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A PLACE OF GRACE WITH A CALL FOR ALL TO CONTINUE THE WORK OF JESUS



22nd Sunday after Pentecost November 9, 2025

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PRELUDE

In Thee is Gladness

arr. Dale Wood

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

+ GATHERING +

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (Please rise as comfortable and face the font)

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity,

中 one God,

who forgives all our sin,

whose mercy endures forever.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Faithful God,

C: you have shown us the ways of your heart, yet we stray from your paths.

We are stuck in sinful systems of oppression and do not embrace the freedom of your faithful promises.

We ignore our neighbors. We exploit the earth. We reject your abundance, trusting our impulses instead of your steadfast love.

Repair our relationships, restore what we have broken, renew our hearts, and bring us to new life.

Amen.

P: Hear the good news: God the Faithful One loves you, \oplus in Christ Jesus your sins are forgiven, and by the power of the Holy Spirit you are set free.

C: Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

How Small Our Span of Life

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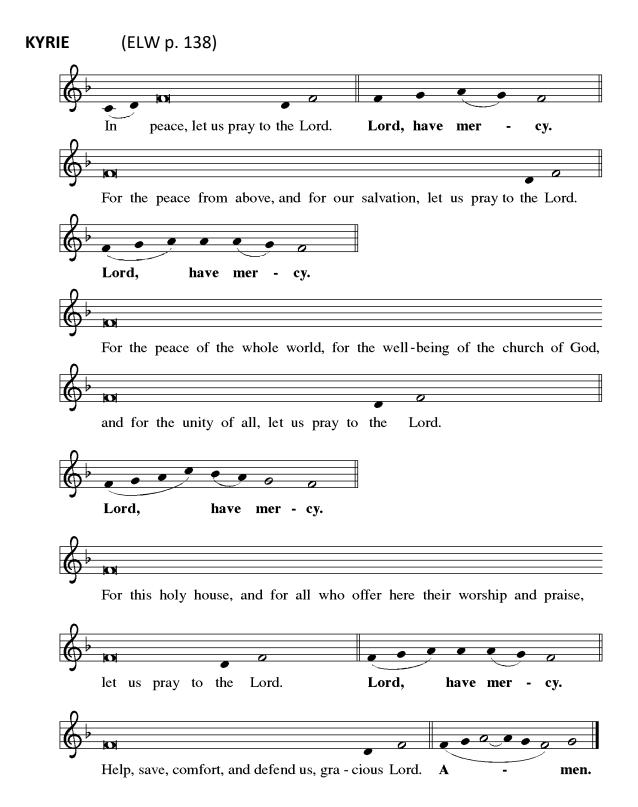


Text: Herman G. Stuempfle Jr., b. 1923 Music: KINGSFOLD, English traditional

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.



CANTICLE OF PRAISE (ELW p. 139)



PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray. O God, our eternal redeemer, by the presence of your Spirit you renew and direct our hearts. Keep always in our mind the end of all things and the day of judgment. Inspire us for a holy life here, and bring us to the joy of the resurrection, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen. (Please be seated)

TEMPLE TALK: Jonathan Jones

\pm THE WORD \pm

FIRST READING: Job 19:23-27a

Job suffers the loss of children, wealth, and health. Accused by his companions of wrongdoing, he knows himself to be innocent. Here, in the midst of his suffering, Job clings to the radical hope that his vindicator, his redeemer, lives; and that one day he himself will see God.

L: A reading from Job.

- ²³ "O that my words were written down! O that they were inscribed in a book!
- O that with an iron pen and with lead they were engraved on a rock forever!
- ²⁵ For I know that my vindicator lives and that in the end he will stand upon the earth;
- ²⁶ and after my skin has been destroyed, then in my flesh I shall see God,
- ^{27a} whom I shall see on my side, and my eyes shall behold, and not another."

Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

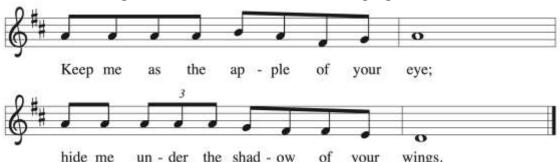
CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

God loves me, Jesus is my friend, and church is a great place to be. Amen.

(The Nursery is available for children Ages 0-4 after the Children's Message)

PSALM: Psalm 17:1-9

Refrain: (1st time: organ, 2nd time: cantor, 3rd time: congregation)



Tone:



- ¹ Hear a just cause, O LORD; give heed ¹ to my cry; listen to my prayer, which does not come from ¹ lying lips.
- ² Let my vindication come forth | from your presence; let your eyes be | fixed on justice.
- ³ Examine my heart, visit [|] me by night, melt me down; you will find no impuri- [|] ty in me.
- ⁴ I have not regarded what ¹ others do; at the word of your lips I have avoided the ways ¹ of the violent. R
- ⁵ My footsteps hold fast to your ¹ well-worn path; and my feet ¹ do not slip.
- ⁶ I call upon you, O God, for you will ¹ answer me; incline your ear to me and ¹ hear my words.
- O Savior of those who take refuge at your right hand from those who rise against them.
- ⁸ Keep me as the apple [|] of your eye; hide me under the shadow [|] of your wings,
- ⁹ from the wicked [|] who assault me, from my deadly enemies [|] who surround me. **R**

SECOND READING: 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17

This portion of the letter provides encouragement for the church at Thessalonica during a time of confusion and opposition, as some allowed their concern over Jesus' imminent return to divert them from the central teachings of the gospel.

