

**Joy of Christ Lutheran Church**  
**Tenth Sunday After Pentecost – August 14, 2022**

*Communion is served on the table at the entrance. Prepacked cups have grape juice for your convenience. Please help yourself and wait for the blessing and the prompt from the pastor to commune together.*

**MUSIC PRELUDE**

**WORDS OF WELCOME**

**GATHERING PRAISE SONG**

**MORNING HAS BROKEN**

**PURPLE BOOK #/98**

Morning has broken like the first morning; blackbird has spoken like the first bird.  
Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning! Praise for them, springing fresh from the Word!

Sweet the rain's new fall, sunlit from heaven, like the first dewfall on the first grass.  
Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden, sprung in completeness where God's feet pass.

Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning, born of the one light Eden saw play!  
Praise with elation, praise ev'ry morning, God's recreation of the new day!

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✚ one God,  
whose steadfast love endures forever. **Amen.**

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

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Merciful God,  
**we confess that we have not followed your path  
but have chosen our own way.  
Instead of putting others before ourselves,  
we long to take the best seats at the table.  
When met by those in need,  
we have too often passed by on the other side.  
Set us again on the path of life.  
Save us from ourselves  
and free us to love our neighbors. Amen.**

Hear the good news!  
God does not deal with us according to our sins  
but delights in granting pardon and mercy.  
In the name of ✚ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.  
You are free to love as God loves. **Amen.**

**CANTICLE OF PRAISE**

**THIS IS THE FEAST**

**RED BOOK, PG. 140**

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.  
Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.  
This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.  
Power, riches, wisdom and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are his.  
This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:  
Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.  
This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.  
For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia.  
This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

## **GREETING**

May 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.**

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**O God, judge eternal, you love justice and hate oppression, and you call us to share your zeal for truth. Give us courage to take our stand with all victims of bloodshed and greed, and, following your servants and prophets, to look to the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## **LESSONS**

**FIRST READING: Jeremiah 23:23-29** A reading from Jeremiah.

<sup>23</sup>Am I a God near by, says the LORD, and not a God far off? <sup>24</sup>Who can hide in secret places so that I cannot see them? says the LORD. Do I not fill heaven and earth? says the LORD. <sup>25</sup>I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, "I have dreamed, I have dreamed!" <sup>26</sup>How long? Will the hearts of the prophets ever turn back—those who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart? <sup>27</sup>They plan to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, just as their ancestors forgot my name for Baal. <sup>28</sup>Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let the one who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? says the LORD. <sup>29</sup>Is not my word like fire, says the LORD, and like a hammer that breaks a rock in pieces?

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

## **PSALM: Psalm 82**

<sup>1</sup>God stands to charge the divine council assembled,  
giving judgment in the midst of the gods:

<sup>2</sup>**"How long will you judge unjustly,  
and show favor to the wicked?"**

<sup>3</sup>Save the weak and the orphan;  
defend the humble and needy;

<sup>4</sup>**rescue the weak and the poor;  
deliver them from the power of the wicked.**

<sup>5</sup>They do not know, neither do they understand; they wander about in darkness;  
all the foundations of the earth are shaken.

<sup>6</sup>**Now I say to you, 'You are gods,  
and all of you children of the Most High;**

<sup>7</sup>nevertheless, you shall die like mortals,  
and fall like any prince.'"

<sup>8</sup>**Arise, O God, and rule the earth,  
for you shall take all nations for your own.**

Glory be to the Creator God, and to the Son Jesus Christ and to the Holy Spirit  
**As it was in the beginning is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

**SECOND READING: Hebrews 11:29—12:2** A reading from Hebrews.

<sup>29</sup>By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. <sup>30</sup>By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. <sup>31</sup>By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace.

<sup>32</sup>And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets—<sup>33</sup>who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, <sup>34</sup>quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. <sup>35</sup>Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. <sup>36</sup>Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. <sup>37</sup>They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented—<sup>38</sup>of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground.

