

## 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. The pastor will give you bread, which you can eat as soon as you get it. If you wish to dip the bread into the chalice or drink from the chalice, do not take a grape juice cup or an empty cup. If you take an empty cup, the Server will pour some wine into it. After drinking the wine, put the empty cup in a tray by the side aisle on your way back to your seat, not back into the tray from which you took the empty cup.

## Music During Communion

Nearer, My God, to Thee Lowell Mason (1792-1872) Arr. Susan W. Henry

Post-Communion Canticle ~ LBW p. 116 *Thank the Lord*

**+WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD+**

Post-Communion Prayer ~ LBW p. 117

(We stay standing as the assistant minister offers a prayer of thanksgiving and petition that God will grant us faith to love our neighbor. The pastor then extends God's blessing across us and our lives.)

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

**Congregation: Amen.**

Benediction ~ LBW p. 117

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

**Congregation (chanting): Amen.**

Recessional Hymn ~ LBW Hymn #351 *Oh, Happy Day When We Shall Stand*

LOBT GOTT, IHR CHRISTEN

(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

## CALENDAR

**Sunday, September 15** – The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 am Sunday School

11:00 am Worship Service with Eucharist

12:30 pm Church Council

**Tuesday and Thursday**

9am-2pm First Friends

**Sunday, September 22** – The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 am Sunday School

11:00 am Worship Service with Eucharist

## CHURCH STAFF

Evan McClanahan, Pastor

Mario Aschauer, Organist

Jimmy Paz, Choir Director

Amanda McClanahan, Director of First Friends

Cheri Santibanez, Office Administrator

Bright Igwenagu, Sexton

Pr. Edwin Peterman, Pastor Emeritus

## WORSHIP ENABLERS TODAY

Edward Scott

Assisting Minister

Matthew Scott

Server/ Crucifer

Alister McClanahan

Acolyte

Dylan Blackwell, Mark Baird

Usher

Carolyn Hokanson, Adalyn McClanahan

Altar Guild

Jimmy Paz

Choir Director

Mario Aschauer

Organist

Pastor Evan McClanahan

Liturgist, Preacher



THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST ~ SEPTEMBER 15, 2024

ORDER OF SERVICE

**+WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP+**

*Upon entering the nave, please prepare for worship by attentively listening to the prelude.*

## Organ Prelude

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

## Welcome and Announcements

## The Ringing of the Bell

**Introit** *(Choir or cantor)*

Bow down Thine ear, O Lord, hear me: O Thou, my God, save Thy servant that trusteth in Thee. Be merciful to me, O Lord: for I cry unto Thee daily. (Psalm 86:1,3) Healey Willan (1880-1968)

*(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.)*

**Processional Hymn** ~ LBW Hymn #253 *Lord Jesus Christ, be Present Now*

HERR JESU CHRIST, DICH ZU UNS WEND

*(We all sing the hymn and turn to follow the cross as it moves to the altar.)*

**Greeting and Kyrie** ~ LBW p. 99

**Hymn of Praise** ~ LBW p. 100 *Glory to God*

**Prayer of the Day** ~ LBW p. 27

Pastor: Let us pray ...

**Congregation: Amen.**

*(Be seated.)*

## Children's Sermon

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

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

*(In the second part of our liturgy, we hear and respond to God's word.)*

**First Lesson** ~ Proverbs 1:20-33

Wisdom cries out in the street; in the squares she raises her voice.

At the busiest corner she cries out; at the entrance of the city gates she speaks:

"How long, O simple ones, will you love being simple?

How long will scoffers delight in their scoffing

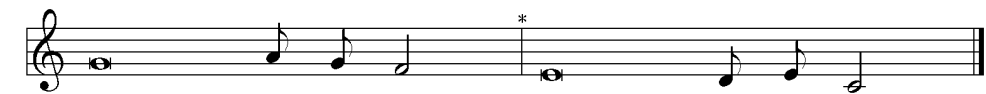
and fools hate knowledge?

