

Holy Communion

SUNDAY, AUGUST 27, 2023 | 10:30 AM

PENTECOST 13

PRELUDE Campanile from Esquisses Byzantines | Henri Mulet

GATHERING

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.

Please turn and face the cross as the procession approaches the altar. PROCESSIONAL HYMN Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation #645

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.

Welcome!

Please silence your cell phone in the nave.

PARKING

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

HYMNAL

The red hymnal in the pew in front of you contains much of the music used in this service. Page numbers are in the front part of the hymnal on the bottom of the page, while hymns are found towards the rear of the hymnal.

RESOURCES

T-coil audio is available in the nave. Ushers 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 is open but unstaffed today.

LEARN MORE

If you would like a pastor to call, 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

GLORIA



PRAYER OF THE DAY

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 Lord.

Amen.

WORD

Please sit.

FIRST READING Isaiah 51:1-6

Listen to me, you that pursue righteousness, you that seek the Lord. Look to the rock from which you were hewn, and to the quarry from which you were dug. Look to Abraham your father and to Sarah who bore you; for he was but one when I called him, but I blessed him and made him many. For the Lord will comfort Zion; he will comfort all her waste places, and will make her wilderness like Eden, her desert like the garden of the Lord; joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the voice of song.

Listen to me, my people, and give heed to me, my nation; for a teaching will go out from me, and my justice for a light to the peoples. I will bring near my deliverance swiftly, my salvation has gone out and my arms will rule the peoples; the coastlands wait for me, and for my arm they hope. Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look at the earth beneath; for the heavens will vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment, and those who live on it will die like gnats; but my salvation will be forever, and my deliverance will never be ended.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 138

The antiphon is sung first by the choir and then by all.

Antiphon



Psalm Tone



I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with | my whole heart;

before the gods I will | sing your praise.

I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your name, because of your steadfast | love and faithfulness;

for you have glorified your name and your word a- | bove all things.

When I called, you | answered me;

you increased my | strength within me.

All the rulers of the earth will praise you, O Lord,

when they have heard the words | of your mouth. (Antiphon sung by all)

They will sing of the ways | of the Lord,

that great is the glory | of the Lord.

The Lord is high, yet cares | for the lowly,

perceiving the haughty | from afar.

Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you | keep me safe;

you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right | hand shall save me.

You will make good your pur- pose for me;

O Lord, your steadfast love endures forever; do not abandon the works | of your hands.

(Antiphon sung by all)

SECOND READING Romans 12:1-8

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect.

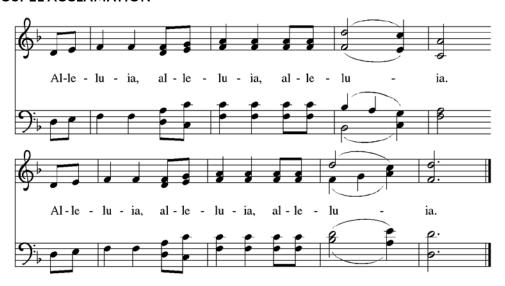
For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Choir: You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.

GOSPEL Matthew 16:13-20

Glory to you, O Lord.

Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please sit.

SERMON

Please stand.

#652 HYMN OF THE DAY Built on a Rock

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 Let All the World | Gerald Near

Let all the world in ev'ry corner sing,
"My God and King!"
The heav'ns are not too high,
God's praise may thither fly;
the earth is not too low,
God's praises there may grow.
Let all the world in ev'ry corner sing,
"My God and King!"

Let all the world in ev'ry corner sing, "My God and King!"
The church with psalms must shout: no door can keep them out.
But, more than all, the heart must bear the longest part.
Let all the world in ev'ry corner sing, "My God and King!"

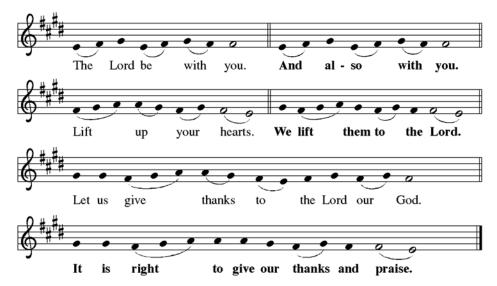
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OFFERTORY PRAYER

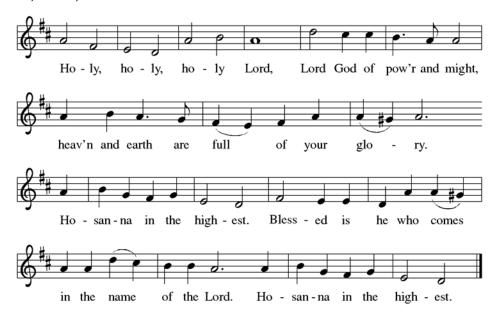
Let us pray.

