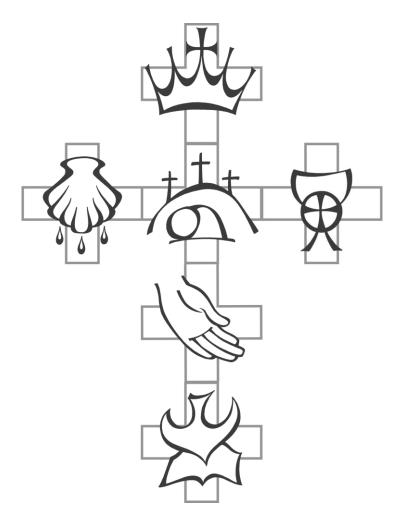
The Lutheran Church of the Savior A Community of Faith: Centered in Christ – Called to Serve



Order of Worship

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Introit

Psalm 135:1-3, 13-14

Praise the LORD! Praise the name of the LORD, give praise, O servants of the LORD, who stand in the house of the LORD, in the courts of the house of our God! Praise the LORD, for the LORD is good; sing to his name, for it is pleasant! Your name, O LORD, endures forever, your renown, O LORD, throughout all ages. For the LORD will vindicate his people and have compassion on his servants.

Communion Theology and Practice

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is intended for those:

- who have been baptized in the name of the Triune God,
- who have faith in Jesus Christ as God the Son in the flesh and their personal Savior from sin, death, and the devil;
- who believe that they have sin that needs forgiving, hurt that needs healing, and faith that needs strengthening;
- · who are committed to amending their sinful ways; and
- who believe that in, with, and under the bread and wine they receive the true body and blood of the risen Christ, together with the forgiveness of all their sins.

If you are a visitor with us this morning and wish to receive the Lord's Supper, please speak with the pastor before the service. Thank you.

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Divine Service, Setting One

Welcome

Opening Hymn

O Day of Rest and Gladness LSB 906 rest and glad - ness, 10 day of 0 day of and light, joy The 2 This day at light first had earth's cre - a tion its birth; 3 This day, God's peo - ple meet - ing, His Ho - ly Scrip-ture hear; 4 That light our We walk the pil - grim way, hope sus - tain ing, 0 balm of care and sad - ness, Most beau - ti - ful, most bright; This day for our sal - va - tion Christ rose from depths of earth; His liv - ing pres-ence greet - ing, Through bread and wine made near. At length our rest at - tain - ing, Our end - less Sab - bath day. This day the high and low - ly, Through a - ges joined to bless, This day our Lord vic - to - rious The Spir - it sent from heav'n, Re - newed with heav'n-ly We jour-ney on, be - liev - ing, might. We sing to Thee our prais - es, 0 Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son; ho - ly," The tri - une Sing, "Ho - ly, ho - ly, God con - fess. thus this day most glo-rious Α three - fold And light was giv'n. From grace more grace re - ceiv - ing, On this blest day of light. The Church her voice up - rais - es То Thee, blest Three in One.

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Invocation

- ${f P}$ In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Confession and Absolution

- If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination

- **P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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.
- Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Service of the Word

Psalm

Psalm 104:27-35

Spoken responsively, whole verse by whole verse

²⁷These all look to you,

to give them their food in due season.

²⁸When you give it to them, they gather it up; when you open your hand, they are filled with good things.

²⁹When you hide your face, they are dismayed; when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.

³⁰When you send forth your Spirit, they are created, and you renew the face of the ground.

³¹May the glory of the LORD endure forever; may the LORD rejoice in his works,

³²who looks on the earth and it trembles, who touches the mountains and they smoke!

