

Today from the life of the church

O Thou who are unchangeable, whom nothing changes! Thou who art unchangeable in love, precisely for our welfare not submitting to any change: may we too will our welfare, submitting ourselves to the discipline of Thy unchangeableness, so that we may in unconditional obedience find our rest and remain at rest in Thy unchangeableness. Not art Thou like a man; if he is to preserve only some degree of constancy he must not permit himself too much to be moved, nor by too many things. Thou on the contrary art moved, and moved in infinite love, by all things. Even that which we human beings call an insignificant trifle, and pass by unmoved, the need of a sparrow, even this moves Thee; and what we so often scarcely notice, a human sigh, this moves Thee, O Infinite Love! But nothing changes Thee, O Thou who art unchangeable! O Thou who in infinite love dost submit to be moved, may this our prayer also move Thee to add Thy blessing, in order that there may be wrought such a change in him who prays as to bring him into conformity with Thy unchangeable will, Thou who are unchangeable! Amen

Soren Kierkegaard (1813–1855)

Holy Communion PENTECOST 17 SUNDAY, SEP. 19, 2021

PRELUDE Three Settings of *Salvation unto Us Has Come* | Dietrich Buxtehude & Jan Pieterszoon Sweelinck

GATHERING

Please turn and face the baptismal font at the rear of the nave.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

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

PROCESSIONAL HYMN There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

Please turn and face the cross as the procession approaches the altar.



- 2. There is welcome for the sinner, And a promised grace made good; There is mercy with the Savior; There is healing in his blood. There is grace enough for thousands Of new worlds as great as this; There is room for fresh creations In that upper home of bliss.
- 3. For the love of God is broader Than the measures of our mind; And the heart of the eternal Is most wonderfully kind. There is plentiful redemption In the blood that has been shed; There is joy for all the members In the sorrows of the head.
- 4. 'Tis not all we owe to Jesus; It is something more than all; Greater good because of evil, Larger mercy through the fall. If our love were but more simple, We should take him at this word; And our lives would be all sunshine In the sweetness of our Lord.

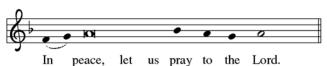
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APOSTOLIC GREETING

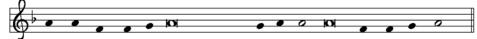
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

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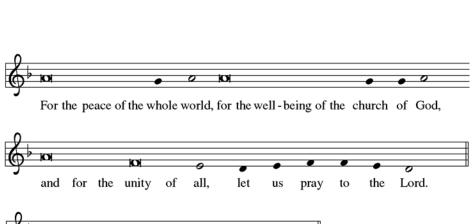






For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal-va-tion, let us pray to the Lord.

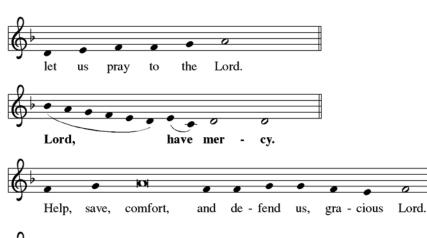






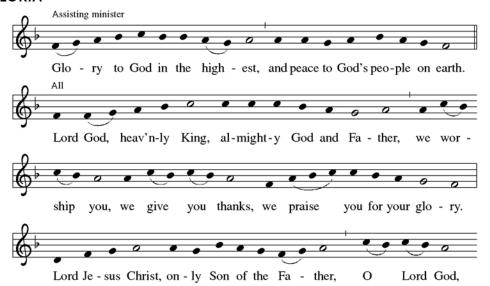


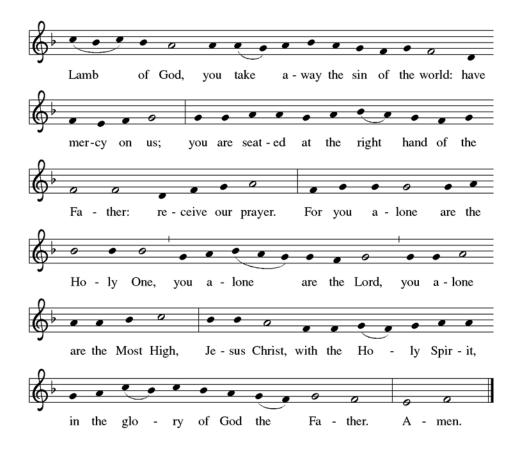
For this ho-ly house, and for all who of - fer here their wor-ship and praise,





GLORIA





PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Father, your love for us surpasses all our hopes and desires. Forgive our failings, keep us in your peace and lead us in the way of salvation. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

WORD

Please sit.

