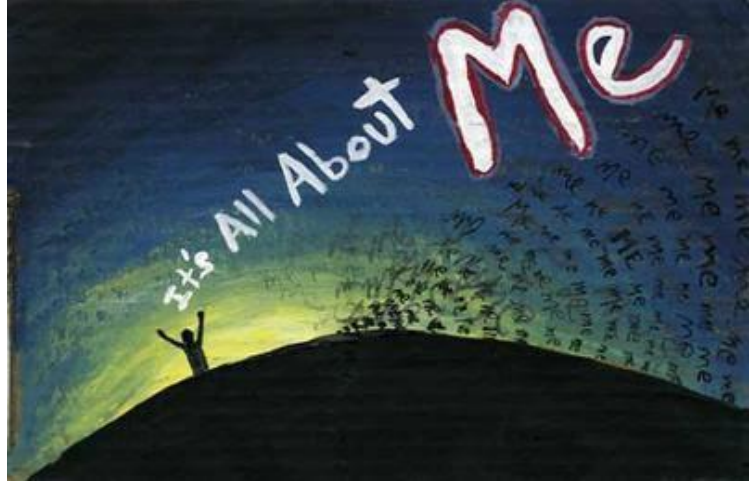


HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH
Worship Bulletin for Sunday,
September 6, 2020 – 8:30 AM
14th Sunday after Pentecost
ELW Holy Communion Setting Ten
PREACHER & PRESIDER -
Pastor Callista Isabelle, Director for
Religious, Spiritual & Ethical Life at
Washington University

GATHERING The Holy Spirit calls us
together as the people of God



*Prior to Worship, please text Prayers into Holy Cross’
“Text in Church” # 314.329.0487 & Pastor will lift them in Prayers of the People today*

WELCOME

PRELUDE - Praise, My Soul the King of Heaven
from *Pipes and Praise, Joyous Music for Organ*

Lani Smith
compiled by Dennis Eliot

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (ELW p. 94)

The assembly stands. All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✚ one God,
who creates, redeems, and sustains us and all of creation. **Amen.**

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

Faithful God,

**have mercy on us. We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves.
We turn from your loving embrace and go our own ways. We pass judgment on one another
before examining ourselves. We place our own needs before those of our neighbors.
We keep your gift of salvation to ourselves. Make us humble, cast away our transgressions,
and turn us again to life in you through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

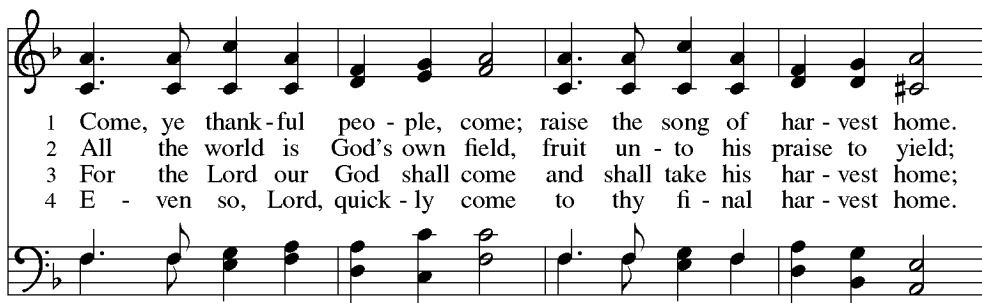
The presiding minister announces God’s forgiveness!

God hears the cries of all who call out in need, and through his death and resurrection,
Christ has made us his own. Hear the truth that God proclaims:
Your sins are forgiven in the name of + Jesus Christ. Led by the Holy Spirit, live in freedom and
newness to do God’s work in the world. **Amen.**

