

Coffee hour at 11am after service via Zoom  
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*Ninth Sunday after Pentecost  
August 9, 2020*

*Before we begin Worship we acknowledge that we worship on the traditional grounds of the Anishinaabe (meaning "the people") People, and we honor their elders both past and present.*

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

### Greetings and Announcements

### GATHERING

#### Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, +one God, who forgives all of our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.**  
We have been created in the image of God.

**We are created to love our brothers and sisters, all children of God.**

Christ has taught us to love one another.

**And we are called to share that love with the world.**

*Silence is kept for reflection*

Almighty God, **we confess that at times we ignore You and Your ways because we are afraid of being rejected by others. We fail to do justice and loving-kindness; we forget to walk humbly with You. We fall into the ways of the world and look to our own gain instead of the well-being of others. Forgive us. Call us back to hear Your call of justice. Help us to listen to the prophets among us. Guide us back to living in Your ways, even when it is unpopular, even if we face ridicule. Lead us in the path of right-living. Amen**

There is nothing God will not do for us. Christ went to the cross so that we might know that life is eternal. You are forgiven, renewed and restored - live, and help others to live with the knowledge that God loves us all. **Amen.**

#### Gathering Song #842 ELW vs 1 & 4 "Oh, Worship the King"

Oh, worship the King, all glorious above.  
Oh, greatly sing, God's power and love;  
our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days,  
pavilioned in splendor, and girded with praise.

Frail children of dust and feeble as frail,  
in you we do trust, nor find you to fail;  
your mercies, how tender, how firm to the end,  
our maker, defender, redeemer and friend.

#### Greeting

From God, our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, grace and peace be with you all.

**And also with you.**

Lord . . . Have mercy: **Lord have mercy**

Christ have mercy: **Christ have mercy.**

Lord . . . Have mercy: **Lord have mercy.**

☐ Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;  
 glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.  
 ☐ 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.  
 ☐ Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;  
 glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.  
 ☐ 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.  
 ☐ Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;  
 glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.  
 ☐ 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, in the glo - ry of God the Fa-ther, A - men.  
 ☐ Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;  
 glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth,  
 and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

The Lord be with you. **And also with you**

### Prayer of the Day

O God our defender, storms rage around and within us and cause us to be afraid. Rescue your people from despair, deliver your sons and daughters from fear, and preserve us in the faith of your Son: Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord **Amen.**

### WORD

**First Reading** 1kings 19:9-18

*(after the reading)* Assistant: The word of Life. **People: Thanks be to God.**

**Psalmody** Psalm 85:8-13; refrain, Ps. 85:8

**Second Reading** Romans 10:5-15

*(after the reading)* Assistant: The word of Life. **People: Thanks be to God.**

*The assembly stands to welcome the gospel.*

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?  
Al - le - lu - ia. You have the words of e - ter - nal life.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

### Gospel

**The Holy Gospel according to Matthew 14:22-33**

Response after the announcement: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Response after the conclusion: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

### Sermon

**Hymn of the Day #756 vs. ELW "Eternal Father, Strong to Save"**

Eternal Father, strong to save,  
whose arm has bound the restless wave,  
who bade the mighty ocean deep  
its own appointed limits keep:  
oh hear us when we cry to thee  
for those in peril on the sea

O Trinity of love and pow'r,  
all trav'lers guard in danger's hour  
from rock to tempest, fire and foe,  
protect them where so e'er they go;  
thus ever more shall rise to thee  
glad hymns and praise from land and sea.

## Affirmation of Faith

**We believe in the God of Life, who creates and loves people, who acts in history and who promises never to leave us alone. We believe in Jesus of Nazareth, who is our brother, who wants not to be idolized but to be followed. We believe that we dwell in the presence of the Holy Spirit and filled with God's Spirit we are able to become creative, lively, and free. We believe in the whole church of Jesus Christ, a community where we find companions and courage for the struggles of life, where we grow in our understanding of the faith, through worship, prayer, and service. We believe that God has a use for us in this time and place. We believe in living, hoping, laughing and enjoying the good of the earth; we believe that people can change, and God keeps pulling us to life and to a new world of joy and peace. Amen.**

