



## Evening Prayer | Unfailing Light 16<sup>th</sup> Saturday after Pentecost

September 24, 2022 | 5:00 p.m.

*You are welcome, no exceptions.*

**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

*(Please stand at the sound of the bell, and face the font)*

### REMEMBRANCE 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.

*The leader begins, then all respond:*



*Holy God, merciful and  
mighty, you are the ri - ver of life;*

**Glory to you for oc - eans and lakes;**

*Honor to you for cloud and rain;*

**Your waters are be - low us;**

*Praise to you for the wa - ters of baptism;*

**Breathe your spirit in - to us;**

*You are the ever - last - ing wellspring.*

**Glory to you for ri - vers and streams.**

*Honor to you for dew and snow.*

**Your waters are a - bove us.**

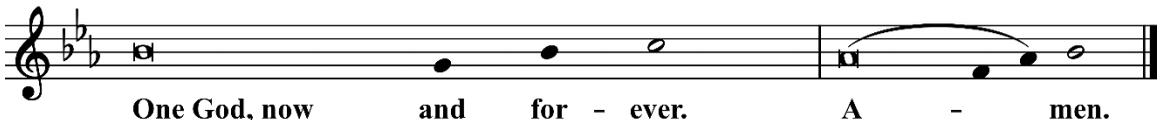
*Praise to you for the word that claims us.*

**Breath into all cre - ation.**

*Leader:* Illumine our days; enliven our bones; dry our tears, satisfy our thirst.

Through Jesus Christ, our Savior, who lives and reigns with the Holy Spirit,

*All respond:*



**One God, now**

**and**

**for - ever.**

**A**

**-**

**men.**

*(Please face the chancel)*

# HYMN OF LIGHT



1. Your can - o - py of vig - il lights, each  
2. You walk with us a - long the way, your  
3. Re - freshed by sab - bath rest this night, a -



star your hand has set in place, be - stows a bless - ing  
Word, a lamp to pil - grim feet; stay with us now at  
wa - ken us to your sha - lom: the reign of Christ, un -



on the night, and all cre - a - tion sings your  
close of day, our un - known guest, our host and  
fail - ing Light, where peace and jus - tice are at



praise. You formed the moon and fired the sun, you  
feast. Grant those who share this eve - ning meal the  
home and saints need nei - ther moon nor sun to



quick - ened dust with ho - ly breath, and  
faith and vi - sion to be - lieve that  
sing your praise e - ter - nal - ly, O



bring - ing us to your dear Son, re -  
hearts might see what eyes con - ceal: by -  
mer - ci - ful, im - mor - tal One, O



newed our life, de - stroyed our death.  
grace your pres - ence we re - ceive  
bless - ed, ho - ly Trin - i - ty.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray. O God, rich in mercy, you look with compassion on this troubled world. Feed us with your grace, and grant us the treasure that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

*(Please be seated)*

## WORD

### FIRST READING

I Timothy 6:6-19

Tonight's first reading is from the book of First Timothy.

<sup>6</sup>Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; <sup>7</sup>for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; <sup>8</sup>but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. <sup>9</sup>But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. <sup>10</sup>For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

<sup>11</sup>But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. <sup>12</sup>Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. <sup>13</sup>In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you <sup>14</sup>to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>15</sup>which he will bring about at the right time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. <sup>16</sup>It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

<sup>17</sup>As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. <sup>18</sup>They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, <sup>19</sup>thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*(Please stand)*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



*All sing:* Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,  
al - le - lu - ia; Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. \_\_\_\_\_



The Holy Gospel according to Luke.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus said: <sup>19</sup>“There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. <sup>20</sup>And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, <sup>21</sup>who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man’s table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. <sup>22</sup>The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. <sup>23</sup>In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. <sup>24</sup>He called out, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.’ <sup>25</sup>But Abraham said, ‘Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. <sup>26</sup>Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.’ <sup>27</sup>He said, ‘Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father’s house—<sup>28</sup>for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.’ <sup>29</sup>Abraham replied, ‘They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.’ <sup>30</sup>He said, ‘No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.’ <sup>31</sup>He said to him, ‘If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.’”

The Gospel of the Lord.

