



With weeping they shall come, and with consolations I will lead them back, I will let them walk by brooks of water, in a straight path in which they shall not stumble; for I have become a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn.

Jeremiah 31:9

Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

October 24, 2021

8:30 & 11:00 AM

Shared on Augsburg Lutheran Church YouTube Channel

Can we pray the way Bartimaeus prays? People try to hush him up because by addressing Jesus as “Son of David” he is making a politically dangerous claim that Jesus is the rightful king. Could our prayers ever be heard as a threat to unjust powers that be? Bartimaeus won’t give up or go away quietly, but repeats his call for help more loudly. Do we ask so boldly? And are our prayers an honest answer to Jesus’ question, “What do you want me to do for you?”

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by proclaiming the gospel of Jesus Christ through
worship, witness, education, service and fellowship.*

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SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

Evangelical Lutheran Worship (ELW) Setting Three

✠ GATHERING ✠

OPENING VOLUNTARY Variation X *from* Sei gegrüßet, Jesu gütig BWV 768 J.S. Bach
Joshua Sobel, Music Intern

ACCLAMATION

Timothy Olsen

Alleluia. The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack
and save me for the heavenly kingdom. Alleluia.
(2 Timothy 4:18)

We stand.

RINGING OF THE BELL

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.

GATHERING HYMN 722 O Christ, Your Heart, Compassionate (*All Stanzas*)

ELLACOMBE

1 O Christ, your heart, com - pas - sion - ate, bore ev - 'ry hu - man pain.
 2 As once you wel - comed those cast down and healed the sick, the blind,
 3 O Christ, cre - ate new hearts in us that beat in time with yours,
 4 O Love that made the dis - tant stars, yet marks the spar - row's fall,

Its beat - ing was the pulse of God; its breadth, God's vast do - main.
 so may all bruised and bro - ken lives through us your help still find.
 that, joined by faith with your great heart, be - come love's o - pen doors.
 whose arms stretched wide up - on a cross em - brace and bear us all:

The heart of God, the heart of Christ com - bined in per - fect rhyme
 Lord, join our hearts with those who weep that none may weep a - lone,
 We are your bod - y, ris - en Christ; our hearts, our hands we yield
 come, make your church a ser - vant church that walks your ser - vant ways,

to write God's love in hu - man deeds, e - ter - ni - ty in time.
 and help us bear an - oth - er's pain as though it were our own.
 that through our life and min - is - try your love may be re - vealed.
 whose deeds of love rise up to you, a sac - ri - fice of praise!

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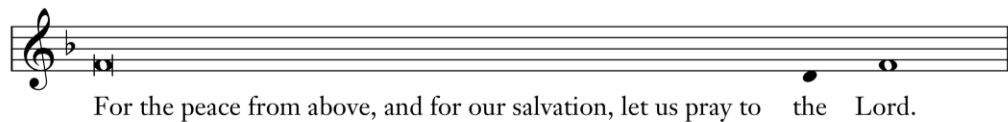
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

KYRIE



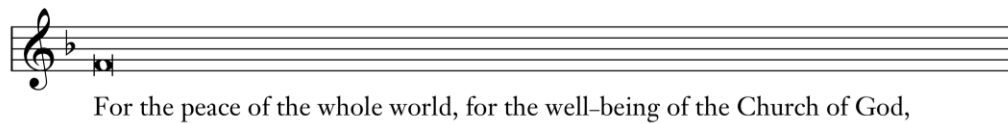
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.



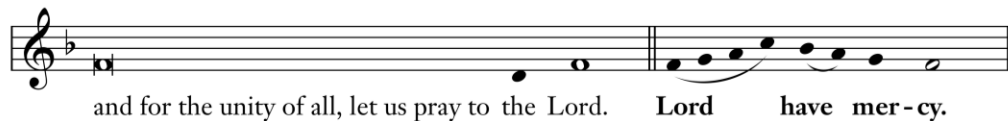
For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



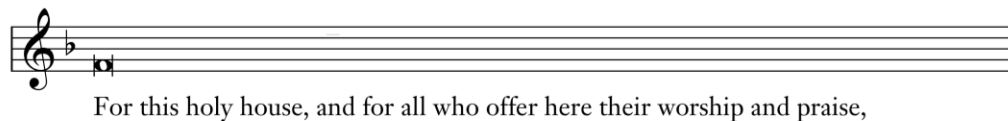
Lord, have mer-cy.



