

✠ The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost ✠

August 9, 2026
8:00, and 11:00 A.M.

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Silent Prayer Before Worship

Almighty and ever-living God, in Your Son You have given great and precious promises to all who believe. Grant us faith that overcomes all doubts, through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

✠ Divine Service – Setting One ✠

Prelude

Opening Hymn

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty” *LSB* 790

Descant by John Scott

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

Invocation

Matthew 28:19b; 18:20

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

Exhortation

1 John 1:8–9

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

Silence for reflection on God’s Word and self-examination.

Confession of Sins and Absolution

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P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
C 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.

P 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. *John 20:19–23*

C Amen.

Service of the Word

Hymn of Praise

“Gloria in Excelsis” *LSB*, p. 154



A Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His peo - ple on earth.



C Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa - ther:



We wor-ship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer.



For You a-lone are the Ho-ly One, You a-lone are the Lord,



You a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,



Salutation and Collect of the Day

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P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

Almighty and most merciful God, preserve us from all harm and danger that we, being ready in both body and soul, may cheerfully accomplish what You want done; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Job 38:4–18

[The Lord said to Job:] “Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell Me, if you have understanding. Who determined its measurements—surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone, when the morning stars sang together and all the sons of God shouted for joy? “Or who shut in the sea with doors when it burst out from the womb, when I made clouds its garment and thick darkness its swaddling band, and prescribed limits for it and set bars and doors, and said, ‘Thus far shall you come, and no farther, and here shall your proud waves be stayed’? “Have you commanded the morning since your days began, and caused the dawn to know its place, that it might take hold of the skirts of the earth, and the wicked be shaken out of it? It is changed like clay under the seal, and its features stand out like a garment. From the wicked their light is withheld, and their uplifted arm is broken. “Have you entered into the springs of the sea, or walked in the recesses of the deep? Have the gates of death been revealed to you, or have you seen the gates of deep darkness? Have you comprehended the expanse of the earth? Declare, if you know all this.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Psalmody *(sung by the choir)*

Psalm 78:1-7

Joseph Pring

Give ear, O my people, to my teaching; incline your ears to the words of my mouth!
I will open my mouth in a parable; I will utter dark sayings from of old,
things that we have heard and known, that our fathers have told us.
We will not hide them from their children, but tell to the coming generation
the glorious deeds of the LORD, and His might, and the wonders that He has done.

He established a testimony in Jacob and appointed a law in Israel, which He commanded
our fathers to teach to their children, that the next generation might know them, the

children yet unborn, and arise and tell them to their children, so that they should set their hope in God and not forget the works of God, but keep His commandments.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Epistle Reading

Romans 10:5–17

Moses writes about the righteousness that is based on the Law, that the person who does the commandments shall live by them. But the righteousness based on faith says, “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’” (that is, to bring Christ down) or “‘Who will descend into the abyss?’” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? “The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. For the Scripture says, “Everyone who believes in Him will not be put to shame.” For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing His riches on all who call on Him. For “everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

But how are they to call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in Him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!” But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, “Lord, who has believed what he has heard from us?” So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse

Mode VI, Proverbs 2:6



Choir: For the Lord gives wisdom; from His mouth come knowledge and understanding.

All: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Holy Gospel

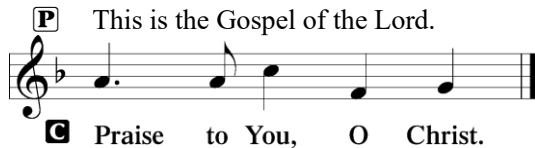
Matthew 14:22–33

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fourteenth chapter.



Immediately [Jesus] made the disciples get into the boat and go before Him to the other side, while He dismissed the crowds. And after He had dismissed the crowds, He went up on the mountain by Himself to pray. When evening came, He was there alone, but the boat by this time was a long way from the land, beaten by the waves, for the wind was against them. And in the fourth watch of the night He came to them, walking on the sea. But when the disciples saw Him walking on the sea, they were terrified, and said, "It is a ghost!" and they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, "Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid."

