HOLY COMMUNION Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

October 24, 2021

8:00 am and 10:30 am

INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

Can we pray the way Bartimaeus prays? People try to hush him up because by addressing Jesus as "Son of David" he is making a politically dangerous claim that Jesus is the rightful king. Could our prayers ever be heard as a threat to unjust powers that be? Bartimaeus won't give up or go away quietly, but repeats his call for help more loudly. Do we ask so boldly? And are our prayers an honest answer to Jesus' question, "What do you want me to do for you?"

SILENT PRAYER

PRELUDE: Amazing Grace

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING (ENTRANCE RITE)

Stand

HYMN: *God, Whose Almighty Word Printed on the next page.*

God, Whose Almighty Word



CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (ABSOLUTION)

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism.

- In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- **G** Amen.
- **P** 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.

G Amen.

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Kneel/Stand

P Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive 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.

 In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God 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.

G Amen.

Stand

GREETING

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



PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

G Amen.

Sit

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 31:7-9

This passage speaks not only of the southern kingdom, Judah, and its homecoming from exile in Babylon, but also of the northern kingdom ("Israel" or "Ephraim") and its restoration. The northern tribes of Israel had been lost in exile to Assyria more than a century before Jeremiah prophesied.

A reading from Jeremiah. A ⁷Thus says the LORD: Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob, and raise shouts for the chief of the nations; proclaim, give praise, and say, "Save, O LORD, your people, the remnant of Israel." ⁸See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north, and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth, among them the blind and the lame, those with child and those in labor, together; a great company, they shall return here. ⁹With weeping they shall come, and with consolations I will lead them back, I will let them walk by brooks of water, in a straight path in which they shall not stumble; for I have become a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn.

- **A** The word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Later service only:

PSALM 125 (The congregation's verses are in bold face type.)
¹When the LORD restored the for-¹ tunes of Zion, then were we like ¹ those who dream.
²Then was our mouth ¹ filled with laughter, and our tongue with ¹ shouts of joy.
³Then they said a-¹ mong the nations, "The LORD has done great ¹ things for them."
⁴The LORD has done great ¹ things for us, and we are ¹ glad indeed.
⁵Restore our for-¹ tunes, O LORD, like the watercourses ¹ of the Negev.
⁶Those who ¹ sowed with tears will reap with ¹ songs of joy.
⁷Those who go out weeping, carry-¹ ing the seed, will come again with joy, shoulder-¹ ing their sheaves.

SECOND READING

Hebrews 7:23-28

Human priests of old offered sacrifice for their own sins and served only until their death. In contrast, Jesus is God's Son, the holy, sinless, resurrected high priest. Death did not terminate his priestly service, but through his death he has interceded for our sins.

A reading from Hebrews.

²³The former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office; ²⁴but he holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever. ²⁵Consequently he is able for all time to save those who approach God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them.

²⁶For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. ²⁷Unlike the other high priests, he has no need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for those of the people; this he did once for all when he offered himself. ²⁸For the law appoints as high priests those who are subject to weakness, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever.

A The word of the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.

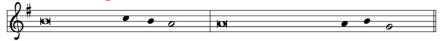
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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

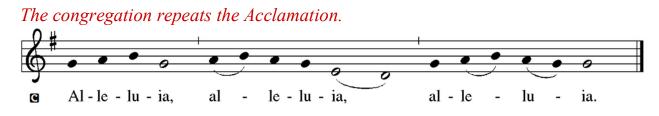
The congregation sings the Acclamation.



The choir sings the Verse.



The Lord will rescue me from every e | vil attack and save me for his heav | enly kingdom.



GOSPEL

Mark 10:46-52

Bartimaeus comes to Jesus with faith, asking that he might see again. Recognizing Jesus' identity, Bartimaeus is the first person to call him "Son of David" in the Gospel of Mark.

P The holy gospel according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

⁴⁶As [Jesus] and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. ⁴⁷When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" ⁴⁸Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" ⁴⁹Jesus stood still and said, "Call him here." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; get up, he is calling you." ⁵⁰So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. ⁵¹Then Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said to him, "My teacher, let me see again." ⁵²Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

- **P** The gospel of the Lord.
- **O** Praise to you, O Christ.

