

**Holy Love Lutheran Church**  
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Sunday Worship Service

*Tenth Sunday  
After Pentecost*

*August 9, 2020*

*With Pastor Kari Reiquam*

*Lector: Pam Engel  
Music: Daryl Harvey  
Nancy Collins  
Pam Engel*

## GATHERING

WELCOME

PRELUDE: SANCTUARY *PERFORMED BY PAM ENGEL*

GREETING/OPENING PRAYER

## WORD

*Please join in singing the response with your device muted.*

Cantor



Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, Lord, send your Spir-it in this place;



Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.

## Psalm 85:8-13

Reader:

I will listen to what the LORD God is saying;  
for you speak peace to your faithful people and to those who turn  
their hearts to you.

Truly, your salvation is very near to those who fear you,  
that your glory may dwell in our land.

Steadfast love and faithfulness have met together;  
righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

Faithfulness shall spring up from the earth,  
and righteousness shall look down from heaven.

The LORD will indeed grant prosperity,  
and our land will yield its increase.

Righteousness shall go before the LORD  
and shall prepare for God a pathway.

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### **First Reading: 1 Kings 19:9-13**

He got up, ate and drank his fill, and set out. Nourished by that meal, he walked forty days and nights, all the way to the mountain of God, to Horeb. When he got there, he crawled into a cave and went to sleep.

Then the word of GOD came to him: “So Elijah, what are you doing here?”

“I’ve been working my heart out for the GOD-of-the-Angel-Armies,” said Elijah. “The people of Israel have abandoned your covenant, destroyed the places of worship, and murdered your prophets. I’m the only one left, and now they’re trying to kill me.”

Then he was told, “Go, stand on the mountain at attention before GOD. GOD will pass by.”

A hurricane wind ripped through the mountains and shattered the rocks before GOD, but GOD wasn’t to be found in the wind; after the wind an earthquake, but GOD wasn’t in the earthquake; and after the earthquake fire, but GOD wasn’t in the fire; and after the fire a gentle and quiet whisper.

When Elijah heard the quiet voice, he muffled his face with his great cloak, went to the mouth of the cave, and stood there. A quiet voice asked, “So Elijah, now tell me, what are you doing here?”

### **The Gospel: Matthew 14:22-33**

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the fourteenth chapter.  
*Glory to you, O Lord.*

Immediately he made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, “It is a ghost!” And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, “Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid.” Peter answered him, “Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.” He said, “Come.” So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, “Lord, save me!” Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, “You of little faith, why did you doubt?” When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, “Truly you are the Son of God.”

The Gospel of our Lord  
*Praise be to God.*

### **SERMON**

#### **INSTALLATION OF PRESCHOOL STAFF**

*Mary Stephenson, Director of the Preschool/Kindergarten, will introduce the teachers.*

O God, everything you do is wonderful, and we know it well.

Teach us your ways, O God.

Your word is a lamp to our feet and a light on our path.

Teach us your ways, O God.

Jesus said, let the children come to me; do not stop them;

for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs.

Teach us your ways, O God.

A reading from Ephesians:

“I pray that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through God’s Spirit, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.”

Preschool & Kindergarten Staff: Will you carry out this ministry centered in Christ's call, striving to trust God as your guide and inspiration?

*I will, and I ask God to help me.*

Will you trust in God's care, seek to grow in love for those you serve, strive for excellence in your skills, and honor the gospel with a faithful life?

*I will, and I ask God to help me.*

People of God: Will you pray for these leaders and the young people they serve, celebrating our children and youth as the ones Jesus blessed and welcomed?

*We will, and we ask God to help us.*

Let us pray.

God of wisdom, your Son came among us as a teacher. Bless the teachers and staff of Holy Love Preschool:& Kindergarten, give them clearness of vision and freshness of thought, and enable them so to train the hearts and minds of their students that they may grow in wisdom and be prepared to face the challenges of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*AMEN.*

## APOSTLES CREED

*I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.*

*I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.*

*He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the virgin Mary.*

*He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.*

*He descended into hell.\**

*On the third day he rose again.*

*He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.*

*He will come again 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 INTERCESSION

## 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.  
Lead us not into temptation.*

*but deliver us from evil.*

*For thine is the kingdom,  
the power, and the glory  
forever, and ever.*

## SENDING

### SENDING HYMN

**LORD LISTEN TO YOUR CHILDREN PRAYING.**  
*ACCOMPANIED BY NANCY COLLINS*



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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### BLESSING/BENEDICTION

Go in Peace! Serve the Lord!

*Thanks be to God!*