

So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone.

Mark 7:30

# Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 9, 2018 10:30 A.M.

James tells us to stop showing favoritism in the assembly, treating the rich visitor with more honor than the poor one. Jesus himself seems to show partiality in his first response to the Syrophoenician woman in today's gospel. Was he testing her faith in saying Gentiles don't deserve the goods meant for God's children? Or was he speaking out of his human worldview, but transcended those limits when she took him by surprise with her reply? Either way, the story tells us that God shows no partiality. Everyone who brings her or his need to Jesus is received with equal honor as a child and heir. in the word when we were born in the font, return to it every Sunday to ask God to create in us clean hearts.

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### **HOLY COMMUNION**

Evangelical Lutheran Worship (ELW) Setting Nine

# + GATHERING +

ACCLAMATION William Stevens

Alleluia. Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Alleluia.

**OPENING VOLUNTARY** Fantasia in G Minor, BWV 542i Johann Sebastian Bach

We stand.

### RINGING OF THE BELL

### **ACCLAMATION**

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

#### Amen.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

#### Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves.

We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God,
Jesus Christ was given to die for us,
and for his sake God forgives us all our sins.
As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ,
and by his authority,
I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins,
in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

#### Amen.

The assembly turns to face the cross as it enters the sanctuary, following the cross as we have followed Jesus into this holy place and time of corporate worship.

### **GATHERING HYMN** 731 Earth and All Stars

EARTH AND ALL STARS

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**



### **GLORIA**



### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

After the prayer the assembly responds: Amen.

We sit.

### WELCOME

# + WORD+

### FIRST READING Isaiah 35:4-7a

Say to those who are of a fearful heart, "Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God. He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense. He will come and save you." then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water.

The word of the Lord. The assembly responds: Thanks be to God.

### **PSALM** 146



<sup>1</sup>Hal- | lelujah!

Praise the LORD, O my soul!

<sup>2</sup>I will praise the LORD as long | as I live;

I will sing praises to my God while I | have my being.

<sup>3</sup>Put not your | trust in rulers,

in mortals in whom there | is no help.

<sup>4</sup>When they breathe their last, they re- <sup>1</sup> turn to earth, and in that day <sup>1</sup> their thoughts perish.

<sup>5</sup>Happy are they who have the God of Jacob | for their help, whose hope is in the | LORD their God;

<sup>6</sup>who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that <sup>|</sup> is in them; who keeps promis- <sup>|</sup> es forever;

<sup>7</sup>who gives justice to those who are oppressed, and food to <sup>1</sup> those who hunger. The LORD sets the <sup>1</sup> captive free.

<sup>8</sup>The LORD opens the eyes of the blind; the LORD lifts up those who <sup>1</sup> are bowed down;

the LORD | loves the righteous.

The LORD cares | for the stranger;

the LORD sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way of the wicked.

<sup>10</sup>The LORD shall | reign forever,

your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Hallelujah!

## **SECOND READING** James 2:1-10 [11-13] 14-17

My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favoritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, "Have a seat here, please," while to the one who is poor you say, "Stand there," or, "Sit at my feet," have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? But you have dishonored the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you? You do well if you really fulfill the royal law according to the scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. [For the one who said, "You shall not commit adultery," also said, "You shall not murder." Now if you do not commit adultery but if you murder, you have become a transgressor of the law. So speak and so act as those who are to be judged by the law of liberty. For judgment will be without mercy to anyone who has shown no mercy; mercy triumphs over judgment.] What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, and one of you says to them, "Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill," and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

The word of the Lord. *The assembly responds:* **Thanks be to God.** 

We stand.

# GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of e-ter-nal life.

### GOSPEL Mark 7:24-37

The holy gospel according to Saint Mark.



[Jesus] set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophoenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. He said to her, "Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." But she answered him, "Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs." Then he said to her, "For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter." So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone. Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. They were astounded beyond measure, saying, "He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak."

The Gospel of the Lord.



We sit.

### CHILDREN'S SERMON

Pastor Wollner

**SERMON** 

Vicar Norris

We stand.

**HYMN OF THE DAY** 798 Will You Come and Follow Me

KELVINGGROVE

### **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

Freed by God in Christ to live and love and serve, we pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's beloved creation.

