

Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost August 13, 2023

Lutheran Book of Worship - Setting Two

GOD GATHERS US AS HIS HOLY PEOPLE

PRELUDE

In remembrance of Baptism, you may sign a cross on your chest or forehead.

We gather to worship the One true God – the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (LBW p.77)

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

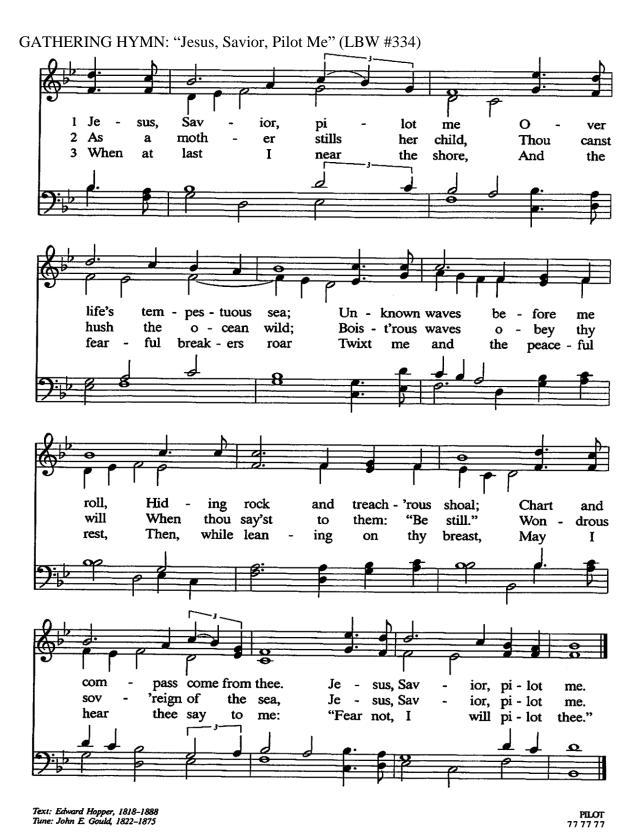
If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

We keep silence for self-reflection and contrition.

Most merciful God.

we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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 us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

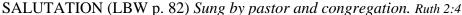


AFFIRMATION OF PURPOSE *Matthew 28:18-20, 22:36-39; Mark 12:30-31* We are Joy Mission Church, missionary-disciples of Jesus Christ. **We love God, love neighbor, and serve with joy in Jesus' name.**

APOSTOLIC GREETING (LBW p. 78) 2 Corinthians 13:14

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**







PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray together: Almighty and merciful God, only by your gift of grace can the faithful offer service that is worthy of you and deserving of praise. Keep us from stumbling as we run to receive your promises; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Please be seated.

GOD SPEAKS TO US IN HIS WORD

FIRST READING: Job 38:4-18

4"Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. ⁵ Who determined its measurements — surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? ⁶On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone, ⁷when the morning stars sang together and all the sons of God shouted for joy? ⁸Or who shut in the sea with doors when it burst out from the womb, ⁹when I made clouds its garment and thick darkness its swaddling band, ¹⁰and prescribed limits for it and set bars and doors, ¹¹and said, 'Thus far shall you come, and no farther, and here shall your proud waves be stayed'? ¹²Have you commanded the morning since your days began, and caused the dawn to know its place, ¹³that it might take hold of the skirts of the earth, and the wicked be shaken out of it? ¹⁴It is changed like clay under the seal, and its features stand out like a garment. ¹⁵From the wicked their light is withheld, and their uplifted arm is broken. ¹⁶Have you entered into the springs of the sea, or walked in the recesses of the deep? ¹⁷Have the gates of death been revealed to you, or have you seen the gates of deep darkness? ¹⁸Have you comprehended the expanse of the earth? Declare, if you know all this." The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 18:1-17 Sung responsively between cantor and congregation. (Tone #9)

¹I love you, O | Lord my strength,*

O Lord my stronghold, my crag, | and my haven.

²My God, my rock in whom I | put my trust,*

my shield, the horn of my salvation, and my refuge: You are worth- | y of praise.

