suffering in the world. Comfort those in need of your healing. God of grace,

**C** **receive our prayer.**

P Life-giving God, you free us by your word. Help us, by your Spirit, to be transformed to live your word of freedom honestly and uprightly in our teaching, preaching, and serving. God of grace,  
C **receive our prayer.**

P Holy God, thank you for the witness of those who have died in faith. Guide us to trust in the baptismal promise of resurrection in Christ. God of grace,

C **receive our prayer. We offer our prayers, O God, trusting in your everlasting grace and mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### Offering

### Sharing of the Peace

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

C **And also with you**

## Offering: *Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful* (ELW 184)

Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of  
bless-ing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that  
we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of  
all; u-nite them with the prayers we of-fer. Grace our ta-ble  
with your pres-ence, and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

The musical score is written on five staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below each staff. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

## Offering Prayer

P Lord of the Harvest,

C **we return to you a portion of what you have given to us. Turn us to set our hope not on the uncertainty of riches, but on you, who richly provides for us. Multiply what we have gathered to bless all who are suffering and in need, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## Great Thanksgiving

### Dialogue

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.**

## Preface

P 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.

## Thanksgiving at the Table

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.

## Lord's Prayer

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

**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 Jesus welcomes sinners and eats with them. Come to this meal of mercy.

## Holy Communion

## Communion Song:

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.

### **Post Communion Blessing**

**P** May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**C** **Amen.**

### **Prayer after Communion**

**P** O God,

**C** **through this meal you have strengthened us and appointed us to be your servants. Send us to do good and to share our possessions with all in need. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.**

### **Blessing**

**P** The God of righteousness, who gives justice to the oppressed, who gives food to the hungry, who sets the prisoners free, bless you now and forever.

**C** **Amen**

## Sending Song: Go, My Children, with my Blessing (ELW 543)

### Go, My Children, with My Blessing



- 1 "Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, nev - er a - lone.
- 2 "Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure.
- 3 "Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, clos - er to me.



Wak - ing, sleep - ing, I am with you, you are my own.  
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.  
Grow in love and love by serv - ing, joy - ful and free.



In my love's bap - tis - mal riv - er I have made you mine for - ev - er.  
Here you heard my dear Son's sto - ry, here you touched him, saw his glo - ry.  
Here my Spir - it's pow - er filled you, here my ten - der com - fort stilled you.



Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, you are my own."  
Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure."  
Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, joy - ful and free."

Text: Jaroslav J. Vajda, b. 1919, alt.

Music: AR HYD Y NOS, Welsh traditional

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### Dismissal

**P** Go in peace. Do not lose heart.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Announcements

- **Reformation Party:** The Reformation Party will be Sunday, Oct. 26 at La Poste at 5pm. Bring a German themed dish to share. Beverages will be available for purchase.
- **Spirit, Open Our Hearts-Afternoon with Bishop Current:** Join Bishop Current for an afternoon of fellowship, conversation, and worship on Sunday, November 9 from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm at St. John Lutheran in Des Moines. Bishop Current will share stories of the impact of mission support over the last year with words of gratitude. This gathering is for anyone interested in gathering with people from other area congregations and hearing more about the ministry we do together as the Southeastern Iowa Synod and beyond.
- **Online Giving:** Did you know you can set up online giving so you never have to worry about having to catch up on your giving when you have been away? You can visit the church website to sign up. The website also has a text to give option. If you need help signing up, please talk to Martha or Doug Stetzel.
- **Office Hours:** Pastor Kimberly is in the office on Mondays and Wednesdays. Thursdays she will be splitting her time between Immanuel and Mt. Olivet, so if you would like to see her on that day, please call ahead so she can be sure to be in town. You can call the church number (515) 465- 5298 and it will ring to Pastor's cell phone if she is not in the office.