Augustana Lutheran Church 21st Sunday after Pentecost – 10 am October 13, 2024

*Denotes when we stand

Prelude

*Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness

P: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. C: Amen.

- P: 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. **C: Amen.**
- P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
- P: 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.
- P: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **C: Amen.**

*Opening Hymn "Come, We That Love the Lord" ELW 625 Come, we that love the Lord, and let our joys be known; 1 to sing 2 those fuse who nev - er God; Let knew our re -3 The hill of Zi - on yields a thou-sand sa cred sweets Then let songs a - bound, and ev - 'ry tear 4 our be dry; a song with sweet ac - cord, join with join in in a song the heav'n - ly King, but chil - dren of chil - dren of but the be - fore we reach the heav'n - ly fields, be - fore we reach the we're march - ing through Im - man - uel's ground, we're march - ing through Im -18 sweet ac-cord and thus sur - round the throne, and thus sur-round the throne. their joys a-broad, may tell their joys a - broad. heav'n-ly King may tell heav'n-ly fields, or walk the gold-en streets, or walk the gold-en streets. man-uel's ground, to fair - er worlds on high, to fair - er worlds on high. Refrain Zi - on, beau - ti-ful, beau - ti-ful We're march-ing to Zi on:



*Greeting

- P: 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.



*Hymn of Praise – "Will You Come and Follow Me" – ELW 798 vs 1 & 3

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*Prayer of the day

- P: Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us your gift of faith, that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to what lies ahead, we may follow the way of your commandments and receive the crown of everlasting joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C: Amen.

First Reading: Amos 5:6-7, 10-15

A: A reading from the prophet Amos the 5th chapter

⁶Seek the LORD and live, or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire, and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it. ⁷Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood, and bring righteousness to the ground! ¹⁰They hate the one who reproves in the gate, and they abhor the one who speaks the truth. ¹¹Therefore because you trample on the poor and take from them levies of grain, you have built houses of hewn stone, but you shall not live in them; you have planted pleasant vineyards, but you shall not drink their wine. ¹²For I know how many are your transgressions, and how great are your sins—you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and push aside the needy in the gate. ¹³Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time; for it is an evil time. ¹⁴Seek good and not evil, that you may live; and so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with you, just as you have said. ¹⁵Hate evil and love good, and establish justice in the gate; it may be that the LORD, the God of hosts, will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

A: Word of God, Word of Life. C: Thanks be to God.

Appointed Psalm – Psalm 90:12-17

A: Let us read from Psalm 90 responsively.

¹²So teach us to number our days that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.

¹³Return, O LORD; how long will you tarry? Be gracious to your servants.

¹⁴Satisfy us by your steadfast love in the morning;

so shall we rejoice and be glad all our days.

¹⁵Make us glad as many days as you afflicted us

and as many years as we suffered adversity.

¹⁶Show your servants your works, and your splendor to their children.

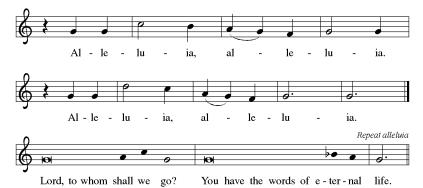
¹⁷May the graciousness of the Lord our God be upon us; prosper the work of our hands; prosper our handiwork.

Second Reading: Hebrews 4:12-16

A: A reading from Hebrews the 4th chapter.

¹²Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. ¹³And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account. ¹⁴Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. ¹⁵For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. ¹⁶Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

A: Word of God, Word of Life. C: Thanks be to God.



*Gospel: Mark 10:17-31

P: The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the 10th chapter. C: Glory to you, O Lord.

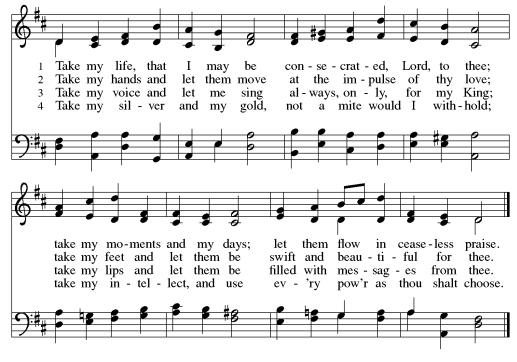
⁷As Jesus was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" ¹⁸Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. ¹⁹You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.'" ²⁰He said to him, "Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth." ²¹Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, "You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." ²²When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

²³Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" ²⁴And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! ²⁵It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." ²⁶They were greatly astounded and said to one another, "Then who can be saved?" ²⁷Jesus looked at them and said, "For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible."

²⁸Peter began to say to him, "Look, we have left everything and followed you." ²⁹Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, ³⁰who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. ³¹But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord! C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Hymn of the Day - "Take My Life, That I May Be" - ELW 685



- 5 Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine. Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.
- 6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store; take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

Apostle's Creed

- A: Let us proclaim our faith with the words of the Apostle's Creed.
- C: 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

Challenged by God's Word in Christ, let us pray for the church, the world, and the whole creation. *A brief silence*.