Each portion of the prayers conclude:

Lord, in your mercy,

## hear our prayer.

Into your wide embrace, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your boundless mercy through Jesus Christ, our Redeemer.

Amen.

### **PEACE**

The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ.

The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say Peace be with you or similar words.

We sit.

# + MEAL+

### **OFFERING**

## **OFFERTORY ANTHEM** Greater Love Hath No Man

John Ireland

Many waters cannot quench love, Neither can the floods drown it.

Love is strong as death.

Greater love hath no man than this, That a man lay down his life for his friends.

Who His own Self bare our sins in His own Body on the tree,

That we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness.

Ye are washed, ye are sanctified, ye are justified,

In the name of the Lord Jesus;

Ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation,

That ye should shew forth the praises of Him Who hath called you,

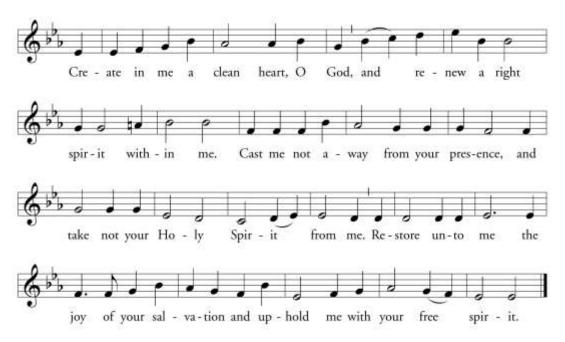
Out of darkness into his marvelous light.

I beseech you, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies,

A living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, Which is your reasonable service.

We stand.

### **OFFERTORY HYMN**



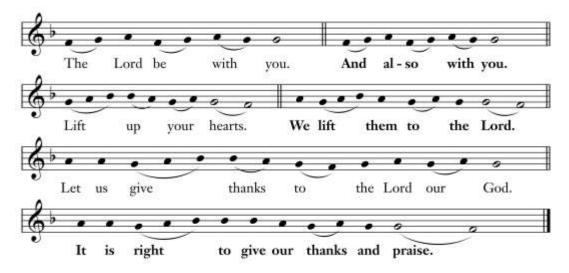
# Let us pray.

Holy God, gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation.

Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

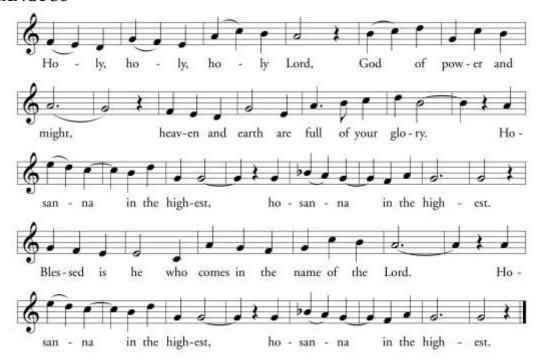
Amen.

### **GREAT THANKSGIVING**



It is indeed right, our duty and our joy . . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

### **SANCTUS**



### **EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

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.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever.

Amen.

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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.

The presiding minister lifts the bread and cup and says

When we eat this bread, we share the body of Christ. When we drink this cup, we share the blood of Christ.

The assembly responds

Reveal yourself to us, O Lord, in the breaking of bread, as once you revealed yourself to your disciples.

### **AGNUS DEI**



We sit.

### **COMMUNION**

Today we will be communing by intinction. Receive the bread and dip it in the wine. Gluten-free wafers are available on the organ side of the church. Visitors and children are welcome to receive communion. All who do not receive communion are welcomed forward to receive a blessing.

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

and each person may respond Amen.

### MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

**HYMN** 510 Word of God, Come Down on Earth **HYMN** 617 We Come to You for Healing, Lord

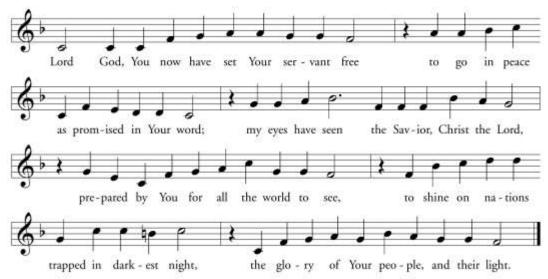
LIEBSTER JESU, WIR SIND HIER
MARTYRDOM

We stand.