Sit

SERMON

Stand

Later service only: HYMN OF THE DAY: Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now



Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now

The Nicene Creed is appropriate during Advent, Christmas, Easter, and on festival days; the Apostles' Creed during Lent and at other times. **APOSTLES CREED**

- APUSILES CREED
- **P** With the whole church, let us confess our faith.
- **G** 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 into hell. 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

- A With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.
- We pray for the church, for its pastors and other ministers, for the newly baptized, for all the faithful, for this congregation here gathered, and for our growth in grace.

Lord, in your mercy,

- **C** hear our prayer.
- We pray for all nations, for all rulers, legislators, and judges, for an increase of justice in our lands, and for all who work for peace among nations and among peoples.
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C hear our prayer.

We pray for all in any need, for the hungry and the homeless, for victims of war and injustice, for prisoners, for all who suffer in mind, body, or spirit, for the sick and infirm, for all with incurable illness, and for all who this day will die. We pray especially for those we name in the silence of our hearts... Lord, in your mercy,

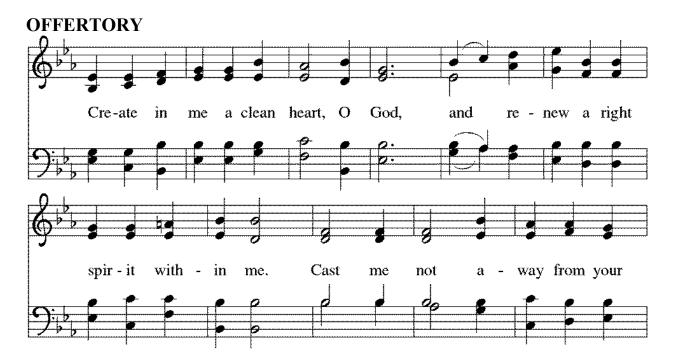
C hear our prayer.

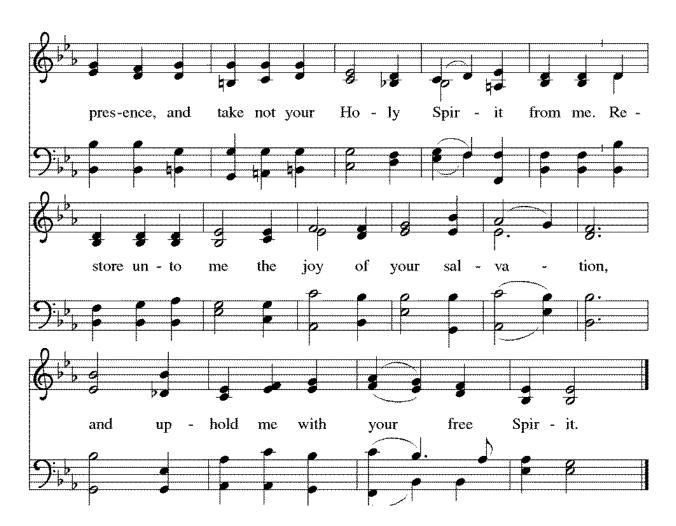
- A We pray for the members of our armed forces wherever they serve, and especially when they serve in harm's way, that they might speedily complete their mission and be safely reunited with their loved ones. Lord, in your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C Amen.

LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR

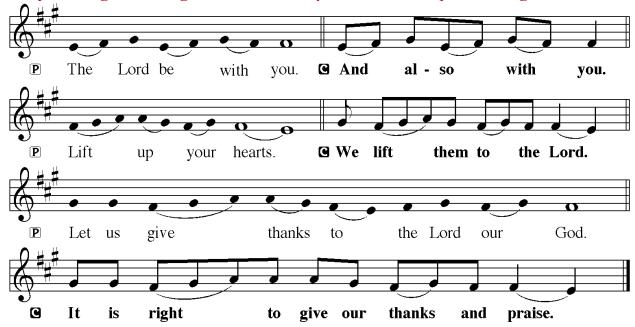
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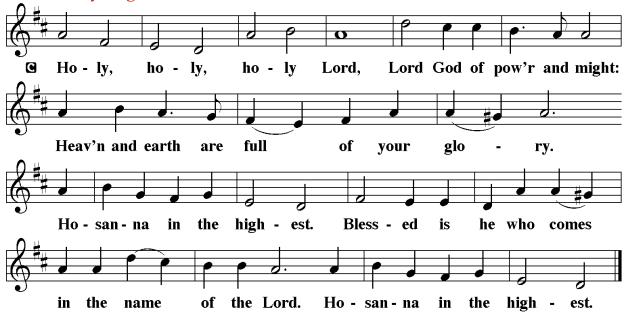
GREAT THANKSGIVING

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



The minister continues with the PROPER PREFACE:

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy... *Here the minister continues with the preface for the day, concluding:* ...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



The assembly sings the SANCTUS:

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The WORDS OF INSTITUTION are sung to the music Blessed Martin Luther himself composed specifically for this purpose.

