

HOLY COMMUNION
Second Sunday after Pentecost
Old Church Sunday

June 11, 2023

9:30 am

INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

Though Jesus was a devout Jew who practiced his faith, he was criticized for eating with tax collectors and sinners—the religiously nonobservant. Jesus criticizes the self-righteous and reminds us that mercy is to be at the heart of our religious practices. God continues to be made known in those on the margins of society, like Matthew the tax collector and the hemorrhaging woman. As we gather each Lord’s day we receive the healing that makes us well and sends us forth to be signs of God’s mercy for the world.

SILENT PRAYER

PRELUDE: *Sonata V: Larghetto, Allegro*
Ali Backlund, flute

Handel

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING (ENTRANCE RITE)

Stand

HYMN: *With the Lord Begin Your Task*
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With the Lord Begin Your Task



1 With the Lord be - gin your task; Je - sus will di - rect it.
 2 Let each day be - gin with prayer, praise, and ad - o - ra - tion.
 3 With your Sav - ior at your side, foes need not a - larm you;
 4 If your task be thus be - gun with the Sav - ior's bless - ing,



For his aid and coun - sel ask; Je - sus will per - fect it.
 On the Lord cast ev - 'ry care; he is your sal - va - tion.
 in his prom - is - es con - fide, and no ill can harm you.
 safe - ly then your course will run, toward the prom - ise press - ing.



Ev - 'ry morn with Je - sus rise, and, when day is end - ed,
 Morn - ing, eve - ning, and at night Je - sus will be near you,
 All your trust and hope re - pose in the might - y mas - ter,
 Good will fol - low ev - 'ry - where while you here must wan - der;



in his name then close your eyes; be to him com - mend - ed.
 save you from the tempt - er's might, with his pres - ence cheer you.
 who in wis - dom tru - ly knows how to stem di - sas - ter.
 you at last the joy will share in the man - sions yon - der.

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CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (ABSOLUTION)

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

P In the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C 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.

C Amen.

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

Kneel/Stand

P Most merciful God,

C **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.

- P** 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.
- C** 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.
- C** And also with you.

KYRIE

Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.

Lord, have mer - cy; have mer - cy, O Lord.

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

- ☐ Let us pray.
O God, the strength of those who hope in you: Be present and hear our prayers; and, because in the weakness of our mortal nature we can do nothing good without you, give us the help of your grace, so that in keeping your commandments we may please you in will and deed; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- ☑ Amen.

Sit

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Hosea 5:15 - 6:6

Because the people have trusted in military powers and not God, God decides to withdraw from the scene until Israel acknowledges its guilt and seeks God's face. The response of the people does not acknowledge this guilt and is as fickle as fog or dew burned away quickly by the sun. God desires loyalty rather than words or meaningless deeds.

- ☐ A reading from Hosea.
- ¹⁵I will return again to my place
until they acknowledge their guilt and seek my face.
In their distress they will beg my favor:
- ^{6:1}“Come, let us return to the LORD;
for it is he who has torn, and he will heal us;
he has struck down, and he will bind us up.
- ²After two days he will revive us;
on the third day he will raise us up,
that we may live before him.
- ³Let us know, let us press on to know the LORD;
his appearing is as sure as the dawn;
he will come to us like the showers,
like the spring rains that water the earth.”
- ⁴What shall I do with you, O Ephraim?
What shall I do with you, O Judah?
Your love is like a morning cloud,
like the dew that goes away early.

⁵Therefore I have hewn them by the prophets,
I have killed them by the words of my mouth,
and my judgment goes forth as the light.
⁶For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice,
the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings.

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

PSALM 50:7-15 (*The congregation's verses are in bold face type.*)

⁷Hear, O my people, and I will speak: "O Israel, I will bear witness against you;
for I am God, your God.
⁸**I do not accuse you because of your sacrifices;
your offerings are always before me.**
⁹I will take no bull-calf from your stalls,
nor he-goats out of your pens;
¹⁰**for all the beasts of the forest are mine,
the herds in their thousands upon the hills.**
¹¹I know every bird in the sky,
and the creatures of the fields are in my sight.
¹²**If I were hungry, I would not tell you,
for the whole world is mine and all that is in it.**
¹³Do you think I eat the flesh of bulls,
or drink the blood of goats?
¹⁴**Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving
and make good your vows to the Most High.**
¹⁵Call upon me in the day of trouble;
I will deliver you, and you shall honor me."

