

Sunday August 21, 2022

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost



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MISSION STATEMENT

*We will **LIVE** and **SERVE** through **FAITH***

*we will **ACT** with **LOVE** and **KINDNESS***

*we will **GIVE** hope and **SUPPORT** to all.*

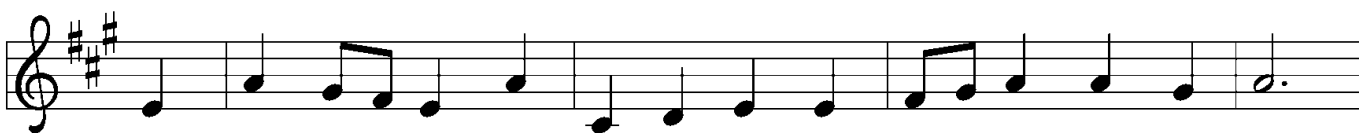
Hearing Assistance is available during the service.
Please notify usher if you would like assistance

OPENING HYMN: "O Day of Rest and Gladness" #521 ELW

Please rise on the last verse



1 O day of rest and glad - ness, O day of joy and light,
2 On you, at earth's cre - a - tion, the light first had its birth;
3 To - day on wea - ry na - tions the heav'n-ly man-na falls;
4 New grac-es ev - er gain - ing from this our day of rest,



O balm for care and sad - ness, most beau - ti - ful, most bright:
on you, for our sal - va - tion, Christ rose from depths of earth;
to ho - ly con - vo - ca - tions the sil - ver trum-pet calls,
we reach the rest re - main - ing to spir - its of the blest.



on you the high and low - ly, through a - ges joined in tune,
on you, our Lord vic - to - rious the Spir - it sent from heav'n;
where gos-pel light is glow - ing with pure and ra - diant beams
We sing to you our prais - es, O Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son;



sing, "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly," to the great God tri - une.
and thus on you, most glo - rious, a three-fold light was giv'n.
and liv - ing wa - ter flow - ing with soul - re - fresh-ing streams.
the church its voice up - rais - es to you, blest Three in One.

Text: Christopher Wordsworth, 1807–1885, alt.

Music: ELLACOMBE, German melody, 18th cent.; adapt. X. L. Hartig, *Melodien zum Mainzer Gesangbuche*, 1833

CONFESSION and FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, whose steadfast love endures forever.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God,
we confess that we have not followed your path but have chosen our own way. Instead of putting others before ourselves, we long to take the best seats at the table. When met by those in need, we have too often passed by on the other side. Set us again on the path of life. Save us from ourselves and free us to love our neighbors.

Amen.

Hear the good news!

God does not deal with us according to our sins but delights in granting pardon and mercy. In the name of ✝ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. You are free to love as God loves.

Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, mighty and immortal,
you know that as fragile creatures surrounded by great dangers, we cannot by ourselves stand upright. Give us strength of mind and body, so that even when we suffer because of human sin, we may rise victorious through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Please be seated

CHOIR ANTHEM: "I Will Believe"

SCRIPTURE

FIRST READING: Hebrews 12:18-29

¹⁸You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, ¹⁹and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. ²⁰(For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death." ²¹Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear.") ²²But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, ²³and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, ²⁴and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to

the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

²⁵See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! ²⁶At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, "Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven." ²⁷This phrase, "Yet once more," indicates the removal of what is shaken — that is, created things — so that what cannot be shaken may remain. ²⁸Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; ²⁹for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God**

PSALM: Psalm 103:1-8 *(Read Responsively)*

¹ Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name.

² **Bless the LORD, O my soul, and do not forget all his benefits —**

³ who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases,

⁴ **who redeems your life from the Pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,**

⁵ who satisfies you with good as long as you live so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

⁶ **The LORD works vindication and justice for all who are oppressed.**

⁷ He made known his ways to Moses, his acts to the people of Israel.

