

**“But the tax collector ... would not even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, ‘God, be merciful to me, a sinner!’ I tell you, this man went down to his house justified, for everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted.”**

*Eleventh Sunday after Trinity*

*August 31st, Year of our Lord 2025*

The Reverend William Foy, Pastor

**Order of Worship – Divine Service - Setting 3**

**Preludes -** *Time for silent prayer and preparation for confession*

**Please rise and face the procession turning to the altar when the celebrant has passed by.**

**Procession Hymn – From Depths of Woe I Cry to You**

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1 From depths of woe I cry to Thee, In trial and  
2 Thy love and grace a - lone a - vail To blot out  
3 There - fore my hope is in the Lord And not in  
4 And though it tar - ry through the night And till the  
5 Though great our sins, yet great - er still Is God's a -



trib - u - la - tion; Bend down Thy gra - cious  
my trans - gres - sion; The best and ho - liest  
mine own mer - it; It rests up - on His  
morn - ing wak - en, My heart shall nev - er  
bun - dant fa - vor; His hand of mer - cy



ear to me, Lord, hear my sup - pli - ca - tion.  
deeds must fail To break sin's dread op - pres - sion.  
faith - ful Word To them of con - trite spir - it  
doubt His might Nor count it - self for - sak - en.  
nev - er will A - ban - don us, nor wa - ver.



If Thou re - mem - b'rest ev - 'ry sin, Who then could heav - en  
Be - fore Thee none can boast - ing stand, But all must fear Thy  
That He is mer - ci - ful and just; This is my com - fort  
O Is - rael, trust in God your Lord. Born of the Spir - it  
Our shep - herd good and true is He, Who will at last His



ev - er win Or stand be - fore Thy pres - ence?  
strict de - mand And live a - lone by mer - cy.  
and my trust. His help I wait with pa - tience.  
and the Word, Now wait for His ap - pear - ing.  
Is - rael free From all their sin and sor - row.

## Invocation

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C who made heaven and earth.**

**P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,**

**C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

**P O almighty God, merciful Father,**

**C I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

## **Absolution**

**P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.**

## **Service of the Word**

**Introit (Congregation chants the bold stanzas.)**



**God is in His holy habi- | tation;\***

**[He] settles the solitary | in a home.**

**The God of Israel—He | is the One\***

**who gives power and strength to His | people.**

**P God shall arise, His enemies shall be | scattered;\***

**and those who hate Him shall flee be- | fore Him!**

**C But the righteous shall be glad; they shall exult be- | fore God;\***

**they shall be jubilant | with joy!**

**O God, when You went out before Your | people,\***

**in Your goodness, O God, You provided for the |**

needy.

P Blessed be the Lord, who daily | bears us up;\*  
God is our sal- | vation.

C **Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\***  
**and to the Holy | Spirit;**  
**as it was in the be- | ginning,\***  
**is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

P God is in His holy habi- | tation;\*  
[He] settles the solitary | in a home.  
The God of Israel—He | is the One\*  
who gives power and strength to His | people.

**Kyrie**

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**Gloria in Excelsis**

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**Salutation**

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**Collect of the Day** – *Prayed by the Pastor*

Almighty and everlasting God, always more ready to hear than we to pray and to give more than we either desire or deserve, pour down upon us the abundance of Your mercy, forgiving those things of which our conscience is afraid and giving us those good things that we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

***Please be seated.***

**The Old Testament:**

**Genesis 4:1–15**

Now Adam knew Eve his wife, and she conceived and bore Cain, saying, “I have gotten a man with the help of the LORD.” And again, she bore his brother Abel. Now Abel was a keeper of sheep, and Cain a worker of the ground. In the course of time Cain brought to the LORD an offering of the fruit of the ground, and Abel also brought of the firstborn of his flock and of their fat portions. And the LORD had regard for Abel and his offering, but for Cain and his offering He had no regard. So Cain was very angry, and his face fell. The LORD said to Cain, “Why are you angry, and why has your face fallen? If you do well, will you not be accepted? And if you do not do well, sin is crouching at the door. Its desire is for you, but you must rule over it.”

