### **Holy Communion**

(Be seated while you wait to be invited forward to receive Christ's body and blood. As you come forward, form a semi-circle. There, we partake of the sacrament together with each other and the saints who have come before us. All are welcome to receive the Lord's Body and Blood who are baptized and believe that Jesus Christ, crucified and risen, is truly present in, with, and under the forms of bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation.)

## **Communion Anthem**

# +WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD+

# **Prayer and Benediction** ~ LBW p. 117

Assisting Minister: Let us pray ... Jesus Christ our Lord. Congregation: Amen.

Presider (chanting): Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

Congregation (chanting): Amen.

### **Post Communion Hymn** ~ LBW #215 O Lord, We Praise Thee

(We stay standing and sing. As the cross is carried out, we turn to follow it as we sing. Now nurtured through God's word and sacrament, we are ready to go forth into the world again.)

## Dismissal

Assisting Minister: Let us go in peace. The Word has been fulfilled. Congregation: Thanks be to God.

# **Organ Postlude**

Gott sei gelobet und gebenedeiet (O Lord, We Praise You) Heinrich Scheidemann (1595 – 1663)

# <u>Calendar</u>

Sunday, October 2 – The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost 9:00 am Spoken Word Service 10:00 am Sunday School for adults and children 11:00 am Worship Service with Eucharist 12:30 pm Confirmation Class Tuesday and Thursday 9am-2pm First Friends Wednesday, October 5 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal Sunday, October 9 – The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost 9:00 am Spoken Word Service 10:00 am Sunday School for adults and children 11:00 am Worship Service with Eucharist

# CHURCH STAFF

Evan McClanahan, Pastor Mario Aschauer, Organist Peter Okumu, Sexton Cheri Santibanez, Office Administrator Jimmy Paz, Choir Director Amanda McClanahan, Director of First Friends Pr. Edwin Peterman, Pastor Emeritus Carroll Shaddock, Director Emeritus of Music

# WORSHIP ENABLERS TODAY

Amanda McClanahan, Tim Baker Matthew Scott Edward Scott Pastor Evan McClanahan Carolyn Hokanson, Sally Russell Jimmy Paz Dorry Shaddock

### **The Altar Flowers**

Thanks to the Happoja family for donating flowers in honor of Ginny's aunt Ruth the past several weeks. Thanks to Aubrey and Chris Maale for donating flowers in honor of their anniversary this week.

Usher

Assisting Minister

Liturgist, Preacher

Server/Crucifer

Altar Guild

Organist

Choir Director



Today's worship service follows the suggested "Chorale Service of Holy Communion," outlined on p. 120 of the hymnal. In his German Mass, Martin Luther replaced parts of the liturgy for Holy Communion with hymns, providing metrical paraphrases in clear language that ordinary people could understand. He did not abandon the Latin Mass but wanted to create an alternative for those who were unchurched or uneducated. Luther himself wrote many of the stanzas and even some of the music.

Children's Sermon

# The Ringing of the Bell

Introit (Choir) your will. (Cf. Est. 4:17) (Ps 118 1:1)

**<u>Processional Hymn</u>** ~ **LBW** #356 *O Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts* WALTON (We all sing the hymn and turn to follow the cross as it moves to the altar.)

Greeting ~ LBW p. 99

**<u>Hymn of Praise</u>** ~ **LBW** #166 All Glory Be to God on High, Verses 1 and 2.

**Prayer of the Day** ~ LBW p. 28 Pastor: Let us pray ... Congregation: Amen.

(Be seated.)

# FIRST LUTHERAN HOUSTON

The Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost  $\sim$  October 2, 2022 ORDER OF SERVICE

# +WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP+

Organ Prelude Chorale Variations: Allein Gott in der Höh sei Ehr ( "All Glory Be...") J. G. Walther (184-1748), Georg Böhm(1661-1733)

**Brief Order of Confession and Forgiveness** ~ LBW p. 98 (stand)

## Welcome and Announcements

(Children are invited forward for a message just for them. After the message, they can go next door to the nursery with Mrs. Bella.)

Ant. Within your will, O Lord, all things are made, and there is none that can resist

V. Blessed are those that are undefiled in the way : and walk in the law of the Lord.

(We stand and turn to face the cross at the back of the church as the choir sings. "Introit" means "to enter." Here we begin our church service with the theme of the day announced.)