⁸ **The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**

Please stand for the gospel

GOSPEL: Luke 13:10-17

Glory to you, O Lord

¹⁰Now [Jesus] was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. ¹¹And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. ¹²When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." ¹³When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. ¹⁴But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the

sabbath day.”¹⁵ But the Lord answered him and said, “You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water?”¹⁶ And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?”¹⁷ When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

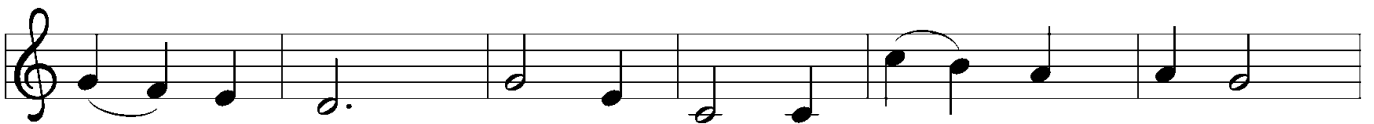
HYMN OF THE DAY:

“God is Here”

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1 God is here! As we your peo - ple meet to of - fer
 2 Here are sym - bols to re - mind us of our life - long
 3 Here our chil - dren find a wel - come in the Shep - herd's
 4 Lord of all, of church and king - dom, in an age of



praise and prayer, may we find in full - er mea - sure
 need of grace; here are ta - ble, font, and pul - pit;
 flock and fold; here as bread and wine are tak - en,
 change and doubt, keep us faith - ful to the gos - pel;



what it is in Christ we share. Here, as in the
 here the cross has cen - tral place. Here in hon - es -
 Christ sus - tains us as of old. Here the ser - vants
 help us work your pur - pose out. Here, in this day's



world a - round us, all our var - ied skills and arts
 ty of preach - ing, here in si - lence, as in speech,
 of the Ser - vant seek in wor - ship to ex - plore
 ded - i - ca - tion, all we have to give, re - ceive;



wait the com - ing of the Spir - it in - to o - pen minds and hearts.
here, in new - ness and re - new - al, God the Spir - it comes to each.
what it means in dai - ly liv - ing to be - lieve and to a - dore.
we, who can - not live with - out you, we a - dore you! We be - lieve!

Text: Fred Pratt Green, 1903–2000

Music: ABBOT'S LEIGH, Cyril V. Taylor, 1907–1991

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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 extraordinary love, let us come near to the Holy One in prayer.

A brief silence.

You crown your church with steadfast love and mercy. Guide us continually in our baptismal covenant to strive for justice and peace in all the earth. Use our diverse gifts in service to the whole people of God. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

You satisfy the needs of all creatures. Protect the habitats of fish and birds (local bodies of water or wildlife refuges may be named). Repair ecosystems damaged by misuse, neglect, or natural disaster, that all creation may thrive. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

You make your ways known to all people. Inspire the rulers and leaders of nations with your compassion and mercy. Raise up activists and community organizers to restore places affected by violence, poverty, and inequality.

Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

You provide justice for all who are oppressed and relief to all who are afflicted. Heal those who are bent over by addiction, depression, and anxiety. Set free all who cry out under the weight of mental, emotional, or physical distress (especially). Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

You call us to delight in the sabbath. Renew our bodies, minds, and spirits in this worshiping assembly. Give rest to all who lead our congregation in worship, study, and service (congregational leaders may be named). Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

Generations bless your holy name. We give you thanks for the communion of saints who have gathered in prayer and praise in this place. Support us in your love until we rest forever in you. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

Receive the prayers of your children, merciful God, and hold us forever in your steadfast love; through Jesus Christ, our holy Wisdom.

Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Please be seated for the passing of the offering plate

OFFERING - *Please stand as the ushers bring the offering to the altar.*

OFFERING PRAYER

God of abundance:

you have set before us a plentiful harvest. As we feast on your goodness, strengthen us to labor in your field, and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all, in the name of Jesus.

Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

INVITATION to COMMUNION

In Christ's presence there is fullness of joy.
Come to the banquet.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Life-giving God,
through this meal you have bandaged our wounds and fed us with your mercy. Now send us forth to live for others, both friend and stranger, that all may come to know your love. This we pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.

BLESSING

The God of peace, Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you, comfort you, and show you the path of life this day and always.
Amen.

