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Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

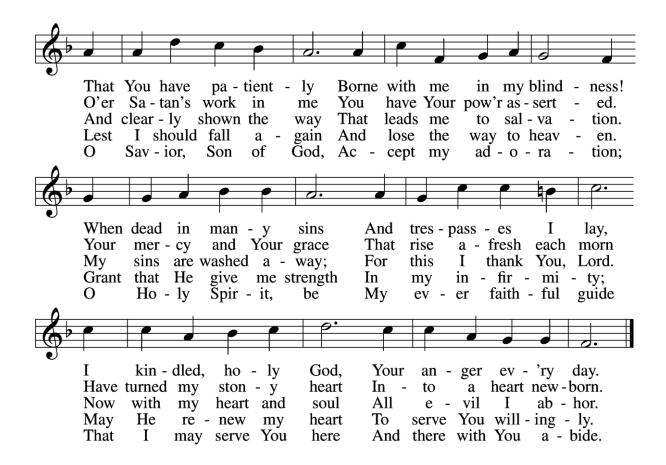
September 21st, Year of our Lord 2025 The Reverend William Foy, Pastor

## **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 – How Can I Thank You, Lord** 703





#### 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.

#### Please Kneel/Stand

- 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 \(\forall \) Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Please Rise

## **Service of the Word**

Introit (Congregation chants the bold stanzas.)



Behold our Shield, | O God;\*

look on the face of Your A- | nointed!

For a day | in Your courts\*

is better than a thousand | elsewhere.

- P How lovely is Your dwelling place, O | LORD of hosts!\* My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts | of the LORD.
- C Blessèd are those who dwell | in Your house,\* ever sing- | ing Your praise!

I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house | of my God\*

than dwell in the tents of | wickedness.

P The LORD bestows favor and | honor.\*
No good thing does He withhold from those who walk up- | rightly.

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 Behold our Shield, | O God;\*

look on the face of Your A- | nointed! For a day | in Your courts\* is better than a thousand | elsewhere.

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## **Collect of the Day** – *Prayed by pastor*

O Lord, keep Your Church with Your perpetual mercy; and because of our frailty we cannot but fall, keep us ever by Your help from all things hurtful and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

#### Please be seated.

#### The Old Testament:

**Proverbs 4:10–23** 

Hear, My son, and accept My words, that the years of your life may be many.

I have taught you the way of Wisdom; I have led you in the paths of Uprightness.

When you walk, your step will not be hampered, and if you run, you will not stumble.

Keep hold of Instruction; do not let go; guard her, for she is your life.

Do not enter the path of the wicked, and do not walk in the way of the evil.

Avoid it; do not go on it;

turn away from it and pass on.

For they cannot sleep unless they have done wrong; they are robbed of sleep unless they have made someone stumble.

For they eat the bread of wickedness and drink the wine of violence.

But the path of the righteous is like the light of dawn, which shines brighter and brighter until full day.

The way of the wicked is like deep darkness;

they do not know over what they stumble.
My son, be attentive to My words;
incline your ear to My sayings.
Let them not escape from your sight;
keep them within your heart.
For they are life to those who find them,

and healing to all their flesh.

Keep your heart with all vigilance,
for from it flow the springs of life.

Gradual - Chanted by the Cantor
It is good to give thanks | to the LORD,\*
to sing praises to Your name, | O Most High;
to declare Your steadfast love in the | morning,\*
and Your faithful- | ness by night.

## The Epistle: Galatians 5:16–24

But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. For the desires of the flesh are against the Spirit, and the desires of the Spirit are against the flesh, for these are opposed to each other, to keep you from doing the things you want to do. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law. Now the works of the flesh are evident: sexual immorality, impurity, sensuality, idolatry, sorcery, enmity, strife, jealousy, fits of anger, rivalries, dissensions, divisions, envy, drunkenness, orgies, and things like these. I warn you, as I warned you before, that those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.

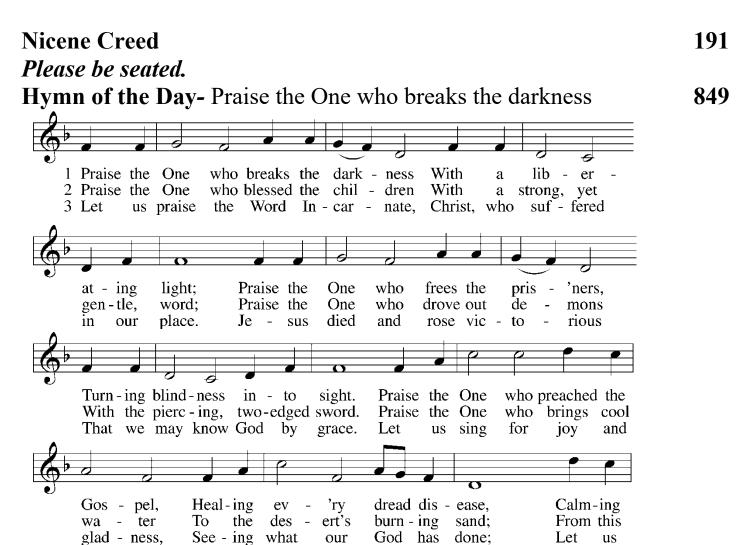
# Please rise and face the procession as the Word of God enters into your midst.





