# The Divine Service

# The Ninth Sunday After Pentecost July 25, 2021

#### AS WE GATHER

God's promise of life in the rainbow summons us to hope in God. The apostle Paul urges us to discover and to know how real and firm is God's love. Like the fearful disciples in today's Gospel, we may have doubts of faith. But God's Word assures us: "Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid" (Mark 6:50). This causes us to stop our worrying and believe. Hope in God can calm you. The love of God can convince you. Here, now, at His mighty Word, your sins are forgiven, and you have hope, love, and life. We now gather before Him, our Creator, our Redeemer, and our loving God.

# CALL TO WORSHIP/CHECK IN

# WORDS OF WELCOME/THEME OF THE DAY

## Invocation

Pastor:

In the name of the Father, and of the (+) Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

People:

Amen.

Pastor:

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive

People: our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

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

# CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor:

Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

People:

Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in

Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

Pastor:

Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. 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.

People:

Amen.

# PROCESSIONAL HYMN "Great is Thy Faithfulness" LSB 809, verse 1



#### **KYRIE**

Pastor:

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

People:

Lord, have mercy.

Pastor:

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

People:

Lord, have mercy.

Pastor:

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.

People:

Lord, have mercy.

Pastor:

For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let

us pray to the Lord.

People:

Lord, have mercy.

Pastor:

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

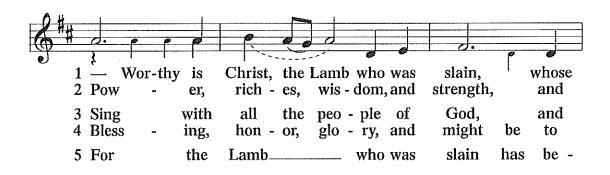
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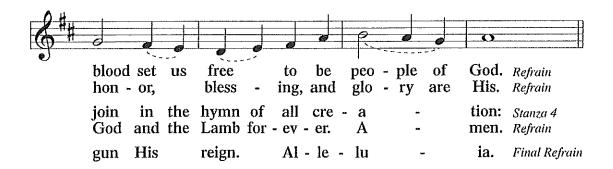
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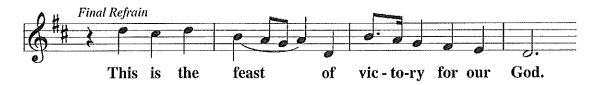
## THIS IS THE FEAST













#### **GREETING**

Pastor:

The Lord be with you.

People:

And also with you.

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor:

Let us pray. Almighty and most merciful God, the protector of all who trust in You, strengthen our faith and give us courage to believe that in Your love You will rescue us from all adversities; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People:

Amen.

#### THE OLD TESTAMENT

Genesis 9:8-17

Reader:

<sup>8</sup> Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him, <sup>9</sup> "Behold, I establish my covenant with you and your offspring after you, <sup>10</sup> and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the livestock, and every beast of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark; it is for every beast of the earth. <sup>11</sup> I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of the flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth." <sup>12</sup> And God said, "This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: <sup>13</sup> I have set my bow in the cloud, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. <sup>14</sup> When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the

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clouds, <sup>15</sup> I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh. And the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. <sup>16</sup> When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth." <sup>17</sup> God said to Noah, "This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth."

Reader:

This is the Word of the Lord.

People:

Thanks be to God.

**EPISTLE** 

Ephesians 3:14-21

Reader:

<sup>14</sup> For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, <sup>15</sup> from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, <sup>16</sup> that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, <sup>17</sup> so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, <sup>18</sup> may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, <sup>19</sup> and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. <sup>20</sup> Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, <sup>21</sup> to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

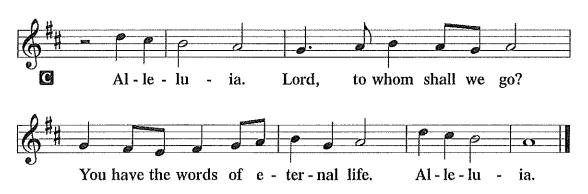
Reader:

This is the Word of the Lord.

