

**HOLY COMMUNION**  
**Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

**September 22, 2024**

**10:30 am**

**INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY**

**SILENT PRAYER**

**PRELUDE:** *Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us*

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

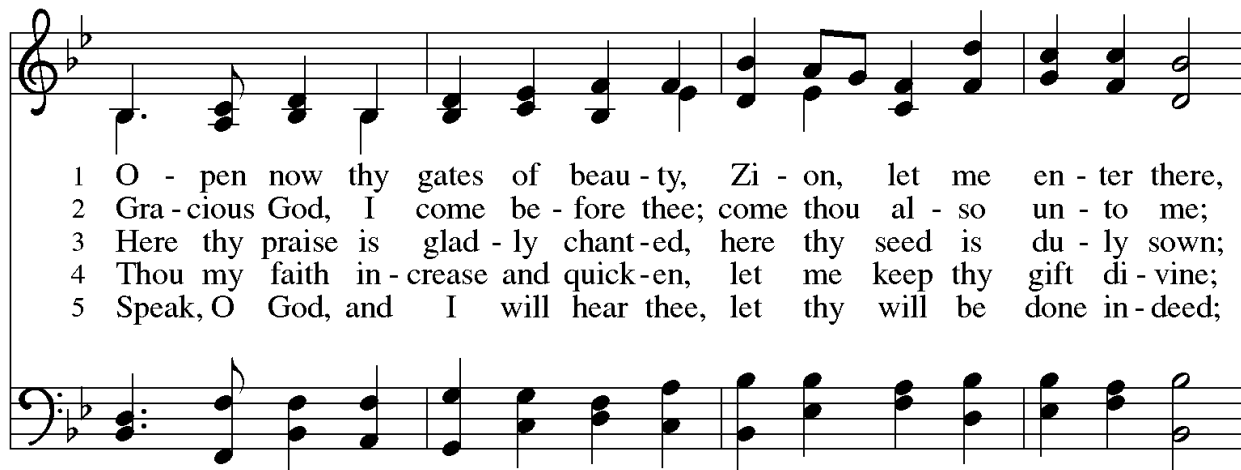
**GATHERING (ENTRANCE RITE)**

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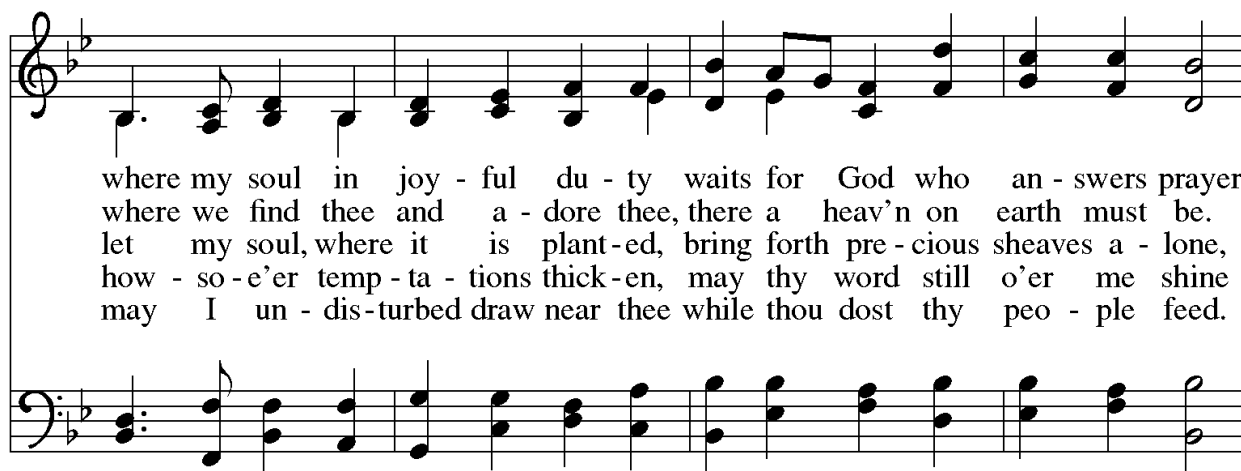
**HYMN:** *Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty*

