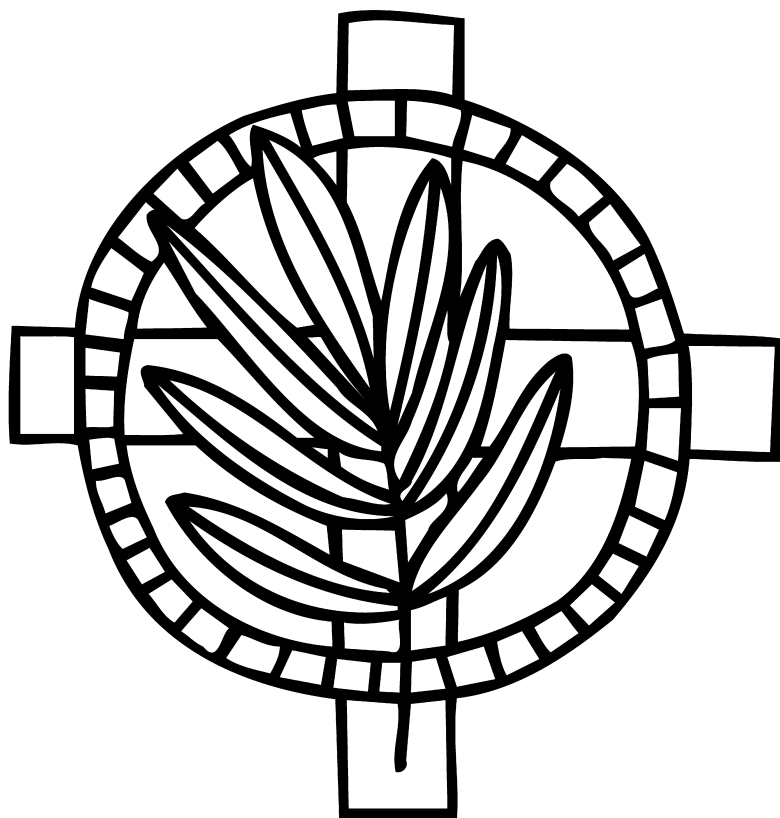


# *Time After Pentecost*

## *Welcome to Worship Today!*



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*When Peter doesn't grasp Jesus' words about suffering, Jesus tells the disciples they will find their lives in losing them.*

*Such sacrificial love is described by Paul when he urges us to associate with the lowly and not repay evil with evil.*

*In worship we gather as a community that we might offer ourselves for the sake of our suffering world.*

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*Evangelical Lutheran Worship  
With Holy Communion  
8:00 & 9:30 am August 30, 2020*

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**Preaching:** Pastor Lisa Lewton & **Presiding:** Pastor Joe Natwick

**Organist:** Cheryl Hewson

## **- Gathering -**

*The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.*

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: We are here today to praise You, God, and to be strengthened by Your Spirit.

**A: We honor Your love, courage, outlandish grace and power this day.**

L: We trust Your goodness and want to hear and obey your call for change.

**A: You strengthen and empower us when we are weak or fearful.**

L: All things are possible through You.

**A: Come, Lord Jesus. Open our eyes and ears so we learn to know You more. May our bodies, minds, hearts and actions follow Your lead!**

L: We worship in the name in which you are baptized and welcomed into the community of Christ, in the name of the Father, + Son, and the Holy Spirit.

**A: Amen.**

L: Trusting in God's welcoming way of mercy, let us confess our sin.

*Silence is kept for reflection*

L: Gracious God,

**A: have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

L: God, who is rich in mercy, loved each of us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts, through faith.

**A: Amen**

# GATHERING HYMN #798 Will You Come and Follow Me (vs 1, 2 & 5)



\* 1 "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call  
 \* 2 "Will you leave your - self be - hind if I but call  
 3 "Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call  
 4 "Will you love the you you hide if I but call  
 \* 5 Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call



your name? Will you go where you don't  
 your name? Will you care for cruel and  
 your name? Will you set the pris - 'ners  
 your name? Will you quell the fear in -  
 my name. Let me turn and fol - low



know and nev - er be the same?  
 kind and nev - er be the same?  
 free and nev - er be the same?  
 side and nev - er be the same?  
 you and nev - er be the same.



