

# Sunday Worship

September 19, 2021 ~

Pentecost 17

**Please stand when indicated by \***

ELW = Evangelical Lutheran Worship: You will find this book in your pew rack. The hymn numbers are located near the hymn names, often on the top of the page.

## GATHERING

**Pastor:** *The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.*

## \*CONFESSIONS AND FORGIVENESS

**Pastor:** *Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.*

**People:** *Amen.*

**Pastor:** *Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.*

Silence is kept for reflection.

**Pastor:** *Gracious God, have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.*

**Pastor:** *God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.*

**People:** *Amen.*

**\*GATHERING HYMN ~ \*ELW Hymn #592**  
*"Just As I Am, without One Plea"*

WOODWORTH

## GREETING

**Pastor:** *The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.*

**People:** *And also with you.*

## KYRIE

*Refrain*

Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, on our world and on our way.

Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, ev-ry day.

1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the  
2 That we may live out your im-passioned re-sponse to the  
3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . for  
4 For your Spir-it to guide; that you cen-ter our lives in the

u - ni - ty of all; for  
 hun - gry and the poor; that  
 friends and fam - i - ly; for  
 wa - ter and the word; that you

this ho - ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,  
 we may live out . . . . truth and jus - tice and grace,  
 life and for love, . . . . for our work and our play,  
 nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod - y and blood,

let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lector:** *The Word of the Lord.*  
**People:** *Thanks be to God.*

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

*O God, our teacher and guide, you draw us to yourself and welcome us as beloved children. Help us to lay aside all envy and selfish ambition, that we may walk in your ways of wisdom and understanding as servants of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.*

## WORD

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

### First Reading

#### A reading from Jeremiah 11:18-20

<sup>18</sup>It was the LORD who made it known to me, and I knew;  
 then you showed me their evil deeds.

<sup>19</sup>But I was like a gentle lamb  
 led to the slaughter.

And I did not know it was against me  
 that they devised schemes, saying,  
 "Let us destroy the tree with its fruit,  
 let us cut him off from the land of the living,  
 so that his name will no longer be remembered!"

<sup>20</sup>But you, O LORD of hosts, who judge righteously,  
 who try the heart and the mind,  
 let me see your retribution upon them,  
 for to you I have committed my cause.

### Psalm 54

<sup>1</sup>Save me, O God, <sup>1</sup>by your name;  
 in your might, de- <sup>1</sup>fend my cause.

<sup>2</sup>**Hear my <sup>1</sup>prayer, O God;  
 give ear to the words <sup>1</sup>of my mouth.**

<sup>3</sup>For strangers have risen up against me, and the ruthless  
 have <sup>1</sup>sought my life,

those who have no re- <sup>1</sup>gard for God.

<sup>4</sup>**Behold, God <sup>1</sup>is my helper;  
 it is the Lord who sus- <sup>1</sup>tains my life. R**

<sup>5</sup>Render evil to those who <sup>1</sup>spy on me;  
 in your faithful- <sup>1</sup>ness, destroy them.

<sup>6</sup>**I will offer you a <sup>1</sup>freewill sacrifice  
 and praise your name, O LORD, for <sup>1</sup>it is good.**

<sup>7</sup>For you have rescued me from <sup>1</sup>every trouble,  
 and my eye looks down <sup>1</sup>on my enemies. R

### Second Reading

#### A reading from James 3:13--4:3, 7-8a

<sup>13</sup>Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. <sup>14</sup>But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. <sup>15</sup>Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. <sup>16</sup>For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. <sup>17</sup>But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. <sup>18</sup>And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace.<sup>4:</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? <sup>2</sup>You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. <sup>3</sup>You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures. <sup>7</sup>Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. <sup>8a</sup>Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.

**Lector:** *The Word of the Lord.*  
**People:** *Thanks be to God.*

## Gospel Acclamation

ELW #172

Hal-le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal -  
 - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le -  
 lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah.

## The Gospel Reading

The Holy Gospel according to Mark 9:30-37

**People:** *Glory to you, O Lord.*

<sup>30</sup>[Jesus and the disciples went on] and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; <sup>31</sup>for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again." <sup>32</sup>But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him.

<sup>33</sup>Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" <sup>34</sup>But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. <sup>35</sup>He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all." <sup>36</sup>Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, <sup>37</sup>"Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me."