On the way to Jerusalem [Jesus] was passing along between Samaria and Galilee. And as He entered a village, He was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance and lifted up their voices, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us."

When He saw them He said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went they were cleansed. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; and he fell on his face at Jesus' feet, giving Him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus answered, "Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" And He said to him, "Rise and go your way; your faith has saved you."





#### Sermon

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Offertory 192 Prayer of the Church – The Litany (*Prayed Responsively*) 288

- L O Lord, C have mercy.
- L O Christ, C have mercy.
- L O Lord, C have mercy.
- L O Christ, C hear us.
- L God the Father in heaven, C have mercy.
- L God the Son, Redeemer of the world, C have mercy.
- L God the Holy Spirit, C have mercy.
- L Be gracious to us. C Spare us, good Lord.
- L Be gracious to us. C Help us, good Lord.
- L From all sin, from all error, from all evil; From the crafts and assaults of the devil; from sudden and evil death; From pestilence and famine; from war and bloodshed; from sedition and from rebellion; From lightning and tempest; from all calamity by fire and water; and from everlasting death:

  C Good Lord, deliver us.
- L By the mystery of Your holy incarnation; by Your holy nativity; By Your baptism, fasting, and temptation; by Your agony and bloody sweat; by Your cross and passion; by Your precious death and burial; By Your glorious resurrection and ascension; and by the coming of the Holy Spirit, the Comforter: C Help us, good Lord.
- L In all time of our tribulation; in all time of our prosperity; in the hour of death; and in the day of judgment: C Help us, good Lord.
- L We poor sinners implore You C to hear us, O Lord.
- L To rule and govern Your holy Christian Church; to preserve all pastors and ministers of Your Church in the true knowledge and understanding of Your wholesome Word and to sustain them in holy living; To put an end to all schisms and causes of offense; to bring into the way of truth

all who have erred and are deceived; To beat down Satan under our feet; to send faithful laborers into Your harvest; and to accompany Your Word with Your grace and Spirit:

- C We implore You to hear us, good Lord.
- L To raise those who fall and to strengthen those who stand; and to comfort and help the weakhearted and the distressed:
- C We implore You to hear us, good Lord.
- L To give to all peoples concord and peace; to preserve our land from discord and strife; to give our country Your protection in every time of need; To direct and defend our *president* and all in authority; to bless and protect our magistrates and all our people; To watch over and help all who are in danger, necessity, and tribulation; to protect and guide all who travel; To grant all women with child, and all mothers with infant children, increasing happiness in their blessings; to defend all orphans and widows and provide for them; To strengthen and keep all sick persons and young children; to free those in bondage; and to have mercy on us all:
- C We implore You to hear us, good Lord.
- L To forgive our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers and to turn their hearts; to give and preserve for our use the kindly fruits of the earth; and graciously to hear our prayers:
- C We implore You to hear us, good Lord.
- L Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, C we implore You to hear us.
- L Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,
- C have mercy.
- L Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,
- C have mercy.
- L Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,
- C grant us Your peace.
- L O Christ, C hear us.
- L O Lord, C have mercy.
- L O Christ, C have mercy.
- L O Lord, C have mercy. Amen.

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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**

Communicants are invited to pray the following prayers:

## **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 up the cup of Salvation and call upon the Name of the Lord. (Matt.8:8; Ps.116:13)

#### **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.(Jn. 1:14)

## After receiving the Sacrament

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.