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.

LORD'S PRAYER

- **P** 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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

- Behold the Lamb of God,behold him who takes away the sins of the world.Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.
- Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

Sit

COMMUNION

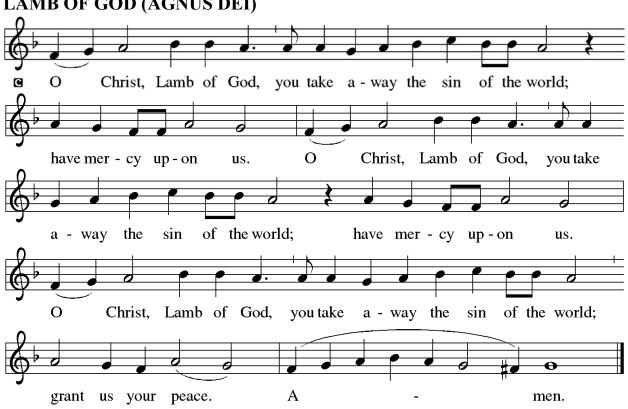
When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say

The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you. *and each person may respond*

Amen.

We Lutherans believe that the Body and Blood of Christ are "truly and substantially" present "in, with, and under" the forms of bread and wine. We invite to the communion all who are baptized and communing in this or another Christian denomination. We welcome children and others who are not communing to come forward for a blessing.

Music during Communion: LAMB OF GOD (AGNUS DEI)



ANTHEM:

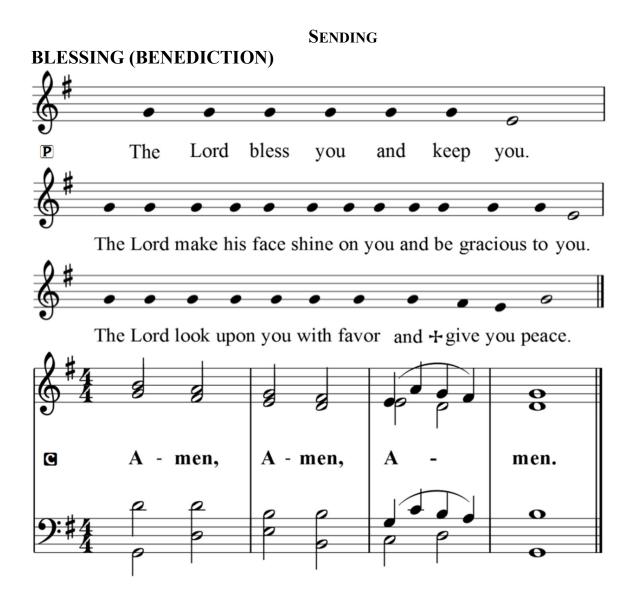
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BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION

- The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
- **G** Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

- Let us pray.
 We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.
- **G** Amen.



DISMISSAL

- **A** Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

HYMN: *Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound Printed on the next page.*



OFFERING *The offering will be collected as you leave the Church.*

POSTLUDE: *Divertissement*

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The Time of the Church is the season after Pentecost, beginning with The Holy Trinity and ending with Christ the King. These weeks focus on Christ's ministry and teaching.

On Sundays for which the color is green, it is appropriate to omit either the Kyrie or the Hymn of Praise, reserving both together for festival seasons.

The liturgical color green, symbolic of growth, is used for the season after Epiphany and after Pentecost.

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Vestry Greeters: Janet Stokes, Sherry Jessee and Shane Elison Ushers: Dick Allebach, Scott Halteman, and Mike Taylor Lectors: 8:00 am: Laurie Mueller 10:30 am: Sonya Sowards Altar Guild: Linda Romano and Sally Sweeney Offering Tabulation: Janet Stokes, Sherry Jessee and Shane Elison Video Production: Jim Lien, Jeannie Funk, or Jonathan Mueller.

<u>The Flowers that Adorn the Altar in the Brick Church Nave</u> are given to the glory of God by Karen McClain in honor of our many wonderful church volunteers.

<u>The Sanctuary Candle</u> is given to the glory of God by Tammy Griggs in honor of son Evan's Birthday.

