
As we are invited today to consider what it means to be managers (rather than owners) of all that we have, it is crucial to recognize that we are bought with a price. "Christ Jesus, himself human, . . . gave himself a ransom for all." Apart from the generosity of God we have nothing—we are nothing. By God's gracious favor we have everything we need.

PRELUDE

Faith Bells

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing arr. Lloyd Larson
Hyferdol variations arr. Lloyd Larson

CALL TO WORSHIP & CONFESSION FOR PENTECOST SEASON

Pastor: Blessed be the God of Resurrection. †

Congregation: Amen.

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

Silence for confession.

P: God of New Life,

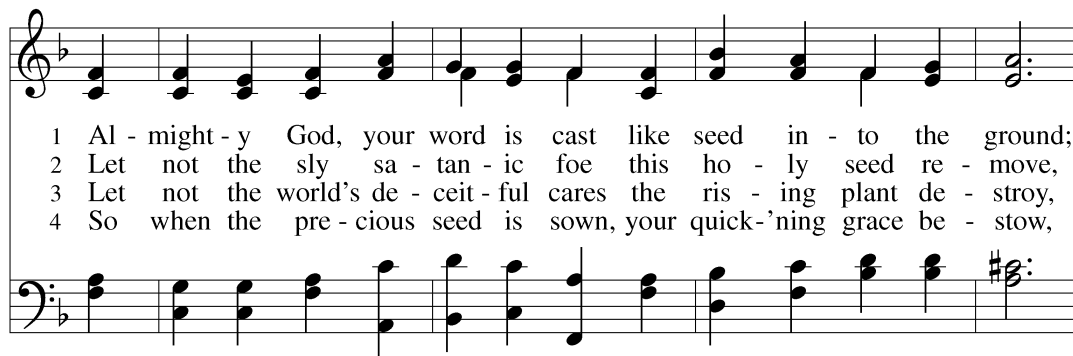
C: We confess our lack of faith. We see a glimpse of what we ought to be and we know we fall short of the goal. We desire faith which is solid and unchanging, yet we crumble under the trials and temptations of life. We want to be strong, but we know our own weaknesses. Our sinful condition strips us of any spiritual gain we humanly devise. God, forgive us. Accept us as we are, unworthy for the task, yet gifted for your purposes.

P: Hear the good news of God's forgiveness. Our God is a great God and knows what we need in every area of our life. God knows our weaknesses and our unbelieving hearts. God loves us enough to die on a cross and provide forgiveness for our sin. Today the focus is not on the faith we can muster, but on the great gifts our God gives. God has given us the gift of faith, faith for the moment, faith for every trial, faith for every temptation, faith for every difficult situation. Praise God. †

C: Alleluia and Amen.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN hymn 516 (*stand*)

Almighty God, Your Word Is Cast



1 Al - might - y God, your word is cast like seed in - to the ground;
2 Let not the sly sa - tan - ic foe this ho - ly seed re - move,
3 Let not the world's de - ceit - ful cares the ris - ing plant de - stroy,
4 So when the pre - cious seed is sown, your quick-'ning grace be - stow,



now let the dew of heav'n de - scend and righ - teous fruits a - bound.
but give it root in ev - 'ry heart to bring forth fruits of love.
but let it yield a hun - dred-fold the fruits of peace and joy.
that all whose souls the truth re - ceive its sav - ing pow'r may know.

GREETING

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Congregation: And also with you.

Assistant: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Congregation: Lord, have mer - cy.

A: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mer - cy.

A: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mer - cy.

A: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,
let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mer - cy.

A: Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.

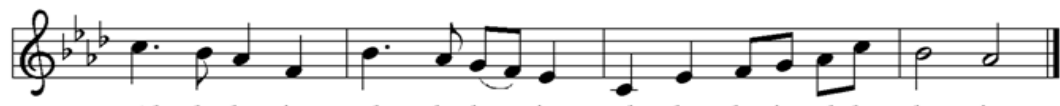
C: A - men, a - men.

This Is the Feast

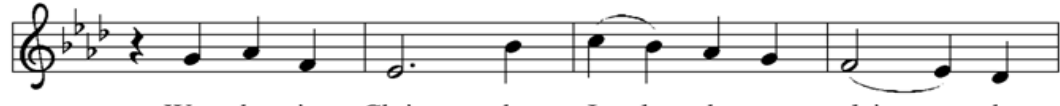
Refrain



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
2 Sing . . with all the peo - ple of God, and



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:



Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and strength, and
Bless - ing and hon - or, glo - ry and might be to



Refrain
hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are his.
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with You.

Congregation: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us pray,

Congregation: God among us, we gather in the name of your Son to learn love for one another. Keep our feet from evil paths. Turn our minds to your wisdom and our hearts to the grace revealed in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

PARISH NEWS

FIRST READING Amos 8:4-7 *pew Bible, page 841*

Mary Beth Hallahan, Lector

Amos was called by God to prophesy in the Northern Kingdom of Israel. Peace and prosperity in Israel led to corrupt business practices and oppression of the poor. The prophet declares that God will not tolerate such a situation.