<sup>39</sup>Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, <sup>40</sup>since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect.

<sup>12:1</sup>Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, <sup>2</sup>looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

**ALLELUIA**

**RED BOOK, PG 142**

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.  
Alleluia. Alleluia.

**GOSPEL: Luke 12:49-56** Announcement Response: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus said: <sup>49</sup>“I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! <sup>50</sup>I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! <sup>51</sup>Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! <sup>52</sup>From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; <sup>53</sup>they will be divided:

father against son  
and son against father,  
mother against daughter  
and daughter against mother,  
mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law  
and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.”

<sup>54</sup>He also said to the crowds, “When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, ‘It is going to rain’; and so it happens. <sup>55</sup>And when you see the south wind blowing, you say,

‘There will be scorching heat’; and it happens. <sup>56</sup>You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?’

P: The gospel of the Lord.

Response: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **SERMON**

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## **HYMN OF THE DAY**

**WHEN PEACE LIKE A RIVER RED BOOK, #785**

When peace like a river attendeth my way, when sorrows like sea billows roll,  
whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say, it is well, it is well with my soul.

**Refrain** It is well (it is well) with my soul, (with my soul,) it is well, it is well with my soul.

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come, let this blest assurance control,  
that Christ has regarded my helpless estate, and has shed his own blood for my soul. **Refrain**

He lives--oh, the bliss of this glorious thought; my sin, not in part, but the whole,  
is nailed to his cross and I bear it no more. Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!

**Refrain**

Lord, hasten the day when our faith shall be sight, the clouds be rolled back as a scroll,  
the trumpet shall sound and the Lord shall descend; even so it is well with my soul. **Refrain**

## **THE 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 GOD'S PEOPLE**

*After the petition: Merciful God, ...*

*The Congregation responds: ... receive our prayer. Amen.*

**PEACE** Response: **And also with you.**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **SPECIAL MUSIC OFFERING:**

**Winnie Thomas and Landon Ohta**

*(Offerings Brought Forward)*

**RESPONSE: The Queen's Prayer**

‘O kou aloha no Aia i Ka Lani,  
A ‘o kou ‘oia‘io, He hemolele ho‘i.

Nolai la e ka Haku, Ma lalo Kou 'e heu,  
Ko makou maluhia. A mau loa aku no. Amene

Translation:

Your loving mercy is as high as Heaven  
And your truth, so perfect.  
And so, O Lord protect us beneath your wings  
And let peace be our portion. Now and forever more. Amen

## **BLESSING OF THE OFFERINGS**

God of abundance:

you have set before us a plentiful harvest.

As we feast on your goodness, strengthen us to labor in your field,  
and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all, in the name of Jesus. **Amen.**

## **THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**  
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## **PREFACE**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God. You reveal your glory as the glory of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your eternal glory. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## **SANCTUS                      HOLY, HOLY, HOLY LORD                      RED BOOK, PG. 144**

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

## **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER (sung)**

**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 the kingdom, and the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

## **COMMUNION**

### **LAMB OF GOD                      LAMB OF GOD                      RED BOOK, PG 146**

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Life-giving God,

through this meal you have bandaged our wounds and fed us with your mercy.  
Now send us forth to live for others, both friend and stranger,  
that all may come to know your love. This we pray in the name of Jesus. **Amen.**

## **BLESSING**

The God of peace,  
Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you, comfort you,  
and show you the path of life this day and always. **Amen.**

## **SENDING SONG      PRECIOUS LORD, TAKE MY HAND      RED BOOK #773**

Precious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, let me stand.  
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn.  
Through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light.  
Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

When my way grows drear, precious Lord, linger near  
when my life is almost gone.  
hear my cry, hear my call, hold my hand lest I fall.  
Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

When the darkness appears and the night draws near,  
and the day is past and gone,  
at the river I stand, guide my feet, hold my hand.  
Take my hand precious Lord, lead me home.

## **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Love your neighbor. **Thanks be to God.**

## **POSTLUDE**

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