And Peter answered Him, "Lord, if it is You, command me to come to You on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus. But when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, "Lord, save me." Jesus immediately reached out His hand and took hold of him, saying to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped Him, saying, "Truly You are the Son of God."



Nicene Creed

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C I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Hymn of the Day

“Church of God, Elect and Glorious” LSB 646

*Setting by Mark Bender
Choir alone sings stanza 2*

(8:00) Sermon

“Tell the Wonders He Has Done” *Psalm 78:4*

(11:00) **Teacher Commissioning, Installation, and Dedication**

Prayer of the Church

- ✠ Thanksgiving for the 33rd wedding anniversary of Kenny and Jenny Storie (Aug. 7).
- ✠ Fred Phelps, father of Lindsey Larson, who is hospitalized.

Offering

Anthem at the Offering

“O Come, Ye Servants of the Lord”

Christopher Tye

O come, ye servants of the Lord, and praise His holy name;
From early morn to setting sun, His might on earth proclaim.
His laws are just, and glad the heart;
He makes His mercies known:
Ye princes come, ye people too, and bow before His throne.

Verses from Psalm 113

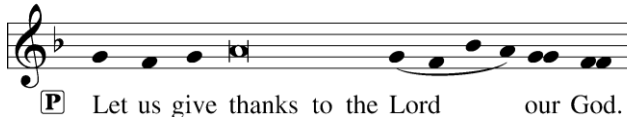
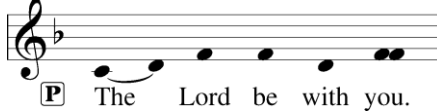
(11:00) Sermon

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Service of the Sacrament

Preface

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C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Proper Preface

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus – “Holy, Holy, Holy”

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C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -



san-na. 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.

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9

Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6:9–13

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C 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.

The Words of Our Lord

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Pax Domini – “Peace of the Lord”

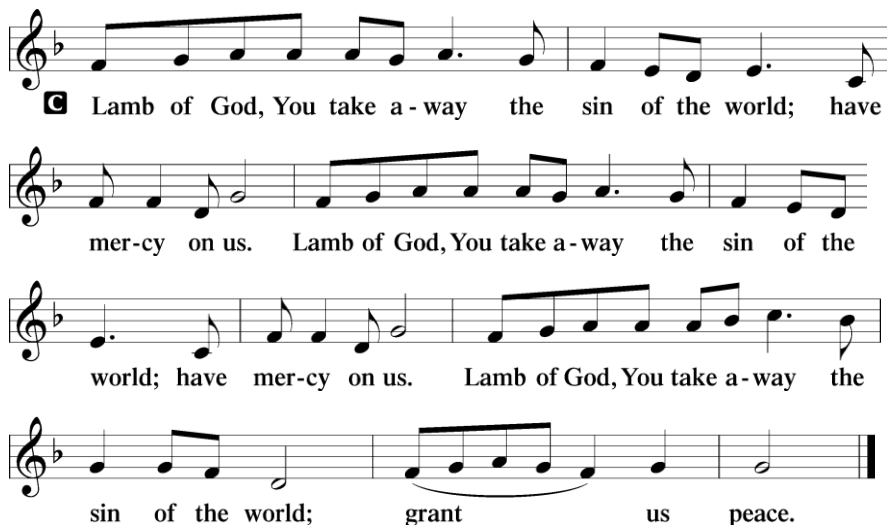
John 20:19

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

Agnus Dei – “Lamb of God”