Will you let my love be shown, will you let my  
 Will you risk the hos - tile stare, should your life at -  
 Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as  
 Will you use the faith you've found to re - shape the  
 In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and



name be known, will you let my life be  
 tract or scare? Will you let me an - swer  
 this un - seen, and ad - mit to what I  
 world a - round, through my sight and touch and  
 foot - steps show. Thus I'll move and live and



grown in you and you in me?"  
 pray'r in you and you in me?"  
 mean in you and you in me?"  
 sound in you and you in me?"  
 grow in you and you in me.

Text: John L. Bell, b. 1949

Music: KELVINGROVE, Scottish traditional

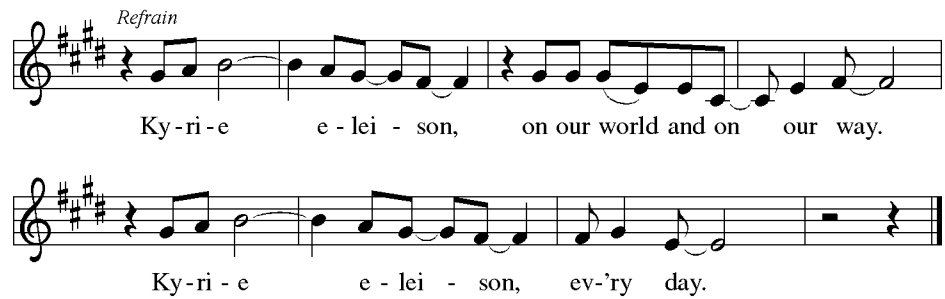
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## GREETING

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

**A: And also with you.**

## KYRIE



*For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the unity of all;  
For this holy house, for all who worship and praise,  
Let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord. **Refrain***

*That we may live out your impassioned response to the hungry and the poor;  
That we may live out truth and justice and grace,  
Let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord. **Refrain***

*For peace in our hearts, for peace in our homes, for friends and family;  
For life and for love, for our work and our play,  
Let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord. **Refrain***

*For your Spirit to guide; that you center our lives in the water and the Word;  
That you nourish our souls with your body and blood,  
Let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord. **Refrain***

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: The Lord be with you. **A: And also with you.**

L: Let us pray. O God, we thank you for your Son, who chose the path of suffering for the sake of the world. Humble us by his example, point us to the path of obedience, and give us strength to follow your commands, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **A: Amen.**

## – Word –

*God speaks to us in Scripture, reading, preaching and song.*

### FIRST READING: Jeremiah 15: 15-21

<sup>15</sup>O LORD, you know; remember me and visit me,  
and bring down retribution for me on my persecutors.  
In your forbearance do not take me away;  
know that on your account I suffer insult.

<sup>16</sup>Your words were found, and I ate them,  
and your words became to me a joy  
and the delight of my heart;

for I am called by your name, O LORD, God of hosts.

<sup>17</sup>I did not sit in the company of merry-makers, nor did I rejoice;  
under the weight of your hand I sat alone,  
for you had filled me with indignation.

<sup>18</sup>Why is my pain unceasing, my wound incurable,  
refusing to be healed?

Truly, you are to me like a deceitful brook, like waters that fail.

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*Jeremiah's delight in the word of the LORD is contradicted by the heaviness of God's hand upon him and God's seeming unfaithfulness. God's tough love to Jeremiah says that if he repents, he will be allowed to continue in his strenuous ministry. Jeremiah is strengthened by the simple words, "I am with you."*

<sup>19</sup>Therefore thus says the LORD:  
If you turn back, I will take you back, and you shall stand before me.  
If you utter what is precious, and not what is worthless,  
you shall serve as my mouth.  
It is they who will turn to you, not you who will turn to them.  
<sup>20</sup>And I will make you to this people a fortified wall of bronze;  
they will fight against you, but they shall not prevail over you,  
for I am with you to save you and deliver you, says the LORD.  
<sup>21</sup>I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked,  
and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless.