For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



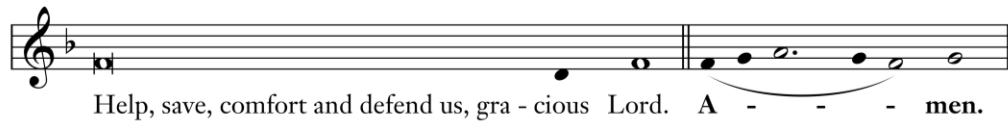
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord. Lord have mer-cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort and defend us, gra - cious Lord. A - - - men.

HYMN OF PRAISE



Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



Lord God, hea - ven - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther,



we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;



you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the most high, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

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 Jeremiah 31:7-9

Thus says the LORD: Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob, and raise shouts for the chief of the nations; proclaim, give praise, and say, "Save, O LORD, your people, the remnant of Israel." See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north, and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth, among them the blind and the lame, those with child and those in labor, together; a great company, they shall return here. With weeping they shall come, and with consolations I will lead them back, I will let them walk by brooks of water, in a straight path in which they shall not stumble; for I have become a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn.

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

PSALM 126

ELW Tone 4



- ¹When the LORD restored the for- | tunes of Zion,
then were we like | those who dream.
- ²Then was our mouth filled with laughter, and our tongue with | shouts of joy.
Then they said among the nations, "The LORD has done great | things for them."
- ³The LORD has done great | things for us,
and we are | glad indeed.
- ⁴Restore our for- | tunes, O LORD,
like the watercourses | of the Negeb.
- ⁵Those who | sowed with tears
will reap with | songs of joy.
- ⁶Those who go out weeping, carry- | ing the seed,
will come again with joy, shoulder- | ing their sheaves.

SECOND READING Hebrews 7:23-28

The former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office; but he holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever. Consequently he is able for all time to save those who approach God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them. For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. Unlike the other high priests, he has no need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for those of the people; this he did once for all when he offered himself. For the law appoints as high priests those who are subject to weakness, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever.

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

We stand.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord to whom shall we go? You have the words
of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL Mark 10:46-52

The holy gospel according to Mark.



Glo-ry to you, O Lord.

As [Jesus] and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, “Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!” Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, “Son of David, have mercy on me!” Jesus stood still and said, “Call him here.” And they called the blind man, saying to him, “Take heart; get up, he is calling you.” So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, “What do you want me to do for you?” The blind man said to him, “My teacher, let me see again.” Jesus said to him, “Go; your faith has made you well.” Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

The Gospel of the Lord.



Praise to you, O Christ.

We sit.

SERMON

Rev. Carter

We stand.



1 Rise, shine, you peo - ple! Christ the Lord has en - tered
 2 See how he sends the pow'rs of e - vil reel - ing;
 3 Come, cel - e - brate; your ban - ners high un - furl - ing,
 4 Tell how the Fa - ther sent the Son to save us.



our hu - man sto - ry; God in him is cen - tered. He comes to
 he brings us free - dom, light and life and heal - ing. All men and
 your songs and prayers a - gainst the dark - ness hurl - ing. To all the
 Tell of the Son, who life and free - dom gave us. Tell how the



us, by death and sin sur - round - ed, with grace un - bound - ed.
 wom - en, who by guilt are driv - en, now are for - giv - en.
 world go out and tell the sto - ry of Je - sus' glo - ry.
 Spir - it calls from ev - 'ry na - tion God's new cre - a - tion.

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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

Set free from sin and death and nourished by the word of truth, we join in prayer for all of God's creation.