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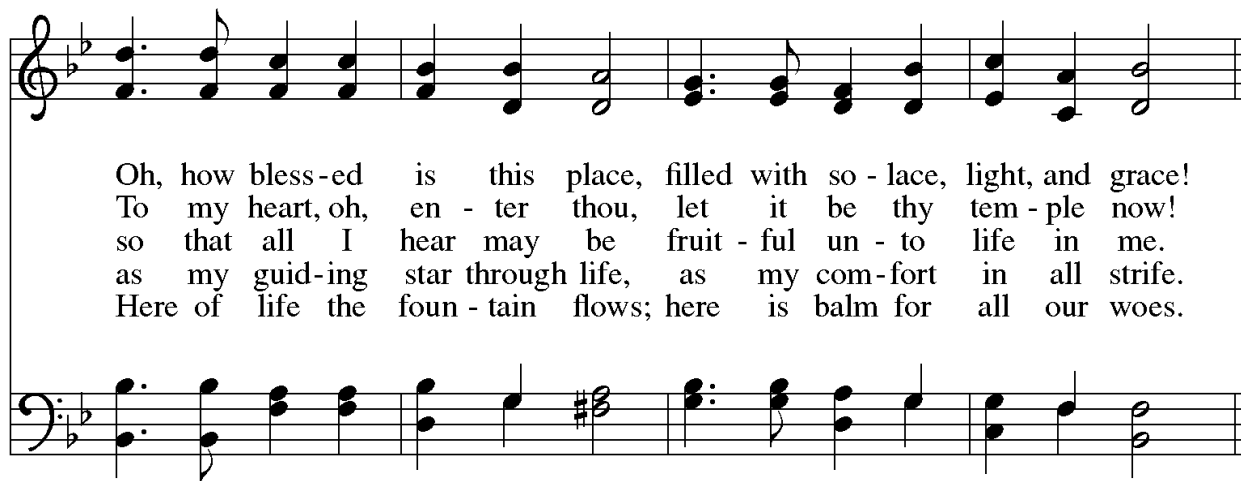
# Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty



1 O - pen now thy gates of beau - ty, Zi - on, let me en - ter there,  
 2 Gra - cious God, I come be - fore thee; come thou al - so un - to me;  
 3 Here thy praise is glad - ly chant - ed, here thy seed is du - ly sown;  
 4 Thou my faith in - crease and quick - en, let me keep thy gift di - vine;  
 5 Speak, O God, and I will hear thee, let thy will be done in - deed;



where my soul in joy - ful du - ty waits for God who an - swers prayer.  
 where we find thee and a - dore thee, there a heav'n on earth must be.  
 let my soul, where it is plant - ed, bring forth pre - cious sheaves a - lone,  
 how - so - e'er temp - ta - tions thic - ken, may thy word still o'er me shine  
 may I un - dis - turbed draw near thee while thou dost thy peo - ple feed.



Oh, how bless - ed is this place, filled with so - lace, light, and grace!  
 To my heart, oh, en - ter thou, let it be thy tem - ple now!  
 so that all I hear may be fruit - ful un - to life in me.  
 as my guid - ing star through life, as my com - fort in all strife.  
 Here of life the foun - tain flows; here is balm for all our woes.

## HOLY BAPTISM

### PRESENTATION

- P** In baptism our gracious heavenly Father frees us from sin and death by joining us to the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. We are born children of a fallen humanity; by water and the Holy Spirit we are reborn children of God and made members of the church, the body of Christ. Living with Christ and in the communion of saints, we grow in faith, love, and obedience to the will of God.

*Sponsors for the candidate present the candidate:*

I present Reese Noelle Coldwater for baptism.

*The presiding minister addresses parents or others who bring for baptism children who are not able to answer for themselves:*

- P** Called by the Holy Spirit,  
trusting in the grace and love of God,  
do you desire to have your child baptized into Christ?

*Response:*

- R** I do.