⁴Hear this, you that trample on the needy, and bring to ruin the poor of the land,
⁵saying, "When will the new moon be over so that we may sell grain; and the sabbath, so that we may offer wheat for sale? We will make the ephah small and the shekel great, and practice deceit with false balances, ⁶buying the poor for silver and the needy for a pair of sandals, and selling the sweepings of the wheat." ⁷The Lord has sworn by the pride of Jacob: Surely I will never forget any of their deeds.

PSALM 113 *pew Bible, page 552*

Lector: Praise the Lord! Praise, O servants of the Lord; praise the name of the Lord.

Congregation: Blessed be the name of the Lord from this time on and forevermore.

L: From the rising of the sun to its setting the name of the Lord is to be praised.

C: The Lord is high above all nations, and his glory above the heavens.

L: Who is like the Lord our God, who is seated on high,

C: who looks far down on the heavens and the earth?

L: He raises the poor from the dust, and lifts the needy from the ash heap,

C: to make them sit with princes, with the princes of his people.

L: He gives the barren woman a home, making her the joyous mother of children.

C: Praise the Lord!

SECOND READING: 1 Timothy 2:1-7 *pew Bible, page 1082*

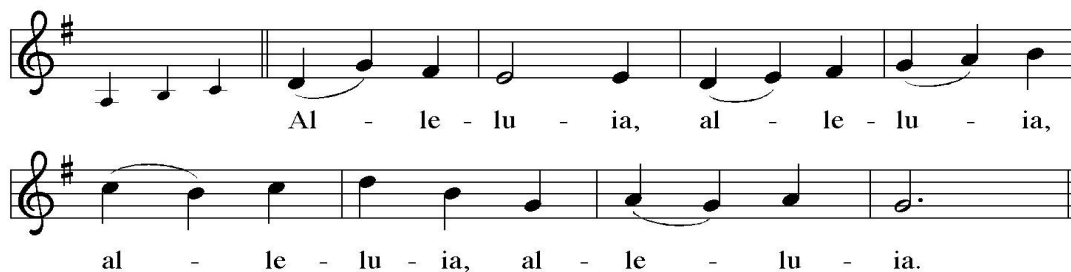
The pastoral epistles offer insight into how early Christians understood many practical matters, such as church administration and worship. The church's focused prayer for others is an expression of the single-minded passion God has toward us in Jesus.

¹First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, ²for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. ³This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, ⁴who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. ⁵For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, ⁶who gave himself a ransom for all—this was attested at the right time. ⁷For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION FOR THE PENTECOST SEASON *hymnal page 102*



GOSPEL: Luke 16:1-13 *pew Bible, page 955*

Jesus tells the curious story of a dishonest manager who cheats his employer and then is commended by him for having acted so shrewdly. Jesus wonders why his own followers are less creative and diligent in their stewardship given that they are managers of a far more valuable household.

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 16th chapter

Congregation: Glory to you, O Lord!

¹Then Jesus said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. ²So he summoned him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.' ³Then the manager said to himself, 'What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. ⁴I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.' ⁵So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' ⁶He answered, 'A hundred jugs of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.' ⁷Then he asked another, 'And how much do you owe?' He replied, 'A hundred containers of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill and make it eighty.' ⁸And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. ⁹And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

¹⁰Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. ¹¹If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? ¹²And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? ¹³No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth."

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord.

Congregation: Praise to you, O Christ!

SERMON: Guest Speaker

Anna Christine Seiple

Anna Christine (A. C.) Seiple is a licensed counselor, retreat leader, instructor, and researcher. She loves integrating neuroscience with spirituality, honoring the entirety of our created being. She holds two master's degrees—one in clinical mental health counseling and one in biblical studies—and is currently a postgraduate researcher working on her PhD at the University of St Andrews in Scotland. She enjoys nature, dancing, and adventuring with her husband. Connect with A. C. on Instagram @a.c.seiple and online at acseiple.com. Her parents are Mary Beth and Jim Hallahan.

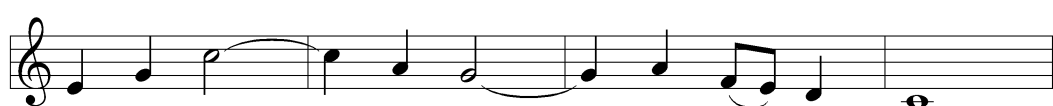
You may purchase her book on Amazon at <https://a.co/d/4ZYwnJz>

Lift High the Cross

Refrain



Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim till



all the world a - dore his sa - cred name.



1 Come, Chris - tians, fol - low where our cap - tain trod,
 2 Led on their way by this tri - um - phant sign,
 3 All new - born sol - diers of the Cru - ci - fied
 4 O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,
 5 So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be:

Refrain



our king vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God.
 the hosts of God in con - qu'ring ranks com - bine.
 bear on their brows the seal of him who died.
 as thou hast prom - ised, draw us all to thee.
 praise to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry!

APOSTLES' CREED

Pastor: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us proclaim our faith.

