FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 10, 2023



Prelude

Selections from Now the Feast and Celebration

Introit

Psalm 119:166, 165

10:30 AM

I have hoped for your salvation, O Lord, and I have fulfilled your commandments. Great peace have they who love your teaching; for them there is no stumbling block.

Welcome

↑ Gathering Hymn

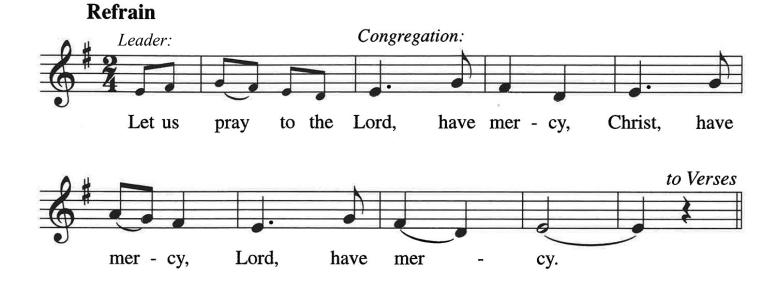
↑ Greeting

- **P**: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- **G**: And also with you.

God of the Sparrow ELW 740

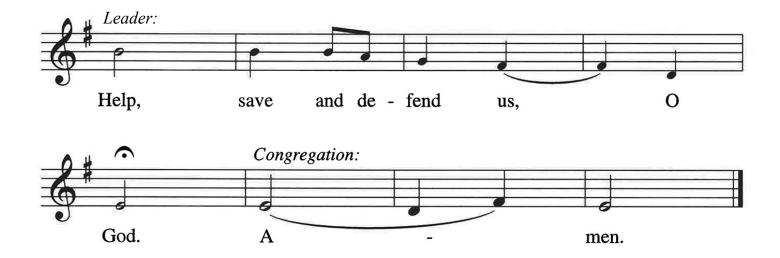
↑ Kyrie

Leader: In peace, in peace,



Leader: For the Reign of God, and for peace throughout the world, for the unity of all . . . (to Refrain)

Leader: For your people here, who have come to give you praise, for the strength to live your Word . . . (to Refrain)







†Prayer of the Day

- **P**: The Lord be with you.
- **G**: And also with you.
- **P**: Let us pray.

O Lord God,

renew and preserve your church with your love and grace. Without your help, we fail;

remove far from us everything that is harmful,

and lead us toward all that gives life and salvation,

through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

G: Amen.

First Reading

A: Word of God, Word of life.

G: Thanks be to God.

Psalmody

Psalm 119:33-40

The psalm is spoken responsively by whole verse. The congregation responds to the leader with the words in boldface type.

³³Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes, and I shall keep it to the end.

³⁴Give me understanding, and I shall keep your teaching; I shall keep it with all my heart.

³⁵Lead me in the path of your commandments,

for that is my desire.

³⁶Incline my heart to your decrees

and not to unjust gain.

³⁷Turn my eyes from beholding falsehood; give me life in your way.

³⁸Fulfill your promise to your servant,

which is for those who fear you.

³⁹Turn away the reproach that I dread,

because your judgments are good.

⁴⁰Behold, I long for your commandments;

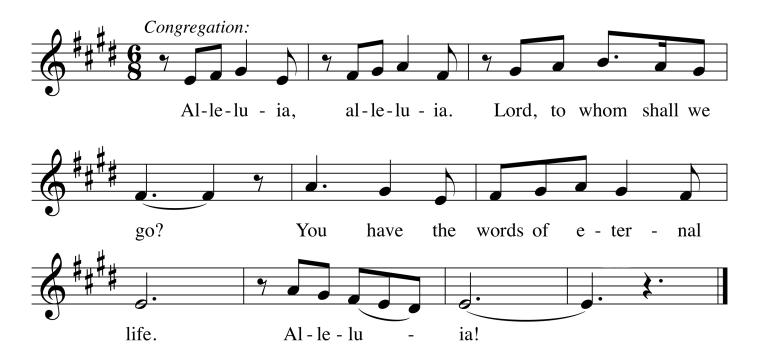
by your righteousness enliven me.

Second Reading

Romans 13:8-14

- A: Word of God, Word of life.
- **G**: Thanks be to God.

