# August 23, 2020 12th Sunday after Pentecost

### GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

## WELCOME

PRELUDE: Largo (Chopin)

#### **MEDITATION**

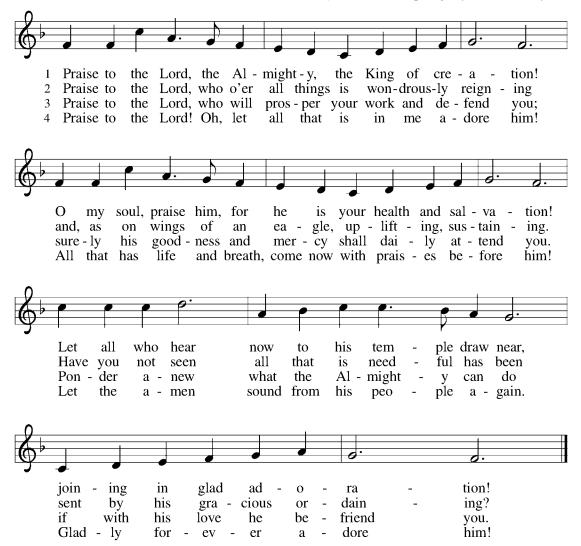
**PSALM 119:33-40** International Commission on English in the Liturgy

God, teach me your ways and I will follow them closely. Help me to understand your will, that I may cherish your law.

Guide me along your path, a way of delight. Open my heart to your laws and not to riches.

Turn my eyes from the lure of evil, let me live your truth. Keep your promise to one who reveres you.

Spare me the shame I fear. How good your commands! See, I want what is right, let your justice give me life. GATHERING SONG: Praise to the Lord, the Almighty (ELW 858)



Text: Joachim Neander, 1650–1680; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt. Music: LOBE DEN HERREN, *Ernewerten Gesangbuch*, Part II, Stralsund, 1665

# **GREETING/PRAYER OF THE DAY - Paul Anderson**

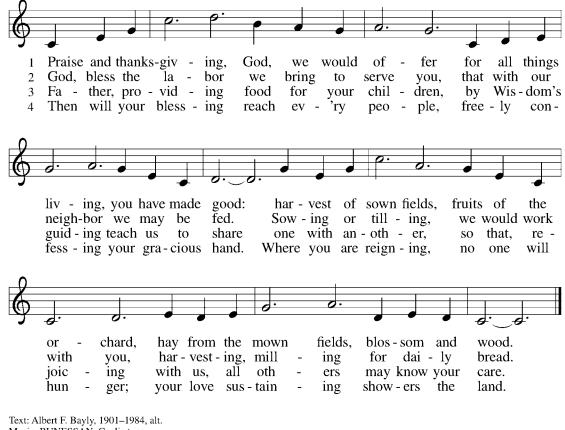
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. And also with you.

#### Let us pray.

O God, with all your faithful followers of every age, we praise you, the rock of our life. Be our strong foundation and form us into the body of your Son, that we may gladly minister to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

## Amen.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE: Praise and Thanksgiving (ELW 689)



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#### WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

#### THE WORD: Luke 11:2-4 - Thorin Freriks

[Jesus] said to them, "When you pray, say: Father, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. <sup>3</sup>Give us each day our daily bread. <sup>4</sup>And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us. And do not bring us to the time of trial."

Word of God, word of life.

# THE SMALL CATECHISM of MARTIN LUTHER *The Lord's Prayer*

The Fourth Petition - Paul and Darci Desilet Give us today our daily bread.

## What is this? OR What does this mean?

In fact, God gives daily bread without our prayer, even to all evil people, but we ask in this prayer that God cause us to recognize what our daily bread is and to receive it with thanksgiving.

What then does "daily bread" mean?

Everything included in the necessities and nourishment for our bodies, such as food, drink, clothing, shoes, house, farm, fields, livestock, money, property, an upright spouse, upright children, upright members of the household, upright and faithful rulers, good government, good weather, peace, health, decency, honor, good friends, faithful neighbors, and the like.

## The Fifth Petition

Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.

What is this? OR What does this mean?