The Worship Bulletins are given to the glory of God by

<u>Altar Guild Help Wanted:</u> Altar Guild members attend to the altar on Sundays. They change the paraments, prepare Holy Communion, place the flowers, and a host of other small jobs that are so important to our weekly worship. No experience required! We'll train you! Contact Deb Scholl at <u>Schollde@aol.com</u>.

<u>Green Thumb Volunteers Needed:</u> We are very proud of the Augustus campus and would like visitors to be left with a feeling that we really care how it looks. As a result, the Property Committee is looking for a few individuals to maintain/weed various areas around the campus such as the Mother's Day Garden, the Bubeck memorial and the gardens around the Old Church throughout the summer months. If you have any interest please contact Pat O'Hara (<u>qadirector5@aol.com</u>) or Gary Wessner (<u>gtwess@comcast.net</u>). Any help would be greatly appreciated.

Prayer Chain Volunteers Needed: Did you know Augustus's WELCA has a prayer group? People are invited to call the leader of the group, Carol Oelschlager, or the church office with prayer requests and a group of folks will say special prayers based on these requests. This group is now seeking additional people to pray for our congregants and friends. Men and women who are interested in participating in this most important ministry, please call Carol Oelschlager at 610-489-3109.



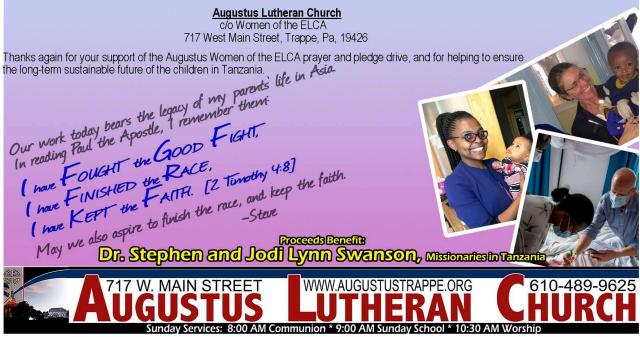
Dear Friends of the Spring Turkey Dinner,

Miracles do happen with the help from all of you. For this second year of living with the challenges of the global pandemic our "Prayer and Pledge Drive", in lieu of the annual Augustus Lutheran Church Spring Turkey Dinner / Craft & Vendor Fair, is once again initiated for Dr. Stephen and Jodi Swanson and their family whom we have supported for several years as missionaries in the healthcare profession in Tanzania. We want to continue to help support them in their wonderful work to train Tanzanian health professionals, develop a neonatal care unit, and establish a feeding program for malnourished children. Through their tireless efforts they have successfully increased the infant survival rate to 93%, making it the highest in the underdeveloped areas of Africa. Another cause for rejoicing is that Dr. Evelyine Mushi, who has worked with Dr. Swanson for the past three years, received the ELCA International Leaders Program scholarship to study Pediatrics in South Africa for 4 years. The Swansons are not only working to save lives but also to nurture leadership which will ensure their legacy and the future of Tanzanians for many generations to come.

Because of the ongoing pandemic, we need to look to members and friends of our congregation and the community to support the ministry of our pediatric missionaries. Would you prayerfully consider being a part of a global Christian community with a financial contribution, a faithful prayer, or both? No contribution is too small, even praying goes a long way! **ALL DONATIONS RECEIVED BY 10/31/2021 WILL BE MATCHED** by two generous gifts: a generous gift from **Pastor Kochenderfer** (up to \$1,000), and a generous gift from **Pastor Martha and Pastor Howard Kriebel** (up to \$1,500). So, every dollar you contribute will be increased two and a half -fold!

On behalf of the Swansons, the Augustus Women of the ELCA, and the Christian community at Augustus Lutheran Church, we would like to thank you in advance for your support. For your convenience, you can make your contribution by one of the following two ways:

- 1. Donating online at <www.augustustrappe.org>. Just follow the "DONATE" prompts under the "GIVING" tab. Don't forget to add "WELCA-Turkey Dinner" and your phone number in the comments box.
- By mailing-in your financial commitment. Checks and money orders can be made out to 'Augustus Women of the ELCA'. Additionally, please write "Turkey Dinner" on the memo line. Send your donation to the following address to ensure your donation is delivered to the applicable location:



ENJOY TRICK OR TREATING IN A SAFE ENVIRONMENT AT OUR ANNUAL



Augustus Lutheran Church

717 WEST MAIN STREET, TRAPPE

October 30th, 2021

4-6pm

Our youth group and their families have decorated their cars for your entertainment.