GATHERING SONG - Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

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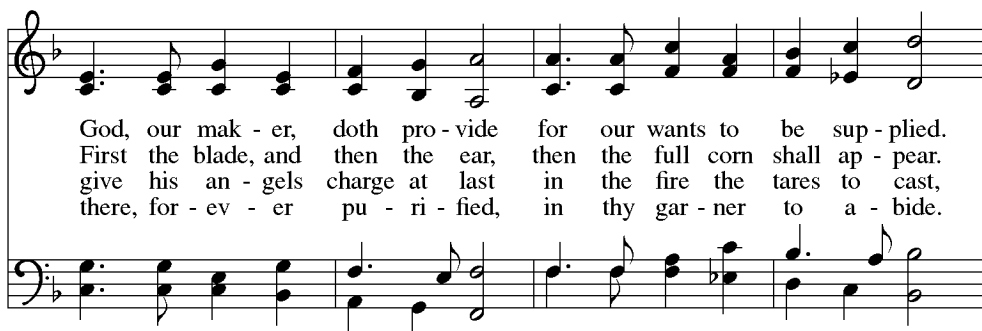
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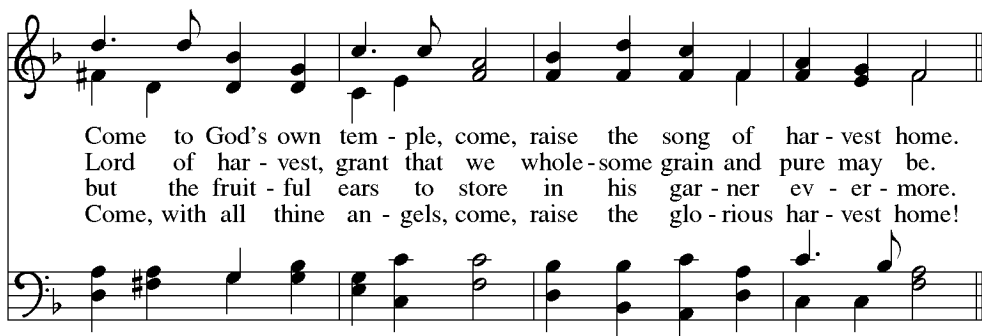
1 Come, ye thank-ful peo - ple, come; raise the song of har - vest home.
 2 All the world is God's own field, fruit un - to his praise to yield;
 3 For the Lord our God shall come and shall take his har - vest home;
 4 E - ven so, Lord, quick - ly come to thy fi - nal har - vest home.



All be safe - ly gath - ered in ere the win - ter storms be - gin.
 wheat and tares to - geth - er sown, un - to joy or sor - row grown.
 from his field shall in that day, all of - fens - es purge a - way;
 Gath - er then thy peo - ple in, free from sor - row, free from sin,



God, our mak - er, doth pro - vide for our wants to be sup - plied.
 First the blade, and then the ear, then the full corn shall ap - pear.
 give his an - gels charge at last in the fire the tares to cast,
 there, for - ev - er pu - ri - fied, in thy gar - ner to a - bide.



Come to God's own tem - ple, come, raise the song of har - vest home.
 Lord of har - vest, grant that we whole - some grain and pure may be.
 but the fruit - ful ears to store in his gar - ner ev - er - more.
 Come, with all thine an - gels, come, raise the glo - rious har - vest home!

Text: Henry Alford, 1810–1871, alt.
 Music: ST. GEORGE'S, WINDSOR, George J. Elvey, 1816–1893

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.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE (ELW p. 204)



1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:
Son of God and gra - cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;
Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.
Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.
For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

O Lord God, enliven and preserve your church with your perpetual mercy. Without your help, we mortals will fail; remove far from us everything that is harmful and lead us toward all that gives life and salvation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

WORD God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song

PSALM - Psalm 119:33-40

The psalm for the day is sung.

Psalm 119

vs. 33 - 40

Refrain: 1st time: Repeat

Owen Alstott

Lord, I love your com - mands.

