

# ***Eighth Sunday after Pentecost***

**July 31, 2022    10:30 a.m.**



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# Order of Worship

**Prelude**     *Merciful Savior with Rock of Ages*     Rhonda R.

## **Welcome and Announcements**

## **Confession**

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

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. **Amen.**

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.**

## **Forgiveness**

In the mercy of Almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins.

As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

***Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing***

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Come, thou Fount of ev'ry blessing,  
Tune my heart to sing thy grace;  
Streams of mercy, never ceasing,  
Call for songs of loudest praise.  
While the hope of endless glory  
Fills my heart with joy and love,  
Teach me ever to adore thee;  
May I still thy goodness prove.

Here I raise my Ebenezer:  
"Hither by thy help I've come";  
And I hope, by thy good pleasure,  
Safely to arrive at home.  
Jesus sought me when a stranger,  
Wand'ring from the fold of God;  
He, to rescue me from danger,  
Interposed his precious blood.



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Oh, to grace how great a debtor  
Daily I'm constrained to be;  
Let that grace, now like a fetter,  
Bind my wand'ring heart to thee.  
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it;  
Prone to leave the God I love.  
Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it;  
Seal it for thy courts above.

Text: Robert Robinson, alt. Music: J. Wyeth, *Repository of Sacred Music*, Part II.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
And the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**Response: *And also with you.***

### **Canticle of Praise**

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This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.

Worthy is Christ the Lamb who was slain,  
Whose blood set us free to be people of God.  
Power and riches and wisdom and strength,  
And honor and blessing and glory are his.  
This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.

Sing with all the people of God  
And join in the hymn of all creation:  
Blessing and honor and glory and might  
Be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.



This is the feast of victory for our God,  
For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign.  
Alleluia. Alleluia.



### Prayer of the Day

Benevolent God, you are the source, the guide, and the goal of our lives. Teach us to love what is worth loving, to reject what is offensive to you, and to treasure what is precious in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

**First Reading – Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23**

Vanity of vanities, says the Teacher, vanity of vanities!  
All is vanity.

I, the Teacher, when king over Israel in Jerusalem, applied my mind to seek and to search out by wisdom all that is done under heaven; it is an unhappy business that God has given to human beings to be busy with. I saw all the deeds that are done under the sun; and see, all is vanity and a chasing after wind.

I hated all my toil in which I had toiled under the sun, seeing that I must leave it to those who come after me—and who knows whether they will be wise or foolish? Yet they will be master of all for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity. So I turned and gave my heart up to despair concerning all the toil of my labors under the sun, because sometimes one who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave all to be enjoyed by another who did not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil. What do mortals get from all the toil and strain with which they toil under the sun? For all their days are full of pain, and their work is a vexation; even at night their minds do not rest. This also is vanity.

Word of God, Word of Life.

**Response: *Thanks be to God!***

**Psalm 49:1-12**

Hear this, all you peoples; give ear, all inhabitants of the world,

**both low and high, rich and poor together.**

My mouth shall speak wisdom; the meditation of my heart shall be understanding.

**I will incline my ear to a proverb; I will solve my riddle to the music of the harp.**

Why should I fear in times of trouble, when the iniquity of my persecutors surrounds me,

**those who trust in their wealth and boast of the abundance of their riches?**

Truly, no ransom avails for one's life, there is no price one can give to God for it.

**For the ransom of life is costly, and can never suffice,**

that one should live on forever and never see the grave.

**When we look at the wise, they die; fool and dolt perish together and leave their wealth to others.**

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Their graves are their homes forever, their dwelling places to all generations, though they named lands their own.

**Mortals cannot abide in their pomp; they are like the animals that perish.**

### **Second Reading – Colossians 3:1-11**

So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. But now you must get rid of all such things—anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!

Word of God, Word of Life.

**Response: *Thanks be to God!***



**Gospel Acclamation**

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Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?  
You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

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**Gospel – Luke 12:13-21**

**Response: *Glory to You, O Lord.***

Someone in the crowd said to him, “Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me.” But he said to him, “Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?” And he said to them, “Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one’s life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.” Then he told them a parable: “The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, ‘What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?’ Then he said, ‘I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, ‘Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.’ But God said to him, ‘You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?’ So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Response: *Praise to you, O Christ.***

**Sermon**

Pastor Mandsager

***Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me***

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Rock of Ages, cleft for me,  
 Let me hide myself in thee;  
 Let the water and the blood,  
 From thy riven side which flowed,  
 Be of sin the double cure;  
 Cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.

Not the labors of my hands  
 Can fulfill thy law's demands;  
 Could my zeal no respite know,  
 Could my tears forever flow,  
 All for sin could not atone;  
 Thou must save, and thou alone.

Nothing in my hand I bring;  
 Simply to thy cross I cling.  
 Naked, come to thee for dress;  
 Helpless, look to thee for grace;  
 Foul, I to the fountain fly;  
 Wash me, Savior, or I die.

While I draw this fleeting breath,  
 When mine eyelids close in death,  
 When I soar to worlds unknown,  
 See thee on thy judgment throne,  
 Rock of Ages, cleft for me,  
 Let me hide myself in thee.



## **Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the virgin Mary.  
He 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,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
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**

Christine Brennan-Lee, alt.

### **Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**Response: And also with you.**

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### **The Great Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you.

**Response: And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**Response: We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**Response: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of power and might: heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

**Invitation**

**Words of Institution**

**The Lord's Prayer**

Let us pray.

**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.**

**Communion Distribution**



**Communion Song**      *Lamb of God*      ELW, page 154

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;  
Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;  
Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;  
Grant us peace, grant us peace.

**Prayer**

Oh, grant us then, well-strengthened with heav'nly food  
while here, our course on earth is lengthened, to serve you  
free from fear; and bring us home to praise you where none  
can peace destroy, where we will ever raise you glad songs in  
endless joy. **Amen.**

**Blessing**

The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord's face shine upon  
you with grace and mercy; the Lord look upon you with favor  
and give you peace. **Amen.**

***Crown Him with Many Crowns***

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Crown him with many crowns,  
The Lamb upon his throne;  
Hark, how the heav'nly anthem drowns  
All music but its own.



Awake, my soul, and sing  
Of him who died for thee,  
And hail him as thy matchless king  
Through all eternity.

Crown him the virgin's Son,  
The God incarnate born,  
Whose arm those crimson trophies won  
Which now his brow adorn;  
Fruit of the mystic rose,  
Yet of that rose the stem,  
The root whence mercy ever flows,  
The babe of Bethlehem.

Crown him the Lord of love—  
Behold his hands and side.  
Rich wounds, yet visible above,  
In beauty glorified.  
No angels in the sky  
Can fully bear that sight,  
But downward bend their burning eyes  
At mysteries so bright.

Crown him the Lord of life,  
Who triumphed o'er the grave  
And rose victorious in the strife  
For those he came to save.  
His glories now we sing,  
Who died and rose on high,  
Who died, eternal life to bring,  
And lives that death may die.



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Crown him the Lord of years,  
The potentate of time,  
Creator of the rolling spheres,  
Ineffably sublime.  
All hail, Redeemer, hail!  
For thou hast died for me;  
Thy praise and glory shall not fail  
Throughout eternity.

**Text:** Matthew Bridges, sts. 1-3, 5; Godfrey Thring, st. 4; **Music:** George J. Elvey.

## Dismissal

Go in peace. Live in love, as Christ loved us.

***Response: Thanks be to God.***

**Postlude**

*Come, Thou Fount  
of Every Blessing*

Rhonda R.



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