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Give heed to my reproof; I will pour out my thoughts to you;  
 I will make my words known to you.  
 Because I have called and you refused,  
 have stretched out my hand and no one heeded,  
 and because you have ignored all my counsel  
 and would have none of my reproof, I also will laugh at your calamity;  
 I will mock when panic strikes you, when panic strikes you like a storm,  
 and your calamity comes like a whirlwind,  
 when distress and anguish come upon you.  
 Then they will call upon me, but I will not answer;  
 they will seek me diligently, but will not find me.  
 Because they hated knowledge  
 and did not choose the fear of Yahweh,  
 would have none of my counsel,  
 and despised all my reproof, therefore they shall eat the fruit of their way  
 and be sated with their own devices.  
 For waywardness kills the simple, and the complacency of fools destroys them;  
 but those who listen to me will be secure  
 and will live at ease, without dread of disaster.”  
 Assisting Minister: The Word of the Lord.  
**Congregation: Thanks be to God.**

**The Psalm ~ Psalm 19: 1-8**



- <sup>1</sup> The heavens declare the glo- | ry of God,\*  
and the firmament | shows his handiwork.
- <sup>2</sup> **One day tells its tale | to another,\*  
and one night imparts knowledge | to another.**
- <sup>3</sup> Although they have no | words or language,\*  
and their voices | are not heard,
- <sup>4</sup> **their sound has gone out in- | to all lands,\*  
and their message to the ends | of the world.**
- <sup>5</sup> In the deep has he set a pavilion | for the sun;\*  
it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber;  
it rejoices like a champion to | run its course.
- <sup>6</sup> **It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens  
and runs about to the end of | it again;\***  
**nothing is hidden from its | burning heat.**
- <sup>7</sup> The law of the Lord is perfect and re- | vives the soul;\*  
the testimony of the Lord is sure and gives wisdom | to the innocent.
- <sup>8</sup> **The statutes of the Lord are just and re- | joice the heart;\***  
**the commandment of the Lord is clear and gives light | to the eyes.**

**Second Lesson ~ James 3:1-12**

Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make

them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits. How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, but no one can tame the tongue—a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

Assisting Minister: The Word of the Lord.

**Congregation: Thanks be to God.**

**Gradual** (cantor only) *The congregation is invited to join the “Alleluias”*

Ant. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

V. Christ suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God.

**The Gospel ~ Mark 8:27-38 (KJV)**

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 8<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord**

And Jesus went out, and his disciples, into the towns of Caesarea Philippi: and by the way he asked his disciples, saying unto them, Whom do men say that I am? And they answered, John the Baptist; but some say, Elias; and others, One of the prophets. And he saith unto them, But whom say ye that I am? And Peter answereth and saith unto him, Thou art the Christ. And he charged them that they should tell no man of him. And he began to teach them, that the Son of man must suffer many things, and be rejected of the elders, and of the chief priests, and scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. And he spake that saying openly. And Peter took him, and began to rebuke him. But when he had turned about and looked on his disciples, he rebuked Peter, saying, Get thee behind me, Satan: for thou savourest not the things that be of God, but the things that be of men. And when he had called the people unto him with his disciples also, he said unto them, Whosoever will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me. For whosoever will save his life shall lose it; but whosoever shall lose his life for my sake and the gospel's, the same shall save it. For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? Or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul? Whosoever therefore shall be ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation; of him also shall the Son of man be ashamed, when he cometh in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.

P: The Gospel of the Lord!

**C: Praise to you O Christ.**

**The Sermon**

**Hymn of the Day ~ LBW #504** *O God, My Faithful God*

WAS FRAG ICH NACH DER WELT

**The Apostles’ Creed ~ LBW p. 106**

**Prayers of the People**

*(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**

Pastor: 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.)*

**Offertory**

*Judas Maccabaeus, HWV 63: XVI. Come ever-smiling liberty*

George Friedrich Handel (1685-1759) Arr. Hal H. Thompson

Come, Jesus, Holy Son of God, come. Thy truth unseal, thy truth reveal. Lord, hear Thou in mercy our prayer: Send forth thy light, come in light,	Come send forth thy light. For Thee we long, O hear Thou our prayer, To Thee be glory now and evermore.
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*(Be seated as ushers collect the offering and the choir sings. Having heard God’s word, we thus respond in faith and thanksgiving through this act.)*

**Offertory ~ LBW Hymn #565** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

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+**

*(Here, Christ comes to us in the sacrament or “sacred act” of the altar. We believe that God brings himself and his forgiveness to us “in, with, and under” the bread and the wine.)*

**Great Thanksgiving and Proper Preface ~ LBW p. 109**

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

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

**Eucharistic Prayer #33 and Words of Institution ~ LBW p. 111**

Pastor: Blessed are you ... in his holy supper.

**Congregation: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Pastor: In the night in which he was betrayed ... remembrance of me

**Lord’s Prayer ~ LBW p. 113**

**Agnus Dei (Lamb of God) ~ LBW p. 114** *Lamb of God*