People:

Thanks be to God.

#### **ALLELUIA AND VERSE**



HOLY GOSPEL Mark 6:45-56

Pastor:

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark the sixth chapter.

People:

Glory to you O Lord.

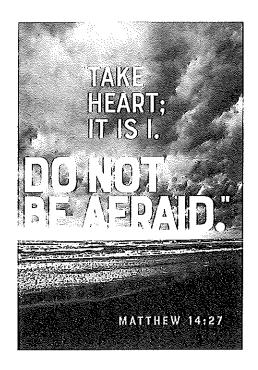
<sup>45</sup> Immediately he made his disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, to Bethsaida, while he dismissed the crowd. 46 And after he had taken leave of them, he went up on the mountain to pray. 47 And when evening came, the boat was out on the sea, and he was alone on the land. 48 And he saw that they were making headway painfully, for the wind was against them. And about the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. He meant to pass by them, <sup>49</sup> but when they saw him walking on the sea they thought it was a ghost, and cried out, 50 for they all saw him and were terrified. But immediately he spoke to them and said, "Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid." <sup>51</sup> And he got into the boat with them, and the wind ceased. And they were utterly astounded, 52 for they did not understand about the loaves, but their hearts were hardened. <sup>53</sup> When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored to the shore. 54 And when they got out of the boat, the people immediately recognized him 55 and ran about the whole region and began to bring the sick people on their beds to wherever they heard he was. 56 And wherever he came, in villages, cities, or countryside, they laid the sick in the marketplaces and implored him that they might touch even the fringe of his garment. And as many as touched it were made well.

Pastor:

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People:

Praise to You, O Christ.



## HYMN OF THE DAY "Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness"

LSB 849



SERMON

**Pastor Scott Henze** 

#### **APOSTLES' CREED**

People:

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life + everlasting. Amen.

#### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Petitions end, "Lord in your mercy" Congregation responds, "Hear Our Prayer"

#### **GATHERING OF GIFTS**

#### **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

Pastor:

Let us pray: Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us, through

Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

People:

Amen.

A word about Holy Communion: We welcome to the Lord's Table all baptized Christians who believe in the Real Presence of Christ in this sacrament and believe that in this eating and drinking, we receive the forgiveness of sins and the power to amend our sinful lives. Children who have not yet been instructed may come forward for a blessing, crossing their arms over the chest thus indicating they will not receive the elements.

### SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

Stand as you are able.

#### **PREFACE**

Pastor:

The Lord be with you.

People:

And also with you.

Pastor:

Lift up your hearts.

People:

We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor:

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People:

It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

# **PROPER PREFACE**

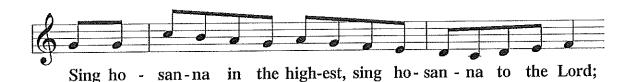
#### **SANCTUS**



ho-ly, ho-ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored; C Ho - ly,



Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.





#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor:

Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy People:

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.

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

#### PEACE OF THE LORD

Pastor:

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People:

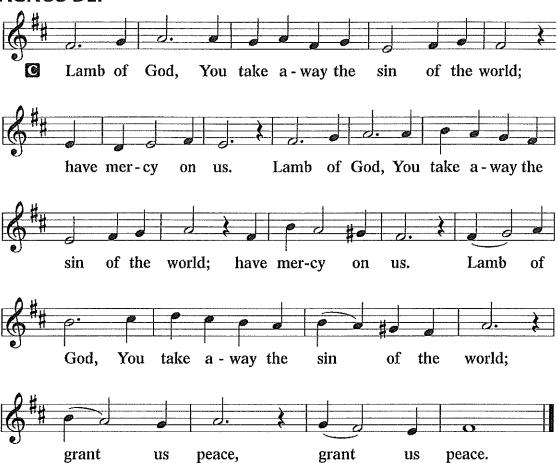
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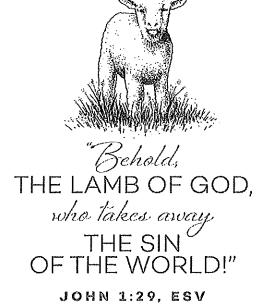
# **AGNUS DEI**