CLOSING HYMN: "10000 Reasons" by: Matt Redman

CHORUS

Bless the Lord oh my soul, oh my soul
Worship His Holy name
Sing like never before, oh my soul
I'll worship Your Holy name

VERSE 1

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning
It's time to sing Your song again
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me
Let me be singing when the evening comes **CHORUS**

VERSE 2

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger
Your name is great and Your heart is kind
For all Your goodness I will keep on singing
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find **CHORUS**

VERSE 3

And on that day when my strength is failing
The end draws near and my time has come
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending
Ten thousand years and then forevermore

CHORUS

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Love your neighbor.
Thanks be to God.

*Visitors! It has been great having you join us for worship!
Please come again.*

THOSE SERVING THIS WEEK

Music: Adult Choir
Ushers: Darrell Kelly & Dick Stebbins
Greeters: Barry & Donna Ansell
Hospitality: Dennis Hennessy, Julie Swaggert, Patti Smith, & Mary Braun

Thank you for your service!

Response to God’s Word Last Week

Attendance: Sunday, August 14, 2022: In Person: 9:00am: 62 Online: 10

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER & CARE LIST: Shane Vossen.

THANK YOU to all who helped at the Corn Feed. Another successful Corn Feed for Bethesda.

2022 SUMMER OUTDOOR GOSPEL CONCERTS

EVERY SATURDAY 7:00 P.M. Malmo Free Church, near Jct. of Hwy 18 & 47, NE.
Free will offering taken. Full schedule posted in the Narthex.

ALTAR CARE could use a few more people to help prepare Sunday communion, if you are interested, contact Dianne Jones. Thanks

SUNDAY HOSPITALITY if you can’t sign up to serve, please bring treats for the freezer so others can serve.

BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING TODAY If you would like to have your blood pressure checked by one of our nurses come to the Nurse's office before you head into coffee.

FREE CLASSES put on by Aitkin County Care and sponsored by the Alzheimer's Association:

What: Healthy Living for Your Brain and Body

Where: Aitkin Public Library

When: Monday, August 22, at 1:00 p.m.

Why: To learn about recommendations to plan for healthy Aging.

Call CARE to register 218.927.1383

FREE
EVENT

For tickets scan here or go to ruralmusic.org

Bring your own lawn chair or blanket!

R.U.R.A.L. MUSIC FEST

AT REDEMPTION HILL
43694 HWY 47 ISLE MN

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THURSDAY SANCTUS REAL 7 PM

FRIDAY TAYLOR MARSHALL 1 PM
RILEY CLEMMONS 2:30 PM
JASON GRAY 4 PM
TASHA LAYTON 6 PM
DISCIPLE 8 PM

SATURDAY PRESENCE MUSIC 1 PM
HONOR AND GLORY 2:30 PM
7TH DAY SLUMBER 4 PM
7EVENH TIME DOWN 6 PM
MAC POWELL 8 PM

SUNDAY 814 WORSHIP 12 PM
COCHREN & CO 2 PM
JJ WEEKS 4 PM
BUILDING 429 6 PM

RURAL MUSIC FEST

– Music Ministries Presents “RURAL Music Fest”. This is a free 4 day Christian music festival. Come hear some of today's top Christian artist. This is an outdoor event so bring your blankets, chairs, umbrellas etc... Don't forget to bring your friends. We will have food trucks, merchant vendors, bouncy houses, face painting and more! This is an alcohol free event. Held at Redemption Hill, 43694 State Hwy 47, Isle, MN on Aug 25, 7:00 PM – Aug 28, 9:00 PM

THIS WEEK AT Bethesda**August 22, 2022 – August 28, 2022**

Monday	8/22	11:30 am	Card Players
		1:00 pm	Healthy Living for Your Brain class
		7:00 pm	AA/Alanon
Tuesday	8/23	9:00 am	Quilters
		4:00 pm	Bell Practice
		5:30 pm	Choir Practice
		6:30 pm	Praise Team
Wednesday	8/24	9:00 am	Women's Bible Study
Thursday	8/25	8:00 am	ROMEOS
Saturday	8/27	7:30 am	Veggie Stand
Sunday	8/28	9:00 am	Worship in person and live stream

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