### TABLE BLESSING

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

# POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE

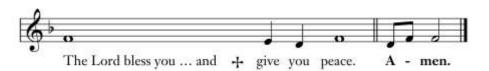


Let us pray.

O God, we give you thanks that you have set before us this feast, the body and blood of your Son. By your Spirit strengthen us to serve all in need and to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

# + SENDING +

### **BLESSING**



### **SENDING HYMN** 576 We All Are One in Mission

KUORTANE

The assembly faces the cross as it leaves the sanctuary, following the cross as we follow Jesus into the world. All remain facing the cross for the dismissal.

### **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Serve the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

**CLOSING VOLUNTARY** Fanfare

Jacques Lemmens

# Soli Deo Gloria

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8:30 TBD

11:00 Lucas Bradley and Zeke Bradley

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8:30 TBD

11:00 Travis Pipes

Lay Readers

8:30 Arthur Kainz

11:00 TBD

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8:30 Jan Barbee and Kent Reichert

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Nursery

8:30 Susan Peatross

SS Mary Lou Leonard

11:00 TBD

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8:30 Chris Almerini, Rick Brandt,

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Visitors Welcoming Table & Greeters

8:30 Elisa Fernbach

11:00 Claire Ohanessian

Sunday Morning Fellowship

Jill Fowler

Oblation Bearers

8:30 The Cuka Family

11:00 Keith and Ruth Kooken

Assisting Ministers

8:30 John Collins

11:00 TBD

Preaching & Presiding

Pastor Wollner

# **Announcements**

**WELCOME** all who enter the Lord's house this day! We invite you to fill out the Friendship Register found on each pew. If you are visiting Augsburg, please stop by the Visitor Welcoming Table after today's service to pick up a welcome package. The visitor's table is located at the bottom of the ramp leading to the lobby.

The altar flowers today are given to the glory of God in honor and celebration of the 65<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary of Jay and Barbara Wise on September 13 by their children and extended families.

Flowers on the Altar. Thank you to everyone who contributes the beautiful altar flowers every week. If you are interested in giving flowers as a memorial or in honor of a loved one, call the church office for more information. Available dates are October 14; November 25; December 16, and 30.

Caroline Schneider and Adil Djamalov were married at Reynolda Gardens on August 4, 2018. Caroline is the daughter of Anna Rubino and Dick Schneider, and sister of Elena, and Laurian Schneider Lane. His parents are Dr. Shatha Al-Musawi and Dr. Ramiz Djamalov. We pray God's blessing upon them as they begin their life together.

**Shannon Michelle Crawford and Steven Michael Franklin** were married before the altar at Augsburg, on September 2, 2018. Shannon is the daughter of Angie Linville. We pray God's blessing upon them as they begin their life together.

**Our Homebound Member** is Ruth Helton, 3314 Bermuda Village, Advance, NC 27006. Please send Ruth a note.

**Monday Night Book Study:** Please join us on Monday nights from September 10 through November 12 from 7:00 – 8:00 P.M. as we review and discuss the book *Learning to Walk in the Dark* by Barbara Brown Taylor. We will meet in the Lounge on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor. For questions or more information, please contact Pastor Lori Carter at the church office (336-722-8144) or at lcarter5158@gmail.com.

**Mary's Ministries** will meet on Tuesday, September 11 at 10:30 A.M. in the Lounge. The hostess will be Ruth Kinley. Devotions will be offered by Nell Rose. The program will be presented by Joyce Holton.

Wingz will meet Tuesday, September 11 at 7:00 P.M. at Ronni's Restaurant in Clemmons. Join us for a fun-filled evening of conversation and finger food at its finest! It is a great way to meet other Augsburg members in an informal setting, The Wingz Guyz meet the second Tuesday of each month at Ronni's. Don't be late – the pizzas and wings are delivered promptly to our tables at 7:00 sharp! Bring yourselves, your appetite, a few bucks to cover the meal and a friend if you wish. Humor is always welcome.

