

18th Sunday After Pentecost
Lectionary 28
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9am



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Office Hours

Monday – Thursday 8:30am-12:00pm

We welcome all guests this morning.

We are very pleased to have you worship with us.

All are welcome to receive communion.

Sunday School for all ages meets 10:15.

Everyone is welcome! Grab some refreshments and join us!

Of the Lands and Seasons

Welcome: Announcements

Caring Conversation: "What Unites Us?"

Prelude Come Christians, Join to Sing (arr. Larson)

Emily Fitez

**Please stand*

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: In the name of Almighty God, the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P: Most merciful God,

C: We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen

P: Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen**

GATHERING

***Gathering Hymn**

We Praise You, O God

ELW 870

- 1 We praise you, O God, our redeemer, creator; in grateful devotion our tribute we bring. We lay it before you; we kneel and adore you; we bless your holy name; glad praises we bring.
- 2 We worship you, God of our fathers and mothers; through trial and tempest our guide you have been. When perils o'er take us, you will not forsake us, and with your help, O Lord, our struggles we win.
- 3 With voices united our praises we offer and gladly our songs of thanksgiving we raise. With you, Lord, beside us, your strong arm will guide us. To you, our great redeemer, forever be praise!

***Greeting**

Lands and Seasons

P.2

***Kyrie**

(We pray for peace)

P.2

***Prayer of the Day**

Almighty and most merciful God, your bountiful goodness fills all creation. Keep us safe from all that may hurt us, that, whole and well in body and spirit, we may with grateful hearts accomplish all that you would have us do, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

WORD

FIRST READING

2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c

¹ Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master because by him the LORD had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from a skin disease. ² Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. ³ She said to her mistress, "If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his skin disease."

7 When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, “Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his skin disease? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me.”

8 But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, “Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel.” ⁹ So Naaman came with his horses and chariots and halted at the entrance of Elisha’s house. ¹⁰ Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, “Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored, and you shall be clean.” ¹¹ But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, “I thought that for me he would surely come out and stand and call on the name of the LORD his God and would wave his hand over the spot and cure the skin disease! ¹² Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them and be clean?” He turned and went away in a rage. ¹³ But his servants approached and said to him, “Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, ‘Wash, and be clean’?” ¹⁴ So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean. ^{15a, b, c} Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company; he came and stood before him and said, “Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel. *“The Word of the Lord...Thanks be to God.*

SECOND READING:

2 Timothy 2:8-15

⁸ Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David—that is my gospel, ⁹ for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. ¹⁰ Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. ¹¹ The saying is sure: If we have died with him, we will also live with him; ¹² if we endure, we will also reign with him; if we deny him, he will also deny us; ¹³ if we are faithless, he remains faithful; he cannot deny himself.

¹⁴ Remind them of this, and warn them before the Lord that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. ¹⁵ Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth. *The Word of the Lord...Thanks be to God.*

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke... Glory to you O Lord

GOSPEL Luke 17:11-19

¹¹ On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. ¹² As he entered a village, ten men with a skin disease approached him. Keeping their distance, ¹³ they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" ¹⁴ When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. ¹⁵ Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. ¹⁶ He prostrated himself at Jesus's feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷ Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? So where are the other nine?" ¹⁸ Did none of them return to give glory to God except this foreigner?" ¹⁹ Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

Children's Message

Sermon

Pastor Wayne Gallipo

***Hymn of the Day "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing " (vs. 1-6) ELW 886**

- 1 Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise, the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace!
- 2 My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim, to spread through all the earth abroad the honors of your name.
- 3 The name of Jesus charms our fears and bids our sorrows cease, sings music in the sinner's ears, brings life and health and peace.
- 4 He speaks, and listening to his voice, new life the dead receive; the mournful, broken hearts rejoice, the humble poor believe.
- 5 Look unto him, your Savior own, O fallen human race!
Look and be saved through faith alone, be justified by grace!
- 6 To God all glory, praise, and love be now and ever giv'n; by saints below and saints above, the church in earth and heav'n.

Apostles Creed

***Prayers** God of Grace. **Receive our prayer**

***Peace**

MEAL

Offering (Accept O Lord, the Gifts We Bring") Lands and Seasons P.7

***Offering Prayer** P.8

***The Great Thanksgiving** P.8

*** Sanctus** (Long Long Ago) P.8

***Eucharistic Prayer**

***The Lord's Prayer** P.9

***Lamb of God** P.10

Communion Hymns

Seasons (We Praise You) Lands and Seasons P.10

For the Beauty of the Earth

ELW 879

- 1 For the beauty of the earth, for the beauty of the skies, for the love
which from our birth over and around us lies:
 Refrain Christ, our God, to thee we raise this our sacrifice of praise.
- 2 For the wonder of each hour, of the day and of the night, hill and vale and
tree and flow'r, sun and moon and stars of light: **Refrain**
- 3 For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's delight, for the mystic
harmony, linking sense to sound and sight: **Refrain**
- 4 For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child, friends on earth
and friends above; for all gentle thoughts and mild: **Refrain**
- 5 For each perfect gift of thine, peace on earth and joy in heav'n; for thyself,
best gift divine, to our world so freely giv'n: **Refrain**

SENDING

***Blessing**

*** Post Communion Prayer**

***Benediction**

***Post Communion Hymn**

Lord of the Blossom

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***Dismissal**

Postlude

Seasons

Folkemer