Cain spoke to Abel his brother. And when they were in the field, Cain rose up against his brother Abel and killed him. Then the LORD said to Cain, “Where is Abel your brother?” He said, “I do not know; am I my brother’s keeper?” And the LORD said, “What have you done? The voice of your brother’s blood is crying to Me from the ground. And now you are cursed from the ground, which has opened its mouth to receive your brother’s blood from your hand. When you work the ground, it shall no longer yield to you its strength. You shall be a fugitive and a wanderer on the earth.” Cain said to the LORD, “My punishment is greater than I can bear. Behold, You have driven me today away from the ground, and from Your face I shall be hidden. I shall be a fugitive and a wanderer on the earth, and whoever finds me will kill me.” Then the LORD said to him, “Not so! If anyone kills Cain, vengeance shall be taken on him sevenfold.” And the LORD put a mark on Cain, lest any who found him should attack him.

**Gradual** - *Chanted by the Cantor*

In [God] my heart trusts, and | I am helped;\*  
my heart exults, and with my song I give | thanks to Him.  
To You, O LORD, I call; my Rock, be not | deaf to me,\*  
hear the voice of my pleas for mercy, when I cry to | You for help.

**The Epistle:**

**Ephesians 2:1–10**

And you were dead in the trespasses and sins in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience— among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind. But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— and raised us up with Him and seated us with Him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the coming ages He might show the immeasurable riches of His grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are His workmanship, created in

Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

*Please rise and face the procession as the Word of God enters into your midst.*

### Alleluia



### The Holy Gospel:

**Luke 18:9–14**

[Jesus] also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and treated others with contempt: “Two men went up into the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, prayed thus: ‘God, I thank You that I am not like other men, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I get.’ But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, ‘God, be merciful to me, a sinner!’ I tell you, this man went down to his house justified, rather than the other. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted.”

### Nicene Creed

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*Please be seated.*

### Hymn of the Day- Oh, how great is Your compassion

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1 Oh, how great is Your com - pas - sion, Faith - ful Fa - ther,  
2 Your great love for this has striv - en That we may, from  
3 Firm - ly to our soul's sal - va - tion Wit - ness - es Your  
4 Lord, Your mer - cy will not leave me; Ev - er will Your



God of grace, That with all our fall - en race  
sin made free, Live with You e - ter - nal - ly.  
Spir - it, Lord, In Your Sac - ra - ments and Word.  
truth a - bide. Then in You I will con - fide.



In our depth of deg - ra - da - tion You had mer - cy  
 Your dear Son Him - self has giv - en And ex - tends His  
 There He sends true con - so - la - tion, Giv - ing us the  
 Since Your Word can - not de - ceive me, My sal - va - tion

so that we Might be saved e - ter - nal - ly!  
 gra - cious call, To His sup - per leads us all.  
 gift of faith That we fear not hell nor death.  
 is to me Safe and sure e - ter - nal - ly.

5 I will praise Your great compassion,  
 Faithful Father, God of grace,  
 That with all our fallen race  
 In our depth of degradation  
 You had mercy so that we  
 Might be saved eternally.

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**What we believe: The Sacrament of the Altar**

We welcome to the Lord's Supper all those who are presently communicant members in good standing of Prince of Peace. If you have never received Holy Communion at Prince of Peace from Pastor Foy, please see him before you commune. Thank you

**Distribution**

## Before receiving the Sacrament

O Lord, I am not worthy that You should enter under my roof; but speak only Your Word, and my soul will be healed. I will take the Bread of Heaven and call upon the Name of the Lord.

## During the Distribution of the Sacrament

The Lord was made flesh and dwelt among us and we beheld His' glory; glory as of the only-begotten Son of the Father, full of grace and truth.  
Amen.

## After receiving the Sacrament

I live, and yet not I, but Christ lives in me.

What we have received with our mouths, O Lord, let us keep with faithful hearts that this Gift given us in earthly time may bring us to eternal salvation. Amen.

Abide with us, O Lord, that we may abide in You until the end; let not sin and need separate us from You, until we, through the strength of Your Holy Sacrament, enter into heaven and eternal blessing. Amen.

