

## Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost



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*(Please stand as you are able)*

**C Amen.**

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

**C** we confess to you all our sins. Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves. In your mercy, call us back to you. Your yoke is easy and your burden is light. Restore us to dwell in your peace. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.

**C Amen.**

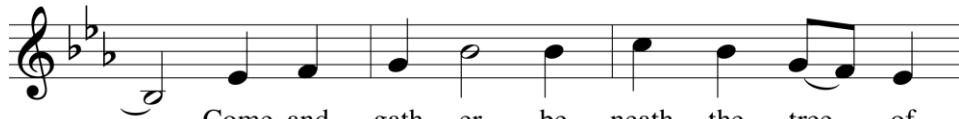
# GATHERING HYMN

## Beneath the Tree of Life (*verse 1 only*)

### Refrain



Come and gath - er be - neath the tree of life.



Come and gath - er be - neath the tree of



life— root of wis - dom, branch of peace, fruit of



heal - ing and re - lease. Come and



gath - er be - neath the tree of life.



1. Here we raise the sav - ing cross of  
2. Flow - ing from this tree of grace and  
3. Come and drink the wa - ters of sal -  
4. Here be - neath the branch - es of your  
5. Root - ed in the rich earth of your



Je - sus, sing - ing praise to him who  
pas - sion, Oh how sweet the taste, how  
va - tion, come and die to sin, rise  
mer - cy, we in - voke your name, re -  
Gos - pel, may we bear the fruits your



leads us on from death in - to new life.  
deep and rich the well - spring of your love.  
up to life with - in the reign of God.  
mem - ber how your love has set us free.  
Word has plant - ed deep with - in our hearts.

## GREETING

**A** 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.

## KYRIE

**A** In peace, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.

Lord, have mer - cy, mer - cy on us all. **A** 1. For the  
**A** 2. For your

reign of God, and for peace through - out the  
peo - ple here who have come to give you

world, for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the  
thanks, for the strength to live your word, let us pray to the

Lord:  
Lord: **C** Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.

**A** Help, save, and de -

Lord, have mer - cy, mer - cy on us all.

fend us, O God: **C** A - men.

# HYMN OF PRAISE



## Refrain



**C** Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the



high - est, and peace to God's peo - ple,



peace to God's peo - ple, peace to God's peo - ple on



*To Verses 1 and 2*  
earth.

*To Verse 3*  
earth.

*Final ending*  
earth.

## Verse 1



**I** Lord God, heav-en - ly King, al - might - y God and



Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we



praise you for your glo - ry.

*To Refrain*

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

A God of all peoples,

**C your arms reach out to embrace all those who call upon you. Teach us as disciples of your Son to love the world with compassion and constancy, that your name may be known throughout the earth, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. (Please be seated)**

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### FIRST READING Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32

A A reading from Romans

[Paul writes:] 1 I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. 2a God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew.

29 For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. 30 Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, 31 so also they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they also may now receive mercy. 32 For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

A Word of God, Word of Life

**C Thanks be to God.**

*(Please stand as you are able)*

### THE GOSPEL Matthew 15:10-20

P The Holy Gospel according to Matthew

**C Glory to you, O Lord.**

[10 [Jesus] called the crowd to him and said to them, "Listen and understand: 11 it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but it is what comes out of the mouth that defiles." 12 Then the disciples approached and said to him, "Do you know that the Pharisees took offense when they heard what you said?" 13 He answered, "Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted. 14 Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind. And if one blind person guides another, both will fall into a pit." 15 But Peter said to him, "Explain this parable to us." 16 Then he said, "Are you also still without understanding? 17 Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth enters the stomach and goes out into the sewer? 18 But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this is what defiles. 19 For out of the heart come evil intentions, murder, adultery, sexual immorality, theft, false witness, slander. 20 These are what defile a person, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile."]

P The Gospel of the Lord.

**C Praise to you, O Christ.**

(Please stand as you are able)

HYMN OF RESPONSE

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

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1 Great is thy faith - ful-ness, O God my Fa - ther; there is no  
2 Sum-mer and win - ter and spring-time and har-vest, sun, moon, and  
3 Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth, thine own dear



shad-ow of turn-ing with thee; thou chang-est not, thy com -  
stars in their cours-es a - bove join with all na - ture in  
pres-ence to cheer and to guide; strength for to - day and bright



pas-sions they fail not; as thou hast been, thou for - ev - er wilt be.  
man - i - fold wit-ness to thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.  
hope for to - mor-row, bless-ings all mine, with ten thou-sand be - side!

