# Twenty Second Sunday After Pentecost November 9, 2025



# **OUR MISSION:**

To make disciples for Jesus Christ, to baptize and to teach the faith, that all may know the hope of Jesus Christ and become responsible members of His church.

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# INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

We worship on the first day of the week because Jesus was raised on that day. Every Sunday is a little Easter. This Sunday feels more like Easter than many as the appointed texts celebrate the reality of the resurrection. Live it up this Lord's day. Our God is the God of the living.

# **ALTAR FLOWER SPONSORSHIP**

The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God and in honor of granddaughter Mira's 6<sup>th</sup> birthday by Bob & Trish Graves.

# PRELUDE MUSIC

# **WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Welcome to all who are visiting today. Please complete a purple visitor's card which can be found on the clipboard in the pew chair in front of you, and place in the offering plate. May your hopes be restored, spirits lifted and your enthusiasm renewed when you visit here.

# WELCOME SONG ACS 918

### Now Is the Time of Grace



Text: Marty Haugen, b. 1950, based on 2 Corinthians 6:2 and Isaiah 58:6-9

Music: TIME OF GRACE, Marty Haugen Text and music © 2009 Augsburg Fortress

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# **GATHERING**

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

P Please rise.

# **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

- P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.
- C Amen.
- P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

  Silence is kept for reflection.
- P Faithful God,
- C you have shown us the ways of your heart, yet we stray from your paths.
  We are stuck in sinful systems of oppression and do not embrace the freedom of your faithful promises.
  We ignore our neighbors.
  We exploit the earth.
  We reject your abundance, trusting our impulses instead of your steadfast love. Repair our relationships, restore what we have broken, renew our hearts, and bring us to new life.
  Amen.
- P Hear the good news:
  God the Faithful One loves you,
  in Christ Jesus your sins are forgiven,
  and by the power of the Holy Spirit you are set free.
- C Amen.

# **GATHERING SONG**

### **ELW 423**

### Shall We Gather at the River



- 1 Shall we gath er at the riv er, where bright an gel feet have trod,
- 2 On the mar gin of the riv er, wash ing up its sil ver spray,
- 3 Ere we reach the shin-ing riv er, lay we ev 'ry bur den down;
- 4 Soon we'll reach the shin-ing riv er, soon our pil-grim-age will cease;



with its crys-tal tide for-ev-er flow-ing by the throne of God? we will walk and wor-ship ev-er, all the hap-py gold-en day. grace our spir-its will de-liv-er, and pro-vide a robe and crown. soon our hap-py hearts will quiv-er with the mel-o-dy of peace.



Yes, we'll gath-er at the riv-er, the beau-ti-ful, the beau-ti-ful riv-er;



gath-er with the saints at the riv - er that flows by the throne of God.

Text: Robert Lowry, 1826–1899 Music: HANSON PLACE, Robert Lowry

# **GREETING**

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

# PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P Let us pray.
- O God, our eternal redeemer, by the presence of your Spirit you renew and direct our hearts. Keep always in our mind the end of all things and the day of judgment. Inspire us for a holy life here, and bring us to the joy of the resurrection, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.
- P Please be seated.

# **WORD**

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

### First Reading: Job 19:23-27a

Job suffers the loss of children, wealth, and health. Accused by his companions of wrongdoing, he knows himself to be innocent. Here, in the midst of his suffering, Job clings to the radical hope that his vindicator, his redeemer, lives; and that one day he himself will see God.

- O that my words were written down!
  O that they were inscribed in a book!
- <sup>24</sup>O that with an iron pen and with lead they were engraved on a rock forever!
- <sup>25</sup> For I know that my vindicator lives and that in the end he will stand upon the earth;
- <sup>26</sup> and after my skin has been destroyed, then in my flesh I shall see God,
- <sup>27a</sup> whom I shall see on my side, and my eyes shall behold, and not another."
- L The Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

# **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

### Psalm 17:1-9

- L Hear a just cause, O LORD; give heed to my cry; listen to my prayer, which does not come from lying lips.
- C <sup>2</sup> Let my vindication come forth from your presence; let your eyes be fixed on justice.
- L <sup>3</sup> Examine my heart, visit me by night, melt me down; you will find no impurity in me.
- C <sup>4</sup> I have not regarded what others do; at the word of your lips I have avoided the ways of the violent.
- L <sup>5</sup> My footsteps hold fast to your well-worn path; and my feet do not slip.
- C <sup>6</sup>I call upon you, O God, for you will answer me; incline your ear to me and hear my words.
- L <sup>7</sup> Show me your marvelous lovingkindness, O Savior of those who take refuge at your right hand from those who rise against them.
- C <sup>8</sup> Keep me as the apple of your eye; hide me under the shadow of your wings,
- L <sup>9</sup> from the wicked who assault me, from my deadly enemies who surround me.
- P Please rise.