*The presiding minister continues:*

- P** As you bring your child to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities:  
to live with her among God's faithful people,  
bring her to the word of God and the holy supper,  
teach her the Lord's Prayer, the Creed,  
and the Ten Commandments,  
place in her hands the holy scriptures,  
and nurture her in faith and prayer,  
so that your child may learn to trust God,  
proclaim Christ through word and deed,  
care for others and the world God made,  
and work for justice and peace.

Do you promise to help your child grow in the Christian faith and life?

*Response:*

- R** I do.

*The presiding minister addresses sponsors:*

- P** Sponsors, do you promise to nurture this person in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help her live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church?

*Response:*

- R** I do.

*The presiding minister addresses the assembly:*

- P** People of God, do you promise to support Reese Noelle and pray for her in her new life in Christ?
- C** We do.

## **PROFESSION OF FAITH**

*The presiding minister addresses the candidate for baptism as well as the parents and sponsors of young children.*

- P** I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

- P** Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

*Response:*

- R** I renounce them.

- P** Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

*Response:*

- R** I renounce them.

- P** Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

*Response:*

- R** I renounce them.

*The presiding minister addresses the candidate and the assembly.*

**P** Do you believe in God the Father?

**C** **I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**P** Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**C** **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.**

**P** Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**C** **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.**

## **THANKSGIVING AT THE FONT**

*Water may be poured into the font before or during the thanksgiving. At the font,  
the presiding minister begins the thanksgiving:*

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C** **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

**P** We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family, and through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the

Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you set us free from the power of sin and death and raise us up to live in you.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, the power of your living Word, that those who are washed in the waters of baptism may be given new life. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## BAPTISM

*The presiding minister baptizes the candidate. The candidate is immersed into the water, or water is poured on the candidate's head, as the presiding minister says:*

**P** Reese Noelle, I baptize you in the name of the Father,

*The candidate is immersed or water is poured on the candidate's head a second time:*

and of the Son,

*The candidate is immersed or water is poured on the candidate's head a third time:*

and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

## ACCLAMATION *(sung twice)*

You have put on Christ; in him you have been bap - tized.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

**P** Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your daughters and sons new birth, cleanse them from sin, and raise them to eternal life.

*Laying both hands on the head of the newly baptized, the minister prays for her:*

Sustain Reese Noelle with the gift of your Holy Spirit:  
the spirit of wisdom and understanding,  
the spirit of counsel and might,  
the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord,  
the spirit of joy in your presence,  
both now and forever.

**C** Amen.

*The presiding minister marks the sign of the cross on the forehead of the baptized. Oil prepared for this purpose may be used. As the sign of the cross is made, the minister says:*

**P** Reese Noelle, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

**C** Amen.

## WELCOME

*A lighted candle may be given to the newly baptized (to a sponsor of a young child) as a representative of the congregation says:*

**A** Let your light so shine before others  
that they may see your good works  
and glorify your Father in heaven.

*The ministers and the baptismal group face the assembly. A representative of the congregation leads the assembly in the welcome.*

**A** Let us welcome the newly baptized.

**C** We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share:  
**join us in giving thanks and praise to God  
and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.**

*Those who have gathered at the font may return to their places.*

*The service continues with the prayers of intercession, or, if baptism has taken place in the gathering rite, with the greeting.*

## **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.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P** Let us pray.

Today we hear James warn against selfish ambition, while the disciples quarrel over which one of them is the greatest. Jesus tells them the way to be great is to serve. Then, to make it concrete, he puts in front of them a flesh-and-blood child. We are called to welcome the children God puts in front of us, to make room for them in daily interaction, and to give them a place of honor in the assembly.

**C** Amen.

*Sit*

## CHILDREN'S SERMON

### LITURGY OF THE WORD

#### FIRST READING

Jeremiah 11:18-20

*Today's reading tells of the suffering of the prophet Jeremiah, who announced God's word to Judah but was met with intense opposition and persecution. Jeremiah continues to trust in God in the midst of his suffering.*

**A** A reading from Jeremiah.

<sup>18</sup>It was the LORD who made it known to me, and I knew;  
then you showed me their evil deeds.

<sup>19</sup>But I was like a gentle lamb  
led to the slaughter.