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#### **DISTRIBUTION MUSIC**



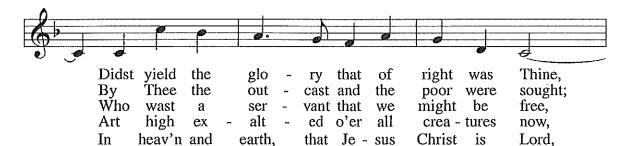
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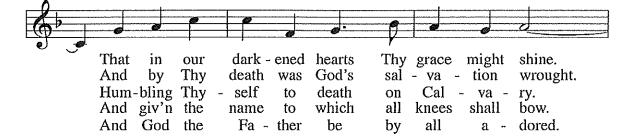
# "All Praise to Thee, for Thou, O King Divine"

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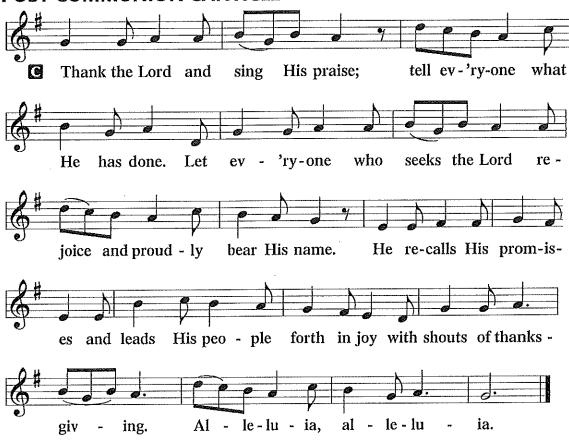
- 3 Let this mind be in us which was in Thee, 4 Where-fore, by God's e - ter - nal pur - pose, Thou
- 5 Let ev 'ry tongue con-fess with one ac cord,







#### POST COMMUNION CANTICLE



## **POST-COMMUNION COLLECT**

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. Amen.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### BENEDICTION

#### **RECESSIONAL HYMN**

#### "Blest Be the Tie That Binds"

LSB 649, verse 1,3,4





The fel-low-ship of kin-dred minds Is And of-ten for each oth-er flows The Yet, one in Christ and one in heart, We like to that a - bove. sym - pa - thiz-ing tear. hope to meet a - gain.

#### **DISMISSAL**

Pastor:

Lord Jesus you lead us! Now we go as....

People:

Disciples making disciples.

Pastor:

Go in peace and serve the Lord.

People:

Thanks be to God!

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Sunday School for ciniaren and Youth via 200m at S.45 Avi

# UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

August 1 College Sending Service—all college students are invited for a special blessing before they head back to school.

Congregational Meeting - 9:45 AM in between services in the sanctuary. Please plan to attend.

August 15 Blessing of the Backpacks /Spoke Folk Sunday

All students bring their backpacks for a special blessing before the new school year begins during worship services at either 8:30 AM or 11:00 AM.

Youth who attended the Spoke Folk tours will lead us in song this day and give witness to their summer service.

- August 25 Youth Ministry Kick-Off meeting for all students 6th grade through 12th grade and their parents at 6:30 PM. Come hear about confirmation classes, middle school teen nights, service opportunities, spirit night activities, fundraisers, and the upcoming National Youth Gathering.
- August 28 Church Workday 9:00 AM to 12:00 Noon. Come help spruce up the grounds before school starts! We will spread mulch, paint, power wash, pull weeds and plant flowers. Service hours for teens will be provided.
- September 5 Packing Event We will pack care packages for college students this day. We are also looking for donations of non perishable food items (granola bars, hard candy, small bags of chips, nuts, etc...), dollar store trinkets, USB sticks or any electronic gadgets, or Starbucks gift cards.
- September 8 St. Paul Child Enrichment Center preschool classes begin! Spots are still available. Preschool classes for children age 18 months through 4 years old. Tell your friends and neighbors!