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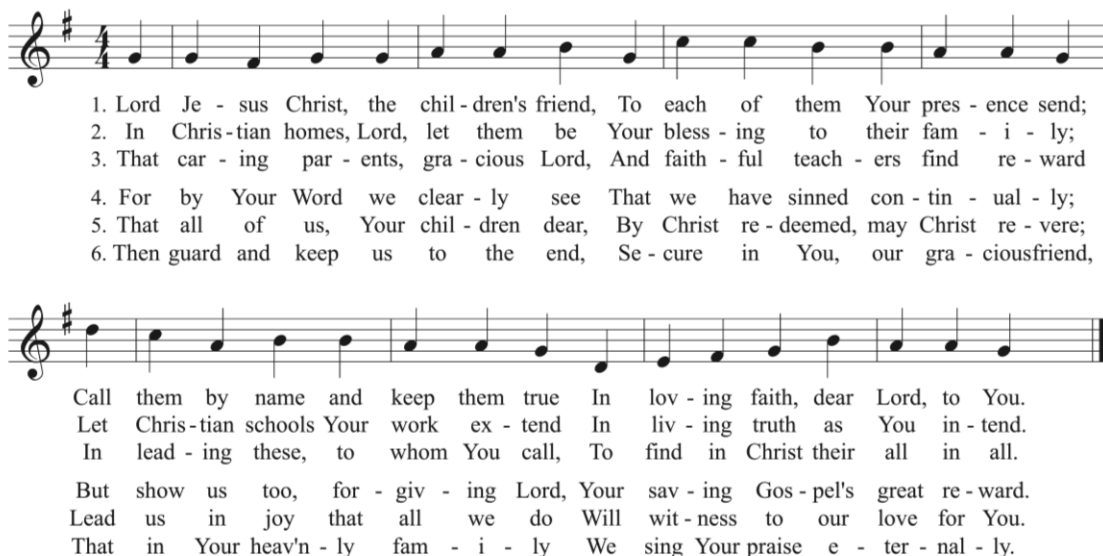


C Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

Distribution Hymns

“Lord Jesus Christ, the Children’s Friend” LSB 866

Text: Henry L. Lettermann; Tune: Thomas Tallis

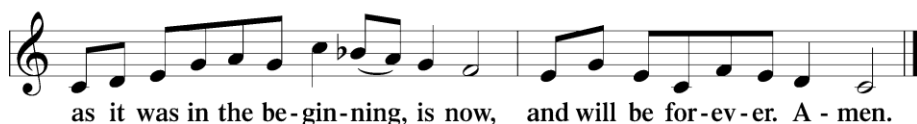
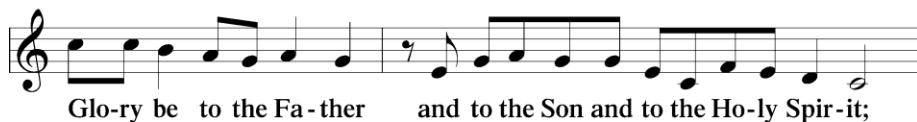
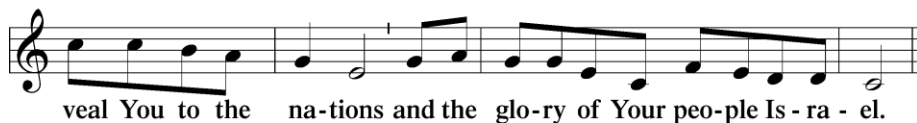
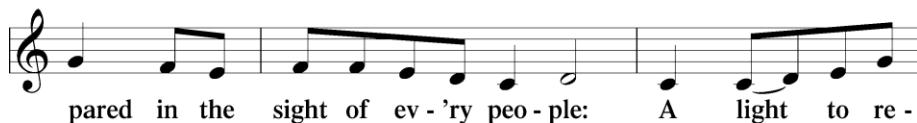
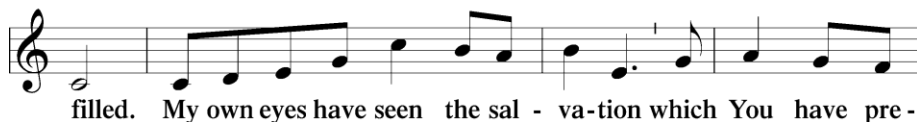
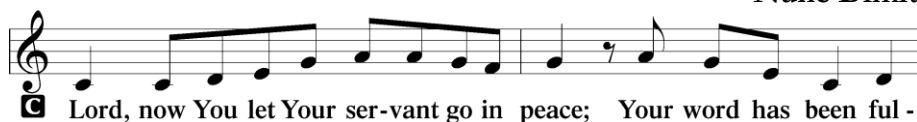


1. Lord Je - sus Christ, the chil - dren's friend, To each of them Your pres - ence send;
2. In Chris - tian homes, Lord, let them be Your bless - ing to their fam - i - ly;
3. That car - ing par - ents, gra - cious Lord, And faith - ful teach - ers find re - ward
4. For by Your Word we clear - ly see That we have sinned con - tin - ual - ly;
5. That all of us, Your chil - dren dear, By Christ re - deemed, may Christ re - vere;
6. Then guard and keep us to the end, Se - cure in You, our gra - cious friend,
Call them by name and keep them true In lov - ing faith, dear Lord, to You.
Let Chris - tian schools Your work ex - tend In liv - ing truth as You in - tend.
In lead - ing these, to whom You call, To find in Christ their all in all.
But show us too, for - giv - ing Lord, Your sav - ing Gos - pel's great re - ward.
Lead us in joy that all we do Will wit - ness to our love for You.
That in Your heav'n - ly fam - i - ly We sing Your praise e - ter - nal - ly.

(Hymn of the Month) “Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation” *LSB* 909

“Shepherd of Tender Youth” *LSB* 864

“Nunc Dimittis” *LSB*, p. 165



The Dismissal

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P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart ✠ in peace.

C Amen.

Post-Communion Collect

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- A** Let us pray.
Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout all our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Benediction

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- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

Numbers 6:24–26

C Amen.

Closing Hymn

“We Praise You and Acknowledge You” *LSB 941*
(See next page)

We Praise You and Acknowledge You, O God

THAXTED

Based on "The TE DEUM"

GUSTAV T. HOLST, 1874-1934

STEPHEN P. STARKE, b. 1955

Setting by MARK BENDER, © 2006

The musical score is written for a single melodic line on a treble clef staff. It consists of six systems of music, each with a vocal line and corresponding lyrics. The lyrics are arranged in four columns, with some lines starting with 'All 1', 'Choir 2', 'All 3', or 'All 4' to indicate different parts. The music is in a simple, hymn-like style with a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a 4/4 time signature. The lyrics are in English and are a setting of the Te Deum.

All 1 We— praise You and ac - knowl-edge You, O God, to be the Lord,
Choir 2 The— band of the a - pos - tles in glo - ry sing Your praise;
All 3 You, Christ, are King of glo - ry, the ev - er - last - ing Son,
All 4 You— sit in splen-did glo - ry, en - throned at God's right hand,
The— Fa - ther ev - er - last - ing, by all the earth a - dored.
The— fel - low - ship of proph - ets their death-less voic - es raise.
Yet— You, with bound - less love, sought to res - cue ev - 'ry - one:
Up - hold - ing earth and heav - en by fore - es You com - mand.
To— You all an - gel pow - ers cry a - loud, the heav - ens sing,
The— mar - tyrs of Your king - dom, a great and no - ble throng,
You— laid a - side Your glo - ry, were born of vir - gin's womb,
We— know that You will come as our Judge that fi - nal day,
The— cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim their prais - es to You bring:
Sing— with the ho - ly Church—through - out all the world this song: (All)
Were cru - ci - fied for us and were placed in - to a tomb;
So— help Your ser - vants You have re - deemed by blood, we pray;
"O— ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;
All "O— all - ma - jes - tic Fa - ther, Your true and on - ly Son,
Then— by Your res - ur - rec - tion You won for us re - prieve—
May— we with saints be num - bered where prais - es nev - er end,
Your— maj - es - ty and glo - ry fill the heav - ens and the earth!"
And— Ho - ly Spir - it, Com - fort - er— for - ev - er Three in One!"
You— o - pened heav - en's king - dom to all who would be - lieve.
In— glo - ry ev - er - last - ing, A - men, O Lord, a - men!

Silent Prayer

Postlude

“Fanfare on Thaxted” *Kevin Hildebrand*

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Preacher

Liturgist

Rev. Dr. Glen Thomas

(8:00) **Pastor Wade**

(8:00, 11:00) **Pastor Schudde**

Instrumentalists

Jason Harris, Jill Ieppert, trumpet

John Thomas, French horn

Kurt Silver, Eddie Clark, trombone

St. Paul’s Choir

Choir

Organist

Kantor Stoppenhagen

Director

Kantor Gerhardt

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