⁴ Tone 1:

1. Teach	me	O	DER - STAND - ING	AND	I SHALL	Lord the way	KEEP YOUR TEACH - ING;
2. Give	ME	UN -	DER - STAND - ING			your com - mand - ments,	
3. Lead	me	in	the path	of		YOUR DE - CREES	
4. IN -	CLINE	MY	HEART	TO			
5. Turn	my	eyes	from	be -	-	hold - ing false - hood;	
6. FUL -	FILL	YOUR	PROM -	ISE		TO YOUR SERV - ANT,	
7. Turn	a -	way	the	re -	proach	that I dread,	
8. BE -	HOLD,	I	LONG	FOR		YOUR COM - MAND - MENTS	

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1. of	your	sta -	tutes,	and	I shall	keep it	to the end
2. I	SHALL	KEEP	IT	WITH			ALL MY HEART
3. for	that	is					my de - sire.
4. AND	NOT	TO					UN - JUST GAIN. Refrain.
5. give	me	life					in your way.
6. WHICH	IS	FOR					THOSE WHO FEAR YOU.
7. be -	cause	your	judge	-	ments	are	good.
8. BY	YOUR	RIGHT -	EOUS -	NESS	EN	LIV -	EN ME. Refrain.

SECOND READING - Romans 13:8-14 (Read by the Worship Asst.)

A reading from Romans.

The obligation of Christians is to love one another and so fulfill the heart and goal of the law. Clothes make the person as we “put on the Lord Jesus Christ” and live today in light of the future God has in store for us.

⁸Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. ⁹The commandments, “You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet”; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, “Love your neighbor as yourself.” ¹⁰Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

¹¹Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; ¹²the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; ¹³let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. ¹⁴Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

KIDS’ MESSAGE – Pastor Callista

GOSPEL - Matthew 18:15-20 (Read by Pastor)

The holy gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus offers practical advice to his disciples on how individuals—and the church as a whole—should go about restoring relationships when one member has sinned against another.

[Jesus said to the disciples:] ¹⁵“If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. ¹⁶But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. ¹⁷If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. ¹⁸Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.

¹⁹Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. ²⁰For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON - ENEMY of GRATITUDE: Entitlement?

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

CREED *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.

*Or, "he descended into hell," another translation of this text in widespread use.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Drawn together in the compassion of God, we pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

A brief silence.

Unite your church, O God. Grant us the gifts of repentance and reconciliation. Bless the cooperative work of churches in this community (*especially*). Strengthen ecumenical partnerships; guide the work of the Lutheran World Federation and the World Council of Churches. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Protect your creation, O God. Teach us ways that do not harm what you have entrusted to our care. Renew and enliven places suffering from drought, flood, storms, or pollution (*especially*). Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Turn nations and leaders from ways that lead to death. Shape new paths toward peace and cooperation, teaching us to recognize one another as neighbors. Guide legislators, civil servants, judges, and police toward laws that protect the well-being of all. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Tend to all in need of your compassion. Hear the cries of those awaiting justice and those yearning for forgiveness. Give community to the lonely and neighbors to the outcast. Shelter all who are vulnerable in body, mind, or spirit, especially *Marilyn, Vera, Keith, Luanne, Sionie, Jean,*

Merry, Adam, Kelly, Betty, Michelle, Leah, Wayne, Pat, Bob, Cynthia, Dave, Dennis, Fred, Grace, Jason, Mark, Reed, Roger, Sandy, Sarah, William, and all volunteers who are participating in Covid-19 trials to help find vaccines to treat the virus. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Sustain us in our work, O God, and give work to those who need it. Shape societies to ensure fair treatment for all who labor. Help us to love our neighbors in and through our work. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

Pastor: We remember with thanksgiving those who have died in faith. As you equipped them, equip us with your protection and power, until with them we see your salvation. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

All these things and whatever else you see that we need, we entrust to your mercy; through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

PEACE (ELW p. 206)

The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ.

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace.

MEAL God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ

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The presiding minister instructs those communing at home to gather their bread / cracker / wine/ grape juice elements to hold up during the Words of Institution.

OFFERTORY - Day of Arising (*Morning Has Broken* - Bunessan)

from *Morning Has Broken, Hymn Settings for Worship* arr. by Arthur Frackenpohl

OFFERING PRAYER (ELW p. 206)

After the table is set, the assisting minister leads...

Let us pray.

Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: ourselves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in

feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

**GREAT THANKSGIVING
DIALOGUE (ELW p. 206)**

The presiding minister greets the assembly and invites all present to give thanks.

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 (ELW p. 207)

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,
through our Savior Jesus Christ;
who on this day overcame death and the grave,
and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.
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:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (ELW p. 207)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE (ELW p. 207)

The presiding minister continues, using one of the following or another appropriate form.

O God most mighty,
O God most merciful,
O God our rock and our salvation,
hear us as we praise,
call us to your table,
grant us your life.

When the earth was a formless void,
you formed order and beauty.

When Abraham and Sarah were barren,
you sent them a child;

When the Israelites were enslaved,
you led them to freedom.

Ruth faced starvation, David fought Goliath,
and the psalmists cried out for healing,
and full of compassion, you granted the people your life.

You entered our sorrows in Jesus our brother.

He was born among the poor,
he lived under oppression,
he wept over the city.

With infinite love, he granted the people your life.

[PLEASE LIFT UP YOUR HOME COMMUNION BREAD & CUP OR FELLOWSHIP CUP]

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup,
gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people
for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering his death, we cry out Amen. **[Amen.]**

Celebrating his resurrection, we shout Amen. **[Amen.]**

Trusting his presence in every time and place, we plead Amen. **[Amen.]**

O God, you are Breath: send your Spirit on this meal.

O God, you are Bread: feed us with yourself.

O God, you are wine: warm our hearts and make us one.

O God, you are Fire: transform us with hope.

O God most majestic, O God most motherly,
O God our strength and our song,
you show us a vision of a tree of life
with fruits for all and leaves that heal the nations.
Grant us such life,
the life of the Father to the Son,
the life of the Spirit of our risen Savior,
life in you, now and forever. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION *The presiding minister may address the assembly in these or similar words.* Taste and see that the Lord is good.

The assembly may be seated. The bread may be broken for HOME Communion.

COMMUNION

SONG AFTER COMMUNION - *Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether*

ELW 470

Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether

1 Draw us in the Spir-it's teth - er, for when hum - bly
 2 As dis - ci - ples used to gath - er in the name of
 3 All our meals and all our liv - ing make as sac - ra -

in your name two or three are met to - geth - er,
 Christ to sup, then with thanks to God the giv - er
 ments of you, that by car - ing, help-ing, giv - ing,

you are in the midst of them. Al - le - lu - ia!
 break the bread and bless the cup, Al - le - lu - ia!
 we may be dis - ci - ples true. Al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia! Touch we now your gar - ment's hem.
 Al - le - lu - ia! so now bind our friend - ship up.
 Al - le - lu - ia! We will serve with faith a - new.

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 Music: UNION SEMINARY, Harold Friedell, 1905-1958
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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (ELW p. 208)

The assisting minister leads...

Let us pray.

God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

SENDING God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING (ELW p. 209)

The presiding minister proclaims God's blessing.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✝ give you peace.

Amen.

SENDING SONG - *Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee* (See next page)

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DISMISSAL (ELW p. 209)

The assisting minister sends...

Go in peace. Share the good news.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE - *Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven* (Laude Anima)

from *The King of Heaven, Five Hymns of Praise for Organ*

arr. by Anna Laura Page

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*The flowers at the altar today are given to the glory of God
by Cheryl Weiland in honor of Patrick Goertzen's birthday.*

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

1 Joy - ful, joy - ful we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love!
 2 All thy works with joy sur - round thee, earth and heav'n re - flect thy rays,
 3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, ev - er bless - ing, ev - er blest,

Hearts un - fold like flow'rs be - fore thee, prais - ing thee, their sun a - bove.
 stars and an - gels sing a - round thee, cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.
 well - spring of the joy of liv - ing, o - cean - depth of hap - py rest!

Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness, drive the gloom of doubt a - way.
 Field and for - est, vale and moun - tain, flow - 'ry mead - ow, flash - ing sea,
 Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our broth - er, all who live in love are thine;

Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, fill us with the light of day.
 chant - ing bird, and flow - ing foun - tain call us to re - joice in thee.
 teach us how to love each oth - er, lift us to the joy di - vine!

Text: Henry van Dyke, 1852–1922
 Music: HYMN TO JOY, Ludwig van Beethoven, 1770–1827, adapt.