

## HOLY COMMUNION

*The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost*

Sunday, September 18, 2022

10:30 a.m. Eucharist

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*Exploring the promise of God for all*

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**Welcome to Central Lutheran Church.**

**You are welcome, no exceptions.**

Here are a few notes you might find helpful for worship:

**Bold print** indicates responses spoken by all.

Masks are welcomed, and we ask everyone to mask up while singing.

Congregational hymns are found either printed in this bulletin,

or in the red hymnal, *Evangelical Lutheran Worship*.

### PRELUDE

“Voluntary in A Minor”

William Walond

*(At the sound of the bell please stand and face the font)*

### GATHERING

#### AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God’s mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

Holy God, holy and merciful, holy and mighty, you are the river of life, you are the everlasting wellspring, you are the font of rebirth.

**Glory to you for oceans and lakes, for rivers and streams.**

Honor to you for cloud and rain, for dew and snow.

**Your waters are below us, around us, above us: our life is born in you.**

You are the fountain of resurrection. Praise to you for your saving waters.

**Praise to you for the water of baptism and for your Word that claims us in this sacrament.**

Breathe your Spirit into all who are gathered here and into all creation.

**Illumine our days. Enliven our bones. Dry our tears. Satisfy all our thirst with your living water, Jesus Christ, our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

We begin in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit One God, from whom all life flows. Amen.



*The Holy Spirit gathers us  
in unity on this  
first day of the week.*

OPENING HYMN

Hymn 705

“God of Grace and God of Glory”

Stanzas 2 and 3 in harmony

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you all.

**And also with you.**

O God, you call us to embrace  
both you and the children of this world with unconditional love.  
Give us grace to discern what your love demands of us,  
that, being faithful in things both great and small,  
we may serve you with an undivided heart.

**Amen.**

*(Please be seated)*

CHILDREN’S TIME

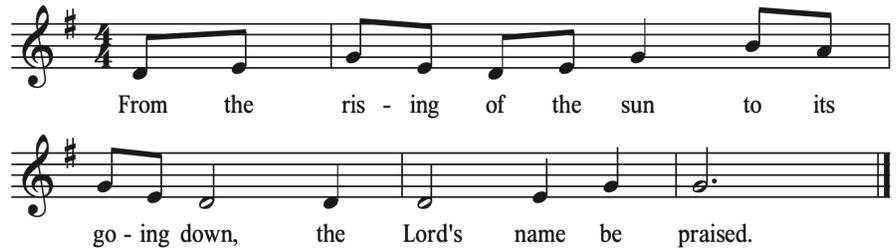
WORD

PSALM 113

Choir Refrain

**All Refrain**

Solo *Hallelujah! Give praise, you servants of the Lord;*



From the ris - ing of the sun to its  
go - ing down, the Lord's name be praised.

*Praise the name of the Lord.  
Let the name of the Lord be blessed  
From this time forth forever more.*

**All Refrain**

Choir *From the rising of the sun to its going down  
Let the name of the Lord be praise.  
High above all nations is the Lord,  
whose glory is above the heavens.*

**All Refrain**

Choir *Who is like the Lord our God, who sits enthroned on high  
but stoops to behold the heavens and the earth?  
The Lord takes up the weak out of the dust  
and lifts up the poor from the ashes.*

**All Refrain**



*God speaks to us  
in scripture  
reading, preaching,  
and song.*

Choir *The Lord sets them with the nobles,  
with the nobles of the chosen people.  
The Lord makes the woman of a childless house  
to be a joyful mother of children.*

**All Refrain**

READING

1 Timothy 2:1-7

<sup>1</sup>First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, <sup>2</sup>for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. <sup>3</sup>This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, <sup>4</sup>who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. <sup>5</sup>For there is one God;

there is also one mediator between God and humankind,  
Christ Jesus, himself human,

<sup>6</sup>who gave himself a ransom for all –  
this was attested at the right time. <sup>7</sup>For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*(Please stand)*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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

*Choir: Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much;  
and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much.*

**All: Repeat “Alleluia”**

GOSPEL

Luke 16:1-13

The Holy Gospel according to Luke.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>Then Jesus said to the disciples, “There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. <sup>2</sup>So he summoned him and said to him, ‘What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.’

<sup>3</sup>Then the manager said to himself, ‘What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. <sup>4</sup>I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome



me into their homes.’<sup>5</sup>So, summoning his master’s debtors one by one, he asked the first, ‘How much do you owe my master?’<sup>6</sup>He answered, ‘A hundred jugs of olive oil.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.’<sup>7</sup>Then he asked another, ‘And how much do you owe?’ He replied, ‘A hundred containers of wheat.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill and make it eighty.’<sup>8</sup>And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light.<sup>9</sup>And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

<sup>10</sup>“Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. <sup>11</sup>If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? <sup>12</sup>And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? <sup>13</sup>No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.”

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

*(Please be seated)*

SERMON

*(Please stand)*

HYMN OF THE DAY

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“Take My Life, That I May Be”

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

As the spirit calls, gathers and enlightens God’s people, we pray for the church, the world and all God’s creation.