And I did not know it was against me  
that they devised schemes, saying,

“Let us destroy the tree with its fruit,  
let us cut him off from the land of the living,  
so that his name will no longer be remembered!”

<sup>20</sup>But you, O LORD of hosts, who judge righteously,  
who try the heart and the mind,  
let me see your retribution upon them,  
for to you I have committed my cause.

**A** The word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.



**PSALM 54** (*The congregation's verses are in bold face type.*)

<sup>1</sup>Save me, O God, | by your name;  
in your might, de- | fend my cause.

<sup>2</sup>**Hear my | prayer, O God;**  
**give ear to the words | of my mouth.**

<sup>3</sup>For the arrogant have risen up against me, and the ruthless have | sought my  
life,  
those who have no re- | gard for God.

<sup>4</sup>**Behold, God | is my helper;**  
**it is the Lord who sus- | tains my life.**

<sup>5</sup>Render evil to those who | spy on me;  
in your faithful- | ness, destroy them.

<sup>6</sup>**I will offer you a | freewill sacrifice**  
**and praise your name, O LORD, for | it is good.**

<sup>7</sup>For you have rescued me from | every trouble,  
and my eye has seen the ruin | of my foes.

**SECOND READING**

James 3:13 - 4:3, 7-8a

*The wisdom God gives unites our hearts and minds. Instead of living to satisfy our own wants and desires, we manifest this wisdom in peace, gentleness, mercy, and impartiality toward others.*

**A** A reading from James.

<sup>13</sup>Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. <sup>14</sup>But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. <sup>15</sup>Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. <sup>16</sup>For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. <sup>17</sup>But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. <sup>18</sup>And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace.<sup>4:</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? <sup>2</sup>You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. <sup>3</sup>You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures. <sup>7</sup>Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. <sup>8a</sup>Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.

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

*Stand*

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

*The congregation sings the Acclamation.*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

*The choir sings the Verse.*

God has called us through the proclamation of<sup>1</sup> the good news,  
that we may obtain the glory of our Lord<sup>1</sup> Jesus Christ.

*The congregation repeats the Acclamation.*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

**GOSPEL**

Mark 9:3--37

*Jesus' teaching and action in this text are directed to the church whenever it is seduced by the world's definition of greatness: prestige, power, influence, and money. The antidote to such a concern for greatness is servanthood.*

- P** The holy gospel according to Mark.
- C** **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>30</sup>[Jesus and the disciples went on] and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it;<sup>31</sup> for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again."<sup>32</sup> But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him.

<sup>33</sup>Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the way?"<sup>34</sup> But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest.<sup>35</sup> He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant

of all.”<sup>36</sup> Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them,<sup>37</sup> “Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.”

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

*Sit*

SERMON

Pastor Weleck

*Stand*

**HYMN OF THE DAY:** *Baptized in Your Name Most Holy*  
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# Baptized into Your Name Most Holy

1 Bap-tized in - to your name most ho - ly, O Fa - ther, Son, and  
 2 My lov - ing Fa - ther, there you took me to be hence-forth your  
 3 My faith-ful God, you fail me nev - er; your prom-ise sure - ly  
 4 All that I am and love most dear-ly— re - ceive it all, O

Ho - ly Ghost, I claim a place, though weak and low - ly,  
 child and heir. My faith - ful Sav - ior, there you let me  
 will en - dure. O cast me not a - way for - ev - er  
 Lord, from me. Let me con - fess my faith sin - cere - ly;

a - mong your saints, your cho - sen host. Bur - ied with Christ and  
 the fruit of all your sor - rows share. O Ho - ly Spir - it,  
 if words and deeds be - come im - pure. Have mer - cy when I  
 help me your faith - ful child to be! Let noth - ing that I

dead to sin, your Spir - it now shall live with - in.  
 com - fort me when threat-'ning clouds a - round I see.  
 come de - filed; for - give, lift up, re - store your child.  
 am or own serve an - y will but yours a - lone.