↑ Gospel Acclamation



† The Holy Gospel

Matthew 18:15-20

- **P**: The Gospel according to St. Matthew, the eighteenth chapter.
- **G**: Glory to you, O Lord.

Following the reading

- **P**: The Gospel of the Lord.
- **G**: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Pastor John Michael Barich

† Hymn of the Day

Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether ELW 470 ↑ Apostles' Creed

G: 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.



The Apostles' Creed emphasizes the full humanity of Christ (e.g., he was born, suffered, and died) in response to one of the earliest heresies, namely, the view that Christ only "appeared" to be human. Why? Detractors believed that the Spirit of God, which is good, could not dwell in a material or physical body, which is evil. When we profess the Apostles' Creed, following Jewish tradition, we insist otherwise. The world God made is good! With great joy and without contradiction, therefore, we can say with John 1:14 that "the Word became flesh and dwelled among us." — *Pastor Dan*

Prayers of the Church (please be seated or kneel)

- **A:** . . . Lord, in your mercy.
- **G**: Hear our prayer.

† Sharing of Peace

- **P**: The peace of Christ be with you always.
- **G**: And also with you.

Holy Communion – All people who seek a taste of the new and forgiven life in Jesus Christ are welcome to receive the sacrament. We confess and believe that Christ, who fills all things, comes to us in a special way through the Sacrament of Bread and Wine and that by sharing in this meal, we share in Christ's real presence among us.

The ministration of the Sacrament is given in two ways:

In the pew:

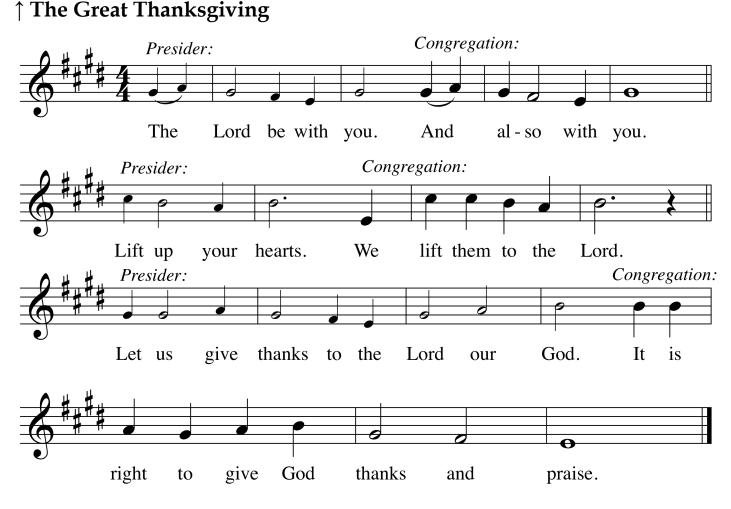
You may commune in the pews with individual elements. These are available in the narthex as you enter.

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.

By intinction:

When prompted by the ushers, come down the center aisle to kneel at the railing; please sanitize your hands.

Receive a wafer in your hands. Dip it in a chalice, either wine or grape juice, before partaking. Use the outside aisle to return to your seat.



