

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER

COLLECT

BENEDICTION

Numbers 6:24-26

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.



CLOSING HYMN "Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus"

POSTLUDE — ALLES IST AN GOTTES SEGEN

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8:00ам DIVINE SERVICE

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Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost 28 August 2022

Please register your presence with us by filling out one of the Member/Guest cards found in the pew rack in front of you and giving it to an usher or placing into the offering plate.

AS WE GATHER

Christians do good works most of the time without even thinking about it. That's because faith is an active, living, real thing. God's Word for this day is all about how God-given faith shows itself in a Christian's life—in one's attitude, relationships, words, and deeds. Those without faith, like many of the Pharisees in today's Gospel, consider "good works" only as a way to influence or manipulate other people and even God. Such good works are never really good at all but are tainted with sin, selfishness, and pride. True faith, on the other hand, is not even our work alone at all, but the work of God the Holy Spirit who, through the Word of God and His Holy Sacraments, instills and inspires in the Christian the mind of Christ, the faithfulness and righteousness of Jesus. Such faith also endures the cross and all sufferings related to living in the world still disfigured by deadly sin. In faith God equips you with "everything good that you may do His will" (Hebrews 13:21). Offer up the sacrifice of praise to God in thanksgiving for His gift of redemption through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

PRELUDE "Lord, Open Now My Heart to Hear"	arr. Benton Price
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS	
OPENING HYMN "To Thee, Omniscient Lord of All"	# 613
+ SERVICE of PREPARATION $+$	
CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION	pg. 167
INVOCATION Ma	atthew 28:19b; [18:20])
 In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. 	

EXHORTATION

1 John 1:8-9

- **P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- **C** 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 on God's Word and for self-examination.

CONFESSION OF SINS

- **P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment.

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.

- Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. [(John 20:19-23]
- **C** Amen

INTROIT

Psalm 75:1–2, 6, 9; antiphon: v. 7

⁷It is God who executes judgment,

putting down one and lifting up another.

¹We give thanks to You, O God; we give thanks, for Your name is near. We recount Your wondrous deeds.

²At the set time that I appoint I will judge with equity.

⁶For not from the east or from the west and not from the wilderness comes lifting up.

⁹But I will declare it forever; I will sing praises to the God of Jacob.

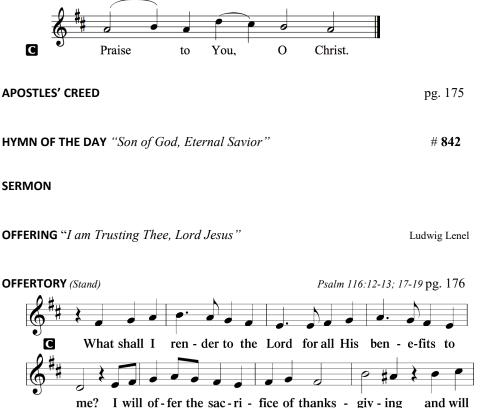
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

⁷It is God who executes judgment, putting down one and lifting up another. "Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath, or not?" ⁴But they remained silent. Then He took him and healed him and sent him away. ⁵And He said to them, "Which of you, having a son or an ox that has fallen into a well on a Sabbath day, will not immediately pull him out?" ⁶And they could not reply to these things.

⁷Now He told a parable to those who were invited, when He noticed how they chose the places of honor, saying to them, ⁸"When you are invited by someone to a wedding feast, do not sit down in a place of honor, lest someone more distinguished than you be invited by him, ⁹and he who invited you both will come and say to you, 'Give your place to this person,' and then you will begin with shame to take the lowest place. ¹⁰But when you are invited, go and sit in the lowest place, so that when your host comes he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher.' Then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at table with you. ¹¹For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted."

¹²He said also to the man who had invited Him, "When you give a dinner or a banquet, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, lest they also invite you in return and you be repaid. ¹³But when you give a feast, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, ¹⁴and you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you. You will be repaid at the resurrection of the just."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



be undefiled, for God will judge the sexually immoral and adulterous. ⁵Keep your life free from love of money, and be content with what you have, for He has said, "I will never leave you nor forsake you." ⁶So we can confidently say,

"The Lord is my helper; I will not fear; what can man do to me?"

⁷Remember your leaders, those who spoke to you the word of God. Consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. ⁸Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. ⁹Do not be led away by diverse and strange teachings, for it is good for the heart to be strengthened by grace, not by foods, which have not benefited those devoted to them. ¹⁰We have an altar from which those who serve the tent have no right to eat. ¹¹For the bodies of those animals whose blood is brought into the holy places by the high priest as a sacrifice for sin are burned outside the camp. ¹²So Jesus also suffered outside the gate in order to sanctify the people through His own blood. ¹³Therefore let us go to Him outside the camp and bear the reproach He endured. ¹⁴For here we have no lasting city, but we seek the city that is to come. ¹⁵Through Him then let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge His name. ¹⁶Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

¹⁷Obey your leaders and submit to them, for they are keeping watch over your souls, as those who will have to give an account. Let them do this with joy and not with groaning, for that would be of no advantage to you.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.



HOLY GOSPEL (*Parables of the wedding feast and the great banquet*) Luke 14:1–14

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 14th chapter.



¹One Sabbath, when [Jesus] went to dine at the house of a ruler of the Pharisees, they were watching Him carefully. ²And behold, there was a man before Him who had dropsy. ³And Jesus responded to the lawyers and Pharisees, saying,

+ SERVICE of the WORD +

KYRIE ~ Lord, Have Mercy

P In peace let us pray to the Lord.



P For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



P For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



P For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



P Help, save, comfort and defend us, gracious Lord.



HYMN OF PRAISE – Gloria in Excelsis Luke 2:14, John 1:29 pg. 170 A Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to His peo-ple on earth. C Lord God, heav - en - ly king, al - might - y God and Fa - ther: We wor - ship You, we give You thanks, we

Mark 10:47 pg. 168



- F Let us pray.... O Lord of grace and mercy, teach us by Your Holy Spirit to follow the example of Your Son in true humility, that we may withstand the temptations of the devil and with pure hearts and minds avoid ungodly pride; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- **C** Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

(The way of humility)

Proverbs 25:2–10

²It is the glory of God to conceal things, but the glory of kings is to search things out. ³As the heavens for height, and the earth for depth, so the heart of kings is unsearchable. ⁴Take away the dross from the silver, and the smith has material for a vessel; ⁵take away the wicked from the presence of the king, and his throne will be established in righteousness. ⁶Do not put yourself forward in the king's presence or stand in the place of the great, ⁷for it is better to be told, "Come up here," than to be put lower in the presence of a noble. What your eyes have seen ⁸do not hastily bring into court, for what will you do in the end, when your neighbor puts you to shame? ⁹Argue your case with your neighbor himself, and do not reveal another's secret, ¹⁰lest he who hears you bring shame upon you, and your ill repute have no end. L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 131; antiphon: v. 2

- ¹O LORD, my heart is not lifted up; my eyes are not raised too high;
 I do not occupy myself with things too great and too marvelous for me.
- ²But I have calmed and quieted my soul, like a weaned child with its mother; like a weaned child is my soul within me.
- ³O Israel, hope in the LORD from this time forth and forevermore.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

²But I have calmed and quieted my soul, like a weaned child with its mother; like a weaned child is my soul within me.

EPISTLE

(Sacrifices pleasing to God)

Hebrews 13:1-17

¹Let brotherly love continue. ²Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for thereby some have entertained angels unawares. ³Remember those who are in prison, as though in prison with them, and those who are mistreated, since you also are in the body. ⁴Let marriage be held in honor among all, and let the marriage bed