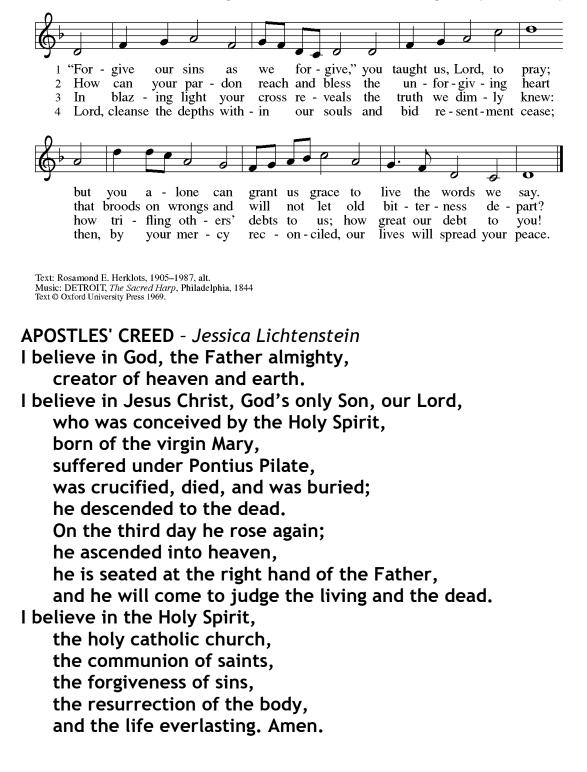
We ask in this prayer that our heavenly Father would not regard our sins nor deny these petitions on their account, for we are worthy of nothing for which we ask, nor have we earned it. Instead we ask that God would give us all things by grace, for we daily sin much and indeed deserve only punishment. So, on the other hand, we, too, truly want to forgive heartily and to do good gladly to those who sin against us.

**GOSPEL RESPONSE:** "Washed Anew" (Thomas Keesecker) Bob Berg, Doug Peterson, Sally Adams, Connie Wolter

CHILDREN'S SERMON: Roger Steinke

**SERMON:** Joe Siebert

HYMN OF THE DAY: Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive (ELW 605)



# PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION - Todd and Julie Mass

Confident of your care and helped by the Holy Spirit, we pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

Lord our rock, you are our foundation in Jesus Christ, your Son, whom we confess as the living God. Prepare your church for its mission in bearing witness to Christ, both here at home and throughout the world. Lord, in your mercy,

# hear our prayer.

You call forth praises from the far reaches of the universe to the smallest of creatures. Join our songs to theirs, that a spirit of praise and thanksgiving will arouse us to cherish this wondrous home you give us. We ask your protection from forest fires, tornadoes, winds, and hurricanes. Lord, in your mercy,

## hear our prayer.

All the kings of the earth shall praise you, O Lord. Direct the leaders of countries, legislators and magistrates, mayors and councils, to walk in your ways. Help leaders regard those in need with mercy and fulfill your loving purposes in the governance of peoples. We lift up the people of Belarus. Lord, in your mercy,

# hear our prayer.

Though we walk in the midst of trouble, you preserve us, deliver us, and fulfill your purpose for us. According to your steadfast love, grant healing and wholeness to those who are bereaved, in trouble or adversity, or sick and in need of care especially Heidi, Mona, and Chris. Lord, in your mercy,

## hear our prayer.

You call us into First Lutheran Church, in which we, though many, are one in Christ. May we recognize in ourselves and in one another the unique gifts you have given us for forming of the church for the sake of the world. Lord, in your mercy,

## hear our prayer.

You are the everlasting Rock from which we were hewn, and you restore your people to joy and gladness. In blessed memory and hope, we thank you for the lives of our beloved dead. Bring us with them to our heavenly home. Lord, in your mercy,

# hear our prayer.

In the certain hope that nothing can separate us from your love, we offer these prayers to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

# OFFERING/ANNOUNCEMENTS

**OFFERTORY:** Les Folies d'Espagne (Maran Marais) Patty Weston, Piccolo

## **OFFERING PRAYER**

God of goodness and growth, all creation is yours, and your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens. Water and word, wine and bread: these are signs of your abundant grace. Nourish us through these gifts, that we might proclaim your steadfast love in our communities and in the world, through Jesus Christ, our strength and our song. Amen.

# LORD'S PRAYER

#### SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

#### BLESSING

Neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus. God, the creator, Jesus, the Christ, and the Holy Spirit, the comforter, bless you and keep you in eternal love. Amen.

# SENDING SONG: Have You Thanked the Lord? (ELW 829)



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# DISMISSAL Go in peace. Christ is with you. Thanks be to God.

# **POSTLUDE:** Halle, Halle, Hallelujah (Jamaican Traditional)

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