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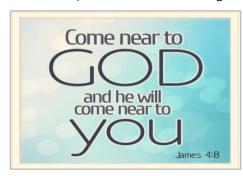
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Lectionary 25, Year B 18th Sunday after Pentecost

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Worship Assistant: Harris Haugen



PRELUDE A Place at the Table

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND GRACE

- P: Blessed be the holy Trinity,

 → one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.
- C: Amen.
- P: Let us acknowledge our brokenness and come to God for healing.

Silence is kept for reflection.

- P: Gracious God,
- C: Have mercy on us.

We honor you with our lips, but harm Others with our tongues. We fail to follow your commandments. In our desire to be first we make distinctions among our-selves, placing the needs of others last. In your great mercy, free us from our failures and create in us clean hearts. Draw near to us with grace, and turn us to follow in the way of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

- P: God promises to forgive us and remember our faults no more. By grace we have been saved. In the name of ⊕ Jesus Christ, the source of eternal healing, we are forgiven.
- C: Thanks be to God.

HYMN All Are Welcome v. 1,3,5 No. 641

1 Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live, a place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive. Built of hopes and dreams and visions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the love of Christ shall >

end divisions: All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

- 3 Let us build a house where love is found in water, wine and wheat: a banquet hall on holy ground where peace and justice meet. Here the love of God, through Jesus, is revealed in time and space; as we share in Christ the feast that frees us: All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.
- 5 Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and visions heard and loved and treasured, taught and claimed as words within the Word. Built of tears and cries and laughter, prayers of faith and songs of grace, let this house proclaim from floor to rafter: All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

PRAYER OF THE DAY We pray together

L: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

L: O God, our teacher and guide,

C: you draw us to yourself and welcome us as beloved children. Help us to lay aside all envy and selfish ambition, that we may walk in your ways of wisdom and understanding as servants of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Please be seated for the readings

FIRST READING: JEREMIAH 11:18-20 A prophet's suffering and trust in God.

¹⁸It was the LORD who made it known to me, and I knew; then you showed me their evil deeds. ¹⁹But I was like a gentle lamb led to the slaughter. And I did not know it was against me that they devised schemes, saying, "Let us destroy the tree with its fruit, let us cut him off from the land of the living, so that his name will no longer be remembered!"

²⁰But you, O LORD of hosts, who judge righteously, who try the heart and the mind, let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause.

WORD OF GOD. WORD OF LIFE. THANKS BE TO GOD.

PSALM 54

- L: Save me, O God, by your name; in your might, defend my cause.
- C: Hear my prayer, O God; give ear to the words of my mouth.
- L For strangers have risen up against me, and the ruthless have sought my life, those who have no regard for God.

- C: Behold, God is my helper; it is the Lord who sustains my life.
- L: Render evil to those who spy on me; in your faithfulness, destroy them.
- C: I will offer you a freewill sacrifice and praise your name, O LORD, for it is good.
- L: For you have rescued me from every trouble, and my eye looks down on my enemies.

SECOND READING: JAMES 3:13—4:3, 7-8A The wisdom from above

¹³Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. 14But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. 15Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. 16For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. 17But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. 18 And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace. 4:1 Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? 2You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. 3You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures. 7Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. 8aDraw near to God, and he will draw near to you.

WORD OF GOD. WORD OF LIFE. THANKS BE TO GOD.

HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO: MARK 9:30-37 C: GLORY TO YOU, O LORD.

Greatness & servanthood

³⁰[Jesus and the disciples went on] and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it;³¹for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again." ³²But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him.

³³Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" ³⁴But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. ³⁵He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, "Whoever wants to be first

must be last of all and servant of all." ³⁶Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, ³⁷"Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me."

P: THE GOSPEL OF THE LORD.

C: PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST.

CHILDREN'S WORD

MESSAGE PASTOR BARB STREED

HYMN v. 1,2,4 No. 712

Lord Whose Love in Humble Service

- 1 Lord, whose love in humble service bore the weight of human need, who upon the cross, forsaken, worked your mercy's perfect deed: we, your servants, bring the worship not of voice alone, but heart; consecrating to your purpose ev'ry gift which you impart.
- 2 Still your children wander homeless; still the hungry cry for bread; still the captives long for freedom; still in grief we mourn our dead. As you, Lord, in deep compassion healed the sick and freed the soul, by your Spirit send your power to our world to make it whole.
- 4 Called by worship to your service, forth in your dear name we go, to the child, the youth, the aged, love in living deeds to show; hope and health, goodwill and comfort, counsel, aid and peace we give, that your servants, Lord, in freedom may your mercy know and live.

APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come 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

Merciful God, receive our prayer.

SHARING OF PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

OFFERING—OFFERTORY-GLOBE OFFERING

Children are invited to bring forward an offering to the globe in the front of the church. Globe offerings will go to one of our global mission partners to be decided by our youth.

OFFERING PRAYER

- P: Blessed are you, O God, source of every gift of your creation.
- C: By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING Spoken

- P: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- P: Lift up your hearts.
- C: We lift them to the Lord.
- P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come to the table. Jesus welcomes you.

DISTRIBUTION & HYMNS:

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light No. 815

1 I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to follow Jesus. God set the stars to give light to the world. The star of my life is Jesus.

Refrain In him there is no darkness at all.

The night and the day are both alike.

The Lamb is the light of the city of
God. Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

- 2 I want to see the brightness of God. I want to look at Jesus. Clear Sun of righteousness, shine on my path, and show me the way to the Father. *Refrain*
- 3 I'm looking for the coming of Christ. I want to be with Jesus. When we have run with patience the race, we shall know the joy of Jesus. *Refrain*

Around You O Lord Jesus

No. 468

- 1 Around you, O Lord Jesus, your own you gather still to share the feast you give us with grace our lives to fill. You say to us so lovingly, "Take, eat! This is my body! Take, drink! This is my blood!"
- 2 We hear your invitation, and heed, O Lord, your call; your word of consolation is spoken here

to all. It draws us to your loving heart; it brings to us your blessing, which never will depart.

We are your own forever; until our final breath we will be true and never in joy, in grief, in death depart from you, for you are still among your people dwelling, as you have said you will.

COMMUNION BLESSING

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: Holy God,

C: you have welcomed us to this meal and fed us with dignity at your table. Send us now to welcome others and to be at peace with one another, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

BENEDICTION

C: Amen.

SENDING HYMN:

No. 208

Praise to You O God of Mercy

- 1 Praise to you, O God of mercy: thanks be to you forever! Raising high the weak and lowly: thanks be to you forever!
- 2 From of old you loved and sought us: thanks be to you forever! Truth and justice you have taught us: thanks be to you forever!

Bridge Strong is your faithfulness, strong is your love, rememb'ring your covenant of life with us.

3 Praise to you, O God of mercy: thanks be to you forever! Raising high the weak and lowly: thanks be to you forever! Thanks be to you forever!

DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Follow Jesus.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE Simple Gifts

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OL/SKU #05738 Around You O Lord Jesus ELW 468 OL/SKU #01117 Praise to You, O God of Mercy ELW 208

CALENDAR THIS WEEK

Sun 9/22	9 AM WORSHIP
	10 AM Coffee; 10 AM Sunday School
Tue 9/24	7 PM KAIC
Wed 9/25	9TH GR. CONFIRMATION
Thu 9/26	1 PM LOVE DAY
	7 PM AA
Sun 9/29	9 AM WORSHIP w/Pastor David Wall
	10 AM Coffee; 10 AM Sunday School

GREETING FROM INTERN YVONNE

Hello, I'm Vicar/Intern Yvonne Roesel! I just moved to Northfield from the Las Vegas, Nevada, area, along with my husband, Tom, and two cats—Fox and Rocket. This year, my internship consists of nine local congregations, so if it seems like I'm all over the place—literally and figuratively—I am! I've lived in a bunch of places and settling in always takes some time. I am smack in the middle of seminary, so I'll have another year of full-time studies after I'm done with internship next year. I'm grateful for your patience and welcome and am excited to be here. Take a moment to breathe deeply and feel the presence of God in this place. Please feel free to reach out to me at intern.kaic@gmail.com if you'd like to set up a time to meet at my office at First Lutheran Church in Kenyon.

Notice of Congregational Meeting

The council requests your attendance on Sunday October 6 for a congregational vote on organ repairs. More information to follow next week.

LOOKING AHEAD

Tue 10/1	Pastor D.J.'s first day
Wed 10/2	9th Grade Confirmation
Thu 10/3	Last Farmer's Market
Sun 10/6	9 AM WORSHIP
	10 AM CONG. MEETING
	10 AM COFFEE & SUNDAY SCHOOL
	2 PM PASTOR D.J. ORDINATION

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