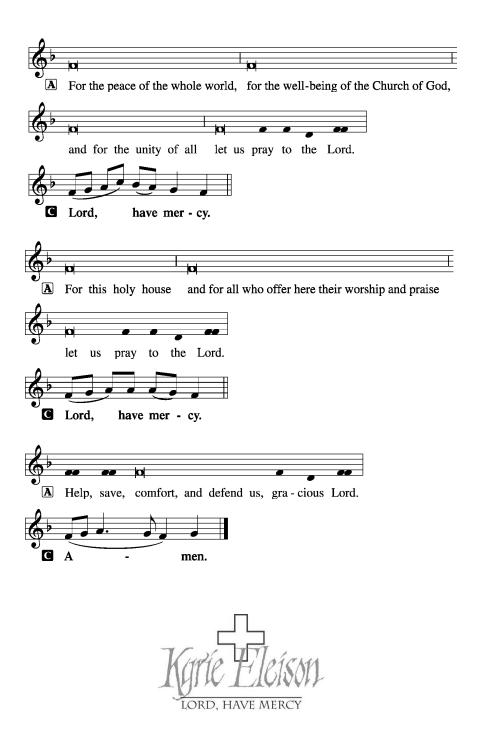
³³I will sing to the LORD as long as I live;I will sing praise to my God while I have being.

³⁴May my meditation be pleasing to him, for I rejoice in the LORD.

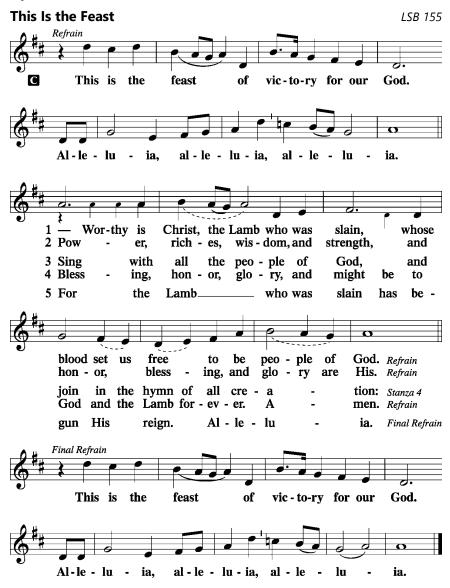
³⁵Let sinners be consumed from the earth, and let the wicked be no more!Bless the LORD, O my soul!Praise the LORD!

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

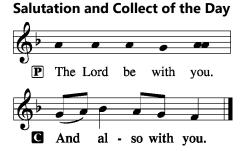




Hymn of Praise



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P Let us pray.

Everlasting Father, source of every blessing, mercifully direct and govern us by Your Holy Spirit that we may complete the works You have prepared for us to do; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Old Testament Reading

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

⁴Now the rabble that was among [the children of Israel] had a strong craving. And the people of Israel also wept again and said, "Oh that we had meat to eat! ⁵We remember the fish we ate in Egypt that cost nothing, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the garlic. ⁶But now our strength is dried up, and there is nothing at all but this manna to look at."

¹⁰Moses heard the people weeping throughout their clans, everyone at the door of his tent. And the anger of the LORD blazed hotly, and Moses was displeased. ¹¹Moses said to the LORD, "Why have you dealt ill with your servant? And why have I not found favor in your sight, that you lay the burden of all this people on me? ¹²Did I conceive all this people? Did I give them birth, that you should say to me, 'Carry them in your bosom, as a nurse carries a nursing child,' to the land that you swore to give their fathers? ¹³Where am I to get meat to give to all this people? For they weep before me and say, 'Give us meat, that we may eat.' ¹⁴I am not able to carry all this people alone; the burden is too heavy for me.

¹⁵If you will treat me like this, kill me at once, if I find favor in your sight, that I may not see my wretchedness."

¹⁶Then the LORD said to Moses, "Gather for me seventy men of the elders of Israel, whom you know to be the elders of the people and officers over them, and bring them to the tent of meeting, and let them take their stand there with you...

²⁴So Moses went out and told the people the words of the LORD. And he gathered seventy men of the elders of the people and placed them around the tent. ²⁵Then the LORD came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the Spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders. And as soon as the Spirit rested on them, they prophesied. But they did not continue doing it.