SECOND READING

Romans 4:13-25

Paul presents Abraham as a living model of right relationships. For Abraham and for us, a right relationship with God involves trusting that God's promises will be fulfilled because God makes the dead alive and calls into existence what otherwise does not exist.

A A reading from Romans.

¹³The promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. ¹⁴If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void.

¹⁵For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

¹⁶For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, ¹⁷as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations")—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. ¹⁸Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So numerous shall your descendants be." ¹⁹He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. ²⁰No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, ²¹being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised.

²²Therefore his faith "was reckoned to him as righteousness." ²³Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone, ²⁴but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, ²⁵who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

A The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

GOSPEL

Matthew 9:9-13; 18-26

Jesus demonstrates God's mercy and power, accepting the unacceptable and curing the incurable. Even the dead receive new life.

P The holy gospel according to Matthew.

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

⁹As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, "Follow me." And he got up and followed him.

¹⁰And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. ¹¹When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" ¹²But when he heard this, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. ¹³Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners."

¹⁸While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader of the synagogue came in and knelt before him, saying, "My daughter has just died; but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live." ¹⁹And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. ²⁰Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, ²¹for she said to herself, "If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well." ²²Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well." And instantly the woman was made well. ²³When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, ²⁴he said, "Go away; for the girl is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. ²⁵But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up.

²⁶And the report of this spread throughout that district.

P The gospel of the Lord.