L: The word of the Lord

**A: Thanks be to God**

#### PSALM 26: 1-8

<sup>1</sup>Give judgment for me, O LORD, for I have lived with integrity;  
I have trusted in the LORD and have not faltered.  
<sup>2</sup>**Test me, O LORD, and try me;  
examine my heart and my mind.**  
<sup>3</sup>For your steadfast love is before my eyes;  
I have walked faithfully with you.  
<sup>4</sup>**I have not sat with the worthless,  
nor do I consort with the deceitful.**  
<sup>5</sup>I have hated the company of evildoers;  
I will not sit down with the wicked.  
<sup>6</sup>**I will wash my hands in innocence, O LORD,  
that I may go in procession round your altar,**  
<sup>7</sup>singing aloud a song of thanksgiving  
and recounting all your wonderful deeds.  
<sup>8</sup>**LORD, I love the house in which you dwell  
and the place where your glory abides.**

#### SECOND READING: Romans 12: 9-21

<sup>9</sup>Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; <sup>10</sup>love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. <sup>11</sup>Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. <sup>12</sup>Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. <sup>13</sup>Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.  
<sup>14</sup>Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. <sup>15</sup>Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. <sup>16</sup>Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. <sup>17</sup>Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. <sup>18</sup>If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. <sup>19</sup>Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." <sup>20</sup>No, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." <sup>21</sup>Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

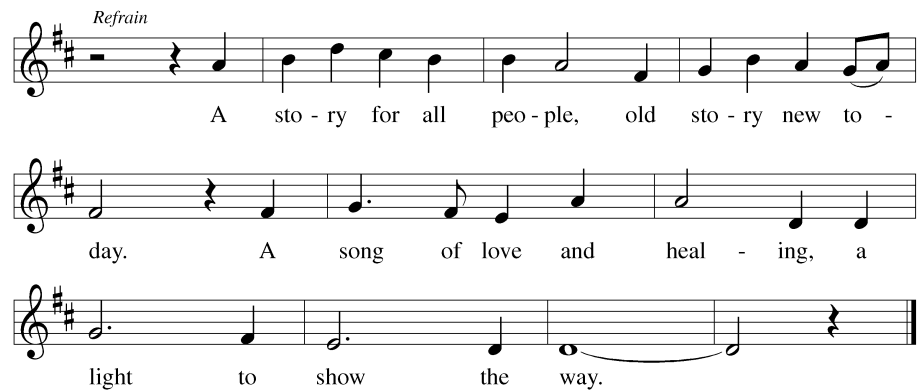
L: The word of the Lord

**A: Thanks be to God**

*Paul presents benchmarks for faithful relationships with Christians and non-Christians. Love is the unflagging standard of our behavior. When we encounter evil, we do not resort to its tactics but seek to overcome it with good. While Christians cannot control the actions and attitudes of others, we seek to live at peace with all people.*

## Stepping Into the Story

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: A Story for All People (Refrain)



Text: Dori Erwin Collins  
Music: OLD STORY NEW TODAY, Dori Erwin Collins

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### GOSPEL READING: Matthew 16: 21-28

L: The holy gospel, according to Matthew  
**A: Glory to You, O Lord**

*After Peter confesses that Jesus is “the Messiah, the Son of the living God” (16:16), Jesus reveals the ultimate purpose of his ministry. These words prove hard to accept, even for a disciple whom Jesus has called a “rock.”*

<sup>21</sup>From that time on, [after Peter confessed that Jesus was the Messiah,] Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. <sup>22</sup>And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, “God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you.” <sup>23</sup>But he turned and said to Peter, “Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.”