²⁶Now two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the Spirit rested on them. They were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. ²⁷And a young man ran and told Moses, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp." ²⁸And Joshua the son of Nun, the assistant of Moses from his youth, said, "My lord Moses, stop them." ²⁹But Moses said to him, "Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the LORD's people were prophets, that the LORD would put his Spirit on them!"

A This is the Word of the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.



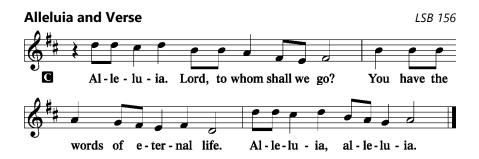
Epistle

¹Come now, you rich, weep and howl for the miseries that are coming upon you. ²Your riches have rotted and your garments are moth-eaten. ³Your gold and silver have corroded, and their corrosion will be evidence against you and will eat your flesh like fire. You have laid up treasure in the last days. ⁴Behold, the wages of the laborers who mowed your fields, which you kept back by fraud, are crying out against you, and the cries of the harvesters have reached the ears of the Lord of hosts. ⁵You have lived on the earth in luxury and in self-indulgence. You have fattened your hearts in a day of slaughter. ⁶You have condemned; you have murdered the righteous person. He does not resist you.

⁷Be patient, therefore, brothers, until the coming of the Lord. See how the farmer waits for the precious fruit of the earth, being patient about it, until it receives the early and the late rains. ⁸You also, be patient. Establish your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is at hand. ⁹Do not grumble against one another, brothers, so that you may not be judged; behold, the Judge is standing at the door. ¹⁰As an example of suffering and patience, brothers, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord. ¹¹Behold, we consider those blessed who remained steadfast. You have heard of the steadfastness of Job, and you have seen the purpose of the Lord, how the Lord is compassionate and merciful.

¹²But above all, my brothers, do not swear, either by heaven or by earth or by any other oath, but let your "yes" be yes and your "no" be no, so that you may not fall under condemnation.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- **G** Thanks be to God.



Holy Gospel

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



³⁸John said to [Jesus], "Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us." ³⁹But Jesus said, "Do not stop him, for no one who does a mighty work in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. ⁴⁰For the one who is not against us is for us. ⁴¹For truly, I say to you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you belong to Christ will by no means lose his reward.

⁴²"Whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in me to sin, it would be better for him if a great millstone were hung around his neck and he were thrown into the sea. ⁴³And if your hand causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life crippled than with two hands to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. ⁴⁵And if your foot causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life lame than with two feet to be thrown into hell. ⁴⁷And if your eye causes you to sin, tear it out. It is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than with two eyes to be thrown into hell, ⁴⁸ where their worm does not die and the fire is not quenched.' ⁴⁹For everyone will be salted with fire. ⁵⁰Salt is good, but if the salt has lost its saltiness, how will you make it salty again? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.





Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,

the only-begotten Son of God,

begotten of His Father before all worlds,

God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God,

begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made;

who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven

and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man;

and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.

- He suffered and was buried.
- And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven

and sits at the right hand of the Father.

And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,

whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the Lord and giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,

who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,

I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,

and I look for the resurrection of the dead

and the life + of the world to come. Amen.



Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart LSB 708 love with all my heart; I 1 Lord, Thee I pray Thee, ne'er from 2 Yea, Lord, 'twas Thy rich boun - ty gave My 3 Lord, let at last Thine an - gels come, To bod - y, soul, and A - br'ham's bos - om de - part, With ten - der mer - cv Earth me cheer me. this poor life of la Lord, all Ι have In bor. That bear me home, Ι may die un - fear ing; And no plea - sure heav'n it - self has Ι would share. Yea, were grant that Ι in ev - 'ry May glo - ri - fy Thy place bod - v safe nar - row cham - ber in its keep Mv in void and bare If Thou, Lord, wert not near me. And should my lav - ish grace And help and serve my neigh bor. no false Let peace-ful sleep Un - til Thy re - ap - pear -And then from ing. sor - row break. My trust Thee can noth - ing shake. heart for in doc - trine me be-guile; Let Sa - tan not my soul de - file. death a - wak - en me, That these mine eyes with joy may see, Thou art the por - tion I have sought; Thy pre - cious Give strength and tience un - to To bear my pa me 0 Son of God, Thy glo - rious face, My Sav - ior blood my soul has bought. Lord Christ, my God and Christ, my God and Je sus cross and fol - low Thee. Lord Je sus my fount of grace. Lord Je -Christ, my prayer at and sus Lord, my God and Lord, For - sake me not! Thy Word. I trust Lord, my God and Lord, In death Thy com - fort still af - ford. tend, my prayer at - tend, And I will praise Thee with - out end. af - ford.

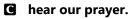
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Prayer of the Church and Lord's Prayer

Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Response after each petition

P Lord, in your mercy,



- All these things and whatever else You know that we need, grant us, Father, for the sake of Him who died and rose again and now lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God forever.
- C Amen.
- **P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to 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.

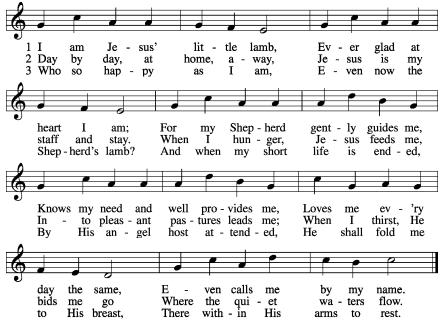
Blessing

- P The grace of our Lord
 → Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C Amen.



I Am Jesus' Little Lamb

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Resources for Meditation this Week

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

26 September 2021

Readings

Numbers 11:4–6, 10–16, 24–29 James 5:(1–12) 13–20 Mark 9:38–50

Christ Jesus, the Son of God, Cares for Us and Serves Us with the Forgiveness of Sins

When the people of Israel wept, complaining that they had no meat to eat (Num. 11:4), Moses cried out to the Lord that *"the burden of all this people"* was too heavy for him and that he was *"not able to carry all this people alone"* (Num. 11:11–14). So the Lord had Moses gather *"seventy men of the elders of Israel"* (Num. 11:16), and the Lord *"took some of the Spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders"* (Num. 11:25), so that Moses would not carry the burden alone. All who thus labor are honored, and all the people are cared for, in the name of the Lord (Mark 9:39–41). Everything is done with reference to Christ Jesus. So we cling to Him, and we flee from all sins that would separate us from Him (Mark 9:42–48). The life of the Church is one of repentant faith in Christ. Christians confess their sins to one another, and they *"pray for one another,"* that each would be raised up and healed by the Lord Jesus, who covers *"a multitude of sins"* and saves our souls from death (James 5:15–20).



NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Readings

Genesis 2:18–25 Hebrews 2:1–13 (14–18) Mark 10:2–16

Marriage Is a Sign that Manifests the Gospel of Christ and His Church

Humanity is created in the image and likeness of God. "It is not good that the man should be alone" (Gen. 2:18). For the Lord Himself is a perfect communion of three Persons — the Father, Son and Holy Spirit — in one God. Therefore, "the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and while he slept took one of his ribs," which "he made into a woman" and brought "to the man" (Gen. 2:21–22). It is for this reason that "a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh" (Gen. 2:24; Mark 10:7). This great mystery of holy marriage signifies Christ Jesus, the incarnate Son of God, and His Bride, the Church. Divorce and all manner of adultery contradict and undermine this sign, and in doing so, they confess a false Christ and a false gospel. "What therefore God has joined together, let not man separate" (Mark 10:9). In truth, Christ Jesus has atoned for all such sins, and He has perfected marriage in Himself "through suffering," that He might bring "many sons to glory" in His resurrection (Heb. 2:8–10).