All: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived
 by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.
 He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.
 He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again.
 He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
 He will come again 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.**

THE PRAYERS *stand or kneel*

Greg Bohlken, Assisting Minister

Assistant: Gracious God, we come to you in prayer for the church, the world, and all in need.

brief silence.

Assistant: O God, teach your church to act in solidarity with the poor, frustrating the efforts of those who trample on the needy and practicing justice in our own life and community. God of grace,

Congregation: receive our prayer.

A: Almighty Creator, we pray for an end to the misuse of the earth and its resources, that all people may benefit from your abundant gifts and that our stewardship of creation would be marked by justice and sustainability. God of grace,

C: receive our prayer.

A: Holy One, embolden elected leaders to pursue policies of economic justice for the benefit of all, especially those who are most vulnerable and marginalized. Persuade them by your example of generosity and compassion. God of grace,

C: receive our prayer.

A: Compassionate God, we pray for all facing illness, those near death, or those grieving the loss of loved ones. May they find comfort and strength in your love. Prepare us to surround them with your healing care. God of grace,

C: receive our prayer.

A: God of love, motivate our congregation to enact economic justice through tangible action, prioritizing the needs of our community and sharing resources generously through our outreach and justice ministries. God of grace,

C: receive our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

A: Gracious God, we give thanks for the saints who now join the heavenly chorus in praising your name. Lift us up from the dust of grief and remind us of your promise of new life. God of grace,

C: receive our prayer.

Silence for individual prayer petitions.

Pastor: We entrust these prayers to you, O God, in the name of Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend.

Congregation: Amen.

CHILDREN'S TALK

THE PEACE

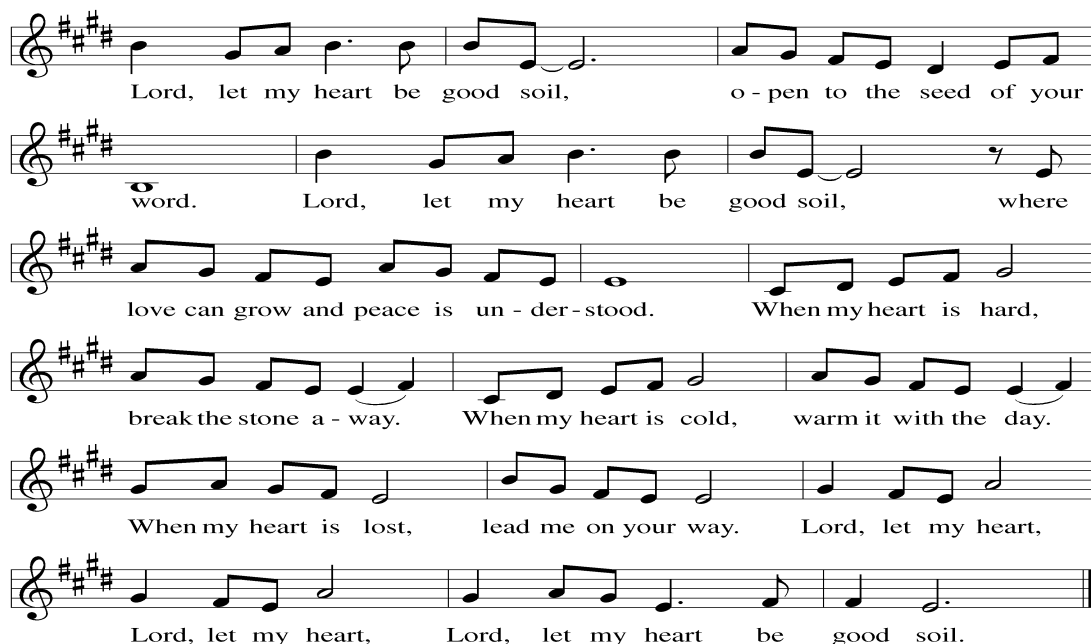
Children: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Congregation: And also with you.

OFFERING FOR MISSION AND MINISTRY

OFFERING ANTHEM *Secret Prayer* Lauren Flauding

OFFERTORY *hymn 512*



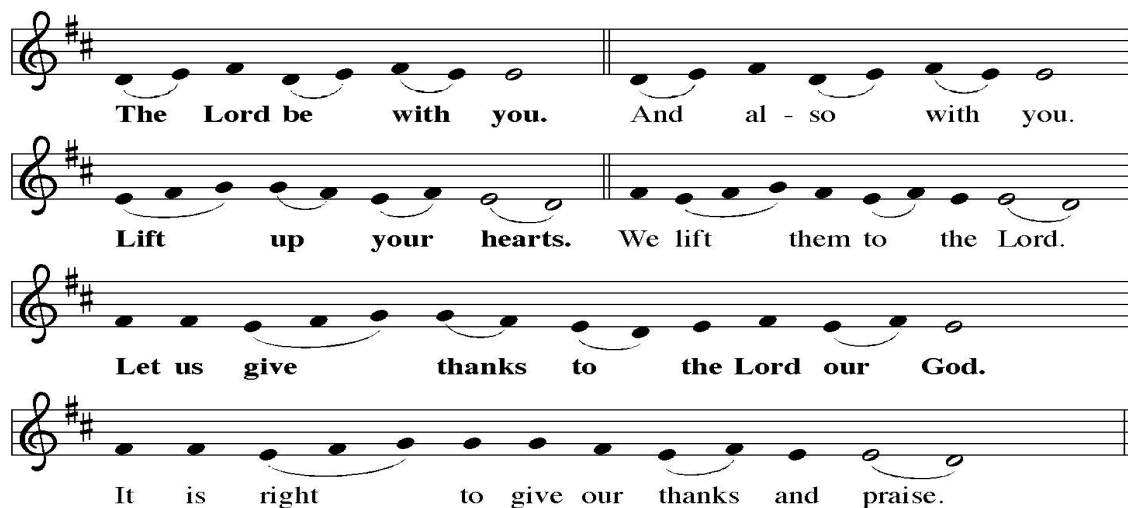
Lord, let my heart be good soil, o - pen to the seed of your
word. Lord, let my heart be good soil, where
love can grow and peace is un - der - stood. When my heart is hard,
break the stone a - way. When my heart is cold, warm it with the day.
When my heart is lost, lead me on your way. Lord, let my heart,
Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart be good soil.