# **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



### **GOSPEL: Luke 20:27-38**

- P The holy gospel according to Luke, the twentieth chapter.
- C Glory to you, O Lord.

Some Sadducees, who do not believe in the resurrection of the dead, try to trap Jesus. They formulate the convoluted case of a serial widow who marries a succession of seven brothers. Jesus responds by teaching about God to whom all are alive and in whom all relationships are fulfilled.

- <sup>27</sup> Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to [Jesus] <sup>28</sup> and asked him a question: "Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. <sup>29</sup> Now there were seven brothers; the first married a woman and died childless; <sup>30</sup> then the second <sup>31</sup> and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. <sup>32</sup> Finally the woman also died. <sup>33</sup> In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her."
- <sup>34</sup> Jesus said to them, "Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage, <sup>35</sup> but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. <sup>36</sup> Indeed, they cannot die anymore, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. <sup>37</sup> And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. <sup>38</sup> Now he is God not of the dead but of the living, for to him all of them are alive."
- P The gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to you, O Christ.
- P Please be seated.

# **SERMON**

The Reverend Karen Nelson, Pastor

P Please rise.

# SERMON HYMN ELW 639

### When We Are Living Pues si vivimos



- 2 En la tristezayen el dolor, en la belleza y en el amor, sea que suframos o que gocemos, somos del Señor, somos del Señor.
- 3 En este mundo por doquier habrá gente que lloray sin consolar. Sea queayudemos oalimentemos, somos del Señor, somos del Señor.

Text: st. 1, based on Romans 14:8; tr. Elise S. Eslinger, b. 1942 st. 2-3, Roberto Escamilla, b. 1931; tr. George Lockwood, b. 1946

Music: SOMOS DEL SEÑOR, Spanish traditional

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# **APOSTLES' CREED**

- P Let us confess our faith with the words of the Apostles' Creed.
- $\mathbf{C}$ 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,

Amen.

and the life everlasting.

P Please sit or kneel.

# PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

L Let us pray.

Gathered with one voice, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

- L God our Redeemer, bless your church universal and its leaders. Set all hearts on you from generation to generation in anticipation of Christ's return. Hear us, O God.
- C Your mercy is great.
- L God of life, we give thanks for the fruits and grains of harvest, for rivers and streams, for all that is made of rock and iron. Renew the earth's natural resources and the lands from which they come. Hear us, O God.
- C Your mercy is great.
- L God of justice, we give thanks for the service of our veterans and pray for those needing support for wounds of any kind. Strengthen those charged with the governance and protection of vulnerable populations. Bring an end to war throughout the world. Hear us, O God.
- C Your mercy is great.
- L God who leads us to belief and truth, we give thanks that you are always and already here. Nurture and support those who are unsteady in mind, unsafe in spirit, or unwell in body. Comfort those who suffer from trauma and exposure to traumatic events.

We especially pray for those who are unable to be with us today: Sandy, Dot, Nancy, Diane & Joan.

For those in need of God's healing love and strength: Susan, Georgia, John, Tom, Karen, Joan, Peggy, Marita, Anna, Tilly, Heather, Melodie, Margie, Ray, Frank, Charles, Steve, Rick, Mike, Christine, Lucas, Leslie, Jim, Carol, Bob & Melissa

For those in need of God's guidance, protection and strength: Mark

In gratitude for God's abundance.

For those who are grieving the loss of a loved one:

For the family of Brunhilde Evenson.

For the Viss family upon the death of Norman's mother Charlotte.

For those who serve and protect our nation: Jordan, Brian, Craig & Eve.

And for those who we hold in our hearts, and those whose needs are known only to you God.

Hear us, O God.