Each portion of the prayers concludes:

Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Confident that you hear us, O God, we boldly place our prayers into your hands; through Jesus Christ, our truth and life. **Amen.**

PEACE

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

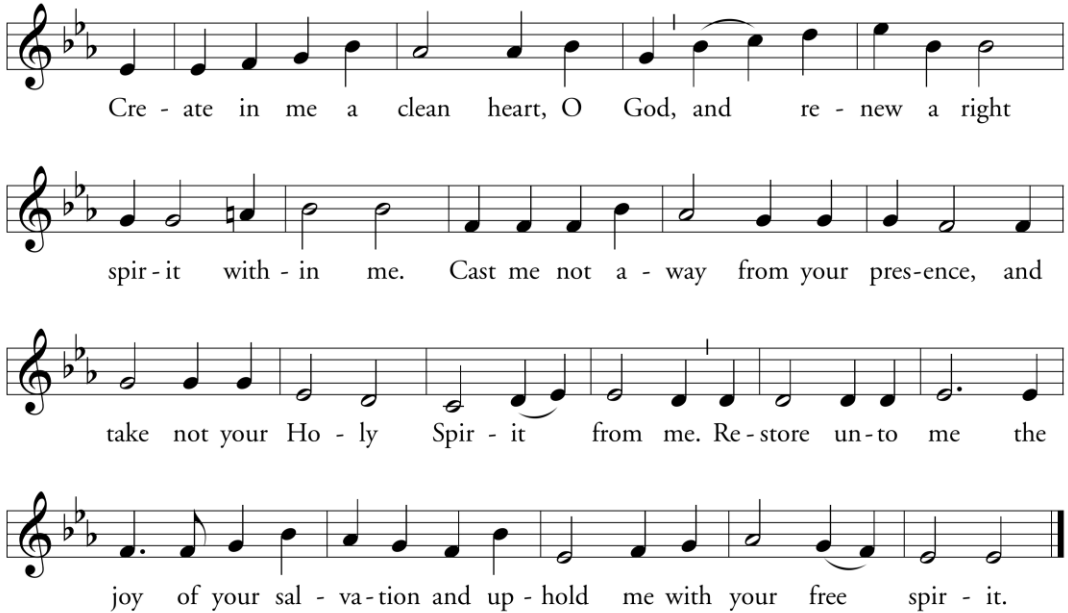
The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

We sit.

✠ MEAL ✠

OFFERING

OFFERTORY HYMN



Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right
spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your pres - ence, and
take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re - store un - to me the
joy of your sal - va - tion and up - hold me with your free spir - it.

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

The Lord be with you. And al-so 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.

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'GREAT THANKSGIVING'. It consists of four staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The music is written in a simple, hymn-like style with a mix of quarter and eighth notes, often beamed together. The lyrics are: 'The Lord be with you. And al-so with you.' The second staff continues: 'Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.' The third staff: 'Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.' The fourth staff: 'It is right to give our thanks and praise.'

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

SANCTUS

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:
Heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

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EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God.

You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory.

You so loved the world that you gave your only Son,
so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have eternal life.

We give you thanks for his coming into the world
to fulfill for us your holy will and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Remembering, therefore, his salutary command,
his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension,
and the promise of his coming again, we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty,
not as we ought but as we are able;
we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving
and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants,
and these your own gifts of bread and wine,
so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ
may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace,
and, receiving the forgiveness of sin, may be formed to live as your holy people
and be given our inheritance with all your saints.

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
be all honor and glory in your holy church, 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



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; grant us peace.

We sit.

COMMUNION

Today we will be communing using the individual communion kits that you received when checking in for worship. Gluten-free wafers are available when you check in. Please wait to take communion until the pastor comes to the end of the row and shares the Eucharistic Proclamation with you. Visitors and children are welcome to receive communion. Those who have never communed and would like to are encouraged to talk to a pastor. All who do not receive communion will 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.