<sup>24</sup>Then Jesus told his disciples, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. <sup>25</sup>For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. <sup>26</sup>For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life?

<sup>27</sup>“For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. <sup>28</sup>Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.”

L: The gospel of the Lord  
**A: Praise to You O Christ**

SERMON Pastor Lisa Lewton

## HYMN OF THE DAY #784 You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore (vs 1 & 2)

*1 Tú has ve - ni - do a la o - ri - lla, no has bus -*  
*\* 1 You have come down to the lake - shore seek - ing*  
*\* 2 You know full well what I have, Lord: nei - ther*  
*3 You need my hands, my ex - haus - tion, work - ing*  
*4 You who have fished oth - er wa - ters; you, the*

*ca - do ni a sa - bios ni a ri - cos; tan só - lo*  
*nei - ther the wise nor the wealth - y, but on - ly*  
*trea - sure nor wea - pons for con - quest, just these my*  
*love for the rest of the wea - ry— a love that's*  
*long - ing of souls that are yearn - ing: O lov - ing*

*quie - res que yo te si - ga.*  
*ask - ing for me to fol - low.*  
*fish nets and will for work - ing.*  
*will - ing to go on lov - ing.*  
*Friend, you have come to call me.*

*Refrain / Estribillo*

*Se - ñor, me has mi - ra - do a los o - jos; son - ri - en - do,*  
*Sweet Lord, you have looked in - to my eyes; kind - ly smil - ing,*

*has di - cho mi nom - bre. En la a - re - na he de - ja - do mi*  
*you've called out my name. . . . On the sand I have a - ban - doned my*

*bar - ca; jun - to a ti bus - ca - ré o - tro mar.*  
*small boat; now with you, I will seek oth - er seas.*

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### Blessing of the Backpacks (or pens, coffee mugs, notebooks, etc) (9:30am)

*As students, teachers & administrators carry their backpacks, pens, mugs ...  
 may they be reminded of the love and care of God and this congregation  
 that surrounds them each school day.*



## 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 INTERCESSION

Prayer response: L: Lord, in your mercy

**A: hear our prayer**

## SHARING THE PEACE *(Instrumental Music)*

Give a wave of love to those worshipping online today.  
(The camera is located on the front, center of the balcony.)

### **How we**

#### **can share peace:**

*Smile, Talk to people,  
send emails, text  
messages or make a  
phone call...*

*Pray for family,  
friends, strangers,  
neighbors, lonely...  
Let people hear what  
you are grateful for.  
If conversations start  
taking a negative  
turn, help re-direct to  
positive...*

### **Here's an idea of a way to share the peace:**

You simply turn to the person next to you,  
put both hands together on your heart  
then extend your open hands to them.

And while you do this, you look them in the eye. (Eye contact matters)

You may want to say words like "Peace be with you" as you do it.

Or you may just want to do it silently.

As the person echoes that gesture back to you,  
you then bring your hands back to your heart again  
slightly bow your head,  
essentially receiving the gift with gratitude.



## - Meal -

*God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.*

OFFERING— *(Instrumental Music)*

OFFERING PRAYER

L: Let us pray. God of goodness and growth, all creation is yours, and your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens. Water and word, wine and bread: these are signs of your abundant grace. Nourish us through these gifts, that we might proclaim your steadfast love in our communities and in the world, through Jesus Christ, our strength and our song.

**A: Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

L: The Lord be with you.

**A: And also with you.**

L: Lift up your hearts.

**A: We lift them to the Lord.**

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**A: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

L: 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:

L: Holy, holy holy Lord, God of power and might,

**A: heaven and earth are full of Your glory,**

L: Hosanna in the highest

**A: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

L: Hosanna in the highest

**A: Hosanna in the highest!**

In the night in which he was betrayed . . .

