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Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost
Family Worship with Holy Communion
August 28, 2022 † 9:30 a.m.

WE GATHER TOGETHER

PRELUDE

***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

The assembly stands as they are able. All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism.

Pastor: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who creates us, redeems us, and calls us by name.

People: Amen.

Pastor: Coming together as God's family, with confidence let us ask the Father's forgiveness, for God is full of gentleness and compassion.

Pause for reflection.

Lord Jesus, you came as a child in the fullness of humanity that we may know God's love for us. Lord, have mercy.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you called the children to you and blessed them that we may know God's love for children. Christ, have mercy.

People: Christ, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you will judge us by how we care for the least of these our brothers and sisters. Lord, have mercy.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Our hope is in Christ Jesus. For his sake † our sins are forgiven. In him the veil of God's glory is lifted. Live as freed and forgiven children of God.

Amen.

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- ¹Hallelujah! Happy are they who ¹ fear the LORD
and have great delight in ¹ God's commandments!
- ²**Their descendants will be mighty ¹ in the land;
the generation of the upright ¹ will be blessed.**
- ³Wealth and riches will be ¹ in their house,
and their righteousness will ¹ last forever.
- ⁴**Light shines in the darkness ¹ for the upright;
the righteous are merciful and full ¹ of compassion.**
- ⁵It is good for them to be gener- ¹ ous in lending
and to manage their af- ¹ fairs with justice.
- ⁶**For they will nev- ¹ er be shaken;
the righteous will be kept in everlast- ¹ ing remembrance.**
- ⁷They will not be afraid of any ¹ evil rumors;
their heart is steadfast, trusting ¹ in the LORD.
- ⁸**Their heart is established and ¹ will not shrink,
until they see their desire up- ¹ on their enemies.**
- ⁹They have given freely to the poor, and their righteousness stands ¹ fast forever;
they will hold up their ¹ head with honor.
- ¹⁰**The wicked will see it and be angry; they will gnash their teeth and ¹ pine away;
the desires of the wick- ¹ ed will perish.**

READING: Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16 (Easy-to-Read Version)

A reading from Hebrews.

¹Continue loving each other as brothers and sisters in Christ. ² Always remember to help people by welcoming them into your home. Some people have done that and have helped angels without knowing it. ³ Don't forget those who are in prison. Remember them as though you were in prison with them. And don't forget those who are suffering. Remember them as though you were suffering with them.

⁴ Marriage should be honored by everyone. And every marriage should be kept pure between husband and wife. God will judge guilty those who commit immoral sins and are unfaithful to their partners. ⁵ Keep your lives free from the love of money. And be satisfied with what you have. God has said,

"I will never leave you;
I will never run away from you."

⁶ So we can feel sure and say,

"The Lord is my helper;
I will not be afraid.

People can do nothing to me."

⁷ Remember your leaders. They taught God's message to you. Remember how they lived and died, and copy their faith. ⁸ Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever.

¹⁵ Through Jesus we should never stop offering our sacrifice to God. That sacrifice is our praise, coming from lips that speak his name. ¹⁶ And don't forget to do good and to share what you have with others, because sacrifices like these are very pleasing to God.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

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*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (p. 205)



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

GOSPEL: Luke 14:1, 7-14 (The Message)

The holy gospel according to Luke. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

1 One time when Jesus went for a Sabbath meal with one of the top leaders of the Pharisees, all the guests had their eyes on him, watching his every move.

7-9 He went on to tell a story to the guests around the table. Noticing how each had tried to elbow into the place of honor, Jesus said, "When someone invites you to dinner, don't take the place of honor. Somebody more important than you might have been invited by the host. Then he'll come and call out in front of everybody, 'You're in the wrong place. The place of honor belongs to this man.' Embarrassed, you'll have to make your way to the very last table, the only place left.

10-11 "When you're invited to dinner, go and sit at the last place. Then when the host comes he may very well say, 'Friend, come up to the front.' That will give the dinner guests something to talk about! What I'm saying is, If you walk around all high and mighty, you're going to end up flat on your face. But if you're content to be simply yourself, you will become more than yourself."

12-14 Then he turned to the host. "The next time you put on a dinner, don't just invite your friends and family and rich neighbors, the kind of people who will return the favor. Invite some people who never get invited out, the misfits from the wrong side of the tracks. You'll be—and experience—a blessing. They won't be able to return the favor, but the favor will be returned—oh, how it will be returned!—at the resurrection of God's people."

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

CHILDREN'S HOMILY / SERMON

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***HYMN OF THE DAY # 824 This Is My Father's World**

**1 This is my Father's world,
and to my list'ning ears
all nature sings, and round me rings
the music of the spheres.
This is my Father's world;
I rest me in the thought
of rocks and trees, of skies and seas;
his hand the wonders wrought.**

**2 This is my Father's world;
the birds their carols raise;
the morning light, the lily white,
declare their maker's praise.
This is my Father's world;
he shines in all that's fair.
In the rustling grass I hear him pass;
he speaks to me ev'rywhere.**

**3 This is my Father's world;
oh, let me not forget
that, though the wrong seems oft so strong,
God is the ruler yet.
This is my Father's world;
why should my heart be sad?
The Lord is king, let heaven ring;
God reigns, let earth be glad!**

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.**

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PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

We see the love of God in God's own son. As brothers and sisters of Jesus, let us bring our prayer to God, saying, "Lord, hear your children's prayer."

For the Church of God, that we follow Jesus, who taught us that whoever would be first must be the servant of all, we pray to the Lord:

Lord, hear your children's prayer.