The Third Annual Salem Bach Festival will again be coming to Augsburg this year in the form of Vespers on Saturday, September 15, at 7:30 P.M. Join us for a festive service of Vespers led by Augsburg choir members and Bach Festival singers and instrumentalists. Music by Bach, Buxtehude, and Mendelssohn will serve as the core of the service. The Festival also offers concerts and services on Thursday and Friday evenings, and Sunday afternoon. See posters around church for more details, or contact Cantor Olsen (cantor.ole@gmail.com).

Crossroads will meet Tuesday, September 25. Come and Catch Up! This event will take place at Reynolda Village. We will start at 6:30 P.M. with a Natives of Reynolda Garden Tour. We will then head to Penny Path Cafe for crepes at 7:30 P.M. Join us for dinner, dessert or both! All women are welcome to join us for one or both of these opportunities to reconnect. As always you are encouraged to invite a friend! Let Robi Brath (rbrath@triad.rr.com) know if you are planning to attend.

Lutheran World Relief: It's time to prepare school and personal care kits for Lutheran World Relief. Bags for the school kits, containing instructions for filling them, will be available outside the Gathering Room, outside the church office, and in the children's Sunday school auditorium. Loose copies of the instruction sheets detailing the items for the personal care kits will also be available at the same locations. Personal care supplies should be rolled up in a bath towel, but not placed in any type of bag. Please return filled bags and personal care kits to drop off boxes at any of the three pick up locations. Collection will continue until mid-October. There are children around the world depending on our generosity.

Our congregation's Stephen Ministry equips disciples to provide confidential, one-to-one emotional and spiritual care to individuals in our congregation and community who are experiencing difficulties in their lives. If you—or someone you know—could benefit from the care of a Stephen Minister, please talk with one of our Pastors or Stephen Leaders.

**Readings for next week**: Isaiah 50:4-9a; Psalm 116:1-9; James 3:1-12; Mark 8:27-38.

Worship attendance for services last week: 106 at 8:30; 133 at 11:00; 35 visitors.

# Calendar for September 9—September 16

9 Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost		12 Wednesday	
	Rally Sunday		Bagels
	(Gathering Room)		(Bagel Station)
10:30a Service of Holy Communion		10:00a	Staff Meeting
	(Sanctuary)		(Conference Room)
12:00p God's Work Our Hands Projects		7:15p	Àdult Choir II
•	(Various Locations)		(Adult Choir Rehearsal Room)
3:45p	Music Exploration Class (3 yrs. – K)		
	(Youth Choir Room)	13 Thu	ırsday
4:15p	Jubilate Choir Rehearsal (1st – 4th)	10:30a	Quilt Ministry
	(Youth Choir Room)		(Youth Area)
4:45p	Lobchor Rehearsal (5th – 9th)	6:15p	Adult Choir I
	(Adult Choir Room)		(Adult Choir Rehearsal Room)
5:45p	Youth Group	6:30p	Finance Team Meeting
	(Family Life Center)		(Covenant Classroom)
		7:30p	Council Team Meeting
10 Moi	5		(Youth Area)
6:00p	Adult Handbell Choir		
	(Handbell Rehearsal Room)	14 Frid	5
6:00p	Continue in My Word	5:00p	Youth Fall Retreat thru 9/16
	(Youth Area)		
6:30p	Evangelism Team Meeting	15 Sati	
	(Covenant Classroom)	2:00p	Youthrans
6:30p	Fellowship Team Meeting		(Youth Area)
	(Discovery Classroom)	7:30p	Salem Bach Festival Vespers
7:00p	Book Study		(Sanctuary)
	(Lounge)		
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11 Tuesday		8:30a	Service of Holy Communion
10:30a	Mary's Ministries	0.20	(Sanctuary)
4.20	(Lounge)	9:30a	Sunday Morning Fellowship
1:30p	Pastor Paul's Bible Study	40.00	(Family Life Center)
5.00	(Sid Sowers Classroom)	10:00a	Sunday School
5:30p	Stephen Ministries	11:00a	Service of Holy Communion
	(Conference Room)	2.45	(Sanctuary)
6:30p	Stephen Ministries	3:45p	Music Exploration Class
7.00	(Youth Area)	4.4.5	(Youth Choir Room)
7:00p	Wingz	4:15p	Jubilate Choir Rehearsal
		4.45	(Youth Choir Room)
		4:45p	Lobchor Rehearsal
			(Adult Choir Room)



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