

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 26, 2021

10:30 AM



↑ = *Stand* **C**: *Congregation* **A**: *Worship Assistant* **P**: *Presiding Minister*

Hymns are available as you enter (and may also be found in the hymnals in the pews.)

Quiet Bags for little ones, or Doodle Bags or books for older kids during worship
are all available in the narthex – see usher for assistance.

Prelude

Two settings of CHRIST, BE OUR LIGHT
for organ: Nancy Raabe (b. 1954)
for piano: Edie Linneweber (b. 1945)

Welcome

↑ Gathering Hymn

Gather Us In
ELW Hymn 532

↑ 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.

↑Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray.

Generous God, your Son gave his life
that we might come to peace with you.

Give us a share of your Spirit, that we may live for others
as he lived and died for us.

In Jesus' name we pray.

G: Amen.

First Reading

Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29

A: Word of God, Word of life.

G: Thanks be to God.

Second Reading


James 5:13-20


A: Word of God, Word of life.

G: Thanks be to God.

↑ Gospel Acclamation

Preceding and following the verse, the assembly sings the Alleluia:

G: 
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

↑ The Holy Gospel

Mark 9:38-50

P: The Gospel according to St. Mark, the ninth chapter.

G: Glory to you, O Lord.

Following the reading

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

G: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

*More Surprises from James
Pastor Dan*

↑ Hymn of the Day

Christ, Be Our Light
Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Hymn 715

↑ 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 again 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 the Church

☩: . . . Lord, in your mercy,

☩: hear our prayer.

↑ The 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.

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

↑ Sanctus

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of light and life,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
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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↑ Words of Institution

↑ Lord's Prayer

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

☞: **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread
and forgive us our sins**

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever.**

Amen.

Holy Communion – All baptized Christians who seek a taste of the new and forgiven life in Jesus Christ are welcome to receive the sacraments. We confess and believe that Christ in his risen form is truly present in the Sacrament of bread and wine and that by sharing in this meal, we share in Christ's resurrection.

The ministration of the Sacrament will take place in the pews with individual elements. These are available as you enter; if you missed picking one up and need one, please signal an usher now with a raised hand.

When invited to commune, peel off the bottom tab to eat the bread; peel off the top tab to drink the wine. The waste can go in the paper bag found in each pew.

↑ Invitation to the Table

☞: God invites you to this meal of grace.
Receive the food of forgiveness.

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, grant us peace.

Post Communion Prayer

P: Jesus, Bread of life,
we have received from your presence in, with and under
the bread and wine of Holy Communion, more than we could ever ask.
As you have nourished us in this meal,
now strengthen us to love one another as you first loved us.
In Jesus' name we pray.

G: Amen.

Announcements

↑ Benediction

P: Now may the Lord bless you and keep you.
May the Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you.
May the Lord look upon you with favor and grant you peace.
In the name of the Father, and † of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

G: Amen.

↑ Sending Hymn

To Be Your Presence Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Hymn 546

↑ Dismissal

A: Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

G: Thanks be to God.

Please remain seated until the ushers dismiss you from your pew, in order to maintain social distancing as we exit. On your way out, put your bulletin and hymns back in the baskets on the table if you do not want to take them with you. Offerings may be put in the offering plate as you exit. Pastor Dan will greet you outside, where you may remain in fellowship with one another as long as you like.

Postlude

*Prelude in G major (“Gigue”)
J.S. Bach? (1685–1750)*

About today’s music

Did Johann Sebastian Bach write the organ fugue heard for today’s postlude? For many years, scholars thought he probably didn’t write the so-called “Gigue” fugue in G major (there’s no surviving autograph manuscript, it’s stylistically rather unique for Bach, and I once heard that Bach would have written this piece when he was only about eighteen). Still, some newer scholarship concludes that Bach is, in fact, the composer. I’ve always imagined a virtuosic young Johann penning and playing this dance-like piece. I first heard it on a TV program when I was a small boy – which helped inspire my interest in the pipe organ – so this piece has a special place for me. Its joyful character seems especially appropriate as we return to in-person worship.

– Cantor Kyle