G **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sit

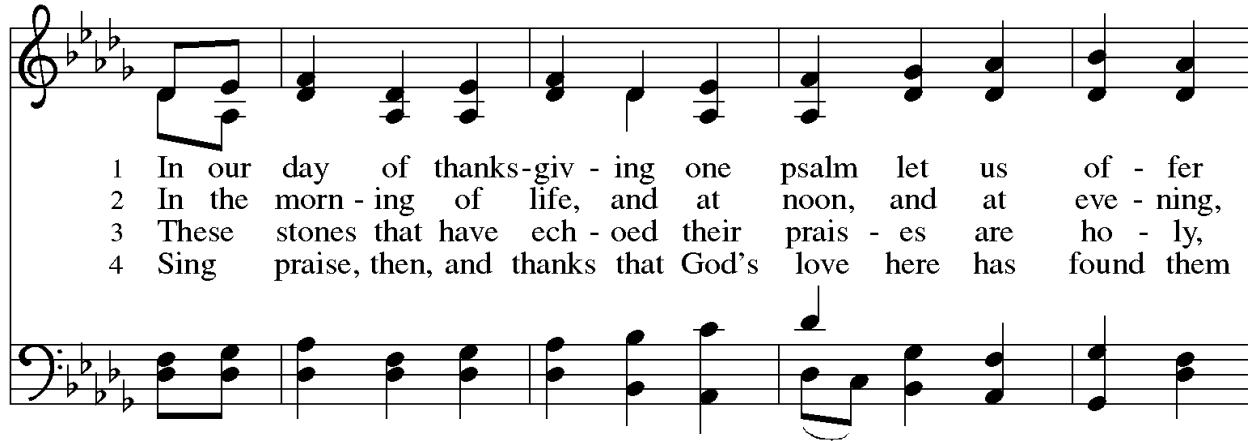
SERMON

The Reverend Dr. Karl Krueger


Stand

HYMN OF THE DAY: *In Our Day of Thanksgiving*
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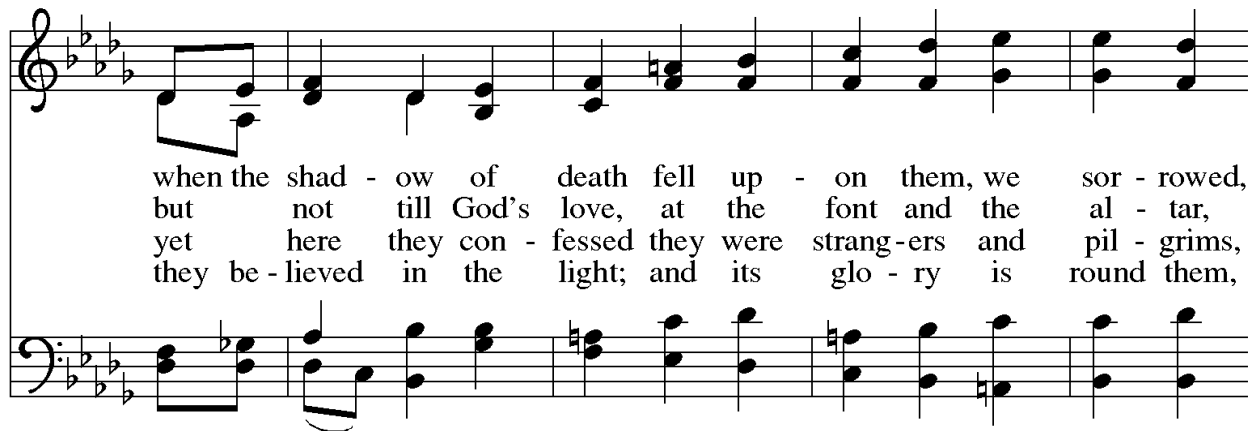
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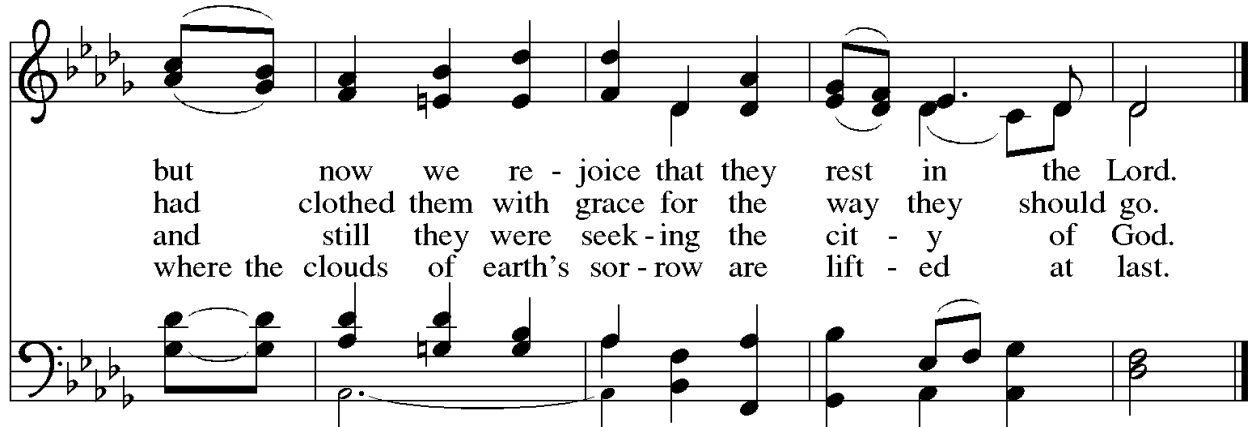
1 In our day of thanks-giv - ing one psalm let us of - fer
2 In the morn - ing of life, and at noon, and at eve - ning,
3 These stones that have ech - oed their prais - es are ho - ly,
4 Sing praise, then, and thanks that God's love here has found them



for the saints who be - fore us re - ceived the re - ward;
they were gath - ered to heav'n from our wor - ship be - low;
and dear is the ground where their feet have once trod;
whose jour - ney is end - ed, whose per - ils are past;



when the shad - ow of death fell up - on them, we sor - rowed,
but not till God's love, at the font and the al - tar,
yet here they con - fessed they were strang - ers and pil - grims,
they be - lieved in the light; and its glo - ry is round them,



but now we re - joice that they rest in the Lord.
had clothed them with grace for the way they should go.
and still they were seek - ing the cit - y of God.
where the clouds of earth's sor - row are lift - ed at last.

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

APOSTLES CREED

P With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

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 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.
- A** 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.**
- A** 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.
Lord, in your mercy,
C **hear our prayer.**
- A** 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.**
- P** Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray,
trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.
C **Amen.**

PEACE

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C **And also with you.**

Worshippers do not greet one another. The service continues with the Offertory.

LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR

The Offering will be collected in the Narthex as you leave the church.

