

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 17, 2023

10:30 AM



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

Hymns may be found in the red hymnals in the pews. • Large-print hymns are available in the narthex as you enter. • Quiet Bags with books and soft toys, or Doodle Bags with markers are available in the narthex for children.

Prelude

To a Wild Rose

Edward MacDowell (1861–1908)

Song Without Words

Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy (1809–1847)

Introit

Ecclesiastes 36:18; Psalm 122:1

Give peace, O Lord, for those who wait for you, and let your prophets be found faithful; regard the prayers of your servant, and of your people Israel. I was glad when they said unto me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord."

Welcome

↑ **Gathering Hymn**

God Is Here

ELW 526

↑ **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.**

↑ Kyrie

Leader: In peace, in peace,

Refrain

Leader: *Congregation:*

Let us pray to the Lord, have mer - cy, Christ, have
mer - cy, Lord, have mer - cy. *to Verses*

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)

Leader:

Help, save and de - fend us, O

Congregation:

God. A - men.

↑ Hymn Of Praise

Refrain

Congregation:



Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion,



all of cre - a - tion sings for joy



to the God of life and love and



free - dom: praise and glo - ry for ev -



er - more!

Verse 1



1. Now is the feast of the Lamb once



slain, whose blood has freed and u -



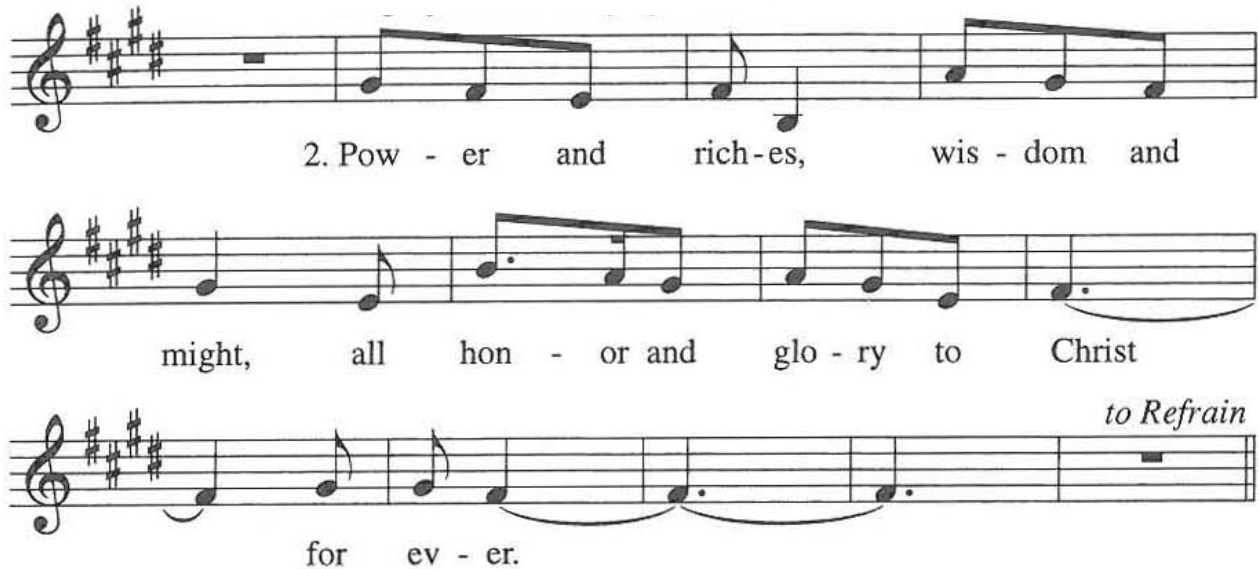
nit - ed us to be one great peo - ple of



God.

to Refrain

Verse 2



2. Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and
might, all hon - or and glo - ry to Christ
for ev - er. *to Refrain*

Verse 3



3. For God has come to dwell with us, to
make us peo - ple of God; to make
all things new. *to Refrain*

↑Prayer of the Day

P: The Lord be with you.

G: **And also with you.**

P: Let us pray.