Compassionate God, embolden the church to seek all who are lost, clothe those who are naked, and mend what is broken. May we be generous bearers of your eternal love. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Sustaining God, as we approach harvest time, we pray for farmers, field workers, and those who process crops. Keep us mindful of environmental threats to the nourishing food that feeds the world. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Steadfast God, inspire world leaders to share resources and work collectively to end global poverty, starvation, and preventable disease. Direct us to seek justice and equity, that all may live in peace. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Loving God, we pray for those who are afflicted, tormented, grieving, oppressed, and lonely (*especially*). Deliver the strength of your love and compassion to all who need it today. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Generous God, we give thanks for the first nations and tribes who inhabited this land. We lament the harm done by colonization. Call us to deeper appreciation and care for the languages, rituals, and history of all Indigenous people. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Ever-living God, we rejoice to be heirs of the eternal life made real in Jesus' death and resurrection. We give thanks for saints of all times and places, first and last, who still inspire us to faithful living. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in the saving grace you freely give, both now and forever. Amen.

Passing of the Peace

A: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

A: Let us now offer peace to one another as you feel comfortable

Announcements

The Offering

A: Let us now return to God, that which God has first given us – our tithes and our offerings.

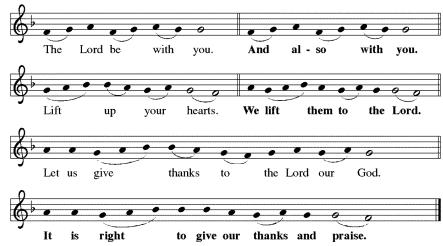
*Offertory Canticle – "Let the Vineyards" – ELW 184



Offertory Prayer

A: Let us pray, *(pause)* Blessed are you, O God, source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. C: Amen.

*Great Thanksgiving



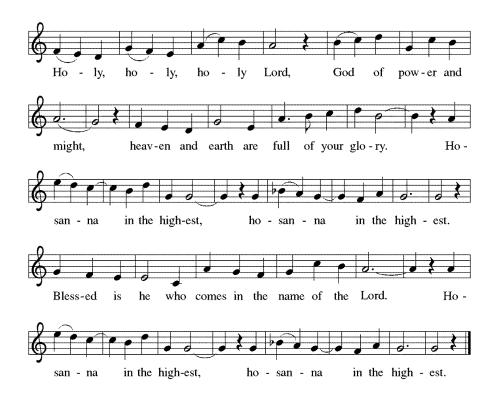
*Preface

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ.

Who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

*Sanctus



*Eucharistic Prayer

P: 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. C: Amen

***Words of Institution**

- P: On the night of his betrayal, 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."
- P: 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."

*Mystery of Faith

- P: Remembering, therefore, Jesus' life, death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory as we proclaim the mystery of faith.
- C: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

*Epiclesis

P: Holy God, we long for your Spirit. Come among us. Bless this meal. May your Word take flesh in us. Awaken your people. Fill us with your light. Bring the gift of peace on earth. **C: Amen.**

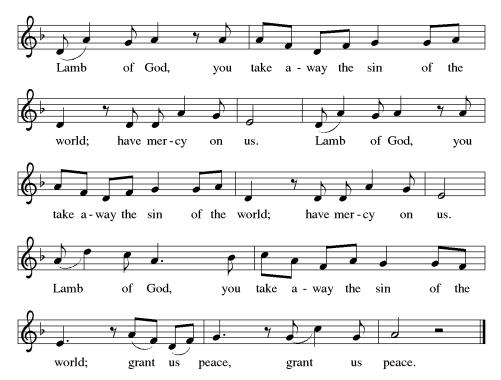
*Lord's Prayer

- P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.
- 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: Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come! Eat! Be satisfied! All are welcome.

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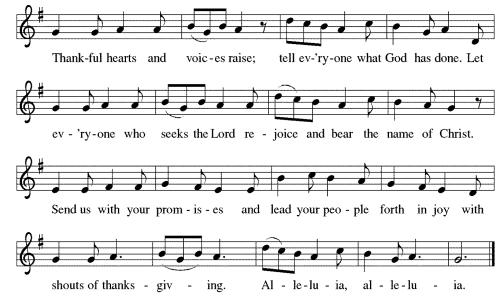
Communion Hymns

"We Come to the Hungry Feast" – ELW 479 "Rock of Ages Cleft For Me" – ELW 623

*Post Communion Blessing

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

*Post Communion Canticle-#207



***Post Communion Prayer**

P: Let us pray, (*pause*) Holy God, you have welcomed us to this meal and fed us with dignity at your table. Send us now to welcome others and to be at peace with one another, through Jesus Christ our Lord. C: Amen.

*The Blessing

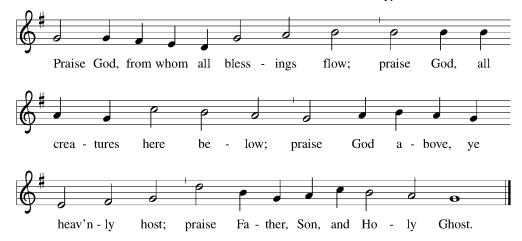
P: God all mighty, God most merciful + bless you, keep you, and give you peace. C: Amen.



*Dismissal

- P: God's Work!
- C: Our Hands!

*Parting Canticle "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow" ELW 885



A: Go in peace, serve the Lord. C: Thanks be to God

Postlude