Coffee hour at 11am after service via Zoom Code: 229508663

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Tenth Sunday after Pentecost August 16, 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 #650 ELW vs 1-3 "In Christ There Is No East or West"

In Christ there is no east or west, in him no south or north, but one community of love through-out the whole wide earth.

In Christ shall true hearts ev'ry-where their high communion find; his service is the golden cord close binding human—kind.

Join hands disciples of the faith, whate'er your race may be. All children of the living God are surely kin to me.

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.



The Lord be with you. And also with you

Prayer of the Day

God of all peoples, your arms reach out to embrace all those who call upon you. Teach us as disciples of your Son to love the world with compassion and constancy, that your name may be known throughout the earth through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

WORD

First Reading Isaiah 56:1, 6-8

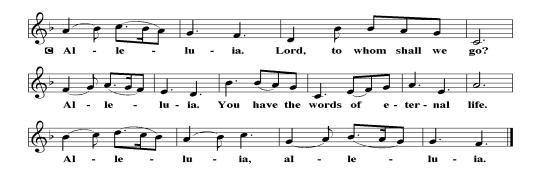
(after the reading) Assistant: The word of Life. People: Thanks be to God.

Psalmody Psalm 67; refrain, Ps. 67:3

Second Reading Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32

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

The assembly stands to welcome the gospel.



Gospel

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew 15:10-28

Response after the announcement: Glory to you, O Lord. Response after the conclusion: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Hymn of the Day #716 vs. 1,2,4 ELW "Lord of All Nations, Grant Me Grace"

Lord of all nations, grant me grace to love all people, ev'ry race; and in each person may I see my kindred, loved, redeemed by thee.

Break down the wall that would divide thy children, Lord, on ev'ry side. My neighbor's good let me pursue; let Christian love bind warm and true.

Give me thy courage, Lord, to speak whenever strong oppress the weak. Should I myself the victim be, help me forgive, remember thee.

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.

Lord, you gather the church to be part of your mission as ambassadors of Jesus Christ. As Jesus acknowledged the great faith of a woman from outside his people, help your church discover and find blessing in the faith of people we might reject. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You have blessed us with the bounty of the earth. Grant your grace to all your creatures, that the earth will flourish. Relieve waters choked by garbage, renew soils stripped of nutrients and refresh the air all creatures need to live. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You call the nations to be glad and sing for joy. Let your way be known among all the nations of the world, now divided by competing interests, contending alliances, and consumed by enormous worry. Bless us and make your face shine upon all. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You show unexpected mercy, kindness and generosity. We pray for those who do not have enough, for outcasts in our villages, cities, and towns, and especially those who need our healing Chick, Bill, Ruthann, Sam, Kay, Bridget, Betty, Beverly, Chuck, Wilma, Brad, Miriam, Audra, Barb, & friends and family of Lyle. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

In you we live and move and have our being. Grant our congregation grace to find our life refreshed in you. Accompany us in the rhythms of late summer. Give us rest and renewal, and strengthen us for mission in your name. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Your eternal promises are more than we could ever imagine. As you gather all the saints, join us also with them on the great day of your salvation. 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 #496 "One Bread, One Body"

Refrain:

One bread, one body, one Lord of all; one cup of blessing which we bless, and we, though many through out the earth, we are one body in this one Lord.

Gentile or Jew, servant or free, woman or man, no more. (refrain)

Many the gifts, many the works, one in the Lord of all (refrain)

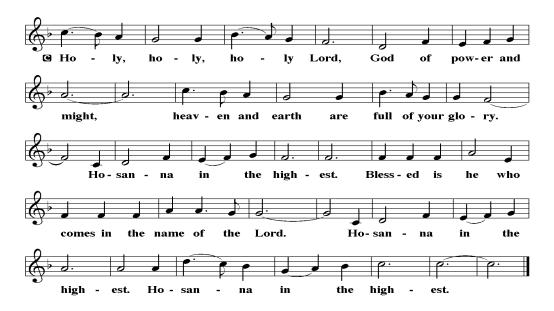
Grain for the fields, scattered and grown, gathered to one for all. *(refrain)*

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 our thanks and praise. It is indeed... We praise your name and join their unending hymn.



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 #612 vs. 3 & 4 ELW "Healer of Our Every III"

Refrain:

Healer of our ev'ry ill, light of each tomorrow, give us peace beyond our fear, and hope beyond our sorrow.

Give us strength to love each other, ev'ry sister, every brother; Spirit of all kindness be our guide. (refrain)

You who know each thought and feeling, teach us all your way of healing, spirit of compassion fill each heart. (refrain)

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 #878 vs. 1 & 5 ELW "Soli Deo Gloria"

O God of blessings, all praise to you! Your love surrounds us our whole life through. You are the freedom of those oppressed; you are the comfort of all distressed. Come now, O holy and welcomed guest: Soli Deo gloria! Soli Deo Gloria! All billion voices in one great song, now soft and gentle, now deep and strong, in ev'ry culture and style and key, from hill and valley, with sky and sea, with Christ we praise you eternally: Soli Deo gloria!

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

Birthdays—Sunday August 16—Kelly Faye & Betty Ostrom Monday August 17—Lorayne Reedy & Mike Herrick Friday August 21—Wally Nozal Saturday August 22—Darlene Hanson