³I will call up- | on the Lord,*

and so shall I be saved | from my enemies.

⁴The breakers of death rolled | over me,*

and the torrents of oblivion made | me afraid.

⁵The cords of hell en- | tangled me,*

and the snares of death were | set for me.

⁶I called upon the Lord in | my distress*

and cried out to my | God for help.

⁷He heard my voice from his heav- | enly dwelling;*

my cry of anguish came | to his ears.

⁸The earth | reeled and rocked;*

the roots of the mountains shook; they reeled because | of his anger.

⁹Smoke rose from his nostrils and a consuming fire out | of his mouth;*

hot burning coals blazed | forth from him.

¹⁰He parted the heavens | and came down*

with a storm cloud un- | der his feet.

¹¹He mounted on cherub- | im and flew;*

he swooped on the wings | of the wind.

¹²He wrapped dark- | ness about him;*

he made dark waters and thick clouds | his pavilion.

¹³From the brightness of his presence, | through the clouds,*

burst hailstones and | coals of fire.

¹⁴The Lord thundered | out of heaven;*

the Most High ut- | tered his voice.

¹⁵He loosed his arrows and | scattered them;*

he hurled thunderbolts and | routed them.

¹⁶The beds of the seas were uncovered, and the foundations of the | world laid bare,* at your battle cry, O Lord, at the blast of the breath | of your nostrils.

¹⁷He reached down from on high | and grasped me;*

he drew me out | of great waters.

SECOND READING: Romans 10:5-17

⁵Moses writes about the righteousness that is based on the law, that the person who does the commandments shall live by them. ⁶But the righteousness based on faith says, "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?'" (that is, to bring Christ down) 7"or 'Who will descend into the abyss?" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? "The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. ¹¹For the Scripture says, "Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame." ¹²For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; for the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. ¹³For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved." ¹⁴How then will they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? ¹⁵And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!" ¹⁶But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, "Lord, who has believed what he has heard from us?" ¹⁷So faith comes from hearing, and The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God. hearing through the word of Christ.

Please stand as you are able.



GOSPEL ANNUNCIATION (LBW p. 83)

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the fourteenth chapter.



²²Immediately {Jesus} made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. ²³And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, ²⁴but the boat by this time was a long way from the land, beaten by the waves, for the wind was against them. ²⁵And in the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. ²⁶But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, and said, "It is a ghost!" and they cried out in fear. ²⁷But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, "Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid." ²⁸And Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." ²⁹He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus. ³⁰But when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, "Lord, save me." ³¹Jesus immediately reached out his hand and took hold of him, saying to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" ³²And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. ³³And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."



SERMON

GOD INVITES US TO RESPOND IN FAITH

Please stand as you are able.



APOSTLES' CREED (LBW p. 85) Genesis 1-2; John 3:16; Luke 2; Acts 2

Living together in trust and hope, let us confess our faith.

I believe in God, the Father almighty,

creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again 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.

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people as they have need...

Each petition ends with these words: Lord, in your mercy, Hear our prayer.

The prayers conclude with these words: ...through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

OFFERING OF PEACE John 20:19-21

The peace of the Lord be with you always. And also with you.

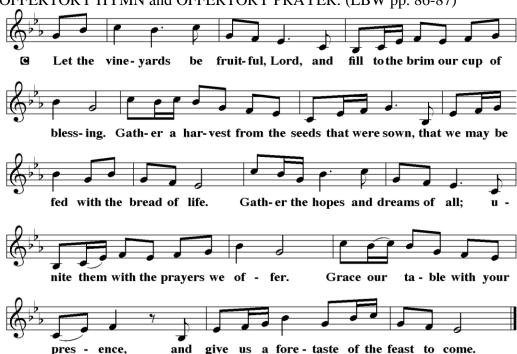
Having been reconciled to God in Christ, we share His peace with others.

OFFERING OF TITHES & ADDITIONAL GIFTS with SPECIAL MUSIC as available.

We offer our time, talents, and treasure in gratitude for all of the blessings God has given us.