OFFERING PRAYER

Assistant: Merciful God,

Congregation: we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—
ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love.
Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ
our Lord. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING *hymnal page 107*



The Lord be with you. And al - so 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.

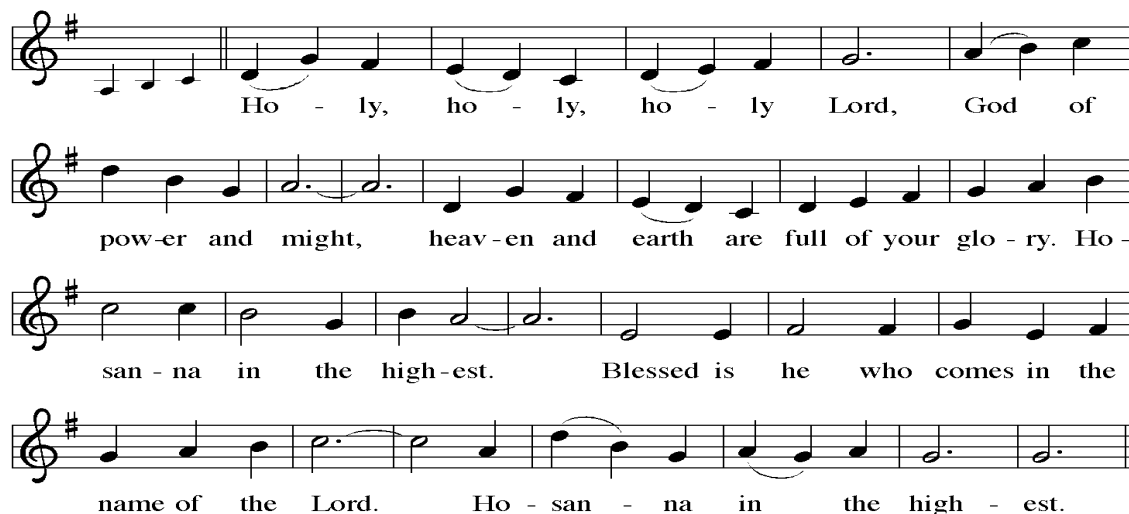
PREFACE FOR THE PENTECOST SEASON

Pastor: 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:

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THE SANCTUS *hymnal, page 108*

Holy, Holy, Holy



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Pastor: You are indeed holy, O God. You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have eternal life. We give you thanks for his coming into the world for our salvation.

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."

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup,
We proclaim the Lord's death until he comes again.

Congregation: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

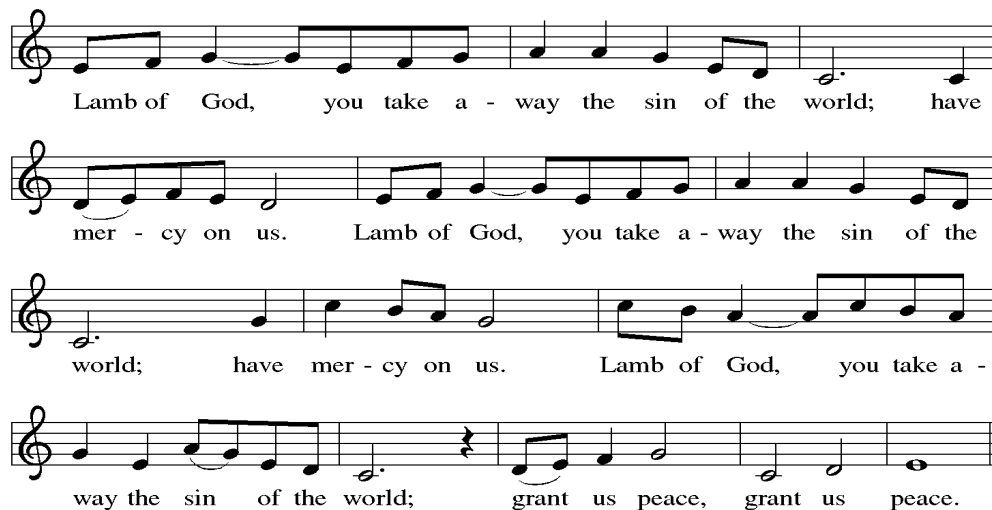
Pastor: With one will and one voice, we pray:

**All: 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.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION FROM PASTOR STELTER

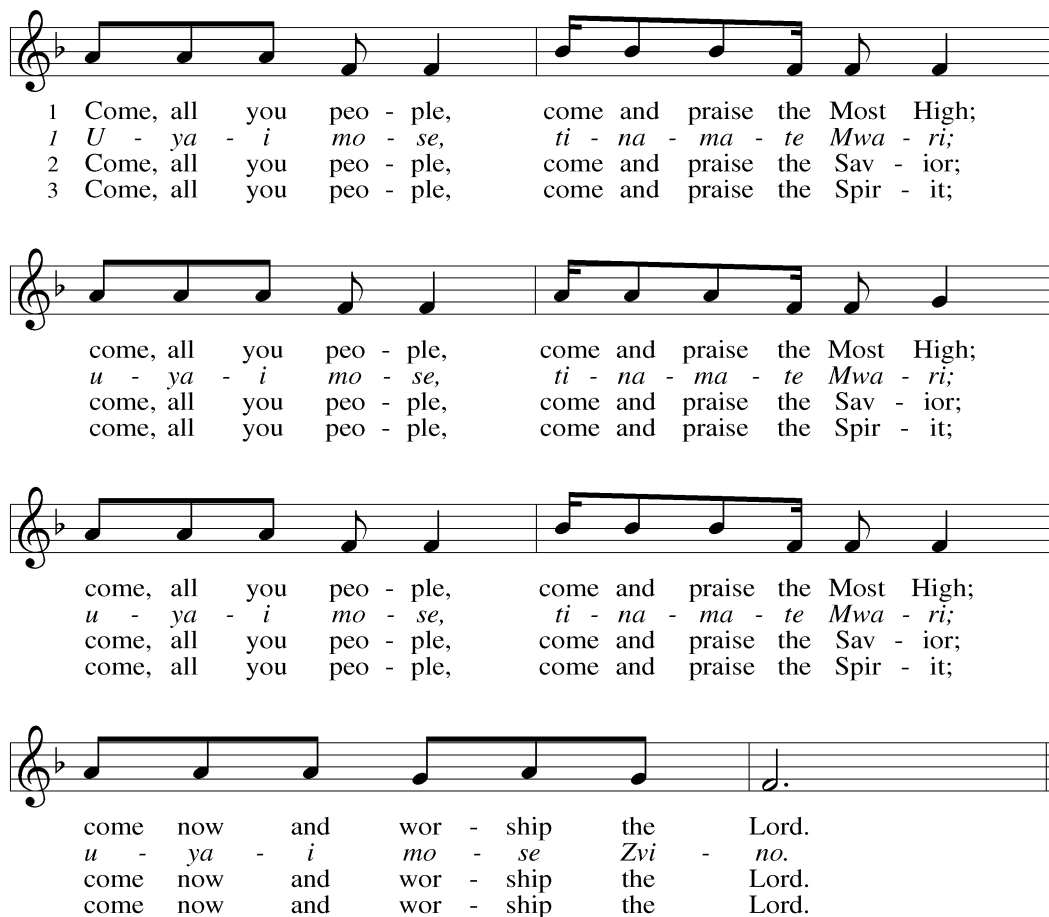
LAMB OF GOD *hymnal, page 112 (seated)*



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 mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a -
way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN *hymn 819*

Come, All You People



1 Come, all you peo - ple, come and praise the Most High;
1 U - ya - i mo - se, ti - na - ma - te Mwa - ri;
2 Come, all you peo - ple, come and praise the Sav - ior;
3 Come, all you peo - ple, come and praise the Spir - it;

come, all you peo - ple, come and praise the Most High;
u - ya - i mo - se, ti - na - ma - te Mwa - ri;
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come, all you peo - ple, come and praise the Most High;
u - ya - i mo - se, ti - na - ma - te Mwa - ri;
come, all you peo - ple, come and praise the Sav - ior;
come, all you peo - ple, come and praise the Spir - it;

come now and wor - ship the Lord.
u - ya - i mo - se Zvi - no.
come now and wor - ship the Lord.
come now and wor - ship the Lord.

COMMUNION BLESSING *stand*

Pastor: Now may the body and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in His Grace.

Congregation: Amen.

POST COMMUNION CANTICLE



☞ 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 PRAYER

Assistant: Let us pray.

Congregation: O God, thanks for bringing us together today. We're here because we care—about this church, this mission, and the people we serve. Sometimes it's hard to see the road ahead, but we believe you've planted something good for us and in this place. Help us dream faithfully, not just boldly. Give us eyes to see what's possible and hearts that stay grounded in what matters most. Let our vision be more than words—make it a movement. And when we disagree or get stuck, remind us we're on the same team, working toward something bigger than ourselves. Lead us, guide us and keep us open to your Spirit. Amen.