*Refrain*



Great is thy faith-ful-ness! Great is thy faith-ful-ness! Morn-ing by



morn-ing new mer - cies I see; all I have need - ed thy



hand hath pro - vid - ed; great is thy faith-ful-ness, Lord, un - to me.

Text: Thomas O. Chisholm, 1866–1960

Music: FAITHFULNESS, William M. Runyan, 1870–1957

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## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

(After each petition concludes with “*Merciful God*”, the congregation responds, “*receive our prayer*”.)

## **AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM / RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS**

P Dear friends, we give thanks for the gift of baptism and for these people, one with us in the body of Christ, who desire to join the membership of Lutheran Church of the Resurrection by making this public affirmation of their baptism.

P Let us pray.

Merciful God, we thank you for these sisters and brothers, whom you have made your own by water and the Word in baptism. You have called them to yourself, enlightened them with the gifts of your spirit, and nourished them in the community of faith. Uphold your servants in the gifts and promises of baptism and unite the hearts of all whom you have brought to new birth. We ask this in the name of Christ.

**C Amen**

## **PROFESSION OF FAITH**

P I ask you to profess your faith in Jesus Christ, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

P Do you believe in God the Father, in Jesus Christ, the Son of God and in God the Holy Spirit as we confessed in the Apostle’s Creed?

**NM Yes, by the help of God**

P You have made public profession of your faith. Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in holy baptism and to partner with this church to experience God in life together? And do you commit to worship, connect, care, grow, serve, and give as you serve God’s mission?

**NM I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.**

P People of God, do you promise to support these sisters and brothers and pray for them in their life in Christ?

**C We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.**

P My friends, your heavenly father blesses you to support God’s mission. May you feel fulfilled by following Jesus boldly. And may the Spirit empower you to make a difference in the world through your moves, in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

**Let us celebrate together and welcome our new members (applause)**

## PEACE

A The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C And also with you.**

A I invite you to share the Peace of Christ with one another.

## GIFTS OF OFFERING

(See inside cover for QR code to give electronically)

## OFFERTORY PRAYER

P Loving God,

**C we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts. Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love, so that all creation can taste your abundance. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever. Amen.**

## THE 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 and good that we should everywhere and always offer thanks and praise to you, Holy God, mighty and immortal, through Christ, our Lord.

P You bid us return to you and be renewed, that your justice may shine like the sun and the poor of the earth be lifted up. And so with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn.



# CONGREGATIONAL SONG

## Holy, Holy, Holy



**C** Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord,



God of pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your



high - est. Bless - ed is he, bless - ed is he who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho -



san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

P On 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 to 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.

Remembering, therefore, his welcome to outcasts and his eating with sinners, his own hunger and thirst, his death and resurrection, we proclaim the mystery of our faith until he comes again to share the feast that has no end.



☒ Christ has died. Christ is ris - en.



P Compassionate God, through the gifts of bread and wine our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love. Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal, may share your love freely, as you have shared with us. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever.

C **Amen.**

P Lord, remember us in your Kingdom and teach us to pray:

## LORD'S PRAYER

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.**

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P Heaven has come near. Come, share in the feast!

1 Let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees;  
2 Let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees;  
3 Let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees;

let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees.  
let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees.  
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*Refrain*

When I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris - ing

sun, O Lord, have mer - cy on me.

Text: African American spiritual  
Music: BREAK BREAD TOGETHER, African American spiritual



1 Lord, en - throned in heav'n - ly splen - dor, first - be -  
 2 Though the low - liest form now veil you as of  
 3 Pas - chal Lamb, your of - f'ring, fin - ished once for  
 4 Life - im - part - ing heav'n - ly man - na, strick - en



got - ten from the dead, you a - lone, our strong de -  
 old in Beth - le - hem, here as there your an - gels  
 all when you were slain, in its full - ness un - di -  
 rock with stream - ing side, heav'n and earth with loud ho -



fend - er, lift - ing up your peo - ple's head. Al - le -  
 hail you, branch and flow'r of Jes - se's stem. Al - le -  
 min - ished shall for - ev - er - more re - main, Al - le -  
 san - na wor - ship you, the Lamb who died, Al - le -



lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Je - sus, true and  
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! We in wor - ship  
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! cleans - ing souls from  
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! ris'n, as - cend - ed,



liv - ing bread! Je - sus, true and liv - ing bread!  
 join with them; we in wor - ship join with them.  
 ev - 'ry stain; cleans - ing souls from ev - 'ry stain.  
 glo - ri - fied; ris'n, as - cend - ed, glo - ri - fied!