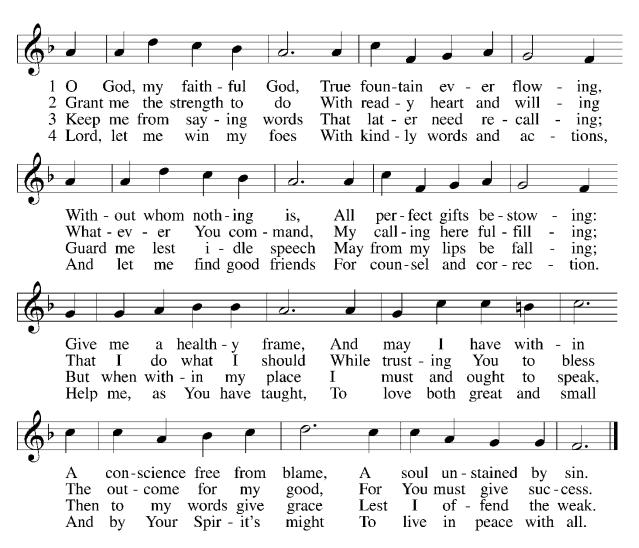
## **Distribution Hymns –**

Jesus, grant that balm and healing

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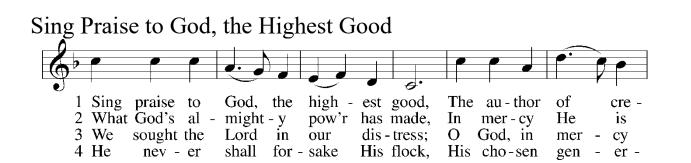
Grant that in Your death I trust,
Knowing death has lost its power
Since You crushed it in the dust.
Savior, let Your agony
Ever help and comfort me;
When I die be my protection,
Light and life and resurrection.

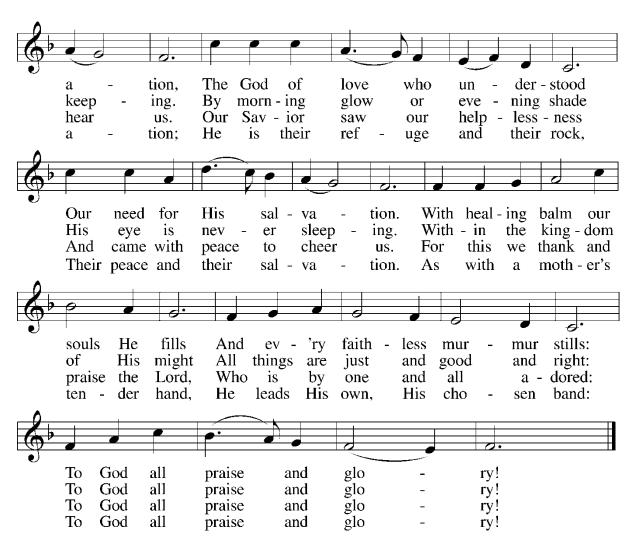


Confiding in my Savior; By grace receive my soul That it may live forever; And let my body have A quiet resting place Within a Christian grave; And let it sleep in peace.

And on that final day When all the dead are waking,
Stretch out Your mighty hand, My deathly slumber breaking. Then let me hear Your voice, Redeem this earthly frame, And bid me to rejoice With those who love Your name.

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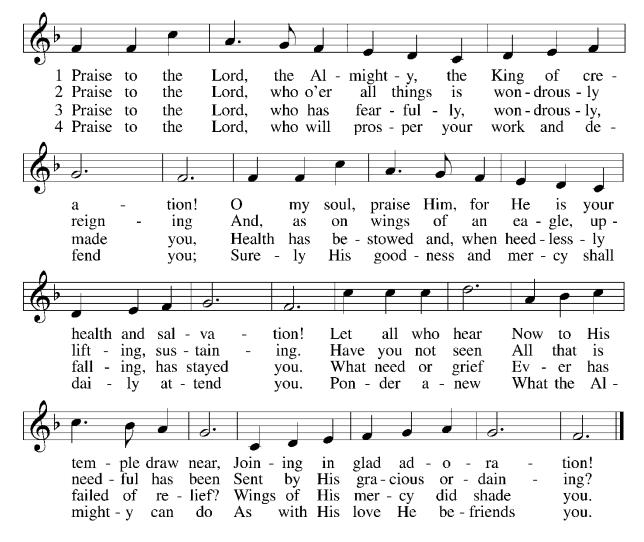
All who confess Christ's holy name,
Give God the praise and glory.
Let all who know His pow'r proclaim
Aloud the wondrous story.
Cast ev'ry idol from its throne,
For God is God, and He alone:
To God all praise and glory!

#### Please rise.

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

Closing Hymn – Praise to the Lord, the Almighty



Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him! All that has life and breath, come now with praises before Him! Let the Amen Sound from His people again; Gladly forever adore Him!

<u>Altar Flowers</u> The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God and in Thanksgiving to Him for all human life, as we beseech Him to grant us courage to proclaim Him as the only Lord and Savior by our thoughts, words, and deeds.