### C Your mercy is great.

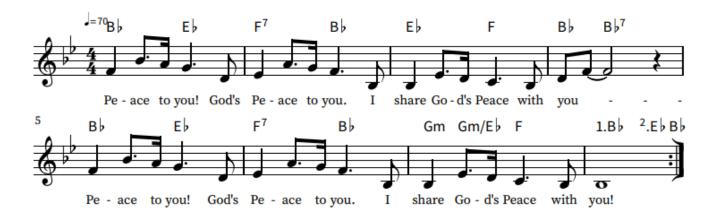
- L God who gathers us together, we give thanks for our pastors and deacons, teachers and musicians, administrators, and building caretakers. May they find joy in leadership as we grow in faith together. Hear us, O God.
- C Your mercy is great.
- L We offer these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your grace and unyielding love; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C Amen.

# SHARING OF THE PEACE

- P Please rise.
- P The peace of Christ be with you always.
- C And also with you.

While we sing, you may turn to those sitting closest to you to offer, and receive, the peace and reconciliation which is possible only through Christ.

### Peace



**P** Please be seated.

# **OFFERTORY MEDITATION MUSIC**

# **OFFERING**

God has blessed us in so many ways. We offer our gifts as a demonstration of our gratitude. And we pray God will use these resources to help us address the needs of our neighbors.

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P Please rise.

# **OFFERING PRAYER**

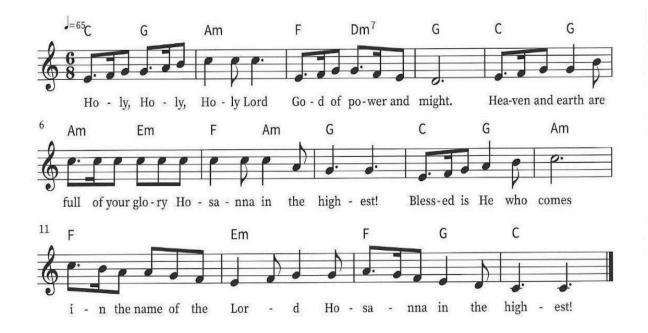
P God of healing and hope,
you bless those who are hungry,
promising to fill them with good things.
Fulfill that promise through us and these your gifts.
Nourish us with the abundance of your feast
and unite us into the blessed body of Jesus Christ our Savior,
now and forever.

C Amen.

# **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

- 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.
- P 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 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:

# **SANCTUS**



# THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

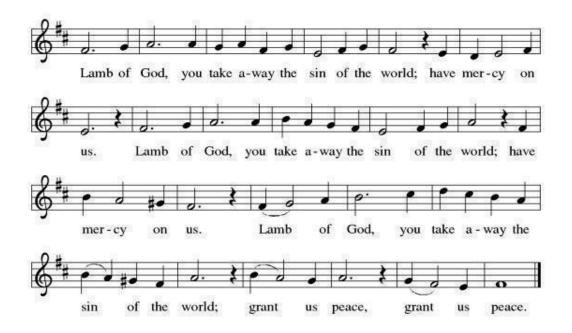
P In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

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

- P Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.
- C 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.
- P Please be seated until the invitation.

# LAMB OF GOD



# COMMUNION

- P The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.
- C Amen.

To receive Holy Communion please come by the center aisle to the pastor to receive the bread (wafer) and then proceed to the communion assistant for intinction (dipping your wafer in the wine) and then eat, then return to your seat by the side aisle.

Non alcoholic wine is used at all services.

A gluten free wafer is available, simply tell the Pastor when you approach.

If you are not communing and desire a personal blessing please come to Pastor with your hands at your sides.

P Please rise.

# **COMMUNION BLESSING**

- P May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you forever in his grace.
- C Amen.

# PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

- P God of field and flower, wheat and grape, you have nourished us with the bread of heaven that gives life to the world.

  Strengthened by the body and blood of your Son, send us out to gather your good gifts for all who hunger and thirst, and embolden us to love and serve in Christ's name.
- C Amen.

## **SENDING**

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

# **BLESSING**

- P The Lord bless you and keep you.