Merciful God,

you are the inexhaustible source of compassion and forgiveness.
Replace our hearts of stone with hearts that love and adore you,
that we may delight in living for others as you live for us,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

G: **Amen.**

First Reading

Genesis 50:15-21

A: Word of God, Word of life.

G: Thanks be to God.

Psalmody

Psalm 103:[1-7] 8-13

The psalm is spoken responsively by half verse.

The congregation responds to the leader with the words in boldface type.

¹Bless the LORD, O my soul,

and all that is within me, bless God's holy name.

²Bless the LORD, O my soul,

and forget not all God's benefits –

³who forgives all your sins

and heals all your diseases;

⁴who redeems your life from the grave

and crowns you with steadfast love and mercy;

⁵who satisfies your desires with good things

so that your youth is renewed like an eagle's.

⁶O LORD, you provide vindication

and justice for all who are oppressed.

⁷You made known your ways to Moses

and your works to the children of Israel.

⁸LORD, you are full of compassion and mercy,

slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love;

⁹you will not always accuse us,

nor will you keep your anger forever.

¹⁰You have not dealt with us according to our sins,

nor repaid us according to our iniquities.

¹¹For as the heavens are high above the earth,

so great is your steadfast love for those who fear you.

¹²As far as the east is from the west,

so far have you removed our transgressions from us.

¹³As a father has compassion for his children,

so you have compassion for those who fear you, O LORD.

Second Reading

Romans 14:1-12

A: Word of God, Word of life.

G: Thanks be to God.

↑ Gospel Acclamation

Congregation:

Al-le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we
go? You have the words of e - ter - nal
life. Al - le - lu - ia!

↑ The Holy Gospel

Matthew 18:21-35

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 Leslie Mahroun

↑ Hymn of the Day

Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive
ELW 605

Leader and Choir will guide the hymn as follows:

Stanza 1 = *Sung by Leader; then all repeat stanza 1*

Stanza 2 = *All*

Stanzas 3, 4 = *All in continuous canon led by Choir:*

lectern side begins, then pulpit side enters after two measures

↑ 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.



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.

☩: Hear our prayer.

↑ Sharing of Peace

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: 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.

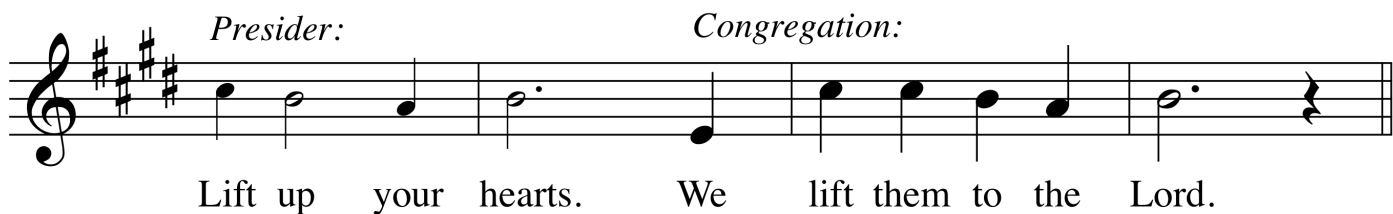
↑ The Great Thanksgiving

Presider: *Congregation:*



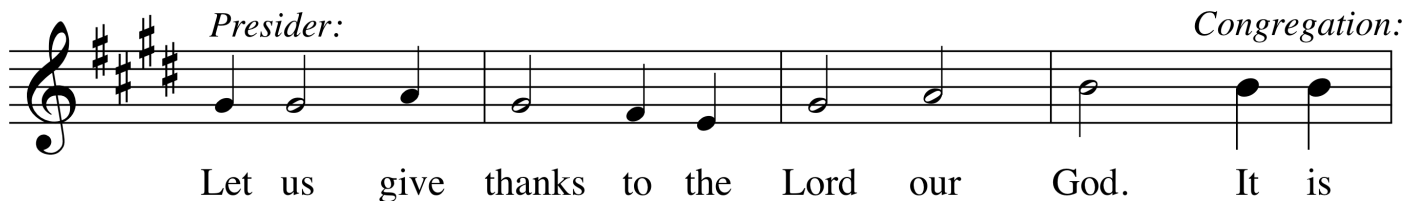
The Lord be with you. And al-so with you.

