

I will sing of your steadfast love, O LORD, forever; with my mouth I will proclaim your faithfulness to all generations.

Psalm 89:1

# Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

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The welcome of baptism is for all God's children. This baptismal gift sets us free from the power of sin and death. In today's gospel, Christ promises that the disciple who gives a cup of cold water to the little ones serves Christ himself. From worship we are sent on our baptismal mission: to serve the little ones of this world and to be a sign of God's merciful welcome.

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### **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 William Stevens

Alleluia. You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, that you may proclaim the mighty acts of the one who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Alleluia.

(I Peter 2:9)

### **OPENING VOLUNTARY** Andantino

Harold Darke

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.

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** 729 The Church of Christ, in Every Age

WAREHAM

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

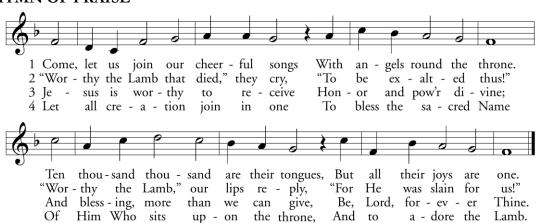
## And also with you.

#### KYRIE



We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair. Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin. Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

### HYMN OF PRAISE



### 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 28:5-9

The prophet Jeremiah spoke to the prophet Hananiah in the presence of the priests and all the people who were standing in the house of the LORD; and the prophet Jeremiah said, "Amen! May the LORD do so; may the LORD fulfill the words that you have prophesied, and bring back to this place from Babylon the vessels of the house of the LORD, and all the exiles. But listen now to this word that I speak in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. The prophets who preceded you and me from ancient times prophesied war, famine, and pestilence against many countries and great kingdoms. As for the prophet who prophesies peace, when the word of that prophet comes true, then it will be known that the LORD has truly sent the prophet."

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

## **PSALM** 89:1-4, 15-18



<sup>1</sup>Your love, O LORD, forever | will I sing;

from age to age my mouth will pro- | claim your faithfulness.

<sup>2</sup>For I am persuaded that your steadfast love is estab- | lished forever; you have set your faithfulness firmly | in the heavens.

<sup>3</sup>"I have made a covenant with my | chosen one;

I have sworn an oath to Da- | vid my servant:

<sup>4</sup>'I will establish your | line forever,

and preserve your throne for all | generations."

<sup>15</sup>Happy are the people who know the | festal shout!

They walk, O LORD, in the light | of your presence.

<sup>16</sup>They rejoice daily | in your name;

they are jubilant | in your righteousness.

<sup>17</sup>For you are the glory of their strength, and by your favor our might is exalted.

<sup>18</sup>Truly, our shield belongs | to the LORD; our king to the Holy | One of Israel.

### **SECOND READING** Romans 6:12-23

Do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace. What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification. When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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

We stand.





**GOSPEL** Matthew 10:40-42

The holy gospel according to Matthew.

## Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said to the twelve:] "Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward."

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

We sit.

**CHILDREN'S SERMON** 

SERMON Rev. Paul A. Wollner

We stand.

**HYMN OF THE DAY** 887 This Is My Song

FINLANDIA

### 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 abundant mercy, let us offer our prayers for a world in need.

Each portion of the prayers conclude:

Lord, in your mercy,

## hear our prayer.

Receive our prayers and answer us, O God, in the name of Jesus Christ.

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 congregation is invited to share a sign of God's peace with one another. Please honor those who prefer not to physically share the peace.

We sit.

## + MEAL +

### **OFFERING**

We pass the offering plates in recognition that we are all invited to participate in sharing the gifts of abundance with what God has first given us. We recognize that many share their financial gifts online or at different frequencies; passing the plates connects us in our giving, no matter how we share. Please pass the plate down the pew and then onto the next row.

### **OFFERTORY ANTHEM**

We stand.

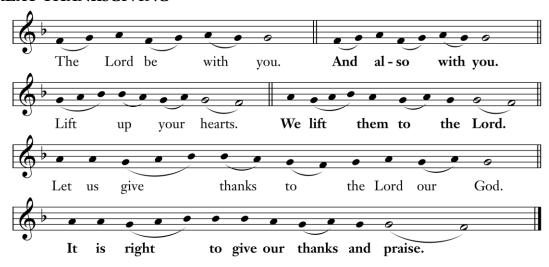
### OFFERTORY HYMN



Let us pray.

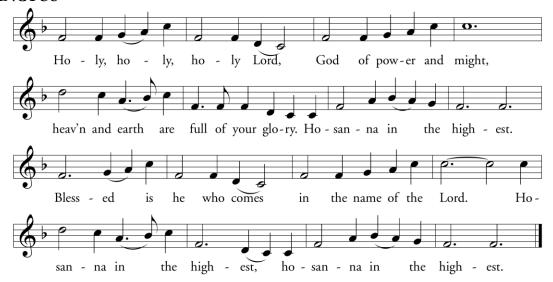
Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

### **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.

### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

## **AGNUS DEI**



We sit.

### COMMUNION

Holy Communion is available to all who believe, through two options. Those who are able are invited forward to receive the bread and wine through the method of intinction. Please let an usher know if you need a gluten-free wafer or grape juice option. You may also choose to receive an individual pre-sealed communion kit from an usher that you are welcome to bring forward for the Eucharistic Proclamation. The pastors will come to the pews of those unable to come forward. Those who would like to receive a blessing instead of communion are asked to cross their hands when they come forward.

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 724 All Who Love and Serve Your City

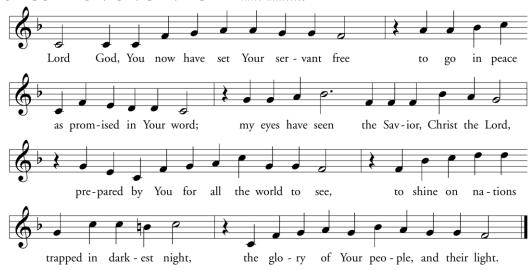
**NEW ORLEANS** 

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** Nunc dimittis

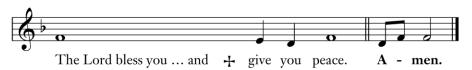


Let us pray.
God of abundance,
with this bread of life and cup of salvation
you have united us with Christ,
making us one with all your people.
Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit,
that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world
and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ,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

### BLESSING FOR PASTOR PAUL'S SABBATICAL

## + SENDING +

### 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** 546 To Be Your Presence

**ENGELBERG** 

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

**CLOSING VOLUNTARY Psalm XIX** 

Benedetto Marcello

## Soli Deo Gloria

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