P: It is our duty and delight and join their unending hymn: ↑ Sanctus



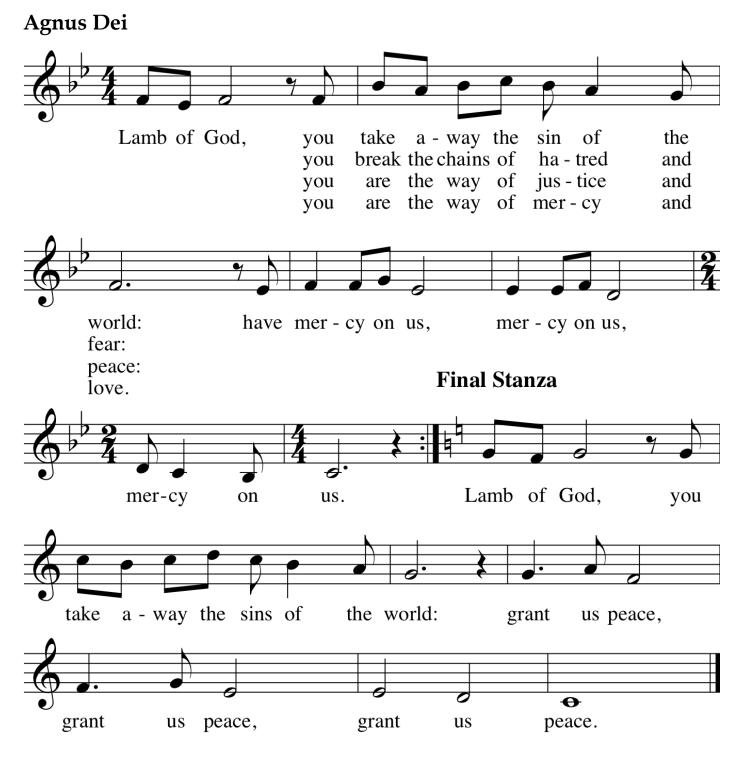
† Words of Institution

↑ Lord's Prayer

- **P**: 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.

Invitation to the Table

P: Come and taste the joy of God!



Distribution Hymn

Here Is Bread ELW 483

Post Communion Prayer

P: Gracious God,

in you we live and move and have our being. With your word and this meal of grace, you have nourished our life together and renewed us for life in the world. Strengthen us to show your love and serve others in Jesus' name.

G: Amen.

Announcements

† Benediction

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face to shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + grant you peace.

G: Amen.

↑ Sending Hymn

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God's Work, Our Hands ACS 1000

↑ Dismissal

- A: Go in peace. Be Christ to your neighbor.
- **G**: Thanks be to God.

God's Work, Our Hands



Text: Wayne L. Wold Music: Earth and All Stars, David N. Johnson

Postlude

Sonata No. 2 for organ, Op. 65 III. Allegro maestoso e vivace Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy (1809–1847)

About Today's Music

This morning our music for the liturgy returns to *Now the Feast and Celebration*. The music, written by Marty Haugen (no relation to Cantor Kyle), was commissioned by the campus ministry at Pacific Lutheran University. In the introduction to the published score, Marty Haugen reminds us that "Settings of service music provide the 'backbone' of worship for a community, a relatively unchanging experience in contrast to the hymns and psalms. This stability is an integral part of ritual, and we grow in faith precisely through the experience of a repetitive rhythm of our prayer in common." The music of *Now the Feast* is fairly well-known at QALC; to help refresh our memories (or if you're new to this music), today's prelude previews the melodies we will sing in this setting of the liturgy.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS—SEPTEMBER 10, 2023

WELCOME! Please fill out a CONNECT card if you are visiting us today, if you wish to receive our emails or newsletter, or if you wish the pastor to contact you. PRAY cards may be used for prayer requests. Place cards in the offering plate as you leave.

OUR GUEST PREACHER, REV. JOHN MICHAEL BARICH, has been serving as pastor to churches in St. Louis, Chicago, and Seattle's Central District in 1998 for 24 years. His second "stint" in Seattle began in 2008 as Chaplain at the University of Washington and at Trinity Lutheran-Capitol Hill where he led students and members to help prepare and serve meals at Central Lutheran. During his candidacy into the ELCA, he managed the Food Bank at Immanuel Lutheran in SLU and has worked, on and off, for the Elliott Bay Book Company for nearly half of its 50 years' history. He most recently finished a 5-year redevelopment assignment at Glendale Lutheran School & Church and is currently awaiting his next Call.

ALTAR FLOWERS TODAY are given to the glory of God by Jean and Marc Oplinger in honor of their 29th wedding anniversary (September 4). They are grateful for the community of love and support at Queen Anne Lutheran Church.

OUR WORSHIP CONTINUES after the service with fellowship. Our thanks to Don Thomas and Dennis Alfson for hosting today.

OUR FALL SCHEDULE BEGINS

TODAY – We once again offer 8 AM and 10:30 AM services. Our Forum begins at 9 AM, the first of a three-part series. (*see details on page 16.*)

The Worship and Music Committee is testing a new seating arrangement for our 8 AM service. The service will be led near the base of the rear gallery platform, facing the angled pews, with the Holy Spirit window as a beautiful backdrop.