PRAYER FOR SENDING OF OUR DEACON Donna Deichert, September 21—October 4

Pastor: Let us pray.

Congregation: Compassionate God, bless our deacons who go forth to share your word and sacrament with those who are sick and homebound. May this ministry be a sign of our love that through the sharing of the body and blood of Christ, all may know your grace and healing. Amen

BENEDICTION

Pastor: Go in peace. Remember that by the goodness of God you were born. Remember that in the mercy of Jesus Christ you have been redeemed. Remember that the Holy Spirit walks with you every day to comfort you, to strengthen you and to guide you. Remember that while others have called you servant, Christ calls you friend. In the strength of that mighty friendship, go forth now to serve in Jesus' name. †

Congregation: Amen

SENDING HYMN *hymn 803 (stand)*

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

1 When I sur - vey the won - drous cross on which the
2 For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast save in the
3 See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sor - row and
4 Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, that were a

prince of glo - ry died, my rich - est gain I
death of Christ, my God; all the vain things that
love flow min - gled down. Did e'er such love and
trib - ute far too small; love so a - maz - ing,

count but loss and pour con - tempt on all my pride.
charm me most, I sac - ri - fice them to his blood.
sor - row meet, or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?
so di - vine, de - mands my soul, my life, my all.

SENDING

Assistant: Our mission?

Congregation: Love God, love others, serve.

Assistant: Go in peace, serve the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE *O God Beyond All Praising* Gustav Holst

WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

ALTAR GUILD	Doug Bales
GREETER	Gloria Fife
USHERS	Alan Berdal, Steve Dean
ASSISTING MINISTER	Greg Bohlken
CANTOR	Liezel Rognsvoog
LECTOR	Mary Beth Hallahan
COMMUNION MINISTERS	Mary Bales, Doug Bales, Virginia McKinney, David Mabry
PROJECTION & LIGHTS	Lisa Stelter

*The flowers on the altar are given **by Anne Galazin**
in memory of **her mother Ann Brooks**.*

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Sunday Worship

9am traditional with organ & choir

11:11am contemporary with praise band
in person and on our YouTube livestream

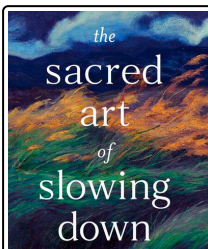
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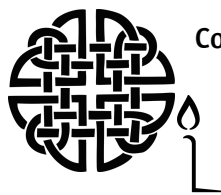
**Please sign a
Worship Card
and place it in
offering plate.**

As followers of Jesus, we rejoice in God's plan for a just, loving and peaceful world. We commit ourselves to making it a reality for all people everywhere. Just as all are welcome at the Lord's table during holy communion, all are welcome to this family of faith. People of all races, ages, social status, sexual orientations and gender identities are united here in our mission to love God, Love Others, Serve.



Welcome Author A.C. Seiple!

A.C. Seiple joins us today at worship and between services to present her new book, *The Sacred Art of Slowing Down*.



Celtic Worship

Contemplative • Candlelit • Communion

Sunday, Sept 28, 5 p.m.

Continues last Sunday
of every month

Invite a friend!



The Mission & Vision Team
wants to hear where God is
stirring at Faith Lutheran Church

**Please complete
our survey**

www.faithloves.org/vision

Sunday
Oct 12
10:15am

Inquirers

FOR THE CURIOUS NEWCOMER

Learn about Faith Lutheran Church, meet
other new folks, and consider membership!

To sign up or for more info, email greg@faithloves.org



SALVATION ARMY SHELTER VISIT

Tues, Sept 23, depart from Faith 5pm

Contact Debbie Ragucci, 865-567-1945

or Michael Lee, 865-406-6585



KNOX AREA RESCUE MINISTRIES

Faith Lutheran Church

serves lunch Sat, Oct 4

Need casseroles, brownies, and servers.

Sign up in Narthex or email mary@faithloves.org
casserole recipe at faithloves.org/KARM

SHEPHERD OF HOPE FOOD PANTRY

Open Mon, Sept 22, 3-6pm

Current Needs: Jelly (no glass jars)

Boxed Mashed Potato Flakes

Spaghetti Pasta, Ketchup 20-38 oz

Deodorants – male & female



All Tennessee Youth Gathering

Sat, Nov 1 – Sun, Nov 2

begins Noon Saturday, ends after church Sunday

at St. Timothy Lutheran Hendersonville

To attend, please fill out the medical form

submit \$40 event cost to Greg Bohlken by

Sunday, Oct 12 ← Registration Deadline

Cookie Walk & Craft Fair coming Dec 6
volunteers meet next Sun Sept 28 - 10:15am

Crafters, register NOW for
a craft booth with a form from
the narthex or by contacting
faithcookiewalk@yahoo.com



Bakers, we will ask for volunteers to provide
homemade cookies for sale at the Cookie Walk.
Sign-up forms for bakers are in the narthex, so start
looking for your favorite cookie recipes now.

**We look forward to seeing everyone on
December 6, 9am-Noon!**

WORSHIP THEME

September 21 - *Learning to Slow Down*. Resting in the presence of God.

Don't rush, but learn how to see God in all things around you.

DIG IN, GROW DEEP, LEARN WITH OTHERS

- † Adult Bible Class: *The Holy Land Revealed* - today, 10:15am, in the classroom side of the Cup
- † Teen Sunday School for 6th-12th graders - today, 10:15am, in the Youth room
- † Confirmation Class for 8th-10th graders - today, 10:15am, in the Library
- † Children's Sunday School Class for 5th grade and younger - today, 10:15am,
 Ye Littles of Faith for Kindergarten and younger in East hallway classroom next to Nursery
 The Mighty Kids Kingdom for 1st-5th grades in West hallway classroom 2 doors past Youth room
- † Tuesday Bible Study open to all - 1:30pm, in the classroom side of the Cup

ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS

- † Oct 2-5 - Via de Cristo spiritual growth retreat. Contact Gary Mount or visit www.tnvdc.org for info.
- † English Language Learning Classes are offered at Faith Lutheran Church. You can help as encouragers and assistants. Contact Mildred Fenske, gomer2@hotmail.com
- † Father Bruce Corrigan is certified & available for individual Spiritual Direction at Faith Lutheran Church - helping you discern God's direction for you - at no-cost. Email bcorrigan99@gmail.com
- † Columbarium Niches are available for \$1,800 (members) and \$2,500 (non-members). Application forms are found in our *Columbarium Booklet* located in the narthex.
- † Handbell Rehearsal, Wed, 5:30pm † Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Wed, 6:30pm
 † Praise Band Rehearsal, Thurs 6pm & Sun 10am

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Rev. Dr. Bob Stelter — Pastor
Greg Bohlken — Ministry Associate
Lynn Rognsvoog — Organist
Collin Kasefang — Choir Director
Kim Frasch — Quiet Music Ministry
Trace Taylor — Sound Technician
Alicia & David Brondos — Missionaries
Father Bruce Corrigan — Priest in Residence
Rev. Wyn Bryant — Pastor in Residence

Mary Boring — Office Manager
Gabe Figueroa — Communications Director
Dan Primka — Communication Specialist
Renée Stone — Shepherd of Hope Food Pantry
Coordinator
Barbara Birkholz — Financial Secretary
Mildred Fenske — Prayer Chain Coordinator
Tiffany Bryson — Nursery Caregiver

PRAYER CONCERNS

Members: Gene Bird, Dave Birkholz, Jan Bishop, Mary Blackburn, Rob Blackburn, Roger Brown, Nancy & Leon Cole, Myles Cooper, Nancy Dean, Nancy Dickinson, Patsy Elmore, John Elmore, Karoline Frasch, Pat Gary, Nick Gary, Jonas Greenman, Chip Hester, Paul Jurkoic, Michael Lee, Bonnie Legako, Irene Manthey, Lin & Mike McKinley, Harold Peters, Joe Poole, Dr. Ted Primka, the Saylor family, Pamela Spaar, Bill Steele, Kali Sullins, Rich Wellner, Jean Witte, John Woods.

This column will start anew on the first Sunday of each month.

Friends: Adams family, Frank Adams, App family, Brenda Baker, Bill Birkholz, Sheila Birkholz, Fred Blomwell, Bev Butler, Andreas Breunig, Patty Bridges, Ginger Cameron, Michael Carfi, Steve Case, Hilda Chapel, Vanessa Coates, Nancy Crain, Michael Damico, Dennis family, Deryns family, Brandy & Brian Duke, Dan Edmunds, Alanna & Arnie Fenske, Kathi Fenske, Karen Forrest, Phylis Garrison, Cindy Gioe, Gary Gouzy, Gutelius family, Jim Hart, Jerry Holoubek, Joy Hymer, Allston James, Juniper Johnson, Don Karlstad, Tim Kelliher, Donna Knick, Barb Korsmo, Dick Korsmo, Brian Langston, Anita & Steve Latham, Darren Lee, Loyacano family, Jeff Matthews, Tillie Meffert, Josh Nicols, Arnold Pace, Chris Patrick, Rose & Steve Penney, Shannon Remington, Salles families, Marilyn Savilisky, Scaglione family, Richard Sena, Jim Shea, Lynn Siegfried & family, Audra Tyler Moore, Jennifer Morello, Melanie Smith, Frank Tyler, Barb Weldon, Andrea Wilson, Mya, Ro & Haven Wolfe, Susan Wymer, Aaron & Zionah, Angel, Darcy, Darlene, Dave & Linda, Hannah & Patrick, Karen, Jodi, Karen, Katie, Michael, Micki, Steve, Whitney, Zoe *and those we name to You.*

Welcome New Staff Member: Gabe Figueroa, Director of Communications.

Joy at the birth of: Genevieve to Breanna & William Halsey, siblings Oliver, Henry and Felicity.

Thanksgiving: for the work and ministry of A. C. Seiple, teaching us your ways to slow down.

Spiritual renewal, Via de Cristo retreat, October 2-5: Elaine Mount, Larry Koran, Gary Mount, team members

Comfort in the midst of death for the family and friends of: Mike Slater, Bill Williams, Grace Adams, Bob Copeland, John Alexander Warren.