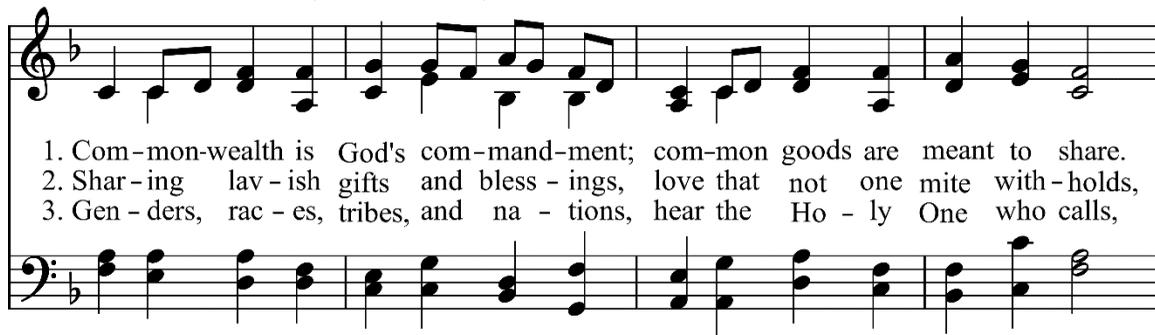
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*(Please be seated)*

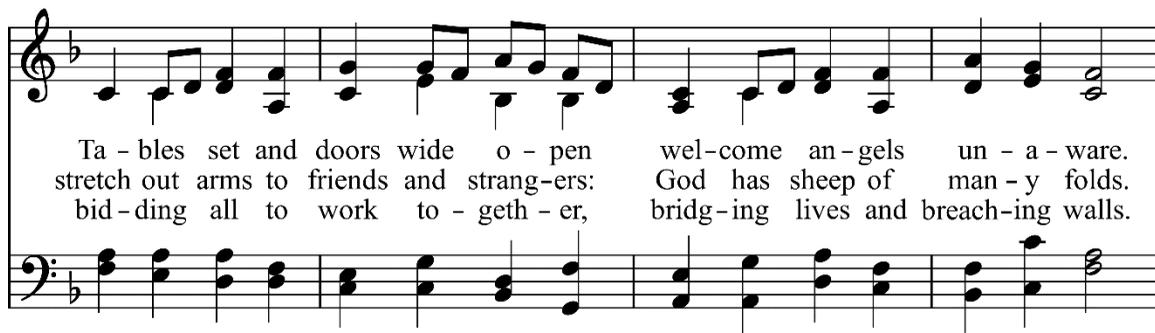
SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY *(Please stand)*

*verse 1: soloist; verse 2-3: all*



1. Com-mon-wealth is God's com-mand-ment; com-mon goods are meant to share.  
 2. Shar-ing lav-ish gifts and bless-ings, love that not one mite with-holds,  
 3. Gen-ders, rac-es, tribes, and na-tions, hear the Ho-ly One who calls,



Ta-bles set and doors wide o-pen wel-come an-gels un-a-ware.  
 stretch out arms to friends and stran-gers: God has sheep of man-y folds.  
 bid-ding all to work to-ge-th-er, bridg-ing lives and breach-ing walls.

*Refrain:*



Plead for the peace of all cre-a-tion. Pray for a place where grace is found.



*Shan-ti, pax, sha-lom, mas-la-ha* com-mon good is ho-ly ground.

## HOLY BAPTISM

Noah Christopher Barnes, son of Melanie and Christopher Barnes  
Godparents: Jeremy Rake and Hannah Butcher

### PROFESSION OF FAITH

I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the Church.

Do you renounce evil and all the forces that defy God?

**I renounce them.**

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

**I renounce them.**

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

**I renounce them.**

Do you believe in God the Father?

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**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.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**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.**

### THANKSGIVING AT THE FONT

...in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.  
**Amen.**

### BAPTISM

Noah Christopher, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

*All are invited to join in singing:*



The image shows two staves of musical notation in 2/4 time, with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The first staff contains the melody for the text "You\_ be - long to Christ, in whom you have been bap - tized." The second staff contains the melody for the text "Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!". The lyrics are printed below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across notes.

Text: Galatians 3:27, alt.  
Music: Howard Hughes, b. 1930

### PRAYERS FOR THE SPIRIT, ANNOINTING AND SIGNING WITH THE CROSS AND GIVING OF THE LIGHT

## WELCOME

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

**We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: Join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.**

## 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

"Andante con Moto" from *Songs Without Words*, Op. 19, No. 1

Felix Mendelssohn

# MEAL

*(Please stand)*

## PRESENTATION HYMN

The\_ eyes of all look to you, O God, to give them life and  
To\_ all who hun - ger\_ you pro-vide the fruit of vine and  
food. You o - pen wide your gra - cious hand and  
field. From these, your gifts, we set a - side a  
grant them ev - 'ry good. With all cre - a - tion  
por - tion for this meal, where you draw near to  
we pro - claim your stead - fast love and glo - rious reign. We\_  
those who cry, their heart's de - sire to sat - is - fy. We\_  
bless your ho - ly name. \_\_\_\_\_  
bless your ho - ly name. \_\_\_\_\_

## 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 proclaim the Lord's death until he comes:

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

...author of life, Word made flesh, Power of the Most High, now and forever.