We are very much in need of volunteers to assist in worship at both the 8 AM and 10:30 AM services. If you would like to try reading scripture or leading the prayers, greeting those who attend or being an acolyte, please talk to Kyle or Pastor Dan. We have training sessions on Saturday, September 16 (*see page 17*). Join us if you are curious!

WELCOME SUNDAY IS SEPT. 17: We welcome with thanks and joy all who come! We hope to have coffee ready after the 8 AM service, and the second forum of our AI series will be at 9 AM in the Conference Room, led by Todd Bishop. 10:30 worship will include a sermon from Rev. Leslie Mahraun, a children's message from Pastor Dan, and the choir returning to sing in worship.

After the service, all are invited to an ICE CREAM SOCIAL, with treats contributed by the youth who baked cookies and churned ice cream together the day before. Pastor Dan will have his (new and improved) dairy-free homemade almond milk ice cream available, too! Church leaders will wear "Ask Me About" nametags – so if you are curious about any part of our community life, you'll see whom to talk with as we socialize.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR		
Sunday, September 10		
Worship	8:00 AM	
Forum	9:00 AM	
Worship	10:30 AM	
<u>Monday</u>		
PDQ Quilting	5:30 pm	
Food Addicts in Recovery (FH)	7:00 pm	
<u>Tuesday</u>		
SPU Ministry Fair (SPU)	11:00 AM	
Council (Conf. Rm/Zoom)	7:00 pm	
Wednesday		
Sewing & Service (<i>downstairs</i>)	9:30 AM	
AA Counterbalance (FH)	7:30 pm	
Thursday		
Choir (Music Room)	7:00 pm	
Friday		
Quilt-Tying Event (<i>downstairs</i>)	10:30 AM	
<u>Saturday</u>		
LWR Kit Assembly (FH)	9:00 AM	
Alanon / Alateen (upstairs)	10:30 AM	
Acolyte Training (nave)	11:00 AM	
Worship Asst. Training (<i>nave</i>)	11:30 AM	
Youth Make Food! (FH Kitchen)	12:00 РМ	
AA Shanty Trudgers (upstairs)	7:00 pm	
<u>Sunday, September 17</u> WELCOME SUNDAY		

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Worship	8:00 AM
Forum (Conf. Rm/Zoom)	9:00 AM
Worship	10:30 Am
Ice Cream Social	after worship

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE & FAITH – Our First Forum Series

How do people of faith navigate the burgeoning world of AI? Is it a threat, or something we might approach with hope, or both? Join us for this exciting threepart series as we explore AI & Faith. Forums begin today at 9 in the Conference Room. A Zoom link is also available for those attending remotely; look in your Friday email or contact the office for the link.

September 10: Artificial Intelligence and Human Hope



Michael J. Paulus Jr.

Dr. Michael Paulus opens our series by discussing his latest book, *Artificial Intelligence and the Apocalyptic Imagination: Artificial Agency and Human Hope* which explores historical and theological resources that may help us imagine and create a better world with AI.

Dr. Paulus is dean of the library, assistant provost for educational technology, and associate professor of information studies at Seattle Pacific University. He is the co-editor of AI, Faith, and the Future: An Interdisciplinary Approach (Pickwick Publications, 2022).

September 17: AI is in the Details: Faith and Technology, a Practical Guide

Todd Bishop

GeekWire co-founder and friend of QALC Todd Bishop provides a hands-on look at what's possible in the emerging era of generative artificial intelligence, and explains the pitfalls, with an eye toward how these new tools can be used in our practice of faith.

September 24: Justification by Digital Grace: Will AI Make the Sacraments, Communal Confession, and Your Pastor Unnecessary?

Pastor Dan

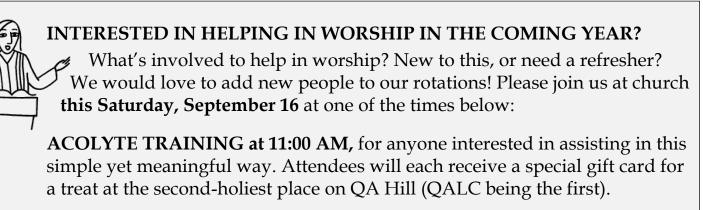
How do we receive or know God's love? Can a sinner experience God's grace or truly know the power of acceptance through a non-human mediator, or is authentic human interaction a necessary precondition for such an experience? Join us for this forum as we discuss the role AI may or may not play in what Martin Luther and his successors identified as the central experience of Christian faith.