*Each petition concludes:*

God who is with us:

**Hear our prayer.**

God of every time and space, we commend these prayers to you trusting that you hold and respond to them in your holy keeping.  
**Amen.**

PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you all.

**And also with you.**

*(Please be seated)*

MUSICAL OFFERING  
"Be Thou My Vision"

Traditional Irish, arr. John Rutter

*(Please stand)*

MEAL

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

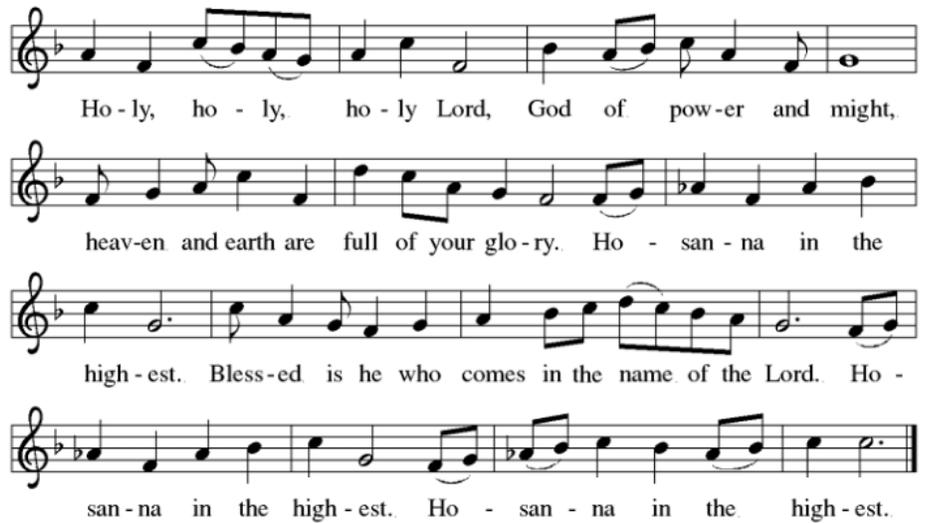
Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



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.



*God feeds us  
with the presence  
of Jesus Christ.*

*The eucharistic prayer continues:*

... we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

... Power of the Most High,  
now and forever.

**Amen.**

## LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen.**

*(Please be seated)*

## COMMUNION

*All are welcome to the Lord's table*

“Lamb of God”

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.

## MUSICAL OFFERING

“Blessing”

Gerald Bales

*The Lord bless us and keep us. The Lord make his face to shine upon us and be  
gracious unto us. The Lord lift up his countenance upon us and give us peace,  
both now and evermore. Amen.*

*(Please stand)*

## POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

God of the abundant table,  
you have refreshed our hearts in this meal  
with bread for the journey.

Give us your grace on the road  
that we might serve our neighbors with joy;  
for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**Amen.**



*God blesses and  
sends us in mission  
to the world.*

## SENDING

### BLESSING

God, who gives life to all things  
and frees us from despair,  
bless you with truth and peace.  
And may the holy Trinity, + one God,  
guide you always in faith, hope, and love.  
**Amen.**

### CLOSING HYMN

“Let Justice Flow like Streams”

Hymn 717

*Stanzas 1 and 2 in harmony; 3-unison*

### DISMISSAL

Go in peace, with Christ beside you.

**Thanks be to God.**

### POSTLUDE

“Praeludium”

Heikki Klementti

# Take My Life, That I May Be



Take my life, that I may be  
 Take my sil - ver and my gold,  
 Take my will and make it thine,



con - se - crat - ed, Lord, to thee;  
 not a mite would I with - hold;  
 it shall be no long - er mine;



take my mo - ments and my days;  
 Take my in - tel - lect and use  
 take my heart, it is thine own,



let them flow in cease - less praise.  
 ev - 'ry pow'r as thou shall chose.  
 it shall be thy roy - al throne.



Take my hands and let them move  
 Take my voice and let me sing  
 Take my life, that I may be



at the im - pulse of thy love; take my feet and let  
 al - ways, on - ly for my King; take my lips and let  
 con - se - crat - ed, Lord, to thee; take my mo - ments and



them be swift and beau - ti - ful for thee.  
 them be filled with mes - sag - es from thee.  
 my days; let them flow in cease - less praise.

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## SERVING TODAY

Pastor Stephanie Friesen	<i>preacher</i>
Pastor Melissa Pohlman	<i>presider</i>
Jeff Block	<i>assisting minister</i>
Steven Langmo	<i>reader</i>
Deacon Cantor Mark Sedio	<i>organists</i>
Isaac Drewes	
Central Choir	<i>ensemble</i>
Mark Kieffer	<i>video/sound</i>
Lois Wolff, Bonnie Weisenburger	<i>healing prayers</i>
Karen Snyder	<i>great room ambassador</i>

*Thanks to:*

Sacristans, Usher and Hospitality Ministry Teams

Chancel flowers this weekend are given by Bruce Ellingson in loving memory of Joyce on what would have been their 45th wedding anniversary on Sept. 17.

Additional flowers are given by June and David Sand in celebration of their wedding anniversary.

If you wish to donate flowers, contact Judy Korogi at (612) 788-1288.

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