*Please be seated*

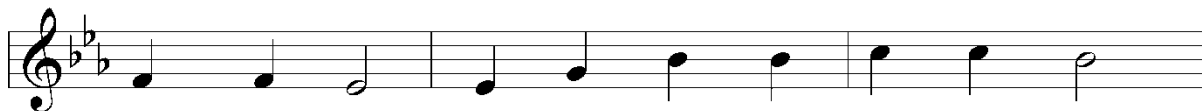
## Distribution Hymns –

### Chief of sinners though I be

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1 Chief of sin - ners though I be, Je - sus shed His  
2 Oh, the height of Je - sus' love, High - er than the  
3 On - ly Je - sus can im - part Balm to heal the  
4 Chief of sin - ners though I be, Christ is all in



blood for me, Died that I might live on high,  
heav'ns a - bove, Deep - er than the depths of sea,  
wound - ed heart, Peace that flows from sin for - giv'n,  
all to me; All my wants to Him are known,



Lives that I might nev - er die. As the branch is  
Last - ing as e - ter - ni - ty! Love that found me—  
Joy that lifts the soul to heav'n, Faith and hope to  
All my sor - rows are His own. He sus - tains the





to the vine, I am His, and He is mine.  
won - drous thought! Found me when I sought Him not.  
walk with God In the way that E - noch trod.  
hid - den life Safe with Him from earth - ly strife.

5 O my Savior, help afford  
By Your Spirit and Your Word!  
When my wayward heart would stray,  
Keep me in the narrow way;  
Grace in time of need supply  
While I live and when I die.

## Savior, when in dust to Thee

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1 Sav - ior, when in dust to Thee Low we bow the a -  
2 By Thy help - less in - fant years, By Thy life of  
3 By Thine hour of dire de - spair, By Thine ag - o -  
4 By Thy deep ex - pir - ing groan, By the sad se -



dor - ing knee; When, re - pen - tant, to the skies  
want and tears, By Thy days of deep dis - tress  
ny of prayer, By the cross, the nail, the thorn,  
pul - chral stone, By the vault whose dark a - bode



Scarce we lift our weep - ing eyes; O, by all Thy  
In the sav - age wil - der - ness, By the dread, mys -  
Pierc - ing spear, and tor - turing scorn, By the gloom that  
Held in vain the ris - ing God, O, from earth to



pains and woe Suf - fered once for us be - low, Bend - ing  
te - rious hour Of the in - sult - ing tempt - er's pow'r, Turn, O  
veiled the skies O'er the dread - ful sac - ri - fice, Lis - ten  
heav'n re - stored, Might - y, re - as - cend - ed Lord, Bend - ing



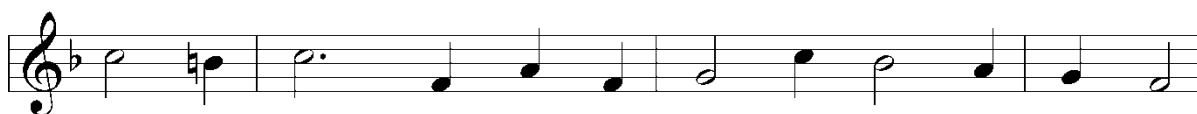
from Thy throne on high, Hear our pen - i - ten - tial cry!  
 turn a fa - v'ring eye; Hear our pen - i - ten - tial cry!  
 to our hum - ble sigh; Hear our pen - i - ten - tial cry!  
 from Thy throne on high, Hear our pen - i - ten - tial cry!

## By grace I'm saved, grace free and boundless

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1 By grace I'm saved, grace free and bound-less; My soul, be-lieve and  
 2 By grace! None dare lay claim to mer - it; Our works and con - duct  
 3 By grace God's Son, our on - ly Sav - ior, Came down to earth to  
 4 By grace! This ground of faith is cer - tain; As long as God is



doubt it not. Why stag - ger at this word of prom - ise?  
 have no worth. God in His love sent our Re - deem - er,  
 bear our sin. Was it be - cause of your own mer - it  
 true, it stands. What saints have penned by in - spi - ra - tion,



Has Scrip - ture ev - er false - hood taught? No! Then this word must  
 Christ Je - sus, to this sin - ful earth; His death did for our  
 That Je - sus died your soul to win? No, it was grace, and  
 What in His Word our God com - mands, Our faith in what our



true re - main: By grace you too will life ob - tain.  
 sins a - tone, And we are saved by grace a - lone.  
 grace a - lone, That brought Him from His heav'n - ly throne.  
 God has done De - pends on grace— grace through His Son.

5 By grace to timid hearts that  
 tremble, In tribulation's  
 furnace tried, By grace, in spite  
 of fear and trouble, The  
 Father's heart is open wide.  
 Where could I help and  
 strength secure If grace were  
 not my anchor sure?