God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in 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

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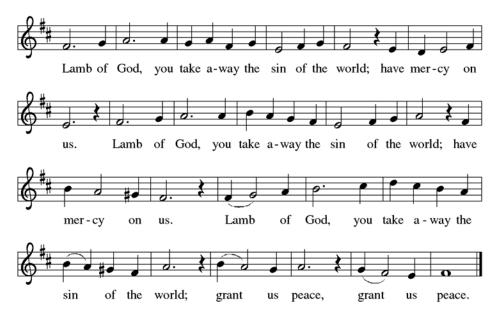


er.

men.

Please sit.

LAMB OF GOD



THE COMMUNION

All baptized Christians are welcomed to receive Holy Communion. We receive the Body of Christ (bread*) in our open hands. Christ is fully present in both bread and cup. The Blood of Christ (wine) may be received in any of three ways: by drinking from the first chalice, by dipping the bread (intinction) into the chalice, or by drinking from an individual glass poured from a second chalice. *Gluten-free bread is available on request.

COMMUNION HYMNS

#658 Take My Life, That I May Be

#812 Faith of Our Fathers

Please stand.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

O God, we give you thanks that you have set before us this feast, the body and blood of your Son. By your Spirit strengthen us to serve all in need and to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

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

Amen.

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

#654 RECESSIONAL HYMN The Church's One Foundation

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE Tu es Petrus (Thou art Peter, Thou art the Rock) from Esquisses Byzantines | Henri Mulet

TODAY FROM THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Healing is a sacrament because its purpose or end is not health as such, the restoration of physical health, but the entrance of one into the life of the Kingdom, into the "joy and peace" of the Holy Spirit. In Christ everything in this world, and this means health and disease, joy and suffering, has become an ascension to, and entrance into this new life, its expectation and anticipation.

In this world suffering and disease are indeed "normal." but their very "normalcy" is abnormal. They reveal the ultimate and permanent defeat of life, a defeat which no partial victories of medicine, however wonderful and truly miraculous, can ultimately overcome. But in Christ suffering is not "removed"; it is transformed into victory. The defeat itself becomes victory, a way, an entrance into the Kingdom, and this is the only true healing.

For the Life of the World Alexander Schmemann (1921 – 1983)

SERVING TODAY

PRESIDER & PREACHER Pastor John Worzala Dumke

ORGANIST Andrew Schaeffer

ACOLYTE Roman Worzala Dumke

ASSISTING MINISTER Carl Anderson

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS Panka McGuire, Michael Bradley, Mary Powell

CRUCIFER George Alexander

LECTOR Mary Powell

SACRISTAN Dan Ruge

AUDIO David Heins

VIDEO Lee Powell

HEAD USHER Eric Oelkers

USHERS Casey Oelkers, Dylan Oelkers, Kendall Oelkers

Our thanks to Margret Bradley, oboe, for playing this morning.

Altar flowers are given by Gary Brown.

Today we remember the inurnments of Murray Martin and Robert B. Martin in the LM columbarium. The congregation is invited to visit the columbarium and read their pages in the memory books.

A note about fall liturgy from Andrew Schaeffer

From Sunday, Sep. 10 to Reformation Sunday on Oct. 29, we will be using a new musical setting of the Communion liturgy. It was originally composed by Roger Petrich who served LM as director of music, 1971–1977. Roger originally wrote this setting to be included in the *Lutheran Book of Worship* (1978). Though it was ultimately not included in the LBW, it enjoyed some life here during Roger's tenure. Over a year ago, I contacted Roger about reviving the setting for our building's 100th anniversary, a prospect he truly relished! Sadly, Roger died while updating it, but I'm pleased to say that we were able to finish the project thanks to Rolf Wulfsberg, who typeset the music, and my friend Ken Miller, who composed new brass parts. Our use of this setting is not only a fitting memorial to Roger, but also a celebration of this congregation's commitment to high-quality music. Though we will use this setting primarily in conjunction with our anniversary events, it's my hope that this setting becomes a part of our rote for years to come.

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