Presider: *Congregation:*

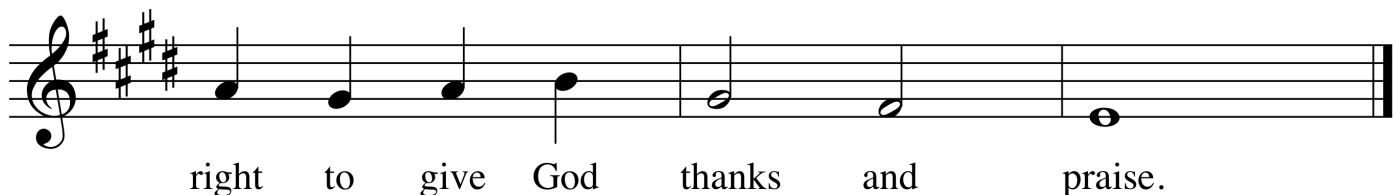


Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Presider: *Congregation:*



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is



right to give God thanks and praise.

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

↑ **Sanctus**

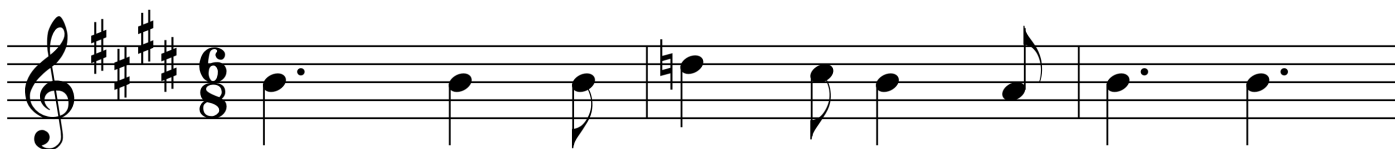
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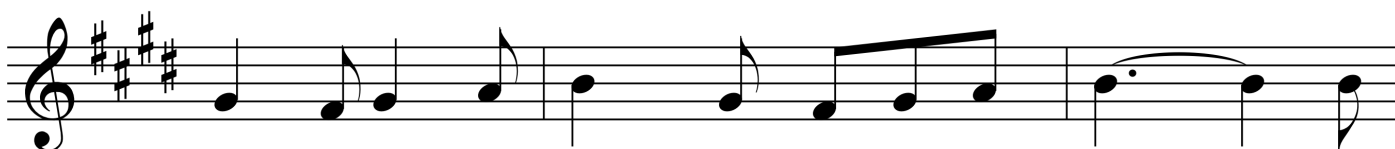
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of love and



life; Heav - en and earth are filled with your



glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est!



Bless - ed is the One who comes in your name. Ho -



san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est!

↑ **Words of Institution**

↑ **Lord's Prayer**

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

C: **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!

Agnus Dei



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
you break the chains of ha - tred and
you are the way of jus - tice and
you are the way of mer - cy and



world: have mer - cy on us, mer - cy on us,
fear:
peace:
love.

Final Stanza



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you



take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace,



grant us peace, grant us peace.

Distribution Hymn

Take My Life, That I May Be
ELW 685

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

P: 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

God of Grace and God of Glory
ELW 705

↑ Dismissal

A: Go in peace. Be Christ to your neighbor.