## *Stand*

### 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

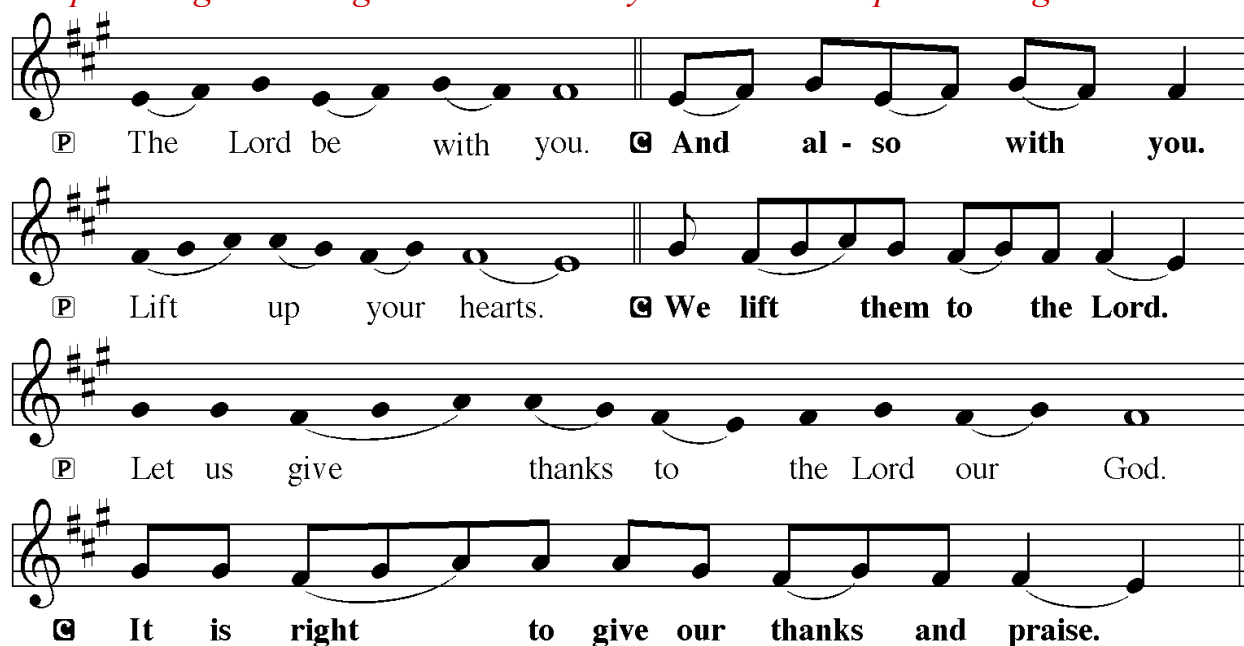
pres-ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re -

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.

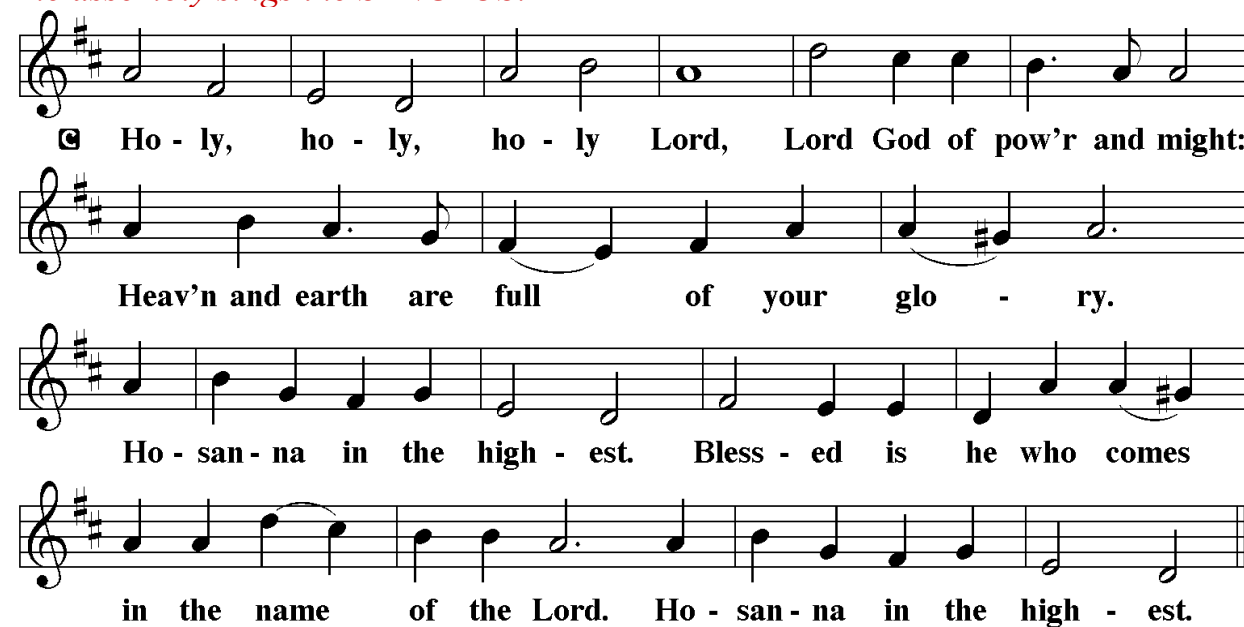
**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**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, Lord God of pow'r 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.