Text: George H. Bourne, 1840–1925

Music: BRYN CALFARIA, William Owen, 1814–1893

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you always in his grace.

C **Amen.**

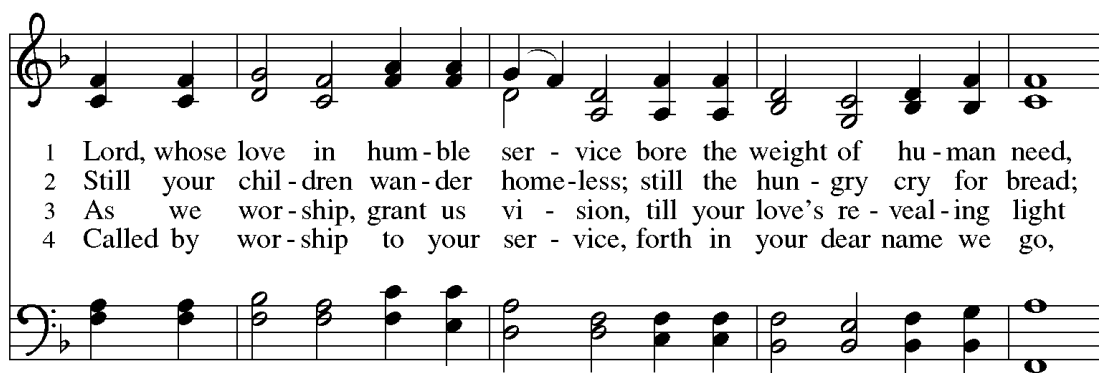
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C **Through the gifts of bread and wine our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love. Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal, may share your love freely, as you have shared with us. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever., Amen.**

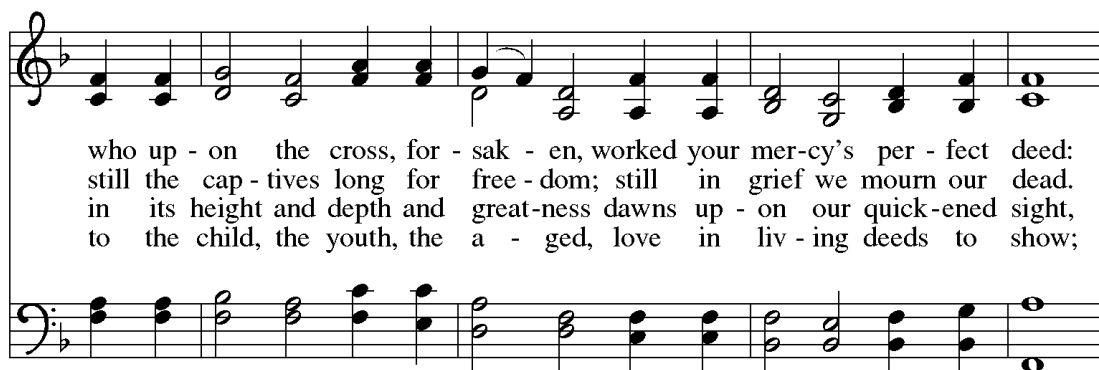
P Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, ✠ one God, bless, heal, and hold you today and always.

