

# MT. TABOR LUTHERAN CHURCH

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# **Setting Eight—Non-Communion**

### INTRODUCTION

Today's gospel starts with disciples obsessing over who will be closest to Jesus, leading to Jesus teaching his followers about God's take on importance and power. Here Jesus makes it explicit that the reversal of values in God's community is a direct challenge to the values of the dominant culture, where wielding power over others is what makes you great. When we pray "your kingdom come" we are praying for an end to tyranny and oppression. We pray this gathered around the cross, a sign of great shame transformed to be the sign of great honor and service.

PRELUDE Come and See LeBlanc

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

We stand

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity,  $\pm$  one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy. **Amen.** 

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

God, our provider, help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.

Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, # the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life. **Amen.** 

### **GATHERING SONG**

There is a Redeemer

See Hymn Insert

### **GREETING**

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.

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Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way, Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.

For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the unity of all; for this holy house, for all who worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord

Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way, Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.

That we may live out your impassioned response to the hungry and the poor; that we may live out truth and justice and grace, let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord

## Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way, Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.

For peace in our hearts, for peace in our homes, for friends and family; for life and for love, for our work and our play, let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord

Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way, Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.

For your Spirit to guide; that you center our lives in the water and the Word; that you nourish our souls with your body and blood, let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord

Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way, Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.

**HYMN OF PRAISE** 

Glory to God Whose Goodness Shines

**See Hymn Insert** 

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Sovereign God, you turn your greatness into goodness for all the peoples on earth. Shape us into willing servants of your kingdom, and make us desire always and only your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.** 

We sit

#### **CHILDREN'S SERMON**

READING Hebrews 5:1-10

Using imagery from scripture and from Jewish worship practices, Jesus is presented as the great high priest who was obedient to God's saving plan. Through his suffering and death he has become the source of eternal salvation.

<sup>1</sup>Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. <sup>2</sup>He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness; <sup>3</sup>and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. <sup>4</sup>And one does not presume to take this honor, but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was. <sup>5</sup>So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, "You are my Son, today I have begotten you"; <sup>6</sup>as he says also in another place, "You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek." <sup>7</sup>In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. <sup>8</sup>Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; <sup>9</sup>and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, <sup>10</sup>having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

**PSALM** 

On Eagle's Wings (verse 1 & 4)

**See Hymn Insert** 

We stand GOSPEL

Mark 10:35-45

The holy gospel according to Mark. Glory to you, O Lord.

On the way to Jerusalem the disciples ask Jesus to grant them seats of honor. Jesus responds by announcing that he and his followers will "rule" through self-giving service.

<sup>35</sup>James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." <sup>36</sup>And he said to them, "What is it you want me to do for you?" <sup>37</sup>And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." <sup>38</sup>But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?" <sup>39</sup>They replied, "We are able." Then Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; <sup>40</sup>but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared." <sup>41</sup>When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. <sup>42</sup>So Jesus called them and said to them, "You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. <sup>43</sup>But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, <sup>44</sup>and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. <sup>45</sup>For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many."

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.** We sit

#### **SERMON**

We stand

**HYMN OF THE DAY** Will You Let Me Be Your Servant (verses 1, 2 & 5) **ELW 659** 

#### **CREED**

I believe in God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. I believe that God has created me and all that exists.

I believe that Christ died on a cross for my sin, conquered Death and was raised to new life on the third day. New life is mine because of Jesus' words and work.

I believe in the Holy Spirit in response to God's overwhelming love. I believe that the Holy Spirit is here among us and lives within each of us. The Spirit continues to call people by the Gospel and creates and builds the Church of Christ. Through the Holy Spirit, I have the power to stand in strength against all adversity.

I believe that Jesus Christ has gone to prepare a place for me and will come again to take each of us to be with Him. Amen.

#### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

### **PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

We sit

ANTHEM

*Ten Thousand Reasons (Bless the Lord)* 

Myrin/Redman/arr. Larson

### **OFFERING**

We stand

OFFERING HYMN

What Have We to Offer

**See Hymn Insert** 

#### OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.** 

#### LORD'S PRAYER

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

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those

who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial

and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,

and the glory are yours,

now and forever. Amen.

### **BLESSING**

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace. **Amen.** 

SENDING SONG

Jesu. Jesu Fill Us with Your Love

**ELW 708** 

#### **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### **POSTLUDE**

**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 to the glory of God by Sarah Mattern

**Bulletin Covers.** Today's Bulletin Covers are given to the glory of God in celebration of the wedding of Vicar Christine Vincent and Isaac Taylor on October 23<sup>rd</sup> given by Mt. Tabor friends.

# Worship Assistants

Lector Rachel Bundrick
Greeter Tammy O'Quinn

Nursery

Ushers Joe Jones, Paul Jacobs, Travis Spainhour

Worship Assistant Coordinator Paul Jacobs

# 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: Jennifer Brazell, Lynn Cain, Laurie Culpepper, Tommy Dawson IV, Garrett Haltiwanger, Elise Harmon, Michael Hash, Taylor Hash, Antonio Lyons, Emma Lyons, Meg Lyons, Pam Myers, Alison Post, Cheyenne Steele, Butch Swygert.

# **Most Recent Prayer Concerns:**

Elmer Sundlie, Will Wood, Tex Davis, Sheri Self, Rick Moorer, Gale McLeod.

# **Ongoing Prayer Concerns:**

Barbara Stilwell, Jeanie Jacobs, Linda Wessinger, Pastor Jerry & Janice Livingston, Boyd Steele, Elise Harmon, Lucky Jones, Jennifer Brazell, Mary Hamson, Ann Callison, Adele Rodgers, Lisa Long.

# Family & Loved Ones of Mt. Tabor:

Rick & Jennifer Richardson, Joann Roof, Christopher Rector, Joe & Barbara Murphy, Betty Steele, Bill Hunnicutt.

### Members of Mt. Tabor Serving in the Military:

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

### 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, Adam Mintz, David Mathews.

### The Family Of:

Sara Crapps, Dustin Chainey, Vivian Gaughan, Nancy Taylor Lee, Bobby Bragdon.

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.

### FOR HOME SELF-STUDY & REFLECTION

### **READING** Isaiah 53:4-12

This reading is from the last of four passages in Isaiah that are often called "servant songs." Christians are probably most familiar with this servant song. In light of Christian faith, the servant's healing ministry and redemptive suffering are understood to be fulfilled in the life and death of Christ.

<sup>4</sup>Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases; yet we accounted him stricken, struck down by God, and afflicted. <sup>5</sup>But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the punishment that made us whole, and by his bruises we are healed. <sup>6</sup>All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way, and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all. <sup>7</sup>He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth. <sup>8</sup>By a perversion of justice he was taken away. Who could have imagined his future? For he was cut off from the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people. <sup>9</sup>They made his grave with the wicked and his tomb with the rich, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth. <sup>10</sup>Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush him with pain. When you make his life an offering for sin, he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days; through him the will of the LORD shall prosper. <sup>11</sup>Out of his anguish he shall see light; he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge. The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities. <sup>12</sup>Therefore I will allot him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he poured out himself to death, and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

# **Worship Leaders**

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

### **Praise Band**

Gale McLeod, Co-Director Irelou Moye, Co-Director Beth Branham Leah Conrad Brett Ebener Clark Ebener Lindsey Ebener Erin Hall Vaughn Hall Jack Latham Ricky Lusk David Moye Ed Redmond Roxanne RIch Taylor Wilson