  The Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

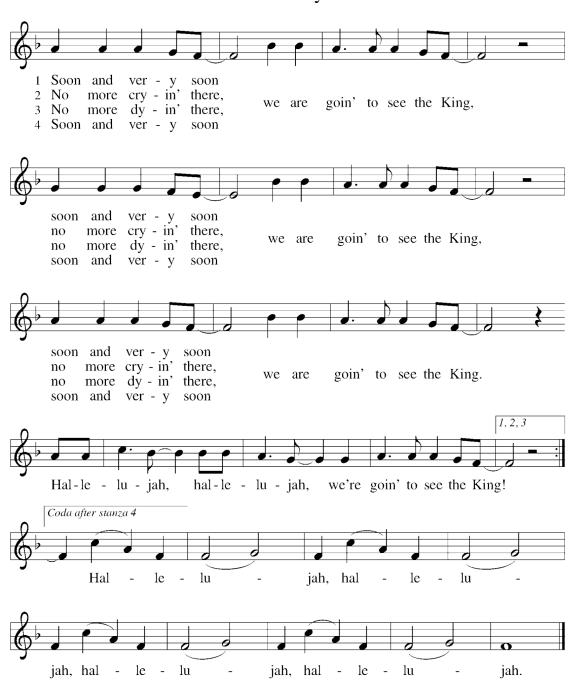
  The Lord look upon you with his favor, and give you his peace.

  In the name of the Father, 

  and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

# SENDING SONG ELW 439

# Soon and Very Soon



Text: Andraé Crouch, b. 1945

Music: VERY SOON, Andraé Crouch

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# **DISMISSAL**

- P Go in peace. Do not lose heart.
- C Thanks be to God.

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### This week at Trinity

**Tuesday November 11:** Global Refuge's "Hope for the Holidays" project at 10 am. Join us to make Christmas cards to send to Global Refuge for distribution. Contact Anne Meibohm at armeibohm@gmail.com or Judy Flanigan at <a href="mailto:jhflanigan1@gmail.com">jhflanigan1@gmail.com</a>.

**Tuesday November 11:** Peanut Butter and Jelly Sandwich making at 12 noon. Bring a loaf of bread; peanut butter and jelly are provided. The sandwiches are given to the Missionary Sisters of Norristown for distribution at their soup kitchen and to the homeless community in Philadelphia. Contact Linda Stone at 610-246-2853 or <a href="LGStone74@gmail.com">LGStone74@gmail.com</a>.

**Thursday November 13:** TAG cards and games group meets at 1 pm. Join us to play favorite games and learn some new ones. Contact Jan Contino at <a href="myoreocat@gmail.com">myoreocat@gmail.com</a>.

### **Looking Ahead**

**Saturday November 15:** American Dance Wheels Encore Performance at 4PM in the parish hall. Ushers needed to greet and direct people to seats. Contact Pastor Karen if you can help out.

**Deadline November 23:** The Daily Bread food pantry is again collecting frozen turkeys and grocery gift cards for families in need for Thanksgiving. Drop these off at the Food Drive.

**Friday December 5:** Interactive Nativity 5-7 pm. Pet live animals, talk to angels and shepherds, pose for pictures in the stable, hot cocoa, cookies and children's craft. FREE

**Deadline December 7:** The stuffed animal collection for Gemma Services continues! Bring your stuffed animal during November and drop it off in the lobby.

**Deadline December 14:** Trinity church members and TCNSK parents can buy gifts for children supported by KenCrest Services by participating in our Angel Tree project. Angel Tree tags will be on a tree in the narthex listing a gift from one of the children's wish lists. After taking a numbered tag, please sign your name next to the number on the chart to indicate that you have taken that tag. Return the UNWRAPPED gift in a bag with the tag attached during the Food Drive.



Serving Today 11/9	
Lector	Becky Shadle
Greeter	Nancy Klein
Communion Assistants	Ann Dungan & Paul Myers
Ushers	Jeff Shadle & Lynn Chialastri
Coffee Hour	Lynn Chialastri & Anne Meibohm
Building Opener	Ann Dungan
Altar Guild	Chris Cole
Counting Team	Jeff & Becky Shadle, Sharon Wilson
Serving Sunday 11/16	
Lector	Anne Waskiewicz
Greeter	Jennifer DePaulis
Communion Assistants	Alma Nowmos & Lynn Chialastri
Ushers	Dan & Drina Ditzler
Coffee Hour	Ann Dungan & Kristin Stoeber
Building Opener	Bob Graves
Altar Guild	Priscilla Myers
Counting Team	Jeff & Becky Shadle, Sharon Wilson