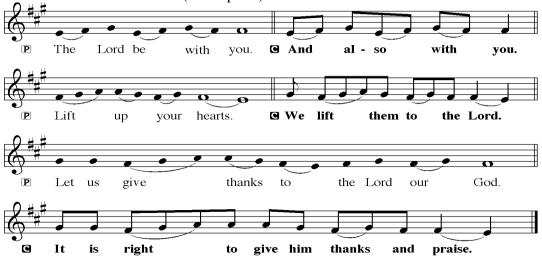
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OFFERTORY HYMN and OFFERTORY PRAYER: (LBW pp. 86-87)



Let us pray... Blessed are you, O Lord, our God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.





PREFACE (LBW p. 88) Sung or spoken by the pastor.

It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, Holy Father, through Christ our Lord; who on this day overcame death in the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS ("Holy" LBW p. 89) Psalm 118:25-26; Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9; Mark 11:9



WORDS OF INSTITUTION 1 Corinthians 11:23-26; Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20 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 in 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 in remembrance of me.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (LBW p. 91) Matthew 6:9-13; Luke 11:2-4

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.

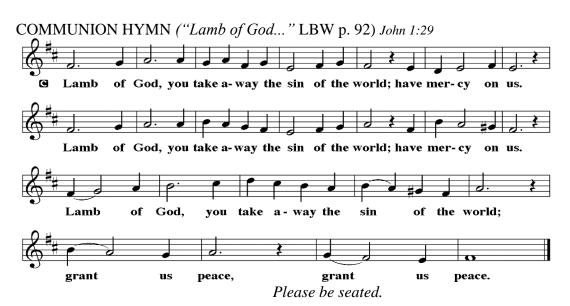
Give us this day our daily bread;

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.



WE RECEIVE THE LORD'S SUPPER

All who are baptized and trust that Christ is truly present in, with, and under the bread and wine may come forward to commune. The usher will direct you and offer you hand sanitizer.

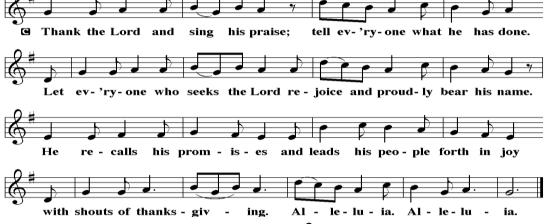
- If you require gluten-free wafers or abstain from wine, indicate so to the pastor.
- To receive the Sacrament in your seat, notify the usher and it will be brought to you.
- If you abstain from the Sacrament, you have full forgiveness of sins by God's Word alone.

The body of Christ given for you. Amen. The blood of Christ shed for you. Amen.

After the elements are covered, please stand as you are able.

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING & CANTICLE (LBW pp. 92-93)

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. Amen.

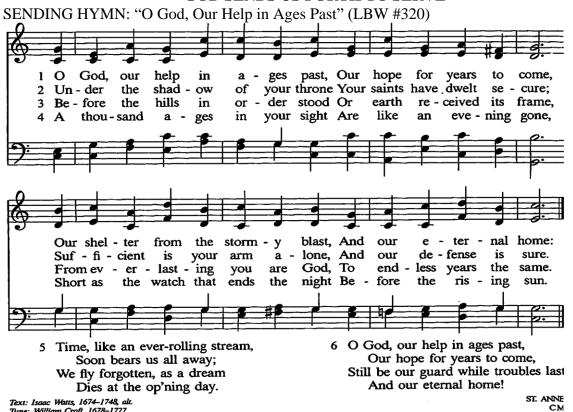


POST-COMMUNION PRAYER (adapted from SBH p. 13) & BENEDICTION (LBW p. 95)

Let us pray. Almighty God, who gives the true Bread which comes down from heaven, your dear Son, Jesus Christ our Lord: Grant, we beseech you, that we who have received the Sacrament of his Body and Blood may abide in him, and he in us, that we may be filled with the power of his endless life; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. **Amen.**



GOD SENDS US FORTH TO SERVE



DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord! Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

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worship + fellowship + discipleship



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