## Prayers of Intercession

Confident of your care and helped by the Holy Spirit, we pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

*A brief silence.*

For your whole church throughout the world. Give courage in the midst of storms, so that we see and hear Jesus calling; "Take heart, it is I: do not be afraid." May we follow Christ wherever he leads. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For the well being of your creation. Protect waterways, forests, lands and wildlife from exploitation and abuse. Help the human family endeavor to sustain and be sustained by the resources of your hand. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For the nations and their leaders. In you, steadfast love faithfulness meet, and righteousness and peace kiss. May nations in conflict know the peace that is the fruit of justice, and the justice that is the path to peace. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For those in need. Everyone who calls upon your name will be saved. Accompany all who are lonely, hear the voices of those who cry out in anguish, and support those who are frustrated in their search for an affordable place to live. We pray for those who are suffering this day especially Chick, Bill, Ruthann, Sam, Kay, Bridget, Betty, Beverly, Chuck, Wilma, Brad, Miriam, Audra, Barb, friends and family of Lyle, & friends and family of Marilyn. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For our congregation. You have gathered us here today as your people and we thank you for this gift. We pray for those who are new to this community, for students and teachers preparing for a new school year, and for those struggling with unexpected hardships. Supply us generously with your grace for our life together. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We give you thanks, O God, for the saints of the whole church from all times and places, and for the saints in our lives and in our community whom you have gathered to yourself Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

In the certain hope that nothing can separate us from your love, we offer these prayers to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**  
Share with those around you a sign of God's Peace.

## Meal

### Offering & Hymn #763 vs. 1 & 4 “My Life Flows On in Endless Song”

My life flows on in endless song; above earth's lamentation,  
I catch the sweet, though far-off hymn that hails a new creation.

*(refrain)*

The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a fountain ever springing!  
All things are mine since I am his! How can I keep from singing?

*(refrain)*

*Refrain:*

No storm can shake my in-most calm while to that Rock I'm clinging.  
Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I stop from singing?

### Offering Prayer

Great God of Heaven and Earth, you call us to leave behind our preoccupations and to follow you. Sometimes we find your call challenging. May this act of giving be a gesture of our willingness to follow where you lead. In Jesus name, we pray. **Amen.**

### Great Thanksgiving

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 thanks and praise.** It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks...

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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and  
might, heav - en 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.

### Words of Consecration

#### The 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

Taste and see that the Lord is good.

**Communion Hymn #773 “Precious Lord, Take My Hand”**

Precious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, let me stand, I am tired, I am weak, I am worn. Through the storm, though the night, lead me on to the light. Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.	When my way grows . . drear, precious Lord, linger near, when my life is almost gone, hear my cry, hear my call, hold my hand lest I fall. Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.
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When the darkness appears  
and the night draws near,  
and the day is past and gone,  
at the river I stand,  
guide my feet, hold my hand.  
Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

**Prayer after Communion**

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**SENDING**

**Blessing**

May the Lord bless you and keep you, may the Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious unto you. And may the Lord look upon you with favor and grant you His peace. **Amen.**

**Sending Song #785 vs. 1 & 3 ELW “When Peace like a River”**

When peace like a river attendeth my way, when sorrows like sea billows roll, whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say, it is well with my soul.	He lives— oh, the bliss of this glorious thought; my sin not in part, but the whole, is nailed to his cross and I bear it no more. Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!
It is well with my soul, it is well with my soul. He lives— oh, the day	It is well with my soul, it is well with my soul.

**Dismissal** Go in Peace. Christ is your courage and hope. **Thanks be to God!**

**Birthdays—Sunday August 9—Karen Gainey**  
**Monday August 10—Mary Ekelund, Jeanna Morshead-Metelica**  
**Anniversaries— Sunday August 9th—Jerry & Linda Johnson—45 years**  
**Monday August 10th—Gina & John Emily—13 years**  
**Tuesday August 11th—Mike and Jane Herrick—48 years**  
**Friday August 14th—Al and Lorayne Reedy—55 years**  
**Wally & Colleen Nozal—56 years**