6 By grace! On this I'll rest  
 when dying; In Jesus' promise  
 I rejoice; For though I know  
 my heart's condition, I also  
 know my Savior's voice.  
 My heart is glad, all grief has  
 flown Since I am saved by  
 grace alone.

*Please rise.*

**Nunc Dimittis**

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*Please face the procession until the celebrant has passed and then face back towards the altar.*

## Closing Hymn – In God, my faithful God 745



1 In God, my faith - ful God, I trust when dark my road;  
 2 My sins fill me with care, Yet I will not de - spair.  
 3 If death my por - tion be, It brings great gain to me;  
 4 O Je - sus Christ, my Lord, So meek in deed and word,



Great woes may o - ver - take me, Yet He will not for - sake me.  
 I build on Christ, who loves me; From this rock noth - ing moves me.  
 It speeds my life's en - deav - or To live with Christ for - ev - er.  
 You suf - fered death to save us Be - cause Your love would have us



My trou - bles He can al - ter; His hand lets noth - ing fal - ter.  
 To Him I will sur - ren - der, To Him, my soul's de - fend - er.  
 He gives me joy in sor - row, Come death now or to - mor - row.  
 Be heirs of heav'n - ly glad - ness When ends this life of sad - ness.

5 “So be it,” then, I say  
 With all my heart each day.  
 Dear Lord, we all adore You,  
 We sing for joy before You.  
 Guide us while here we wander  
 Until we praise You yonder.

*“To gather with God’s people in united adoration of the Father is as necessary to the Christian life as prayer” (Martin Luther).*

**Altar Flowers** The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God and in Thanksgiving to Him for those who preach the Gospel in distant lands and here at home. May He grant them safety and peace in their work.

**4Keynakids and Pastor Meeker:** Pastor Meeker who is originally a farm boy from Iowa and his wife Lorna, a deaconess and the child of Kenyan Pastor father, started the Point of Grace Academy along the shores of Lake Victoria in Kenya over 16 years ago. Today they have over 800 students and living accommodations for most of them. This blessed mission, 4Keynakids, has been one we have supported for year. Pastor Meeker will be here on Sunday August 31 to preach and then give a presentation in the Parish Hall after service. I pray that you can come and here how God has done amazing things for many of the Orphans and HIV positive children in Kenyan through the Meekers and Point of Grace Academy.

We will have a basket by the bulletin table that you may place any offerings or gifts to support this mission. **The time with Pastor Meeker will also serve as our September potluck. Please bring a dish to share, tableware and beverages will be provided.** Thank you. Pastor Foy

**NEW Valpo Homeless Shelter:** Daybreak (formally New Creations) is the new homeless men's shelter in Valparaiso. They have 12 rooms for gentlemen in their program (finding jobs, preparing them to live on their own etc.). They also have overnight space for 12 additional men, and an emergency shelter for families in need. The shelter provides 3 meals for 35-40 people in need everyday Prince of Peace will deliver a meal September 20th. A sign-up sheet of items needed for dinner is located on the white board in the foyer. Thank you for your help providing a nice meal for those in need.

**Funeral Luncheon Supplies** We are in need of your help to obtain supplies for funeral lunches so that we can be prepared. A list of items needed to set up for a funeral luncheon is on the white board in the foyer. Any questions please see Joann

**Prince of Peace Garden News:** The Garden is producing by God's hand. There are items on the table in the parish hall, please help yourself remembering others would also like some. If you can give a small donation that would be appreciated and used for next year's maintenance and plants. Thanks so much Pam & Joann

**Seminary Clothing Co-op:** We are accepting clothing for the Ft Wayne Seminary clothing coop. Please bring clothing bagged and in good condition with no stains or tears for men, women and children. Socks and undergarments must be new and in original package. We will get everything delivered clothing co-op Thank you.

**Eggs for sale:** There are eggs this week. PLEASE ONLY TAKE 1! They are donated to the ladies guild to sell for LWML. Sorry, they are not free. Please give at least \$2 for a dozen into the box on the kitchen counter. Pastor

**Lutheran World Relief personal care kits.** We will continue to collect items for the Lutheran World Relief Personal Care kits throughout the year. A donation box is located in Pastor's former office. Items needed new dark colored bath towels, nail clippers, tooth brushes, bars of bath soap & sturdy combs. Items may be placed in the box located in Pastor's former office off the Narthex.

