

August 13, 2023

*The Eleventh Sunday
After Pentecost*



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Worship:

Divine Service

8:00, 9:30 & 11:00am

Adult Bible Study &
Sunday School:

9:30 am

(Grace Hall)

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THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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✠ PREPARATION ✠

Today we will observe The Lord's Supper...*The Lord's Supper is celebrated at Grace Lutheran Church in the confession and glad confidence that, as he says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but his very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with him and with one another. Our Lord invites to his table those who trust his words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as he forgives and loves us, that they may show forth his death until he comes. Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the sacrament, are asked you first to speak with the pastor, an elder or an usher. (For further study, see Matthew 5:23f; 10:32f; 18:15-35; 26:26-29; I Cor. 11:17-34). Wine is used in the individual and common cup. It may also be received by intinction. A gluten free wafer is available upon request.*

PRELUDE

"Concertino" (Based on a Bach Fragment)

G. Young

" I Know My Faith is Founded" &

"Praise God from whom All Blessings Flow"

setting: J.C. Bach

WELCOME

Stand

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

PRAYER *(Elder or Lay Deacon)*

A The LORD lives, and blessed be my rock,

C and exalted be the God of my salvation.

A I call upon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised,

C and I am saved from my enemies.

- A** In my distress I called upon the LORD;
- C** **to my God I cried for help.**

- A** From His temple He heard my voice,
- C** **and my cry to Him reached His ears.**

- A** The LORD lives, and blessed be my rock,
- C** **and exalted be the God of my salvation.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

- P** Let us consider our unworthiness to come before almighty God and confess our sins to Him in the presence of one another.

We confess, Creator Lord, that like Job, we become angry at times with what You have allowed in our lives and we have wondered why.
C **Forgive our pride and turn us to humbly rely on Your gracious plans for us.**

- P** We confess, Savior Lord, that unlike Paul, we have neglected people around us who have not accepted Your sacrifice for them.
C **Forgive our self-centeredness and inaction, and move us to tell them the Good News as You provide opportunity.**

- P** We confess, Spirit of truth, that like Peter, we have failed to trust You in all things and have been overwhelmed by the storms of life.
C **Forgive our weakness of faith and enable us to follow where You lead the way.**

- P** All things in heaven and earth are under God's rule. His almighty power was shown chiefly in sending His Son into this fallen world to destroy the powers of sin, death, and the devil. Your pride, self-centeredness, weakness of faith, and anything else that would separate you from His great love have been forgiven for Jesus' sake. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.**

✠ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠

HYMN

"I Know My Faith Is Founded"

LSB 587



1 I know my faith is found - ed On Je - sus Christ, my
2 In - crease my faith, dear Sav - ior, For Sa - tan seeks by
3 In faith, Lord, let me serve You; Though per - se - cu - tion,



God and Lord; And this my faith con - fess - ing, Un -
night and day To rob me of this trea - sure And
grief, and pain Should seek to o - ver - whelm me, Let



moved I stand on His sure Word. Our rea - son can - not
take my hope of bliss a - way. But, Lord, with You be -
me a stead - fast trust re - tain; And then at my de -



fath - om The truth of God pro - found; Who trusts in hu - man
side me, I shall be un - dis - mayed; And led by Your good
par - ture, Lord, take me home to You, Your rich - es to in -



wis - dom Re - lies on shift - ing ground. God's Word is
Spir - it, I shall be un - a - fraid. A - bide with
her - it As all You said holds true. In life and



all - suf - fi - cient, It makes di - vine - ly sure; And
me, O Sav - ior, A firm - er faith be - stow; Then
death, Lord, keep me Un - til Your heav'n I gain, Where



trust - ing in its wis - dom, My faith shall rest se - cure.
I shall bid de - fi - ance To ev - 'ry e - vil foe.
I by Your great mer - cy The end of faith at - tain.

Text: Erdmann Neumeister, 1671-1756; tr. The Lutheran Hymnal, 1941, alt.
Tune: Centurus novi, 1540, Augsburg
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PSALM (*Elder or Lay Deacon*)

- A** ¹I love you,
O LORD, my strength.
- A** ²The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer,
my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge,
my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.
- C** ³**I call upon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised,
and I am saved from my enemies.**
- A** ⁴The cords of death encompassed me;
the torrents of destruction assailed me;
- C** ⁵**the cords of Sheol entangled me;
the snares of death confronted me.**
- A** ⁶In my distress I called upon the LORD;
to my God I cried for help.
From his temple he heard my voice,
and my cry to him reached his ears.