C **Amen.**

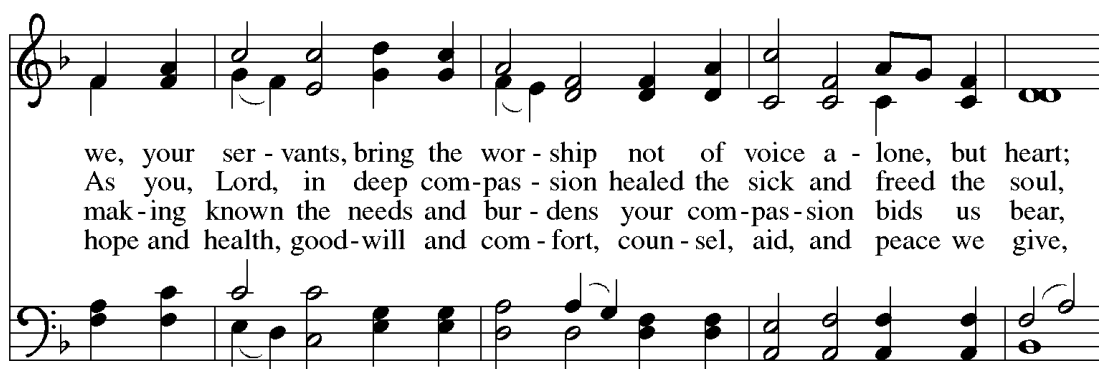




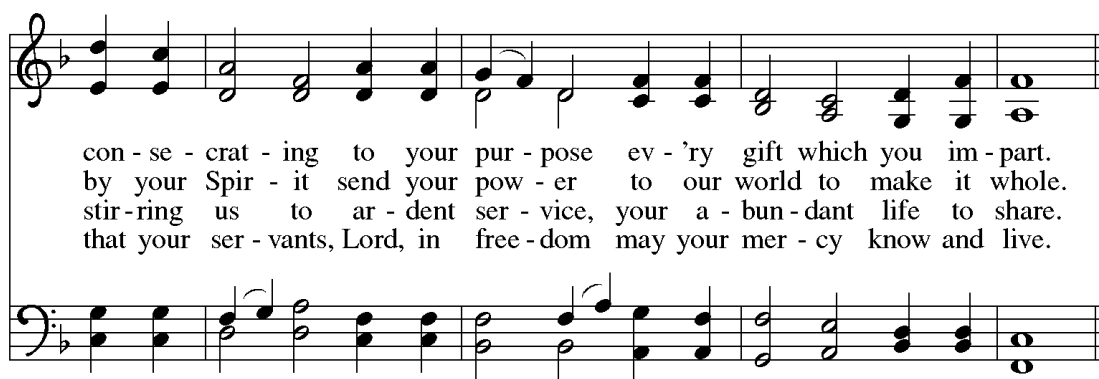
1 Lord, whose love in hum-ble ser - vice bore the weight of hu - man need,  
 2 Still your chil - dren wan - der home-less; still the hun - gry cry for bread;  
 3 As we wor - ship, grant us vi - sion, till your love's re - veal - ing light  
 4 Called by wor - ship to your ser - vice, forth in your dear name we go,



who up - on the cross, for - sak - en, worked your mer - cy's per - fect deed:  
 still the cap - tives long for free - dom; still in grief we mourn our dead.  
 in its height and depth and great-ness dawns up - on our quick-ened sight,  
 to the child, the youth, the a - ged, love in liv - ing deeds to show;



we, your ser - vants, bring the wor - ship not of voice a - lone, but heart;  
 As you, Lord, in deep com - pas - sion healed the sick and freed the soul,  
 mak - ing known the needs and bur - dens your com - pas - sion bids us bear,  
 hope and health, good-will and com - fort, coun - sel, aid, and peace we give,



con - se - crat - ing to your pur - pose ev - 'ry gift which you im - part.  
 by your Spir - it send your pow - er to our world to make it whole.  
 stir - ring us to ar - dent ser - vice, your a - bun - dant life to share.  
 that your ser - vants, Lord, in free - dom may your mer - cy know and live.

Text: Albert F. Bayly, 1901–1984

Music: BEACH SPRING, *The Sacred Harp*, Philadelphia, 1844; arr. *Selected Hymns*, 1985

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A Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news!  
 C Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

## POSTLUDE

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### WORSHIP ASSISTANTS:

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Kim Marness

**Corner:** Jill Lewis

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Jacob Gamble

**Altar Guild:** Josie Freiberg

**Altar Flowers:** Ilza Hartridge

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### HELPING HANDS FOR AUGUST

During the month of August, Helping Hands will be collecting adult puzzles for St. Vincent de Paul. These should be new puzzles, or like-new if you are absolutely, positively know that all the pieces are there! In addition to adult jigsaw puzzles, we will also collect puzzle books – such as word search, sudoku, crosswords etc.



## **UPCOMING COMMEMORATIONS**

**Bernard, Abbot of Clairvaux, died 1153**

**Thursday, August 20, 2026**

Bernard, a Cistercian monk, was a man of great spirituality who wrote mystical works and criticized those whom he thought took an overly intellectual approach to the faith. He became an abbot and wrote several hymns that are still beloved today.