**Pastor:** *This is the gospel of the Lord.*  
**People:** *Praise to you, O Christ.*

## The Sermon ~ Pastor Martha Neff Stum

**\*Hymn of the Day ~ ELW Hymn #742**  
*"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"*

CONVERSE

# Kids Time!

## The Apostles' Creed

**Pastor:** *God has made us his people through our baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.*

***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.***

## \*Prayers of the People

After each petition of the prayers:

**Lector:** *Lord, in your mercy,*  
**People:** *Hear our prayer.*

**Lector:** *Receive these prayers, O God, and those in our hearts known only to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

**People:** *Amen.*

## \*Sharing of the Peace

**Pastor:** *The peace of Christ be with you always.*  
**People:** *And also with you.*

## MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

## OFFERING

### Special Music

#### \*Offering Prayer

**Pastor:** *Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world.*

**People:** *Amen.*

#### \*The Great Thanksgiving

**Pastor:** *The Lord be with you.*  
**People:** *And also with you.*  
**Pastor:** *Lift up your hearts.*  
**People:** *We lift them to the Lord.*  
**Pastor:** *Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.*  
**People:** *It is right to give our thanks and praise*

#### \*Preface

**Pastor:** *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. Fulfilling the promise of the resurrection, you pour out the fire of your Spirit, uniting in one body people of every nation and tongue. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:*

## Holy! Holy! Holy! (Sung ~ ELW Setting 8)



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo-ry. Ho -  
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -  
est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## Thanksgiving At The Table

**Pastor:** *Holy God, you alone are holy, you alone are God.*

*The universe declares your praise:  
beyond the stars; beneath the sea;  
within each cell; with every breath.*

**People:** **We praise you, O God.**

**Pastor:** *Generations bless your faithfulness:  
through the water; by night and day;  
across the wilderness; out of exile; into  
the future.*

**People:** **We bless, O God.**

**Pastor:** *We give you thanks for your dear Son:  
at the heart of human life; near to those  
who suffer;  
beside the sinner; among the poor; with  
us now.*

**People:** **We thank you, O God.**

**Pastor:** *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.  
Remembering his love for us on the way,  
at the table, and to the end,  
we proclaim the mystery of faith:*

**People:** **Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

**Pastor:** *We pray for the gift of your Spirit:  
in our gathering; within this meal;  
among your people; throughout the world.  
Blessing, praise, and thanks to you, holy  
God, through Christ Jesus,  
by your Spirit, in your church, without end.*

**People:** **Amen.**

**Pastor:** *Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit we  
pray as Jesus taught us.*

## \*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

**Pastor:** *All who hunger and thirst, come.  
The table is ready.*

## COMMUNION

*(We have gluten-free wafers; please ask for them when you come up for communion. The darker liquid is wine; the lighter liquid is grape juice.)*

## Lamb of God ~ ELW Setting Eight



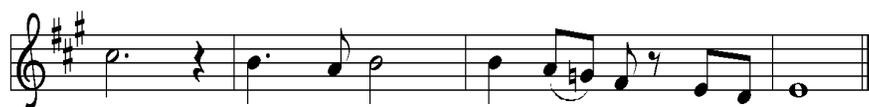
Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have



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, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

## Communion Hymn ~ ELW Hymn #465

*"As the Grains of Wheat"*

AS THE GRAINS

## \*Prayer after Communion

**Pastor:** *Lord of life,  
in the gift of your body and blood  
you turn the crumbs of our faith into a  
feast of salvation.  
Send us forth into the world with shouts of  
joy,  
bearing witness to the abundance of your  
love  
in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.*

**People:** *Amen.*

## \*Blessing

**Pastor:** *People of God,  
you are Christ's body,  
bringing new life to a suffering world.  
The holy Trinity, one God,  
bless you now and forever.*

**People:** *Amen.*

## \*Sending Hymn ~ ELW Hymn #547

*"Sent Forth by God's Blessing"*

THE ASH GROVE

## \*Dismissal

**Pastor:** *Go in peace. The living Word dwells in  
you.*

**People:** *Thanks be to God!*

## Please add to your prayer list:

Mert Ingvoldstad

Donna Spencer

Sonja Dunn

Gerry Meyer

Mary Neff

Joy Neverman

Hildi Williams

Bob Burke

Pastor Keith Hardy

Gloria Alvillar

James Hardman

The family of Jo Musser-Krauss

Prayers for the congregation during this  
time of transition.

All those we hold dear in our hearts.

Sunday, September 26, 2021

Pentecost 18

Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29, Psalm 19:7-14,

James 5:13-20, Mark 9:38-50

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