

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. A staffed nursery is available Sundays 9:15-noon.

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Holy Communion

PENTECOST 19 SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2023 | 10:30 AM

PRELUDE Three English Madrigals | T. Weelkes, G. Priuli, and G. Eremita

GATHERING

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

P. 227 SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

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

#527 PROCESSIONAL HYMN Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now

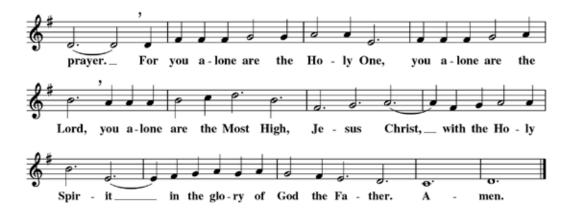
APOSTOLIC GREETING

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.

GLORIA





PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Beloved God and Father: all good things come from you. By your Spirit, inspire us to know what is right; and by the gracious mercy of your beloved Son, help us to do them, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

WORD

Please sit.

FIRST READING Isaiah 5:1-7

Let me sing for my beloved my love-song concerning his vineyard: My beloved had a vineyard on a very fertile hill. He dug it and cleared it of stones, and planted it with choice vines; he built a watchtower in the midst of it, and hewed out a wine vat in it; he expected it to yield grapes, but it yielded wild grapes. And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and people of Judah, judge between me and my vineyard. What more was there to do for my vineyard that I have not done in it? When I expected it to yield grapes, why did it yield wild grapes? And now I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard. I will remove its hedge, and it shall be devoured; I will break down its wall, and it shall be trampled down. I will make it a waste; it shall not be pruned or hoed, and it shall be overgrown with briers and thorns; I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it. For the vineyard of the Lord of hosts is the house of Israel, and the people of Judah are his pleasant planting; he expected justice, but saw bloodshed; righteousness, but heard a cry!

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 80:7-15

The choir sings the antiphon, "Look down from heaven, O God; behold and tend this vine," before and after the psalm. The cantor and congregation alternate in the singing of the psalm verses, beginning with the choir.



Restore us, O | God of hosts;*

let your face shine upon us, and we | shall be saved.

You have brought a vine | out of Egypt;*
you cast out the nations and | planted it.

You cleared the | ground for it;*

it took root and | filled the land.

The mountains were covered | by its shadow* and the towering cedar trees | by its boughs.

You stretched out its tendrils | to the sea* and its branches | to the river.

Why have you broken | down its wall,* so that all who pass by pluck | off its grapes?

The wild boar of the forest has | ravaged it,* and the beasts of the field have | grazed upon it.

Turn now, O | God of hosts,* look | down from heaven;

behold and | tend this vine;*

preserve what your right | hand has planted.

SECOND READING Philippians 3:4b-14

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Cantor: Jesus says, I chose you and appointed you to bear fruit that will last.

GOSPEL Matthew 21:33–46

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said: Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watchtower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.' So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what

will he do to those tenants?" They said to him, "He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time."

Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the scriptures: 'The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord's doing, and it is amazing in our eyes'?

Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom. The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls."

When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please sit.

SERMON

Please stand.

#343 HYMN OF THE DAY My Song Is Love Unknown

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 You Shall Have A Song | Harriet Ziegenhals

You shall have a song and gladness of heart,

For music can joyfully our love to all impart.

Lift every voice, play the flute and violin,

And you shall have a song to sing, Alleluia.

Make a joyful noise to God all ye lands,

Come serve Him with gladness of heart and mind and hands.

We are His children, He made us every one,

And we shall have a song to sing. Alleluia.

Enter now His gates with thanksgiving and praise,

For Me is our God let us serve Him all our days.

His steadfast love will endure to the end,

And we shall have a song to sing, Alleluia!

Please stand.

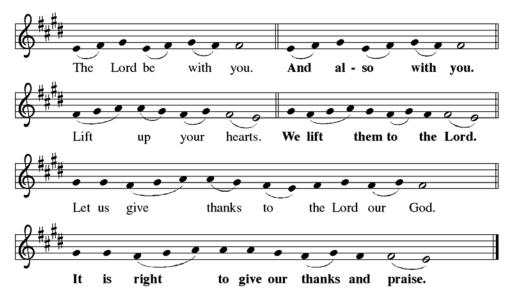
OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray.

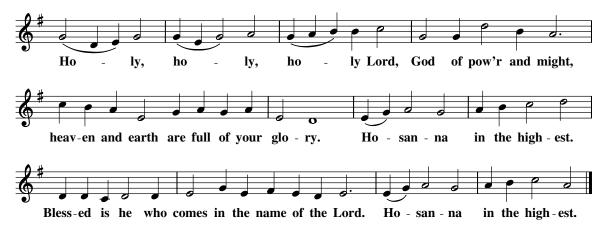
God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING



HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

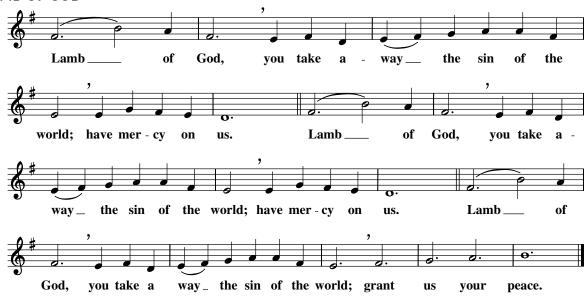
Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord... all honor and glory, now and forever. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER



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.

MUSIC AT THE COMMUNION Jubilate Deo | Michael Praetorious

#803 COMMUNION HYMN When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

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.

#545 RECESSIONAL HYMN Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE Tuba Tune | Norman Cocker

TODAY FROM THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

O Christ our God, thou, even thou, art now the one God and lover of thy children: We pray thee to grant us and thy whole people a mind free from care, a clear understanding, that we may know and understand what profit there is in that holy teaching of thine, which now is being delivered unto us, and how far it resembles thee, O Prince of Life! So also make us worthy to be like unto it in every work, and in faith, and to glorify they holy name and to rejoice in thy cross. Amen.

Gregory of Nazianzus (330 –389)

SERVING TODAY

PRESIDER & PREACHER Pastor John Worzala Dumke

ORGANIST, YOUTH CHOIR DIRECTOR Andrew Schaeffer

CHILDREN'S CHOIR DIRECTOR Ken Sosinski

ACOLYTE Ben Blackmore, Matilda Niemann

ASSISTING MINISTER George Alexander

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS Panka McGuire, Lynn Washington, Jane Hall

CRUCIFER Randy Raasch

LECTOR Deb Raasch

SACRISTAN Cynthia Vander Woude

AUDIO David Heins
VIDEO Lee Powell

HEAD USHER Jeff Van Fleet

USHERS Derren Slinde, Corbin Slinde, Phyllis Pleuss

Baptized today is Robert Lopez, son of Elena & Alex Lopez.

Our thanks to the Recorder Ensemble for playing this morning.

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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