**Amen.**

#### LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**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.*

*(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.**

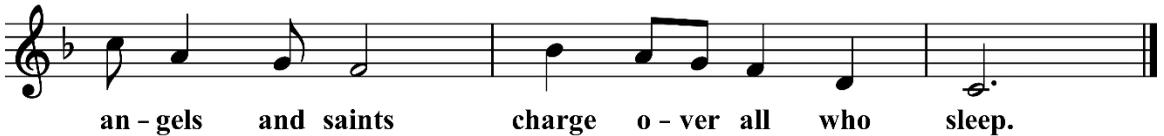
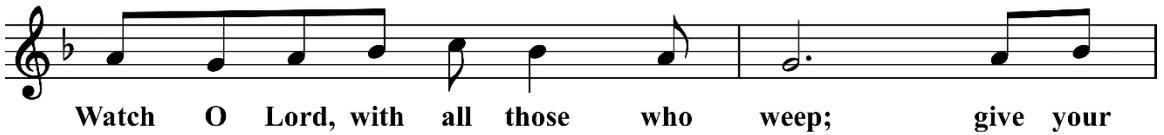
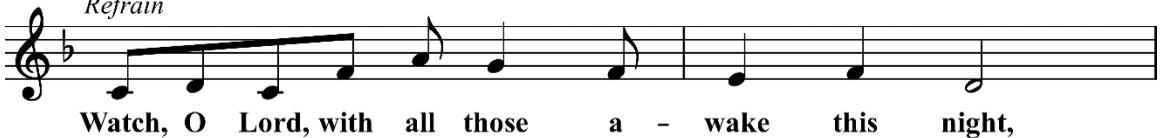
# SENDING

## BENEDICTION

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.

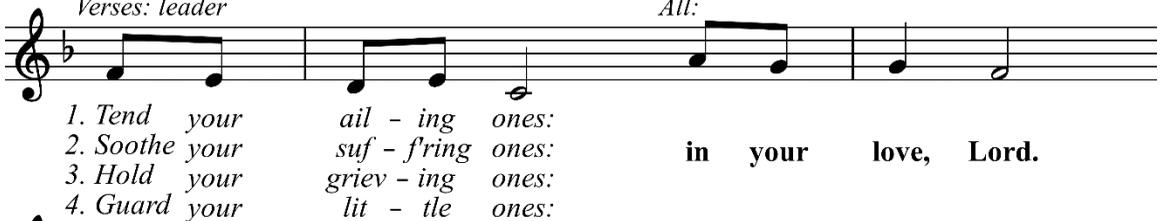
## EVENING HYMN

*Refrain*

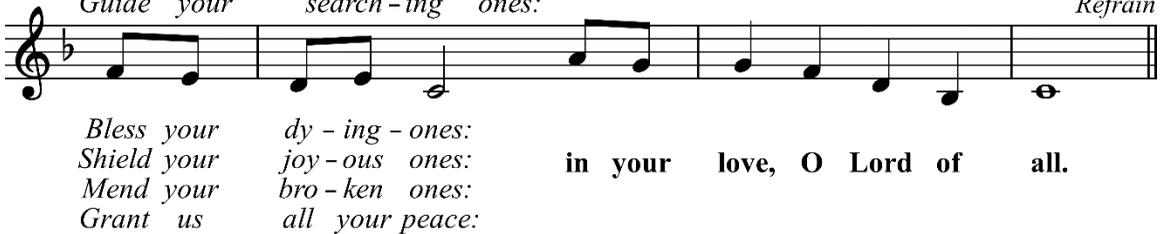


*Verses: leader*

*All:*



*Refrain*



DISMISSAL

Go in peace, with Christ beside you.

**Thanks be to God.**

MUSICAL MEDITATION



Pastor Melissa Pohlman, *preacher*  
Lorene Gilliksen, *assisting minister*  
Isaac Drewes, *pianist/organist*  
Andrew Heintz, *song leader*  
Mark Kieffer, *video/sound*  
Joan Van Wirt, *great room ambassador*  
*Sacristans, Usher & Hospitality Ministry Teams*  
Thanks to all who are serving

Chancel flowers this weekend are given in loving memory of Carrie Leaney  
by her son Jack, her husband John and her mother Ardis Jacobson.

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