OFFERTORY



Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right

spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your

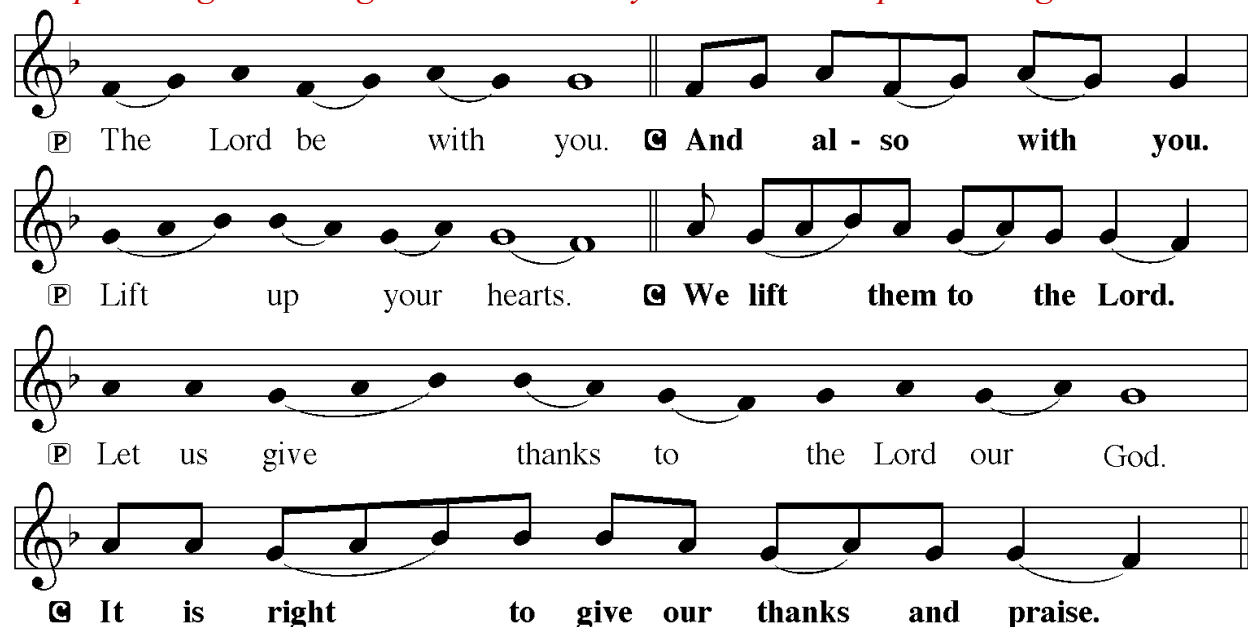
pres-ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re -

store un - to me the joy of your sal - va - tion,

and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

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



P The Lord be with you. **C** And al - so with you.

P Lift up your hearts. **C** We lift them to the Lord.

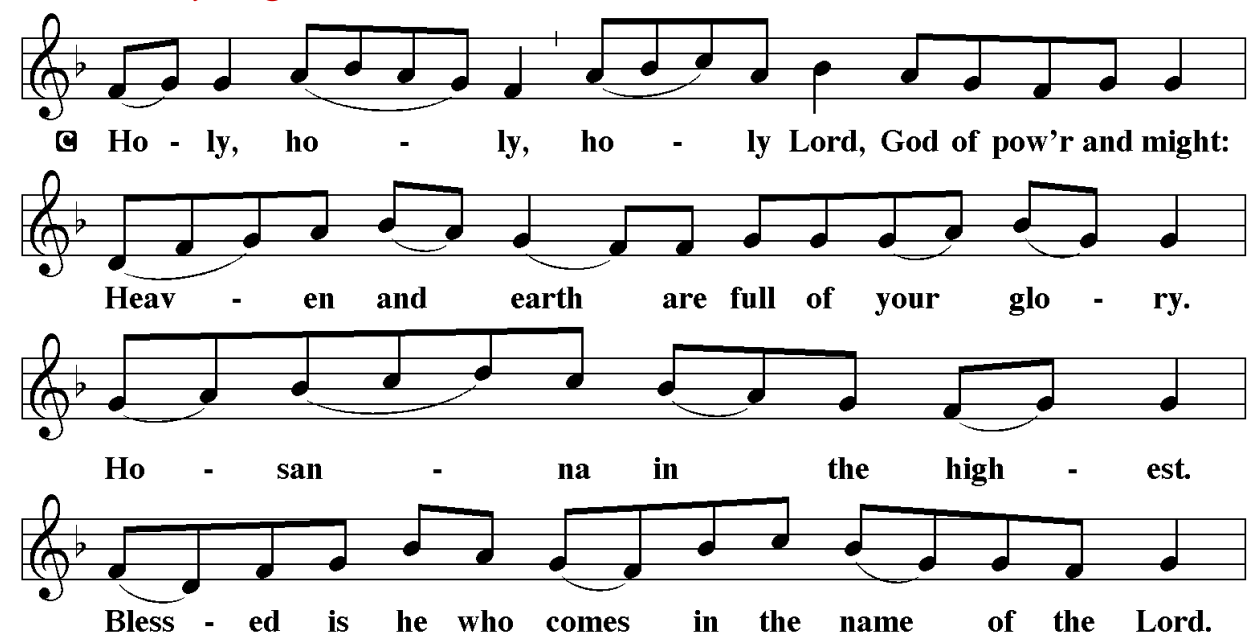
P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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:

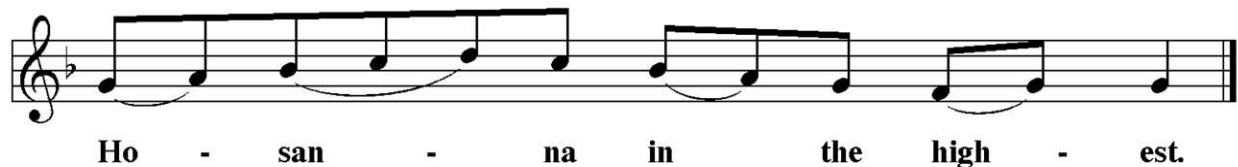


C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:

Heav - en 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.



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

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 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.

C **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

R 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)

Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace. A - men

Refrain:

Our times are in thy hands; our lives belong to thee,
Thou God of now and yesterday and all that still shall be.

1. O God of days gone by, who led our fathers here, who gave them hope and strength and love through all the passing years. *(Refrain)*
2. O God, thou God of now, we hear thy voice and heed thy call to serve in such a time of hopelessness and need. *(Refrain)*
3. O God of days to come, we pledge to thee our best, to live and serve in Jesus' name as long as life shall last. *(Refrain)* Amen.

Stand

BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION

P The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A 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.

C Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING (BENEDICTION)



P The Lord bless you and keep you.



The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.



The Lord look upon you with favor and † give you peace.

C A - men, A - men, A - men.

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

HYMN: *O God Our Help in Ages Past*

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O God, Our Help in Ages Past

1 O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come,
 2 Un - der the shad - ow of your throne your saints have dwelt se - cure;
 3 Be - fore the hills in or - der stood or earth re - ceived its frame,
 4 A thou - sand a - ges in your sight are like an eve - ning gone,

our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, and our e - ter - nal home:
 suf - fi - cient is your arm a - lone, and our de - fense is sure.
 from ev - er - last - ing you are God, to end - less years the same.
 short as the watch that ends the night be - fore the ris - ing sun.

5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
 bears all our years away;
 we fly forgotten, as a dream
 dies at the op'ning day.

6 O God, our help in ages past,
 our hope for years to come,
 still be our guard while troubles last
 and our eternal home!

OFFERING

The offering will be collected as you leave the Church.

POSTLUDE: *O God, Our Help in Ages Past*

Young



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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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The Flowers that Adorn the Altar are given to the glory of God by Pastor Weleck in loving memory of the faithful Augustinians who have gone before us.

The Sanctuary Candle is given to the glory of God by Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Oelschlager and family in loving memory of parents and grandparents William and Irene Miller.

The Worship Bulletins are given to the glory of God by Mr. and Mrs. Patrick North and family.

Today is “Old Church Sunday”

Our good friend, the Rev. Dr. Karl Krueger will inspire us with his sermon during the service in our Old Trappe Church. Following the service, the Old Church Committee will provide a sit-down luncheon, after which, the Rev. Dr. Karl Krueger will delight us with his presentation on “A Funeral and a Feud”.

Please join us!

Don't forget to schedule time for your kids to attend

Vacation Bible School at Augustus!

VBS begins Monday, June 26th and will run from 9-12 every day until Thursday, June 29th.

Come with us on the Discovery on Adventure Island: Quest for God's Great Light!
Register NOW through the link on our website or pick up a registration form in the lower narthex at the bottom of the stairs.



The Daily Bread Food Pantry is collecting school supplies and backpacks for the children of their clients. Last year they distributed back packs and school supplies to 303 children. The items needed are listed below along with the anticipated number of each supply required:

- 78 Large Backpacks (distributed to 9th through 12th grade)
- 85 Medium Backpacks (distributed to 5th through 8th grade)
- 85 Small Backpacks (distributed to Kindergarten through 4th grade)
- 30 Plastic pencil boxes (distributed to Kindergarten through 4th grade)
- 53 Pencil cases for binders (distributed to 5th through 12th grade)
- 72 Packs of Dividers for binders
- 54 1" three-ring binders
- 85 pairs of Fiskar (elementary age) scissors
- 12 packs of 3x5 lined index cards
- 40 block erasers (large, usually pink) for elementary age
- 6 rulers
- 300 Flash drives

Please drop your donations in the Food Pantry Donations basket in the Muhlenberg Center. We will get them to the food pantry. This is a great way to share your giving ways with your children by encourage them to choose items to donate for kids their own ages. Help our neighbors in need!