THIS IS THE FEAST

LSB 171

- A** This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.

The musical notation is written on four staves in a treble clef with a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#). The melody is simple and hymn-like. The lyrics are printed below the notes.

C Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,
whose blood set us free to be peo-ple of God.
Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and strength and
hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are His.

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le -
 lu - ia. Sing with all the peo - ple of
 God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:
 Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and might be to
 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.
 This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God,
 for the Lamb who was slain has be - gun His reign.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** And also with you.

P Let us pray. Almighty and most merciful God, preserve us from all harm and danger that we, being ready in both body and soul, may cheerfully accomplish what You want done; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Job 38: 4-18

The Word is read...

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING

Romans 10:5-17

The Word is read...

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

ALLELUIA AND VERSE

LSB 173



C Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?




You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 14:22-33

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fourteenth chapter.



C Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

The Gospel is read...

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



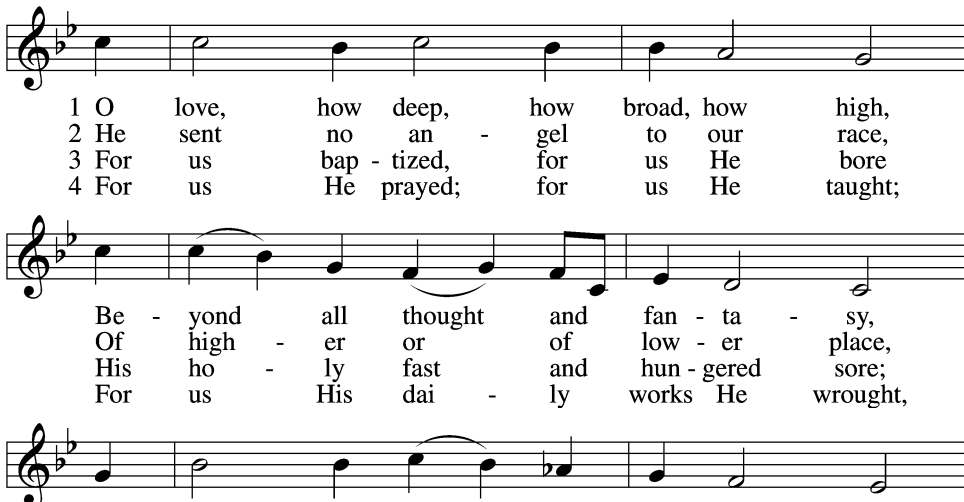
C Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

HYMN

"O Love, How Deep"

LSB 544



1 O love, how deep, how broad, how high,
2 He sent no an - gel to our race,
3 For us bap - tized, for us He bore
4 For us He prayed; for us He taught;

Be - yond all thought and fan - ta - sy,
Of high - er or of low - er place,
His ho - ly fast and hun - gered sore;
For us His dai - ly works He wrought,

That God, the Son of God, should take
But wore the robe of hu - man frame,
For us the temp - ta - tion sharp He knew;
By words and signs and ac - tions thus



Our mor - tal form for mor - tals' sake!
And to this world Him - self He came.
For us the tempt - er o - ver - threw.
Still seek - ing not Him - self but us.

5 For us by wickedness betrayed,
For us, in crown of thorns arrayed,
He bore the shameful cross and death;
For us He gave His dying breath.

6 For us He rose from death again;
For us He went on high to reign;
For us He sent His Spirit here
To guide, to strengthen, and to cheer.

△ 7 All glory to our Lord and God
For love so deep, so high, so broad;
The Trinity whom we adore
Forever and forevermore.

Text: attr. Thomas à Kempis, 1380-1471; tr. Benjamin Webb, 1819-85, alt.
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SERMON

Stand

NICENE CREED

**☩ I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,**

**begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the
dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.**

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P In peace, let us pray to the Lord:

G **Lord, have mercy.**

A In thanksgiving for our bodies and souls, gifts of our glorious Creator, let us pray to the Lord:

G **Lord, have mercy.**

P In lament for our sin, for death in this world and for the creation now subject to futility, let us pray to the Lord:

G **Lord, have mercy.**

A In faith, for the forgiveness that Christ has won by His blood and for the new life of righteousness that comes from His grace, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For the people of God, in whose hearts His Word dwells, that they may have courage to confess Christ before the world, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

A For all pastors, church planters and congregations, that they might receive hope, renewal and endurance from God; and that fear would never keep us from the Word and Sacraments, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For trust in the Lord, that we may have confidence in all He has promised to bestow on us each day, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

A For preservation from all doubt and fear, that like Peter, we might be kept in the grasp of God's grace, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For those in need, [*especially _____*], that their hearts would not waver from Christ, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

A For all who come to the Lord's table, that we would be united in confession even as we are one at His table, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P Gracious Lord, give ear to the prayers of Your people and lead us to trust in Your mercy without fear, that we may be confident that You will grant to us all things needful to us and our salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

PAX DOMINI

LSB 180

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

Following the prayers, the people may greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you," as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Matt. 5:22–24; Eph. 4:1–3).