Kyrie ~ LBW #168 Kyrie! God, Father

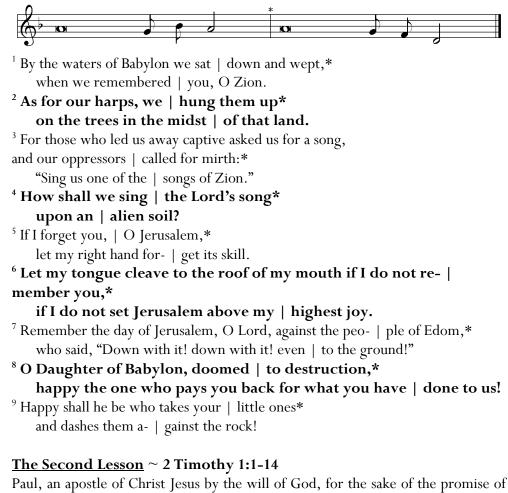
### +WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD+

### **<u>First Lesson</u>** ~ Lamentations 1:1-6

How lonely sits the city that once was full of people! How like a widow she has become, she that was great among the nations! She that was a princess among the provinces has become a vassal. She weeps bitterly in the night, with tears on her cheeks; among all her lovers she has no one to comfort her; all her friends have dealt treacherously with her, they have become her enemies. Judah has gone into exile with suffering and hard servitude; she lives now among the nations, and finds no resting place; her pursuers have all overtaken her in the midst of her distress. The roads to Zion mourn, for no one comes to the festivals; all her gates are desolate, her priests groan; her young girls grieve, and her lot is bitter. Her foes have become the masters, her enemies prosper, because the Lord has made her suffer for the multitude of her transgressions; her children have gone away, captives before the foe. From daughter Zion has departed all her majesty. Her princes have become like stags that find no pasture; they fled without strength before the pursuer.

Assisting Minister: The Word of the Lord. Congregation: Thanks be to God.

### The Psalm (chanted responsively) Psalm 137



life that is in Christ Jesus, To Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord. I am grateful to God-whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did-when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. Recalling your tears, I long to see you so

that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you.

For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline. Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

Assisting Minister: The Word of the Lord. Congregation: Thanks be to God.

**<u>Gradual</u>** (Choir) ~ **LBW** #239 God's Word Is Our Great Heritage

### <u>The Gospel Lesson</u> ~ Luke 17:5-10 (KJV)

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 17<sup>th</sup> chapter C: Glory to you, O Lord

The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" The Lord replied, "If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you. "Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, 'Come here at once and take your place at the table'? Would you not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink'? Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, 'We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!'"

P: The Gospel of the Lord!

C: Praise to you O Christ. Alleluia!

### The Sermon

Hymn of the Day ~ LBW #353 May We Your Precepts, Lord, Fulfill MERIBAH

The Apostles' Creed ~ LBW p. 106

### <u>Prayers of the People</u>

(The assistant minister leads us in prayer for our church, the sick and suffering, our community, and the world. We place trust in our loving God, especially for places and situations beyond our control).

Assisting Minister: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

(Each petition will end with the response:)

Assisting Minister: Lord, in Your mercy.

Congregation: Hear our prayer.

Pastor: Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Congregation: Amen.

## **The Greeting of Peace**

Presider: The peace of the Lord be with you always. Congregation: And also with you. (We repeat this greeting to those around us as you are comfortable.)

### **Musical Anthem**

In Thine arm I Foes who wou Cannot reach Though the ear Ev'ry heart be Jesus calms m

**Offertory** ~ LBW #565 Praise God, from Whom

# Great Thanksgiving and Proper Preface ~ LBW p. 109

### Agnus Dei (Lamb of God) ~ LBW #103 O Christ, Thou Lamb of God (We stay standing as we sing about Jesus, the Lamb of God sacrificed for us to free us from

the bondage of sin and death.)

Jesu, meine Freude, BWV. 227: III. Unter deinen Schirmen J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

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me here.
rth be shaking,
quaking,
y fear.

Fires may flash, and thunders crash. Yea, and sin and hell asail me, Jesus will not fail me.

Assisting Minister: Let us pray. Merciful Father,

Congregation: we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us - our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### +WE RECEIVE THE SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR+

(We stay standing, as the pastor leads us in preparation for celebrating communion.)

### Sanctus (Holy, Holy, Holy) ~ LBW p. 110

**Words of Institution** ~ LBW p. 110

Lord's Prayer ~ LBW p. 113