

Is not my word like fire, says the LORD, and like a hammer that breaks a rock in pieces? *Jeremiah* 23:29

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

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The word of God is a refining fire. Jesus is the great divide in human history. He invites our undivided attention and devotion. Today in worship we are surrounded by a great "cloud of witnesses." In the word and in holy communion we are invited yet again to look to Jesus, "the pioneer and perfecter of our faith."

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**On the center aisle of each pew is a folder known as the "Friendship Register."** Please sign the register and check if you are communing today. Be sure to review the sheet to identify visitors. Please hand the completed pages from the register to an usher during the singing of the Hymn of the Day.

## HOLY COMMUNION

Evangelical Lutheran Worship (ELW) Setting Ten

The paraments are green during the time after Pentecost. Green is used to indicate our growth in faith as we follow the teachings and ministry of Christ.

# + Gathering +

## ACCLAMATION

Alleluia. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. Alleluia.

(John 10:27)

## **OPENING VOLUNTARY** Let the Whole Creation Cry

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.**  James Biery

Timothy Olsen

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.

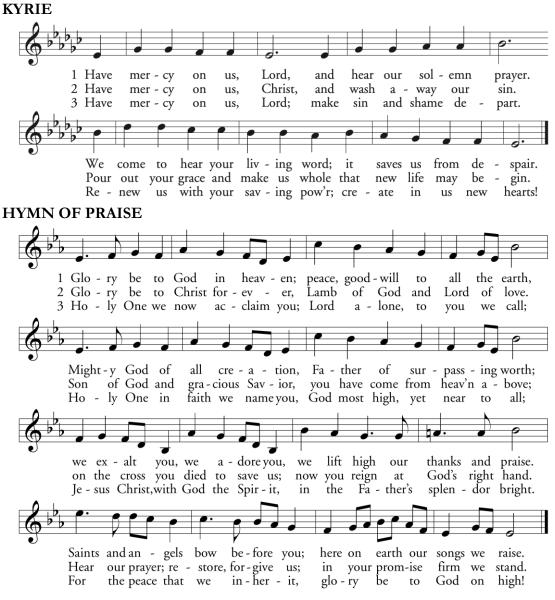
Amen.

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 876 Let the Whole Creation Cry SALZBURG

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.



## 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

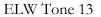
## +WORD+

## FIRST READING Jeremiah 23:23-29

Am I a God near by, says the LORD, and not a God far off? Who can hide in secret places so that I cannot see them? says the LORD. Do I not fill heaven and earth? says the LORD. I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, "I have dreamed, I have dreamed!" How long? Will the hearts of the prophets ever turn back—those who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart? They plan to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, just as their ancestors forgot my name for Baal. Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let the one who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? says the LORD. Is not my word like fire, says the LORD, and like a hammer that breaks a rock in pieces?

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







<sup>1</sup>God stands to charge the divine coun- <sup>|</sup> cil assembled, giving judgment in the midst <sup>|</sup> of the gods: <sup>2</sup>"How long will you <sup>|</sup> judge unjustly, and show favor | to the wicked? <sup>3</sup>Save the weak | and the orphan; defend the hum- | ble and needy; <sup>4</sup>rescue the weak | and the poor; deliver them from the power | of the wicked. <sup>5</sup>They do not know, neither do they understand; they wander a-<sup>|</sup> bout in darkness; all the foundations of the | earth are shaken. <sup>6</sup>Now I say to you, <sup>|</sup> 'You are gods, and all of you children of | the Most High; <sup>7</sup>nevertheless, you shall | die like mortals, and fall like | any prince."" <sup>8</sup>Arise, O God, and <sup>|</sup> rule the earth, for you shall take all nations | for your own.

## SECOND READING Hebrews 11:29-12:2

By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace. And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets—who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented-of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground. Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect. Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

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

We stand.



### **GOSPEL** Luke 12:49-56

The holy gospel according to Luke.



Glo-ry to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] "I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; they will be divided: father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law." He also said to the crowds, "When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, 'It is going to rain'; and so it happens. And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, 'There will be scorching heat'; and it happens. You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?"

The gospel of the Lord.



Praise to you, O Christ.

#### We sit.

#### **SERMON**

We stand.

Rev. Dr. Katherine Shaner

HYMN OF THE DAY 757 All My Hope on God Is Founded

MICHAEL

## **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

Trusting in God's extraordinary love, let us come near to the Holy One in prayer.

Each portion of the prayers conclude:

Lord, in your mercy,

#### hear our prayer.

Receive the prayers of your children, merciful God, and hold us forever in your steadfast love; through Jesus Christ, our holy Wisdom.

#### 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 ANTHEM** For the Beauty of the Earth text: Folliott S. Pierpoint (adpt.) For the beauty of the earth, For the beauty of the skies, music: Philip Stopford For the love which from our birth Over and around us lies: For the beauty of each hour Of the day and of the night, Hill and vale and tree and flower, Sun and moon and stars of light: Lord of all, to Thee we raise This our sacrifice of praise. For the joy of human love, Brother, sister, parent, child, Friends on earth and friends above; Pleasures pure and undefiled: For each perfect gift of Thine, To our race so freely given; Graces human and divine, Flowers of earth and buds of heaven: Lord of all, to Thee we raise This our sacrifice of praise. For thy Church which evermore Lifteth holy hands above, Off'ring up on every shore Her pure sacrifice of love: Lord of all, to Thee we raise This our sacrifice of praise.

We stand.

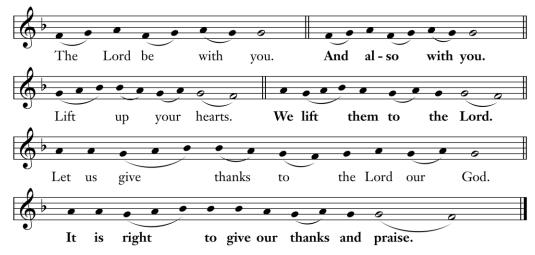


OFFERTORY HYMN

Let us pray.

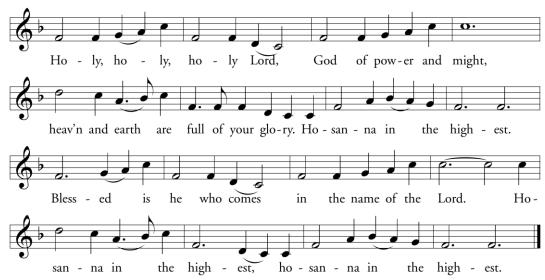
Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

## **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:

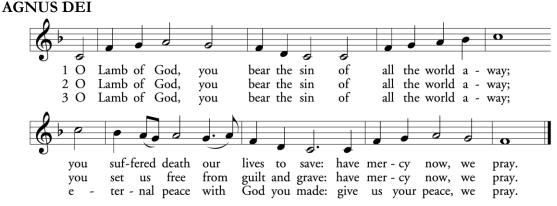
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the 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.



We sit.

## COMMUNION

Today we will be communing using the individual communion kits that you received when you arrived for worship. Glutenfree wafers and grape juice are available. 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.

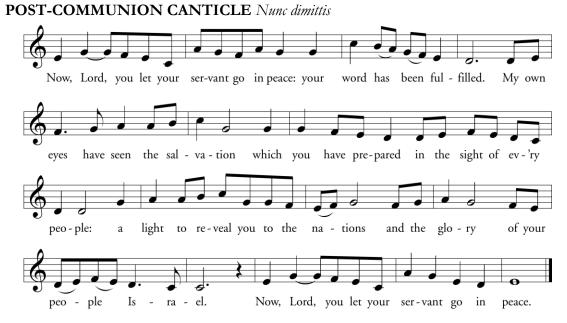
## MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

**HYMN** 626 By Gracious Powers *We stand.* 

TELOS

## TABLE BLESSING

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



Let us pray.

God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.** 



#### BLESSING



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.

SENDING HYMN 713 O God of Every Nation

LLANGLOFFAN

DISMISSAL Go in peace. Serve the Lord! Thanks be to God!

CLOSING VOLUNTARY Improvisation on LLANGLOFFAN

## Soli Deo Gloria

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The Reverend Joe Yucha will begin his call as our new Associate Pastor on August 15!

Rostered Minister of Word and Service

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