ANTHEM (11:00) Amazing Grace

arr. Richard Proulx

Laura Stevens, flute

We stand.

TABLE BLESSING

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

Amen.

Let us pray.

We give you thanks, almighty God,

that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life.

In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift,

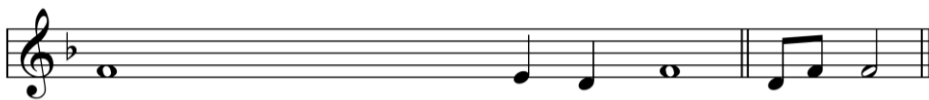
in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another;

for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

✠ SENDING ✠

BLESSING



The Lord bless you ... and ✠ give you peace. A - men.



1 The Spir - it sends us forth to serve; we go in
 2 We go to com - fort those who mourn and set the
 3 We go to be the hands of Christ, to scat - ter
 4 Then let us go to serve in peace, the gos - pel



Je - sus' name to bring glad tid - ings
 bur - dened free; where hope is dim, to
 joy like seed and, all our days, to
 to pro - claim. God's Spir - it has em -



to the poor, God's fa - vor to pro - claim.
 share a dream and help the blind to see.
 cher - ish life, to do the lov - ing deed.
 pow - ered us; we go in Je - sus' name.

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DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CLOSING VOLUNTARY Ceremonial Music in B-flat

David N. Johnson

Soli Deo Gloria!

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Announcements

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in honor of Katy Brath & Ruan Botelho by Robi & Peter Brath. Katy & Ruan were married on October 23rd in Charlotte. Congratulations!

This week we keep in prayer Milrie Lentz, 1351 Suzanna Wesley Dr., Winston Salem, NC 27104. Please send **Milrie** a note.

Thank you to all who have shared their commitment to support a full year of ministry in 2022 here at Augsburg and beyond our walls. If you have not returned your Statement of Intent, please do so as soon as possible. Intent cards will be available at worship, in the church office, or by following this [link](#).

Lowrance is ready for volunteers again and has opportunities to serve in person this Monday and Friday! If you'd like to volunteer, please contact Robin Welch at 336-971-4550 or robin@alcws.org.

Pastor Paul's Bible Study will continue Tuesday, October 26. October's topic will be *Biblical Prayer: A study of how God's people prayed in the New Testament*. We'll examine the types of prayer, what was prayed for, and by whom. We will also reflect on how our modern prayer life compares. Pastor Paul offers this class on Zoom each Tuesday at 2:00 p.m. You can click [HERE](#) for the Zoom link!

Youthrans (outreach and fun for grades 3-5) **meets this coming Friday, October 29, 4-5 p.m.** to assemble "welcome kits" for the Forsyth Jail and Prison Ministry. If you have a child in grades 3-5 (even a grandchild!) and want them to participate, please email katie@alcws.org.

The School Kit and Personal Care Kit Ministry is back after the long COVID delay. Nylon bags containing an information sheet detailing the requested supplies are available outside the Gathering Room and in the foyer by the church office. Loose copies of the instruction sheet for the personal care kits are at the same location. The deadline for returning them to the church office is November 1.

We keep you in prayer. Our pastors continue to be available for your pastoral care needs. If you would like to reach a pastor, please send them an email. Pastor Paul is seniorpastor@alcws.org and Pastor Lori is pastoralassociate@alcws.org.

Readings for next week: Jeremiah 31:31-34; Psalm 46; Romans 3:19-28; John 8:31-36

Worship attendance for services last week: 145 in person and **63** views on **YouTube**.

Providing Service Today

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Joe Nicaastro

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(8:30) Damion Richardson, Mark Galchutt

(11:00) Jack Strandhoy, Don Eppert,
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Don Eppert

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Rev. Paul Wollner

Greeter

(8:30) Karl Florian

(11:00) Kathy Carr

Communion Assistants

(8:30) Claire Wynnener

(11:00) Lara Carter

Altar Guild for October

Claire Wynnener & Shari Dominguez

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