FIRST READING Jeremiah 11:18-20

It was the Lord who made it known to me, and I knew; then you showed me their evil deeds. 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!" 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.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 54

8:00 | *Sung by cantor.*

10:30 | *Sung by chant choir.*

Save me, O God, | by your name; in your might, de- | fend my cause.

Hear my | prayer, O God;

give ear to the words | of my mouth.

For strangers have risen up against me, and the ruthless have | sought my life, those who have no re- | gard for God.

Behold, God | is my helper;

it is the Lord who sus- | tains my life.

Render evil to those who | spy on me;

in your faithful- | ness, destroy them.

I will offer you a | freewill sacrifice

and praise your name, O Lord, for | it is good.

For you have rescued me from | every trouble, and my eye looks down | on my enemies.

SECOND READING *James 3:13–4:3; 4:7–8a*

Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. 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. And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace.

Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? 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. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures. Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

8:00 | *Acclamation sung by all*



10:30 | *Acclamation sung by all*

Choir: God has called us through the proclamation of the good news, that we may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

All repeat acclamation.

GOSPEL *Mark* 9:30-37

Glory to you, O Lord.

They went on from there and passed through Galilee. Jesus did not want anyone to know it; 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." But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him.

Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all." Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, 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.

Please sit.

SERMON

Please stand.

#590 HYMN OF THE DAY Salvation unto Us Has Come

APOSTLES' CREED

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 to the dead. 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

... Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Please greet your neighbor: Peace be with you.

MEAL

Please sit. **OFFERING**

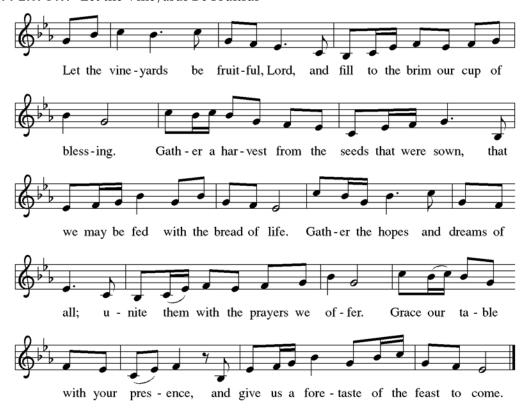
MUSIC AT THE OFFERING Si ambulavero | Chant Choir

Si ambulavero in medio tribulationis, vivificabis me, Domine, et super iram inimicorum meorum extendes manum tuam. et salvum me fecit dextera tua.

If I walk in the midst of tribulation you shall preserve my life, O Lord; against the fury of my enemies; you shall stretch forth your hand your right hand has delivered me.

Please stand.

#184 OFFERTORY Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful



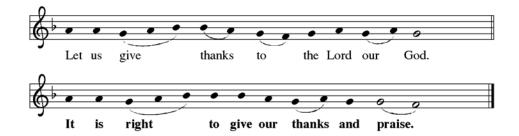
OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray.

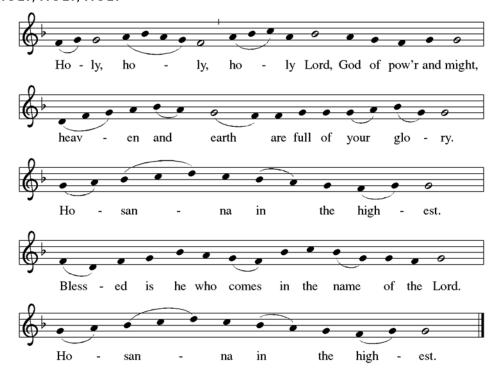
Holy God, gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING





HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

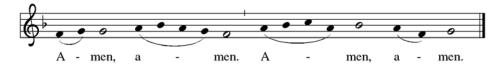


THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

You are indeed holy... until he comes.