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**A: 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**

### **Offering:**

*Thank you to those of you contributing to the mission of St John by giving electronically, leaving a gift in one of the sanctuary baskets or mailing gifts in.*

*Please also consider what you have to offer to those in your immediate surroundings today and this week.*



*All are invited  
to the table today.  
Come as you are  
comfortable.*

## - Distribution of Bread & Wine -

### LAMB OF GOD

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, Lamb of God.

### FOR REFLECTION DURING COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

#### COMMUNION HYMN #802 Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus

1 Let us ev - er walk with Je - sus, fol - low his ex - am - ple pure,  
2 Let us suf - fer here with Je - sus, and with pa-tience bear our cross.  
3 Let us glad - ly die with Je - sus. Since by death he con - quered death,  
4 Let us al - so live with Je - sus. He has ris - en from the dead

through a world that would de-ceive us and to sin our spir - its lure.  
Joy will fol - low all our sad-ness; where he is there is no loss.  
he will free us from de-struc-tion, give to us im-mor-tal breath.  
that to life we may a - wak - en. Je - sus, you are now our head,

On - ward in his foot-steps tread-ing, trav - 'lers here, our home a - bove,  
Though to - day we sow no laugh-ter, we shall reap ce - les - tial joy;  
Let us mor - ti - fy all pas-sion that would lead us in - to sin;  
we are your own liv - ing mem-bers; where you live, there we shall be



full of faith and hope and love, let us do our Sav - ior's bid - ding.  
all dis - com - forts that an - noy shall give way to mirth here - af - ter.  
and the grave that shuts us in shall but prove the gate of heav - en.  
in your pres - ence con - stant - ly, liv - ing there with you for - ev - er.



Faith - ful Lord, with me a - bide; I shall fol - low where you guide.  
Je - sus, here I share your woe; help me there your joy to know.  
Je - sus, here with you I die, there to live with you on high.  
Je - sus, let me faith - ful be; life e - ter - nal grant to me.

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### **Digging Deeper:**

When is it easy for you to follow Jesus? When is it hard?  
Share your answers with someone.

Share or journal as to how you have witnessed God being with you when  
you have struggled or suffered.

### **CHALLENGE FOR THE WEEK:**

Thank someone who has had an impact on your faith journey.

## POST COMMUNION BLESSING

### POST COMMUNION PRAYER

**L:** Let us pray. God of the welcome table, in this meal we have feasted  
on your goodness and have been united by your presence among us.  
Empower us to go forth sustained by these gifts so that we may share  
your neighborly love with all, through Jesus Christ, the giver of  
abundant life. **Amen.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **- Sending -**

*God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.*

### BLESSING

**L:** Neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor  
things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in  
all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ  
Jesus. God, the creator, + Jesus, the Christ, and the Holy Spirit, the  
comforter, bless you and keep you in eternal love.

**A: Amen.**

## SENDING HYMN # 783 Praise and Thanks and Adoration



1 Praise and thanks and ad - o - ra - tion, Son of God, to you we give,  
2 Hold me ev - er in your keep - ing, com - fort me in pain and strife;



for you chose to serve cre - a - tion, died that sin - ers all might live.  
through my laugh - ter and my weep - ing, lift me to a no - bler life.



Dear Lord Je - sus, guide my way; faith - ful let me day by day  
Draw my fer - vent love to you; con - stant hope and faith re - new



fol - low where your steps are lead - ing, find ad - ven - ture, joys ex - ceed - ing!  
in your birth, your life and pas - sion, in your death and res - ur - rec - tion.

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### DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Christ is with you! **A: Thanks be to God.**

### THANK YOU TO THE WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY:

*Pastor Lisa Lewton & Pastor Joe Natwick*

*Assisting Ministers: 8:00 am Michelle Anderson*

*Tech: 8:00 am Molly Robb*

*Ushers: 8:00 am Brayden Barnhart*

*Matthew Schmitt*

*Nick Thiel*

*9:30 am Renee Boomgaarden*

*9:30 am Sage Lecoe*

*9:30 am Ron Renner*

*Dylan Smith*

*Camera:*

*Jackson Halvorson*