We pray you will help us continue stewardship of your creation and to work for the wellbeing of the whole human family. In the spirit of the Earth Charter we pray to the Lord:

Lord, hear your children's prayer.

For world leaders, that they may think about how their actions can make a difference to people who most need help in their countries; that we build up safe and joyful communities for all people; that war might end and peace return to Ukraine, we pray to the Lord:

Lord, hear your children's prayer.

For all the people of the world, especially children and families who do not have money for food and lodging; for people suffering from injustice; for all who are sick and suffering; we pray to the Lord:

Lord, hear your children's prayer.

For ourselves and our community; that we recognize your face in every child and that we love and bless all children as Jesus welcomed them; we pray to the Lord:

Lord, hear your children's prayer.

We pray for our congregation, family and friends: that we may take steps to change our own lives and the lives of our sisters and brothers around the world. For blessings on all who lead us in worship and contribute to our worship life; we pray to the Lord:

Lord, hear your children's prayer.

(Pastor) Christ Jesus, fill us with your love and mercy and show us how to make a difference to the lives of our sisters and brothers around the world. Hear the prayers we offer in confidence and faith. **Amen.**

PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always!

And also with you!

MEAL

OFFERING

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***OFFERING PRAYER**

God of abundance, you have set before us a plentiful harvest.
As we feast on your goodness, strengthen us to labor in your field,
and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all,
in the name of Jesus. **Amen.**

***GREAT THANKSGIVING DIALOGUE AND PREFACE**

The Lord be with you.
And also 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.

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:

SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. 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, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE (p. 207)

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.

LORD'S PRAYER *(led by Pastor and children)*

**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

In Christ's presence there is fullness of joy.
Come to the banquet.

LAMB OF GOD (p.208)



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

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Body of Christ, given for you.
Blood of Christ, shed for you.

COMMUNION HYMN #472 Eat This Bread (sung five times)

**"Eat this bread, drink this cup,
come to me and never be hungry.
Eat this bread, drink this cup,
trust in me and you will not thirst."**

***PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Life-giving God,
through this meal you have bandaged our wounds
and fed us with your mercy.
Now send us forth to live for others,
both friend and stranger,
that all may come to know your love.
This we pray in the name of Jesus. **Amen.**

WE GO OUT INTO THE WORLD

BLESSING

The God of peace,
Father, **+** Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you, comfort you,
and show you the path of life
this day and always. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN #876 Let the Whole Creation Cry

**1 Let the whole creation cry, "Glory to the Lord on high!"
Heav'n and earth, awake and sing, "Praise to our almighty king!"
Praise God, angel hosts above, ever bright and fair in love;
sun and moon, lift up your voice; night and stars, in God rejoice.**

**2 Servants striving for the Lord, prophets burning with the word,
those to whom the arts belong add their voices to the song.
Pow'rs of knowledge and of law, to the glorious circle draw;
all who work and all who wait, sing, "The Lord is good and great!"**

**3 Men and women, young and old, raise the anthem loud and bold,
and let children's happy hearts in this worship take their parts;
from the north to southern pole let the mighty chorus roll:
"Holy, Holy, Holy One; glory be to God alone!"**

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Love your neighbor. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

We welcome this morning Pastor Sarah Geddada, a rostered ELCA minister in the Metropolitan New York Synod. Thank you for leading us in worship!

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PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER (28 August 2022)

THOSE IN NEED OF HEALING:

Chris Peck, Bob Widmer, Lex Stolle, Carmine Colasanto, Richard & George Mengert [requested by Carolyn Gabelman]
Tracey Parisi, Margo Naranjo, John Hochuli [requested by Barbara English]
Norma Martin [requested by Sue Rorke]
Brenda Dugan & granddaughter Chanelle, Robert & Pat Richards, Don & Marianne Spagna [requested by Mary Fjellstad]
Marilyn Havighorst [requested by Martha Hahn]
Nicholas Mauceri and Rocky Cinque [requested by Marianne Spagna]
Richard Wiles [husband of Joan Wiles]
Stanley Ulc, Stefanie Spath [requested by Marianna Ulc and family]
Jim Cahote, John Sullivan [requested by Dottie & Jim Clavell]
Kerri Swanson [requested by Linda & Jud Taylor]
Ruth Aiello [requested by Cindy Davis]
Laura Garlock [requested by Darlene Klouda]
Andy Hazin & the Hazin family, Ilse Gunther, Ralph Gunther [requested by the Hoffman family]
Zach Hills [requested by Brian & Diane Marley]
Bernadette Uneberg [requested by John Hinsch]
The Marley family, Pete Gambitsky, the Rilke family, Sharon Wolf, Dana Stankevitz, Pastor Roger Schleef, Jim Flaherty, Carol Pascale, Walter Henning Sr., Pastor Frank Modr, Gary Weymer [requested by Pastor Shelhart]
David Travis [requested by Richard Travis]
Carolyn Martin [requested by Linda Overton]
The family of Elaine Robinson [requested by Deborah Cella]
Bill Feigin [requested by Jessica Michalski]
Bill Davey [requested by Tom & Pat Pernice]
Coworker at Sweetbriar Nature Center, Fred Eichorn [requested by James Flaherty]
Suzie DiSanza [requested by Donna Ihlen]
Viola Giovinco [requested by Liz DeLuca]
Amy Kitay [requested by Diana Smiloff]
Emilie Diehl [requested by Kathy & Cynthia]

THOSE IN MILITARY SERVICE:

Captain Zachary Hinsch [nephew of Judy & John Hinsch]
Major Lenore Livingston [daughter of Helen & Art Fortin]
Sergeant Charlee Seto [granddaughter of Jacci & Mike Milo]
Corporal August Detting
Major William Fortin

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