Sit

OFFERING

VOLUNTARY

"Jesus the Very Thought of Thee"

arr. R. Darley

Stand

OFFERTORY

LSB 176



What shall I ren - der to the Lord for all His ben - e-fits to



me? I will of-fer the sac-ri - fice of thanks - giv - ing and will



call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-



va-tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my



vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo - ple, in the



✠ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

PREFACE

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** **And also with you.**

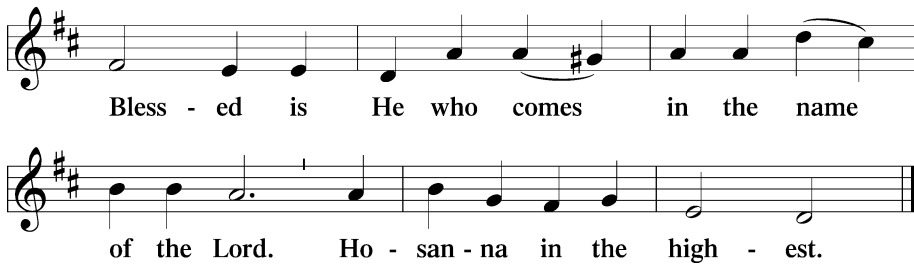
- P** Lift up your hearts.
- C** **We lift them to the Lord.**

- P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C** **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**
- P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS

LSB 178

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.



PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

- P** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

- G** Amen.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

- P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

C **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

LORD'S PRAYER

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.**

AGNUS DEI

LSB 180



C Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world;



have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the

sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of
 God, You take a - way the sin of the world;
 grant us peace, grant us peace.

Sit

DISTRIBUTION

HYMN

"Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me"

LSB 715

1 Je - sus, Sav - ior, pi - lot me O - ver life's
 2 As a moth - er stills her child, Thou canst hush
 3 When at last I near the shore And the fear -
 tem - pes - tuous sea; Un - known waves be - fore me roll,
 the o - cean wild; Bois - t'rous waves o - bey Thy will
 ful break - ers roar Twixt me and the peace - ful rest,
 Hid - ing rock and treach - 'rous shoal. Chart and com -
 When Thou say'st to them, "Be still!" Won - drous Sov -
 Then, while lean - ing on Thy breast, May I hear
 pass come from Thee. Je - sus, Sav - ior, pi - lot me.
 reign of the sea, Je - sus, Sav - ior, pi - lot me.
 Thee say to me, "Fear not, I will pi - lot thee."

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 Tune: John E. Gould, 1822-75
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VOLUNTARY

"Jesus, Savior Pilot Me"
"At His Table"

arr. E. Broughton
L. Smith

Stand

THANK THE LORD

LSB 181

C Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what
He has done. Let ev - 'ry-one who seeks the Lord re -
joice and proud - ly bear His name. He re-calls His prom-is-
es and leads His peo - ple forth in joy with shouts of thanks -
giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

P Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

BENEDICTION

LSB 183

- 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.

G Amen.

HYMN

“How Shall They Hear,” Who Have Not Heard

LSB 831



1 “How shall they hear,” who have not heard
 2 “To all the world,” to ev - ’ry place,
 3 “Whom shall I send?” Who hears the call,
 4 “Lord, here am I:” Your fire im - part
 5 Spir - it of love, with - in us move:



News of a Lord who loved and came;
 Neigh - bors and friends and far - off lands,
 Con - stant in prayer, through toil and pain,
 To this poor cold self - cen - tered soul;
 Spir - it of truth, in pow’r come down!



Nor known His rec - on - cil - ing word,
 Preach the good news of sav - ing grace;
 Tell - ing of One who died for all,
 Touch but my lips, my hands, my heart,
 So shall they hear and find and prove



Nor learned to trust a Sav - ior’s name?
 Go while the great com - mis - sion stands.
 To bring a lost world home a - gain?
 And make a world for Christ my goal.
 Christ is their life, their joy, their crown.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS AND DISMISSAL

- P** Go in peace as you serve the Lord.

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POSTLUDE

"Carillon"

L. Smith

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