L: A reading from 2 Thessalonians.

¹ As to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters, ² not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as though from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord is already here. ³ Let no one deceive you in any way, for that day will not come unless the rebellion comes first and the lawless one is revealed, the one destined for destruction. ⁴ He opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, declaring himself to be God. ⁵ Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you?

¹³ But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. ¹⁴ For this purpose he called you through our gospel, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. ¹⁵ So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter.

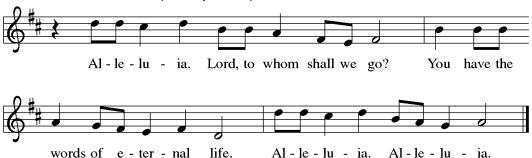
¹⁶ Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, ¹⁷ comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

(Please rise)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (ELW p. 142)



GOSPEL: Luke 6:27-38

Some Sadducees, who do not believe in the resurrection of the dead, try to trap Jesus. They formulate the convoluted case of a serial widow who marries a succession of seven brothers. Jesus responds by teaching about God to whom all are alive and in whom all relationships are fulfilled.

P: The holy gospel according to Luke.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁷ Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to [Jesus] ²⁸ and asked him a question: "Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. ²⁹ Now there were seven brothers; the first married a woman and died childless; 30 then the second 31 and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. ³² Finally the woman also died. 33 In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her." 34 Jesus said to them, "Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage, 35 but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. ³⁶ Indeed, they cannot die anymore, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. ³⁷ And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. ³⁸ Now he is God not of the dead but of the living, for to him all of them are alive."

The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ. (*Please be seated*)

HYMN OF THE DAY (Please rise)

In Thee Is Gladness

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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

A: ...Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

P: ... through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

(Please be seated after passing of the peace)

+ THE MEAL +

CHORAL OFFERING

In Heaven Above, Norwegian folk tune from ELW #630

arr. Elmer Hanke

No checkbook? Scan the QR box to give online! Or use the Give+ app on your phone. Cash or check offerings may be placed in the offering plates at the back when entering, or during the passing of the peace.



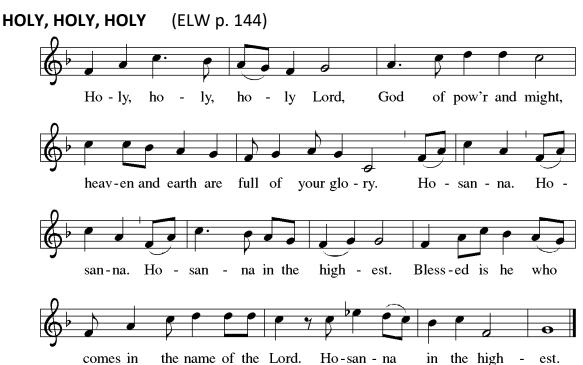
OFFERING PRAYER (Please rise)

P: God of healing and hope, you bless those who are hungry, promising to fill them with good things. Fulfill that promise through us and these your gifts. Nourish us with the abundance of your feast and unite us into the blessed body of Jesus Christ our Savior, now and forever. **Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

- P: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also 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.
- P: It is indeed right...

...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



WORDS OF INSTITUTION/THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen. (Please be seated)

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: Come, receive the food that does not perish, a taste of life eternal.

- At this time, you may come forward via the center aisle to receive communion.
- ALL here are welcome to commune.
- Hold your hands open to receive a wafer from the pastor or assisting minister, or hands down to receive a blessing only.
- Gluten-free wafers are available at the usher's table or from pastor at the altar.
- Dip the wafer into <u>one</u> of the following:
 - Silver chalice (wine)
- Ceramic chalice (grape juice)
- Take and eat, then return to your seat after communing.
- You may also go up to the altar from the side doors if you wish to kneel for prayer.

LAMB OF GOD (ELW p. 146)



POST COMMUNION BLESSING (Please rise)

P: May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

A: God of field and flower, wheat and grape, you have nourished us with the bread of heaven that gives life to the world.

Strengthened by the body and blood of your Son, send us out to gather your good gifts for all who hunger and thirst, and embolden us to love and serve in Christ's name.

C: Amen.

+ SENDING **+**

BLESSING

The love of God the Sovereign strengthen you, God the Son save you, and God the Holy Spirit anoint you for the work ahead. The holy Trinity bless you + and grant you a faithful and courageous heart now and forever.

C: Amen.

SENDING HYMN

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!

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- 5 At last the march shall end; the wearied ones shall rest; the pilgrims find their home at last, Jerusalem the blest. *Refrain*
- 6 Praise God who reigns on high, the Lord whom we adore: the Father, Son, and Spirit blest, one God forevermore. *Refrain*

DISMISSAL

A: Go in peace. Share the harvest.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

arr. Robert J. Powell

* We give thanks to <u>Rev. Barb Jones</u>, for presiding and preaching for today's service. *

* We give thanks to guest organist <u>Isabel Alsum</u>, for sharing her musical gifts with us today. *



Livestreaming: Belinda Sturm

Acolyte/Crucifer:

Lector: Barbara Bishop

Altar Care: Alita Cooper, Susan Hadl, Emily Fetsch

ASL: Sunnie Planthold

Ushers: Alita Cooper, Virgil Dean, Wally Brockhoff

Cantor: Jim Cooper

Assisting Minister: Julie Holmberg **Children's Message:** Sunnie Planthold

Nursery: Morgan Sponholtz, Dustin Struble



Malachi 4:1-2a

Psalm 98

Luke 21:5-19