Remembering, therefore... now and forever.



LORD'S PRAYER

8:00 | *Spoken by all* **10:30** | *Sung by all*

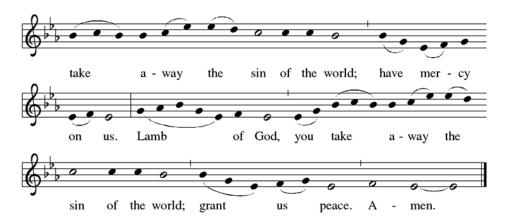


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Please sit.

THE COMMUNION

All baptized Christians are welcomed to receive Holy Communion. We receive the Body of Christ (bread) in our open hands and the Blood of Christ (wine) by intinction. Christ is fully present in both bread and cup; persons unable to drink wine are encouraged to abstain from the cup and receive Christ in the bread.

MUSIC AT THE COMMUNION Tu mandasti | Chant Choir

Tu mandasti mandata You have commanded us tua custodire nimis utinam dirigantur to keep your precepts diligently.

viae meae ad custodiendas justificationes tuas O that my ways were directed to keep your statutes!

#695 COMMUNION HYMN As Saints of Old

Please stand.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

SENDING

BLESSING

Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

Amen.

#669 RECESSIONAL HYMN Rise Up, O Saints of God!

Please turn and face the cross as the procession approaches the font.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE Praeludium in E Major | Vincent Lübeck

SERVING TODAY

8:00 am 10:30 am

PRESIDER Pastor Emily Tveite Pastor Emily Tveite

PREACHER Pastor John Worzala Dumke Pastor John Worzala Dumke

ORGANIST Andrew Schaeffer Andrew Schaeffer

ASSISTING MINISTER Carl Anderson

COMMUNION ASSISTANT Helen Hartman

LECTOR Peggy Baldwin Phyllis Pleuss

CRUCIFER Brian Uphoff

SACRISTAN Angela Vitcenda Dan Ruge

HEAD USHER Bob Uphoff

VIDEO DIRECTOR Lee Powell

SOUND OPERATOR Randy Eide Bill Braham

We welcome Pastor Emily Tveite, campus pastor, as our guest presider this morning. Pastor Brad Pohlman is away on vacation and will return on Tuesday.

Today we remember the inurnment of Paul Scheffel in the LM columbarium. The congregation is invited to visit the columbarium and read his page in the memory books.

Altar flowers are given by Michele Moede in memory of Norman Lorenz.

WELCOME!

Please silence your cell phone in the nave.

HOLY COMMUNION

All baptized Christians are encouraged to receive Holy Communion. Please ask a pastor for a gluten-free communion wafer, if needed.

RESOURCES

T-coil audio is available in the nave. Ushes can provide hearing assistance and a wheelchair, if needed. Prayer shawls are available in the narthex.

CHILDCARE

Infants and children are welcome in worship. Changing tables are located in the restrooms. The nursery will be open but unstaffed Sunday mornings. Staffed nursery begins Sunday, Sep. 12.

LIVESTREAM BROADCAST

Please be aware the 10:30 service is livestreamed on our website at www.luthermem.org and YouTube. Cameras are installed in the nave, and worshipers may occasionally be visible on this broadcast.

PARKING

Free parking is available on Sundays in the Grainger Hall parking ramp, one block east of the church, off Brooks Street. For those needing closer access, parking is reserved in the garage under the church off Conklin Place alley.

RECYCLE

Please recycle your bulletin in the basket in the narthex after the early service, or in the blue recycle bin after the 10:30 service.

LEARN MORE

If you would like a pastor to call or write, or want to learn more:

- Please fill out a pew card and place in the offering plate
- Visit us online at www.luthermem.org or Facebook
- Contact the church office or a pastor

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NEW BULLETIN DESIGN

To assist everyone to participate in the liturgy more fully, particularly guests, students and new members, we have redesigned our worship bulletin. This version includes more detail than in the past. We are currently using Holy Communion setting five (pages 156–164) from the Evangelical Lutheran Worship hymnal, located in each pew. If you have questions or comments, feel free to share with one of the pastors.