The complete 2023/2024 Forum Catalog will be available on Welcome Sunday, September 17.

QUILT-TYING PARTY: On **Friday, September 15** from 10:30 AM to 2 PM, Sewing and Service have invited Church of Steadfast Love to tie quilts. Others who would like to participate are also invited! Lunch will be served. Questions/Contact: Candy Mathes.

LWR KIT ASSEMBLY: On **Saturday, September 16,** from 9 AM until 11:30 AM, School Kits and Personal Care Kits will be assembled in the Fellowship Hall; all are invited to help. Contact Rich Mathes for more information.

Sewing and Service is looking for LARGE/XLARGE MEN'S <u>COTTON</u> T-SHIRTS to be "recreated" into diapers for LWR baby kits. We cannot use any military, flag or religious screen-prints. Please leave donations in the narthex.



ASSISTING MINISTER TRAINING at 11:30 AM for anyone interested in reading scripture, leading prayers, and helping to serve communion.

YOUTH: That same day at NOON, meet in the Fellowship Hall kitchen to **make homemade ice cream and bake cookies** for Welcome Sunday the following day! (If you come to Acolyte Training, pack a sandwich

and stay for the kitchen fun!)



NOTE: THE MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR JANET BUSH has been cancelled. Bill Bush is currently in the hospital, and the family is unable to give the memorial preparations the focus they would like at this time. The service will be rescheduled to a later date. Your continued prayers for the Bush family are welcome.

LEARN ABOUT THE VISITATION TEAM SUNDAY, 9/24: The Visitation Team reaches out and stays connected with homebound members of the congregation (and any member who might appreciate the outreach) via phone calls, emails, postal mail, and in-person visits (which can include bringing communion). If you'd like to learn more, and perhaps join the team, come to a brief meeting after the 10:30 service on Sunday, Sept. 24. And if you or someone you know would appreciate outreach from the Visitation Team, please email us at visitation@queenannelutheran.org or talk to Peggy Morgan.



TOUR OF NEW HORIZONS – "Our mission is to end homelessness, one young person at a time." Join a group from Queen Anne Lutheran **at 3 PM on Friday, September 22** to tour the New Horizons youth shelter in Belltown, with a discussion with staff afterwards. Walk through the facility and learn about their amazing ministry to youth. Please contact Jim Margard at <u>jrm952@gmail.com</u> if you plan to attend.

HOPE ON THE HORIZON – A Benefit for New Horizons

Friday, October 6 @ **6:30 – 8:00** PM • *Seattle Aquarium* We are pleasantly surprised to learn that a **table for 10** for the New Horizons "Hope on the Horizon Gala" dinner event has been purchased on our behalf. Ten free seats, first come, first served – sign up in the narthex!

TASTE OF QUEEN ANNE – A Benefit for Queen Anne Helpline

Saturday, October 14 @ **5:30 – 8:30** PM • Banchero Hall at St. Anne Catholic Church Learn more about how to support the work of QA Helpline. An anonymous donor from Queen Anne Lutheran has purchased an 8-seat table. Seats are free to whomever signs up in the narthex, first come, first served, and there is one seat left.

LUTHERAN DISASTER RESPONSE – **MAUI WILDFIRE:** Checks to QALC with memo line "LDR – Wildfires" will be passed on to the ELCA efforts to help the

recovery on Maui. Yellow flyers with more information are available on the welcome table.

OFFICE HOURS:

The church office (Barb Bash) will be open Tuesday–Friday, 9:00–5:30.

Cantor Kyle is in on Wednesday and Thursday afternoon and evenings.

Pastor Dan is available Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday, and Sunday. Feel free to contact him at pastor@queenannelutheran.org if you wish to make an appointment to see him. If an immediate response is needed, text Pastor Dan at 253.230.9695.

REGULAR, AUTOMATIC GIVING IS A GOOD GIFT!

Please consider enrolling in QALC's "**Simply Giving**" EFT program. This provides a simple, hassle-free and secure way for you to make automatic donations to QALC from your bank account. To enroll: pick up a form from the narthex railing. Questions? Contact Jacqui Darroch or Sallie Wilson.

Link here for complete information about giving:

