

# MT. TABOR LUTHERAN CHURCH

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# 11:00 AM—October 2, 2022—Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost Traditional Worship Service

# **Setting Three—Holy Communion**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

A little faith goes a long way is Jesus' point in the gospel. A mustard seed's-worth of faith has miraculous potential. The patience, tenacity, and endurance required for the life of faith are the blessings received in holy baptism, holy communion, and the word read and proclaimed in this assembly. Anticipate them. Receive them with thanksgiving.

PRELUDE Tiento from Suite Medievale Jean Langlais

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

# **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who is eager to forgive and who loves us beyond our days. **Amen.** 

Dear friends, together let us acknowledge our failure to love this world as Jesus does.

God of mercy and forgiveness, we confess that sin still has a hold on us. We have harmed your good creation. We have failed to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you. Turn us in a new direction. Show us the path that leads to life. Be our refuge and strength on the journey, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend. Amen.

Beloved of God: your sins are forgiven + and you are made whole. God points the way to new life in Christ, who meets us on the road. Journey now in God's abiding love through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

#### **HYMN 526** God Is Here! ABBOTT LEIGH



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GREETING ELW p. 138

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Kyrie ELW p. 138

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

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

Lord, have mercy.

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.

Lord, have mercy.

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

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

Amen.

### **CANTICLE OF PRAISE**

**ELW p. 139** 

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Power, riches, wisdom and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are his. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

**ELW p. 142** 

Let us pray.

Benevolent, merciful God: When we are empty, fill us. When we are weak in faith, strengthen us. When we are cold in love, warm us, that with fervor we may love our neighbors and serve them for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.** 

# CHILDREN'S SERMON

# Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4

# A reading from Habakkuk.

Injustice and violence in the time leading up to the Babylonian exile move this prophet to lament: How can a good and all-powerful God see evil in the world and seemingly remain indifferent? God answers by proclaiming that the righteous will live by faith.

<sup>1</sup>The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw.

<sup>2</sup>O LORD, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not listen?
 Or cry to you "Violence!" and you will not save?
 <sup>3</sup>Why do you make me see wrongdoing and look at trouble?
 Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise.
 <sup>4</sup>So the law becomes slack and justice never prevails.
 The wicked surround the righteous—therefore judgment comes forth perverted.

<sup>2:1</sup>I will stand at my watchpost, and station myself on the rampart;
I will keep watch to see what he will say to me, and what he will answer concerning my complaint.
<sup>2</sup>Then the LORD answered me and said:
Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so that a runner may read it.
<sup>3</sup>For there is still a vision for the appointed time; it speaks of the end, and does not lie.
If it seems to tarry, wait for it; it will surely come, it will not delay.
<sup>4</sup>Look at the proud! Their spirit is not right in them, but the righteous live by their faith.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

# **PSALM 37:1-9**



<sup>1</sup>Do not be provoked by evildoers;

do not be jealous of those who do wrong.

<sup>2</sup>For they shall soon wither like the grass,

and like the green grass fade away. **R** <sup>3</sup>Put your trust in the LORD and do good;

dwell in the land and find safe pasture.

<sup>4</sup>Take delight in the LORD,

who shall give you your heart's desire. R

<sup>5</sup>Commit your way to the LORD; put your trust in the LORD,

and see what God will do.

<sup>6</sup>The LORD will make your vindication as clear as the light

and the justice of your case like the noonday sun. R

Be still before the LORD and wait patiently.

Do not be provoked by the one who prospers, the one who succeeds in evil schemes.

<sup>8</sup>Refrain from anger, leave rage alone;

do not be provoked; it leads only to evil. **R** 

For evildoers shall be cut off,

but those who hope in the LORD shall possess the land. R

# **SECOND READING**

2 Timothy 1:1-14

A reading from 2 Timothy.

This letter written to Timothy is a personal message of encouragement. In the face of hardship and persecution, Timothy is reminded that his faith is a gift of God. He is encouraged to exercise that faith with the help of the Holy Spirit.

<sup>1</sup>Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus,

<sup>2</sup>To Timothy, my beloved child:

Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

<sup>3</sup>I am grateful to God—whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did—when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. <sup>4</sup>Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. <sup>5</sup>I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. <sup>6</sup>For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; <sup>7</sup>for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup>Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with

me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, <sup>9</sup>who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, <sup>10</sup>but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. <sup>11</sup>For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, <sup>12</sup>and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. <sup>13</sup>Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. <sup>14</sup>Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

ELW p. 142

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia.

GOSPEL Luke 17:5-10

The holy gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

On the way to Jerusalem, Jesus instructs his followers about the power of faith and the duties of discipleship. He calls his disciples to adopt the attitude of servants whose actions are responses to their identity rather than works seeking reward.

<sup>5</sup>The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" <sup>6</sup>The Lord replied, "If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you.

<sup>7</sup>"Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, 'Come here at once and take your place at the table'? <sup>8</sup>Would you not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink'? <sup>9</sup>Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? <sup>10</sup>So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, 'We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!'"

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

**SERMON** 



Text: Ray Palmer, 1808–1887 Music: OLIVET, Lowell Mason, 1792–1872

CREED ELW p. 104

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

God of grace,

Hear our prayer.

PEACE ELW p. 143

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM Lord, keep us steadfast in your word Donald Busarow

**HYMN 186** Create In Me A Clean Heart

Richard W. Hillert

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit.

OFFERING PRAYER ELW p. 144

Let us pray.

Gracious God, in your great love you richly provide for our needs. Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing, and make us ready to share with all in need; through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all. **Amen.** 

# **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

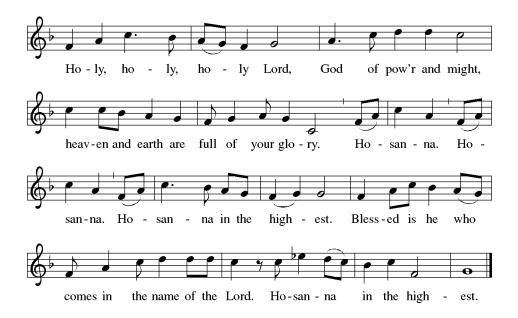
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE ELW p. 144

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



#### THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

ELW p. 145

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

LORD'S PRAYER ELW p. 145

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

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

# INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come to the banquet, for all is now ready.

# **COMMUNION SONG**

**ELW p. 146** 

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

**HYMN 804** 

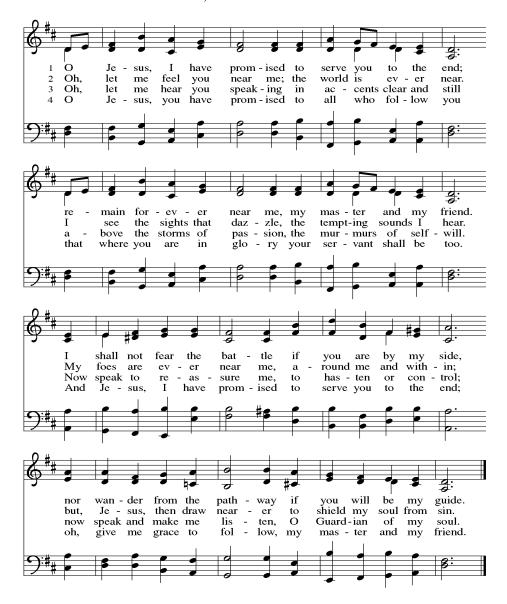
Come Down, O Love Divine

**DOWN AMPNEY** 



Text: Bianco da Siena, d. 1434; tr. Richard F. Littledale, 1833–1890 Music: DOWN AMPNEY, Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872–1958 Outside USA: Music from *The English Hymnal*, © Oxford University Press 1906.

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Text: John E. Bode, 1816–1874, alt. Music: MUNICH, Neuvermehrtes Gesangbuch, Meiningen, 1693

# PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**ELW p. 146** 

Let us pray.

Gracious God, in this meal you have drawn us to your heart, and nourished us at your table with food and drink, the body and blood of Christ. Now send us forth to be your people in the world, and to proclaim your truth this day and evermore, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.** 

BLESSING ELW p. 146

Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. Amen.

**HYMN 825** 

You Servants of God

**LYONS** 



Text: Charles Wesley, 1707–1788, alt. Music: LYONS, attr. Johann Michael Haydn, 1737–1806

DISMISSAL ELW p. 146

Go in peace, with Christ beside you.

Thanks be to God.

**POSTLUDE** 

Acclamations from Suite Medievale

Jean Langlais

**Welcome to Mt. Tabor.** We are glad that you have chosen to worship with us today! If you are a visitor, please fill out and return the attendance card in your pew rack so we may have a record of your attendance. Our ushers and greeters will be glad to answer any questions you may have about our worship service. We hope that you will experience the presence of the Risen Christ today!

**Altar Flowers.** Today's Altar Flowers are given in loving memory of Clara Conrad's birthday, September 29th and John & Clara's wedding anniversary, September 28th given by Karen & John, Deb & Hannah, David and Daniel.

**Bulletin Covers**. Today's bulletin covers are given in loving memory of Cathy Sox given by Chris Sox.

# Today's Worship Assistants

Acolyte Crucifer Lector Greeter Communion Assistant Worship Assistant Coordinator Heath Hutto Emily Hutto Tommy Smith Janet Smith Tommy Smith Matt Fogle

# **Worship Leaders**

Rev. Wade T. Roof, III, Senior Pastor Rev. Rus Stilwell, Pastor of Visitation Mr. Kevin Davis, Director of Music

# Mt. Tabor Lutheran Church

# October 2, 2022

### **FALL PARISH NOTES**

#### This Week at Mt. Tabor...

#### Today, Sunday, October 2 Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

8:00 am – Matins Service/Holy Communion

9:15 am - ALIVE! Service/ Holy Communion

10:00 am - Coffee-Fellowship/MT Cafe

10:15 am – Sunday School

11:00 am - Traditional Service/Holy Communion

#### Monday, October 3

9:30 am - Quilting Ministry/ECR

5:15 pm - Positively Fit/ECR

7:00 pm – Mt. Tabor Ringers

### Tuesday, October 4

10:30 am - Staff Meeting

5:30 pm - Pipers Practice/AR

6:30 pm - NA Meeting/ECR

6:30 pm - ALIVE Rehearsal

#### Wednesday, October 5

9:00 am – E-News deadline 10:00 am – Bulletin deadline

10:30 am -Sunshine club

12:00 pm - Noon Eucharist

3:30 pm - Sing & Celebrate

4:45 pm - Children's Choirs

5:45 -FCHM Committee/ECR

6:30 pm - Adult Choir

# Thursday, October 6 10:00 am -Bulletin Deadline

5:15 pm -Positively Fit/ECR

#### Saturday, October 8

Adam Self Wedding

#### Sunday, October 9 Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

8:00 am - Matins Service/Holy Communion

9:15 am - ALIVE! Service /Holy Communion

10:00 am - Coffee-Fellowship/MT Cafe

10:15 am - Sunday School

11:00 am - Traditional Service/Holy Communion

6:00 pm - Standing Committees \*\*

6;00pm - Council Meeting

# **Next Sunday's Readings**

2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c Psalm 111 2 Timothy 2:8-15 Luke 17:11-19

# **Love Offering**

Homeworks

# **God's Helping Hands Needs**

Oatmeal, Mac n' Cheese, Grits, Jelly, Fruit Juice, Cookies, Rice, Jiffy mix

#### **MOBILE GIVING**

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Don't forget about our Blessing Box by the Park. This box is to be filled with any blessing that someone else could use: food, blankets, water, etc... anything that could communicate God's love to God's people. Please bring something to add to our box & may God bless you for it! Please do not donate opened food items or things that will melt.



Mt. Tabor Lutheran Church will host Halloween in the "parking" lot!

# Sunday, October 30, 2022 4:30 PM until 7:00 PM

Get your Halloween costumes ready and invite your family, friends, and neighbors to join us on Sunday, October 30, 2022 for trunk or treating, games, hot dogs, cake walks, and a bounce house.

#### Volunteers are needed for the following:

Host trunks along with a game\*
Bake/provide cakes for the cake walk
Donate candy (lots of candy)
Sign up to work at the bounce house

\*Due to the fire, many of the games were destroyed.

Therefore, please plan on bringing a game that can be played at your trunk.

Candy donations can be dropped off at the church office anytime before October 30, 2022.

To sign up please call or text:

Tammy O'Ouinn 803-315-6258 or Brennen Hutto 803-514-3690

# **HUGS for the Homeless**

Our Early Rising Men are taking donations again this year for the HUGS program. This program provides hats, underwear, gloves, socks, coats, umbrellas, ponchos, towels, washcloths, soap, toothbrushes, toothpaste and food for the homeless through several area shelters and recovery centers. Won't you consider helping "the least of these", our homeless brothers and sisters in the Midlands and make a donation to our HUGS program. For \$25, you can provide a quilted vest, winter hat, ski gloves and socks for a homeless man or woman. Please make your check payable to Mt. Tabor and designate for HUGS. Or, you can go to our website www.mttaborlutheran.org and make an online donation by clicking on the HUGS picture.

Thanks for your support!

# Lord Teach Us To Pray:

As God's people called to love one another, let us pray for the following members of our church family, who celebrate the anniversary of their baptism this week: Karen Holton, Jensen Redmond, Nancy Lee, Logan O'Neal, Jeanne Smith, John Payne, Chris Corbacho, Brandon Haltiwinger, Miranda Downing, Lisa Bailey

### **Most Recent Prayer Concerns:**

Melvin Manus, Paul Jacobs, Ronnie Hutto, Hannah Fogle.

# **Ongoing Prayer Concerns:**

Barbara Bradshaw, Sharon Mattern, Jackie Macaulay, David Mellichamp, Mary Hamson, Jeanie Jacobs, Sandra Baker, Betty Wise, Elmer Sundlie, Herman Bouknight, Pastor Jerry & Janice Livingston, Lucky Jones, Jennifer Brazell, Mary Hamson, Ann Callison, Bill Hunnicutt,

# Family & Loved Ones of Mt. Tabor:

Molly Gilbert, Bob & Shirley Spruill, Henry Gainey, Stacy Carns, Jordan Mellichamp, Charles Hite, Tyler Carter, Rev. Dr. Paul Harmon, Steve Collum, John Bundrick, Lori Gladiness.

# Members of Mt. Tabor Serving in the Military:

Adam Davis, Andrew Hamson, Samuel Davis, Scott Hash.

# Family and Loved Ones Serving in the Military:

Eli McCracken, Marcus Hayes, Tristan Mullen, Cory Fabian, Hayden Henneman, Edwin Taylor, Patrick Taylor, Edwin Torres, Josh Watson, Jacob Henry Burgan, Patrick Morris, Ben Barron, Barry Duncan, Michael Barfield, David Mathews.

# The Family Of:

Valerie Jan Brazell, Oscar Rabon, Jean Jones, William Florence, Bobby Lunn, Sylvia Marchant, Nancy Butler, Carroll Hutchinson.

Please help us keep our prayer list up to date by calling the church office with any names to be added or removed. Otherwise, names remaining on the prayer list for more than 2 months will be removed.

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