**Seminary Gift Emporium** We will also continue to collect money for gift cards for the Seminary Gift Emporium throughout the year. A jar is located by the flower chart in the Narthex. Even an occasional dollar would help purchase gift cards for the Seminary Students.

**Coffee Hour:** Please make a small donation for the goodies you eat. Thank you.

**SUNDAY - Bible Study:** We are studying the 1<sup>st</sup> Epistle of St. Peter after the Divine Service, in the Parish Hall. We begin at 10:45 Pastor

**For the coming Week**

**Organist:** Jennifer Symer

**Elders:** Josh, Carl, Jeff, Paul

**Altar Guild Servers:** Cheryl, Deb, Cathy

**Morning Divine Service:** Wednesday 11:00 a.m.

**Weekday Bible Study:** Wednesday 11:45 a.m.

**Bethesda Services:** No service this week

**Veterans:** As requested with pastor.

**PRAYERS FOR:**

The Family of Sandy Brown – She was taken to glory Thursday morning  
All who are in areas of war, famine, drought and other severe weather

**PRAYER FOR SHUT-INS:** Mike Foy, Darlene McDonald, Marilyn Skinner, Jim & Lois Brown, Ruth Koeppen

**THOSE IN THE MILITARY:** Craig McCall, Seneca Newkirk

**PRAYER FOR HEALING:**

Bonnie Broviak- Dr Care

Pat Maile – Dr Care

**Jim Brown- Remission**  
**Robert Sprout - Cancer**  
**Shannon Callahan -Dr Care**  
**Bill Lomas – Lung issues**  
**Jo Thompson – Cancer**  
**Carlie Lawal - Remission**  
**Marilyn Skinner – Cancer**  
**Lillie Johnston – Alzheimers**  
**Lois Brown – Parkinsons**  
**Pete Sut – Cancer**  
**Ruth Koeppen – Dr Care**  
**Bob Granzow – Dr Care**

**Dave McCall – Drs Care**  
**Mike Arnold - Cancer**  
**Greg Mohlke – Kidney Issues**  
**Ellen Strutz – Cancer**  
**Mary Cruz – ALS**  
**Betty Sut - Cancer**  
**Bob Steingass - Therapy**  
**Rick dahl–Recovering**  
**Ginny Fox - Cancer**  
**Carol Becker – Dr Care**  
**Ken Platt – Broken Hip**

***Please give the Church Office updates Thank you Pastor***

### **THOSE EXPECTING A CHILD**

### **THOSE CELEBRATING BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS**

**Sherry Simpson 9/6**

### **THOSE CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS**

**Donna McCall 9/3**

### **THOSE CELEBRATING ANNIVERSARIES**

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### **Chrismon Trinity 11**

**Lk 18.9-14**



Children of Israel “Know then that it is those of faith who are the sons of Abraham.”(Galatians 3.7) The tax collector found mercy from God, not because he deserved it or had tried hard enough or suffered enough, or because it was his turn, but because God is merciful and sent His Son to ransom creation back from the devil. If you must boast, boast in the Lord: you are forgiven. You don’t have a great story about your

conversion, didn't have a Damascus road experience, haven't lived a terrible life and then seen the light in the sort of way that makes for good TV drama? Good for you. Boast in the Lord. You haven't amassed riches and honors, you are unknown outside your own family, and people find you average and dull? Good for you: boast in the Lord. You are forgiven. And what if you haven't done great things in the kingdom, your church isn't growing, you haven't converted scores of people, your house is in disrepair? Good for you: boast in the Lord. You do not need fame and fortune. You go home justified. That is what matters. Jesus loves you. You are not insignificant in heaven. You are the cause of angelic rejoicing: boast in that and let that be enough.

And if you hunger for honor, find it in your table mates at the Lord's Supper. For if there is honor in being invited to the White House and eating with the heads of state, how much more honor is there in being received at the Lord's Table, not simply to eat with the Lord as a guest, but to eat the Lord, to be united to Him, and to kneel next to His own saints and loved ones, as a family member, Bride of Christ. Look not to the heaven to find the great saints and holy angels of God. Look around you: these people gathered here are God's saints. And look also in the mirror because the Lord notices and loves and delights in that person.