<u>Volunteers Needed!</u>: I am seeking any number of volunteers, women or men who would prepare (I will help as needed/requested) 1 Bible Story lesson for children and be prepared to teach it on a Sunday when they are here and children are present who desire Sunday Bible class. I would like two age groups for children say 3-5 & 6-9 so different material will be made available. You are not committed to any Sunday, just ready should the opportunity arise. Having several volunteers means the joy can be shared and spread around. Please see me if you would be willing to do this. Thank you very much. Pastor.

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 October 18th. 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.

October Potluck: Please mark your calendars for our monthly potluck Sunday October 5th following our Worship Service. Please bring a dish to share. Beverages and tableware will be provided.

<u>Prince of Peace Garden News:</u> 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

<u>Seminary Clothing Co-op:</u> We are accepting clothing for the Ft Wayne Seminary clothing coop. Please bring clothing bagged and in good condition with <u>no stains or tears</u> 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

<u>Lutheran World Relief personal care kits.</u> 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.

<u>Seminary Gift Emporium</u> 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.

<u>SUNDAY - Bible Study:</u> 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:**

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 Dave McCall – Drs Care

Behart Spread Garage Miles Armeld Garage

Robert Sprout - Cancer Mike Arnold - Cancer

Greg Mohlke – Kidney Issues Ken Platt – Broken Hip

Bill Lomas – Lung issues Ellen Strutz – Cancer

Jo Thompson – Cancer Mary Cruz – ALS

Carlie Lawal - Remission Betty Sut - Cancer

Marilyn Skinner – Cancer Bob Steingass - Therapy

Lillie Johnston – Alzheimers Rick dahl–Recovering

Lois Brown – Parkinsons Ginny Fox - Cancer

Pete Sut – Cancer Carol Becker – Dr Care

Ruth Koeppen – Dr Care Sandy Billie – Broken Elbow

Bob Granzow – Dr Care

Joann Schultz – Surgery

Jim Freese – Back Surgery

Paula Rukavina - Cancer

Please give the Church Office updates Thank you Pastor

## THOSE EXPECTING A CHILD

#### THOSE CELEBRATING BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS

Jack Wilburn 9/30 Shaun, Holly, Blake & Mya Morrow 10/3

#### **THOSE CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS**

Weston DeVries 9/29 Dan Wilburn 10/2 Drew Horvath 10/3 Rachel Wilburn 10/4

#### THOSE CELEBRATING ANNIVERSARIES

Pastor & Diana Foy 10/2 Steve & Cathy Beach 10/4

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#### **Chrismon Trinity 14**

Lk 17.11-19 10

Circle reminds us of God's unending love
Jesus uses these exact same words, "your faith has saved

you," in the same order, with the sinful woman who washed his feet with her tears at the Pharisee's house. He says to her as He said to the leper: "Your faith has saved you."

That woman did not receive the forgiveness of sins as a consequence of her love any more than the leper was healed as a consequence of his gratitude. Both responded to Christ's love with faith, that is they believed that His love was genuine. They trusted Him and worshiped Him. That faith reconciled them to God, saving them.

We do not receive the forgiveness of sins through works or making good decisions or seizing an opportunity. Indeed, good works such as patience, chastity, and thanksgiving necessarily follow the forgiveness of sins, but they do not cause or merit forgiveness. Else it would not be forgiveness. Rather it would be the just reward or payment. It would be earned. Forgiveness is not an act of justice. It is, by definition, an act mercy. It is necessarily undeserved and comes not from the worthiness of the penitent but from the goodness of the Benefactor. The penitent simply believes it and that belief delivers the benefits of the gift.

Faith is that which grasps God's free mercy on account of God's Word (Ap III. 32 in Kolb-Wengert). The account of the lepers is clear. The Samaritan came with this conviction about Christ: He is God the Lord who had healed him, a foreigner, by His

Word. This is the highest way to worship Christ: to believe in Him, to trust in Him. There is no greater praise of Christ than to confess not merely that He is God or that He is good and powerful but to confess His mercy and goodness for us. He is the Messiah, God with us, who comes to restore creation and cleanse sinners by taking our sin into Himself.

To think about Christ in this way, to worship and take hold of him in this way, as the Redeemer of sinners whose mercy endures forever, is truly to believe. It is to have faith that saves.

There is also a parallel here to the universal atonement and subjective justification. All ten lepers were healed but only one recognized and believed that Jesus was the Healer. So it is that Jesus has paid for the sins of the whole world, without their love or gratitude, not because we were worthy but because He is good. Without faith, however, there is no salvation. Our preaching and witness is all about telling the world what Jesus has already done for them, that He already loves them and has reconciled them to Himself, and urging them to simply receive it.