*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)**

O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;  
have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you take  
a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy up - on us.  
O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;  
grant us your peace. A - - - men.

**ANTHEM:** *Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love*

Colvin/Strite

*Chorus:* Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love,  
show us how to serve the neighbors we have from you.

Kneels at the feet of his friends, silently washes their feet,  
master who acts as a slave to them. *Chorus*

Neighbors are wealthy and poor, varied in color and race,  
neighbors are nearby and far away.  
These are the ones we should serve, these are the ones we should love;  
all these are neighbors to us and you. *Chorus*

Loving puts us on our knees, silently washing their feet:  
this is the way we will live with you. *Chorus*

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### ***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.

**□** A - men, A - men, A - men.

DISMISSAL

**A** Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**□** Thanks be to God.

**HYMN:** *Lift High the Cross*

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# Lift High the Cross

*Refrain*

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim till

all the world a - dore his sa - cred name.

1 Come, Chris - tians, fol - low where our cap - tain trod,  
 2 All new - born ser - vants of the Cru - ci - fied  
 3 O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,  
 4 So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be:

*Refrain*

our king vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God.  
 bear on their brows the seal of him who died.  
 as thou hast prom - ised, draw us all to thee.  
 praise to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry!

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## OFFERING

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

**POSTLUDE:** *Lift High the Cross*

Honoré



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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 Karen Lachenmayer in loving memory of mother, Anne Lachenmayer, in honor of her September 25 birthday.

The Sanctuary Candle is given to the glory of God by Karen Lachenmayer in loving memory of mother, Anne Lachenmayer, in honor of her September 25 birthday.

The Worship Bulletins are given to the glory of God

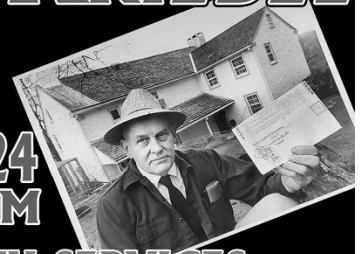
Holy Baptism was administered to Reese Noelle Coldwater during the service today. May God bless Reese and her family as she begins her journey of faith.

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# Local Legend

## Rev. HOWARD KRIEBEL

turns 90



SEPTEMBER 22, 2024  
8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

RECEPTION TO FOLLOW BOTH SERVICES

~ please bring a card with your birthday wishes, messages, & hopes ~  
~ please no gifts; your presence is gift enough ~

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# AWAKENING FAITH



AN IN-DEPTH STUDY OF RELIGION FROM A  
BIBLICAL AND HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE  
WITH REV. HOWARD KRIEBEL

9:00 AM SUNDAY

STARTS SEPTEMBER 08, 2024

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**THANK YOU, STAFF!**

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Sonya Sowards  
Karen McClain  
David Ward

*Pastor & Staff*  
**APPRECIATION**  
**DAY !!!**

**RECEPTION TO  
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**October, 13**  
**8:00 & 10:30 AM**

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