G: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Improvisation on CWM RHONDDA
("God of Grace and God of Glory," ELW 705)

About Today's Music

Paul Manz (1919–2009), who was the cantor at Mount Olive Lutheran Church in Minneapolis, MN for much of his career, is among the most influential American church musicians of the postwar era. Manz is usually credited with creating the concept of the *hymn festival*, in which scripture readings alternate with hymns that amplify or comment upon them. For Sunday morning worship as well as hymn festivals, Manz improvised hymn introductions and hymn-based postludes in the organ loft at Mount Olive; written out versions were initially published in the 1970s and 1980s, and he also performed them for release on vinyl records. Today's postlude, based on the Welsh melody CWM RHONDDA ("God of Grace and God of Glory," ELW 705), is among Manz's most well-known and popular hymn tune improvisations. Manz had a knack for injecting innovation into hymn melodies – yet without stretching the character of the hymn to a breaking point. Today's postlude is a prime example of Manz's approach.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS — SEPTEMBER 17, 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, PASTOR LESLIE MAHRAUN, is the ELCA Chaplain at The Hearthstone Green Lake. She is a graduate of Luther Seminary in St. Paul, MN. Pastor Leslie is married to Dr. Daniel Mahraun and they have a darling dog named Walter.

ALTAR FLOWERS TODAY are given by Virginia Stamey-Johnson. "With praise and thanksgiving, I give thanks for our 39th wedding anniversary, which will be on September 22nd. To God be the glory!"

OUR WORSHIP CONTINUES after the service with a **Welcome Sunday Ice Cream Social!** Our thanks to Ingrid Wysong for hosting today, and to the youth who made the cookies and ice cream, to Susan Evans and Pastor Dan for leading that effort, and to Candy Mathes for contributing ice cream makers and knowledge.



Look for church leaders wearing **“ASK ME ABOUT” nametags** today! If you are curious about any part of our community life, you’ll see whom to talk with as we socialize. You can also leave your name at the round table by the elevator to indicate an interest.

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: 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 jrm952@gmail.com if you plan to attend.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday, September 17

WELCOME SUNDAY

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

Monday

Northern Lights (<i>Zoom</i>)	7:00 PM
Food Addicts in Recovery (<i>FH</i>)	7:00 PM

Tuesday

QALCW Bible Study (<i>Zoom</i>)	7:00 PM
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Wednesday

Sewing & Service (<i>downstairs</i>)	9:30 AM
AA Counterbalance (<i>FH</i>)	7:30 PM

Thursday

Worship & Music Mtg. (<i>Conf.</i>)	5:30 PM
Choir (<i>Music Room</i>)	7:00 PM

Friday

New Horizons Tour (@NH)	3:00 PM
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Saturday

Alanon / Alateen (<i>upstairs</i>)	10:30 AM
AA Shanty Trudgers (<i>upstairs</i>)	7:00 PM

Sunday, September 24

Worship	8:00 AM
Forum (<i>Conf. Rm/Zoom</i>)	9:00 AM
Worship	10:30 AM
Visitation Team Mtg. (<i>Conf.</i>)	11:45 AM

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 three-part 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

Dr. Michael Paulus of SPU opened 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.

TODAY'S FORUM: AI Is in the Details:

Faith and Technology, a Practical Guide

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?

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 **Pastor Dan** 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 is available today!
Pick one up in the narthex or view it online.**

DONATIONS NEEDED: Sewing and Service is looking for **LARGE/XLARGE MEN'S COTTON 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.

THANK YOU to everyone who supported **CANDY MATHES’S “NOT WALKING”** at the Women of the ELCA convention in Phoenix, AZ.

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 • Banchemo 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 – Wildfires, floods, hurricanes and earthquakes have all been in the recent news. Checks to QALC with memo line “LDR” will be passed on to the ELCA efforts to help recovery wherever it is needed most. For more details, visit www.elca.org/Our-Work/Relief-and-Development/Lutheran-Disaster-Response

RIDWELL UPDATE: Because of a fire made in our Ridwell bin recently, we have decided hosting a bin at the church is unwise. We will continue to collect Ridwell donations at the church, (plastic film, batteries, threads and light bulbs) and Susan Evans will host the bin at her house and take home whatever items are dropped off. Lisa Kjaer will collect our Styrofoam and turn that in with her home bin. We will keep the congregation apprised of Ridwell’s special collections, such as the following:

We will be accepting **pill bottles (!) through next Sunday, Sept 24**. Prescription bottles only, please. Labels should be removed, or personal data blacked out with a Sharpie.

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.