

***St. Luke's Evangelical Lutheran Church***

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**Sunday, August 18, 2019**

10<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Communion

10:00 am

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PRELUDE**

*When the music of the prelude begins, please lower your voice;  
but, after worship raise your voice with joy!)*

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Leader: In the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.

**Congregation: Amen.**

L: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires  
known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of  
our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may  
perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through  
Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

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

*Please kneel for silent self-reflection*

L: Most merciful God,

**C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free  
ourselves. 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. 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.**

**L:** God, who is rich in mercy, loved 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 the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

**C:** **Amen.**

## **GATHERING SONG**

## **What a Friend We Have in Jesus (ELW 742)**

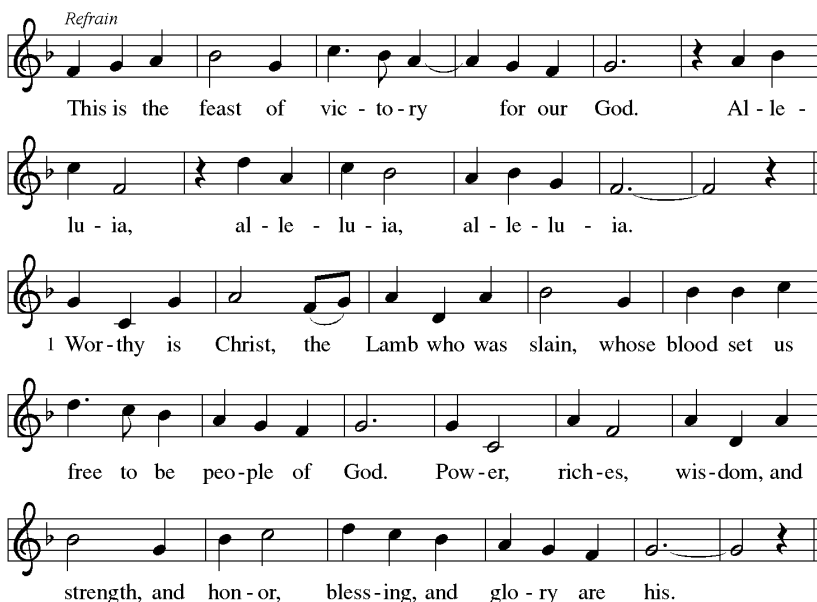
### **GREETING**

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

**C:** **And also with you.**

## **HYMN OF PRAISE**

*Refrain*



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le -  
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.  
I Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us  
free to be peo - ple of God. Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and  
strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

*Refrain*

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

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

2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and join in the

hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and

might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

*Final refrain*

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

for the Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign.

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

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**L:** Let us pray.

O God, judge eternal, you love justice and hate oppression, and you call us to share your zeal for truth. Give us courage to take our stand with all victims of bloodshed and greed, and, following your servants and prophets, to look to the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C:** Amen.

## **FIRST READING: Jeremiah 23:16-29**

The first reading is from chapter 23 of Jeremiah.

<sup>16</sup> This is what the LORD Almighty says:

“Do not listen to what the prophets are prophesying to you;  
they fill you with false hopes.

They speak visions from their own minds,  
not from the mouth of the LORD.

<sup>17</sup> They keep saying to those who despise me,  
‘The LORD says: You will have peace.’

And to all who follow the stubbornness of their hearts  
they say, ‘No harm will come to you.’

<sup>18</sup> But which of them has stood in the council of the LORD  
to see or to hear his word?

Who has listened and heard his word?

<sup>19</sup> See, the storm of the LORD  
will burst out in wrath,

a whirlwind swirling down  
on the heads of the wicked.

<sup>20</sup> The anger of the LORD will not turn back  
until he fully accomplishes  
the purposes of his heart.

In days to come  
you will understand it clearly.

<sup>21</sup> I did not send these prophets,  
yet they have run with their message;

I did not speak to them,  
yet they have prophesied.

<sup>22</sup> But if they had stood in my council,  
they would have proclaimed my words to my people  
and would have turned them from their evil ways  
and from their evil deeds.

<sup>23</sup> “Am I only a God nearby,”  
declares the LORD,

“and not a God far away?

<sup>24</sup> Who can hide in secret places  
so that I cannot see them?”

declares the LORD.

“Do not I fill heaven and earth?”  
declares the LORD.

<sup>25</sup> “I have heard what the prophets say who prophesy lies in my name. They say, ‘I had a dream! I had a dream!’ <sup>26</sup> How long will this continue in the hearts of these lying prophets, who prophesy the delusions of their own minds? <sup>27</sup> They think the dreams they tell one another will make my people forget my name, just as their ancestors forgot my name through Baal worship. <sup>28</sup> Let the prophet who has a dream recount the dream, but let the one who has my word speak it faithfully. For what has straw to do with grain?” declares the LORD. <sup>29</sup> “Is not my word like fire,” declares the LORD, “and like a hammer that breaks a rock in pieces?”

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

## **SECOND READING: Hebrews 11: 17-31**

The second reading is from chapter 11 of Hebrews.

<sup>17</sup> By faith Abraham, when God tested him, offered Isaac as a sacrifice. He who had embraced the promises was about to sacrifice his one and only son, <sup>18</sup> even though God had said to him, “It is through Isaac that your offspring will be reckoned.”<sup>[a]</sup>

<sup>19</sup> Abraham reasoned that God could even raise the dead, and so in a manner of speaking he did receive Isaac back from death.

<sup>20</sup> By faith Isaac blessed Jacob and Esau in regard to their future.

<sup>21</sup> By faith Jacob, when he was dying, blessed each of Joseph’s sons, and worshiped as he leaned on the top of his staff.

<sup>22</sup> By faith Joseph, when his end was near, spoke about the exodus of the Israelites from Egypt and gave instructions concerning the burial of his bones.

<sup>23</sup> By faith Moses’ parents hid him for three months after he was born, because they saw he was no ordinary child, and they were not afraid of the king’s edict.

<sup>24</sup> By faith Moses, when he had grown up, refused to be known as the son of Pharaoh's daughter. <sup>25</sup> He chose to be mistreated along with the people of God rather than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin. <sup>26</sup> He regarded disgrace for the sake of Christ as of greater value than the treasures of Egypt, because he was looking ahead to his reward. <sup>27</sup> By faith he left Egypt, not fearing the king's anger; he persevered because he saw him who is invisible. <sup>28</sup> By faith he kept the Passover and the application of blood, so that the destroyer of the firstborn would not touch the firstborn of Israel.

<sup>29</sup> By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as on dry land; but when the Egyptians tried to do so, they were drowned.

<sup>30</sup> By faith the walls of Jericho fell, after the army had marched around them for seven days.

<sup>31</sup> By faith the prostitute Rahab, because she welcomed the spies, was not killed with those who were disobedient.

**L:** The Word of the Lord.

**C:** Thanks be to God.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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

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

*Repeat alleluia*

Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

## **GOSPEL: Luke 12: 49-53**

**L:** The Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke, chapter 12.

**C:** **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>49</sup> “I have come to bring fire on the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! <sup>50</sup> But I have a baptism to undergo, and what constraint I am under until it is completed! <sup>51</sup> Do you think I came to bring peace on earth? No, I tell you, but division. <sup>52</sup> From now on there will be five in one family divided against each other, three against two and two against three. <sup>53</sup> They will be divided, father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.”

**L:** The Gospel of the Lord.

**C:** **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **SERMON**

### **HYMN OF THE DAY**

**What Wondrous Love Is This  
(ELW666)**

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

**L:** Lord in your mercy,

**C:** **Hear our prayer.**

## **EXCHANGING THE PEACE OF OUR LORD**

## **OFFERING**

### **OFFERTORY**

*The Potter's Hand*

Duet: Dori Shearer and Rachel Steiner

## **OFFERING PRAYER**

**L:** Let us pray.

Blessed are you, O God, for the greening earth given for all, for the talents we are given to share, and for this bread and wine.

Transform us to be the body of Christ, that feasting on this food and drink, our lives may reflect your generosity; through Christ our Lord.

**C:** **Amen.**

## **MEAL**

Gathered at the Lord's table, our congregation remembered with thanksgiving that "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.

This is the supper of our Lord Jesus Christ. This same bread and cup, shared in our community of faith, are here given for you."

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

**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.**

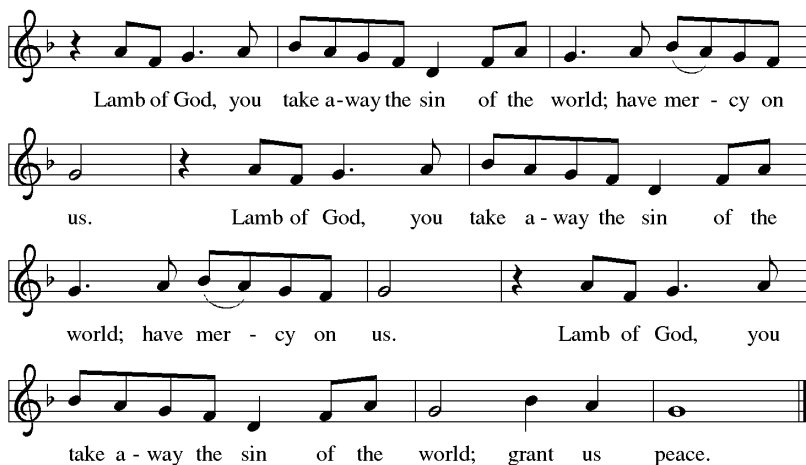
## **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

**L: Taste and see that the Lord is good.  
C: Amen**

## **COMMUNION**



## COMMUNION SONG



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.

## SONG DURING COMMUNION

**O Master, Let Me Walk with You (ELW 818)**

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**L:** 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.

**C:** Amen.

## BLESSING

**P:** 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.

**C:** Amen.

**SENDING SONG**      **Go, My Children, with My Blessing**  
**(ELW 543)**

## DISMISSAL

**L:** Go in peace. Christ is with you.

**C:** Thanks be to God.

**POSTLUDE**

**PREPARING FOR NEXT WEEK**

*Is. 66:18–23; Psalm 50:1–15; Heb. 12:4–24 ; Luke 13:22–30*

**WELCOME!**

*We are so excited that you have joined us today. You are important to our church family. Please complete the connect card in the pew before you leave worship this day. If you need to speak with a pastor or pastoral leader, please call the church office at 724-352-2333.*

**THIS MORNING’S WORSHIP MINISTRY TEAM INCLUDES:**

	<b>8:15 Service</b>	<b>10:00 Service</b>
ACOLYTES	Megan Edder	Cole Edwards
ALTAR GUILD	Dave and Judy Gundlach	Dave and Stefanie Fennell
READER/ASST MINISTER	Peggy Crawford	Dick Beatty
GREETERS	Dave and Judy Gundlach	Carl and Grace Bracken
USHERS	Judy Franke and Neal Hay	Lisa Southworth and Cindy Bearrow
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