Shepherd of Hope Pantry Friends: Paul & Theresa, Eugene, David, Ayel, Carlos, Ann, Ana, David, Eli & Emma, Mary, Debbie, Cookie, Long Da *and those known to God.*

Salvation Army Friends: Lisa & Lawrence, Ralph, Elizabeth, Paula, Daphne, Annette, Miriam, Oliver, Kent, Robert, Steven, Joseph, Leo, Darrin, Aaron, Jessica, Ventrus, John, Adam, Joshua, Charles, Willie *and those known to God.*

Concern & Assistance: Those dealing with addiction while incarcerated. Mentally & physically challenged. Veterans. Refugees and those living in fear of deportation. The people of Iran, Israel, Syria, Palestine, Ukraine, Russia.

Welcome: to Pastor Josh Moss Flatford, who was ordained and installed yesterday at Messiah Lutheran Church.

Partnerships: Bishop Eaton, Bishop Curry & the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America; Bishop Strickland & the Southeastern Synod; Alicia & David Brondos, Missionaries in Mexico; Seminarian Sam Sosebee; Shepherd of Hope Food Pantry; English Language Learning Classes, Quiet Music Ministry; Tyson House; Deacon Ministry; Knox Area Rescue Ministry; Via de Cristo Ministry; Salvation Army Women's & Men's Homeless Shelters; Street Hope; Cole Center Caregivers and Parkinson Band; Mercy Ships; Lutheran Church & School in Guatemala; AL-ANON; Narcotics Anonymous.

Peace & Protection for all armed forces, especially: Jacob Cole, Kyleigh Cole, Anthony Hu, HM, Andrew McDonald, Alex Primka, Christine Russ, Sam Thompson, Chris Yonke, Mitchell Yount.

Church Council Leadership Team

Stephen Dean, President	Laura Beardsley, Secretary	Connie Rist
David Mabry, Vice President	Carrie Parrott, Treasurer	Dawn Titsworth
Mary Bales	Ritchie Case	Pastor Stelter

Week of Sept 21 - 28, 2025



Jesus welcomed all - we love kids in church. There are coloring pages near the center doors.

A Staffed Nursery is available on Sundays down the hall near restrooms, with diaper changing station. A Cry Room for parents to sit with kids & participate in worship is through glass wall at back of Sanctuary, with nursing area & diaper changing station.

Giving 9.14.2025

Offerings last week: \$ 8,544

Giving Year-to-date: \$ 588,833



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Daily Lectionary Readings for this Week

For more information, readings, and special days, visit www.elca.org and search for *Lectionary*

Mon: Proverbs 14:12-31, Acts 4:1-12, Psalm 12

Tues: Proverbs 17:1-5, 1 Corinthians 9:19-23, Psalm 12

Wed: Proverbs 21:10-16, Luke 20:45-21:4, Psalm 12

Thurs: Proverbs 22:2-16, 2 Corinthians 8:8-15, Psalm 146

Fri: Proverbs 28:3-10, Ephesians 2:1-10, Psalm 146

Sat: Proverbs 28:11-28, Luke 9:43b-48, Psalm 146

Sun: Amos 6:1, 4-7, Psalm 146, 1 Timothy 6:6-19, Luke 16:19-31

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Faith Guest wi-fi password: *beblessed*

Sunday, Sept 21 - Season of Pentecost

9am Traditional Worship Service

10:15am Author AC Seiple - *The Sacred Art of Slowing Down*

10:15am *The Holy Land Revealed* Adult Sunday School

10:15am Teen Sunday School (grade 6 & up)

10:15am Confirmation Class (grade 8-10)

10:15am Mighty Kids Kingdom Sunday School (grd 1-5)

10:15am Ye Littles of Faith Sunday School (grd K & below)

10:15am English Language Class

11:11am Contemporary Worship Service

Monday, Sept 22

Noon Via de Cristo Reunion Group *Library*

3-6pm Shepherd of Hope Food Pantry open

6:15-8pm English Language Classes

Tuesday, Sept 23

1:30pm Bible Study - open to all

5pm Salvation Army Shelters Visit

7:30pm Narcotics Anonymous

Wednesday, Sept 24

4:15pm Staff Meeting

5:30pm Handbell rehearsal

6:30pm Chancel Choir rehearsal

Thursday, Sept 25

6pm Praise Band rehearsal

7:30pm Narcotics Anonymous

Friday, Sept 26

9:30am Cole Center Caregiver Community

7pm Narcotics Anonymous

Saturday, Sept 27

10am Wilhelm King Wedding

11am AL-ANON meeting

Sunday, Sept 28 - Season of Pentecost - WELCA Sunday

9am Traditional Worship Service

10:15am Coffee, Donuts, & Fellowship in The Cup

10:15am *The Holy Land Revealed* Adult Sunday School

10:15am Teen Sunday School (grade 6 & up)

10:15am Confirmation Class (grade 8-10)

10:15am Mighty Kids Kingdom Sunday School (grd 1-5)

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5pm Celtic Worship