



Shepherd
OF THE PRAIRIE
LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday Morning Worship
August 7, 2022
9:00 a.m.

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

PRELUDE

CONFESSION

Presiding Minister: In the name of God, who makes a way in the wilderness, walks with us, and guides us in our pilgrimage

Congregation: **Amen**

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

Presiding Minister: Holy One,

Congregation: **we confess that we have wandered far from you: we have not trusted your promises, we have ignored your prophets in our own day, we have squandered our inheritance of grace, we have failed to recognize you in our midst. Have mercy on us! Forgive us and turn us again to you. Teach us to follow in your ways, assure us again of your love, and help us to love our neighbor. Amen.**

Presiding Minister: Beloved in Christ, the Word draws near to you, and all who call out to God shall be saved. In Jesus, God comes to you again and again and gathers you under wings of love. In Jesus' name, your sins are forgiven. God journeys with you and teaches you how to live in love.

Congregation: **Amen**

OPENING HYMN

“Oh, That I Had a Thousand Voices” ELW 833

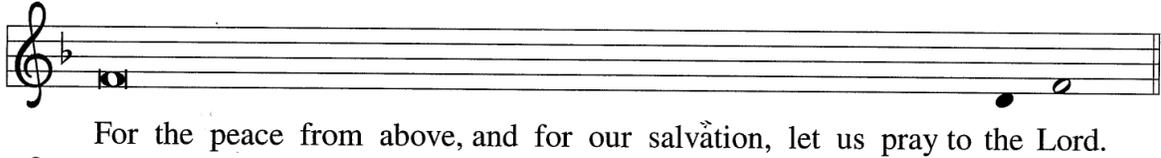
Presiding Minister: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Congregation: **And also with you.**

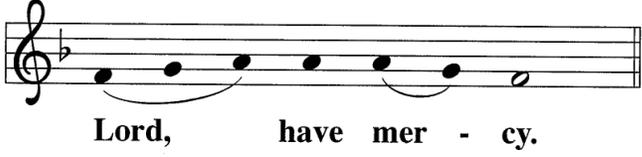
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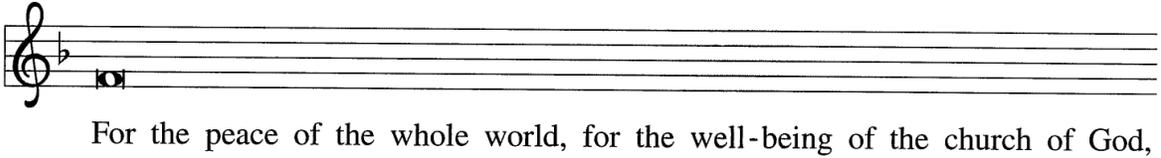
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.



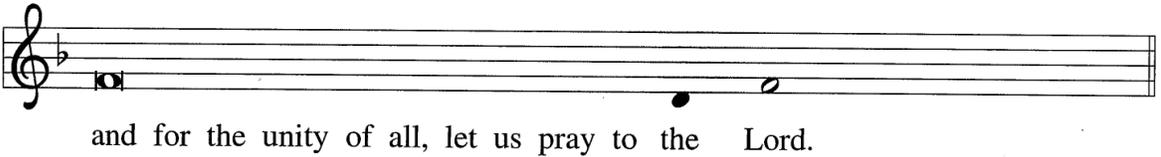
For the peace from above, and for our salvàtion, let us pray to the Lord.



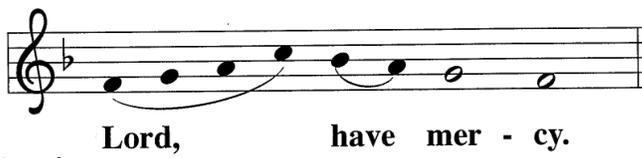
Lord, have mer - cy.



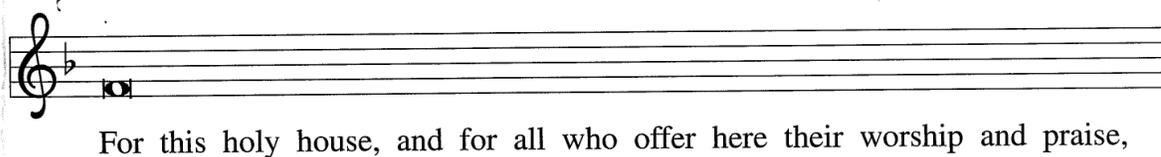
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



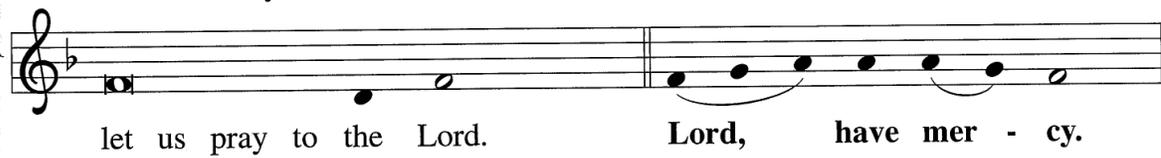
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



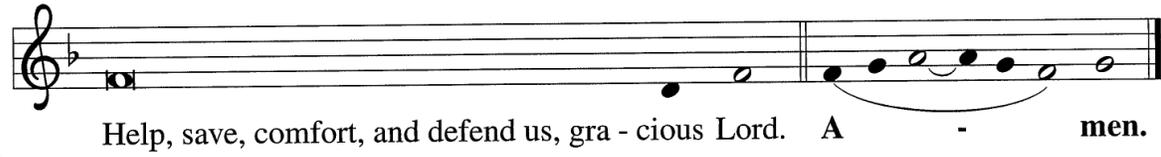
Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. A - men.

HYMN OF PRAISE

"Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven" ELW 864

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Presiding Minister: Almighty God, you sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your church. Open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may be ready to receive you wherever you appear, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Congregation: **Amen!**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

ANTHEM

"Beautiful Savior" F.M. Christiansen

CHORAL OCTET

READING

Reader: The Reading today is from Genesis 15, vs. 1-6

After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." But Abram said, "O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." But the word of the LORD came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord!

Congregation: **Thanks be to God!**

PSALM

Reader: The Psalm today is from Psalm 33

Happy is the nation whose God is the LORD!

Happy the people chosen to be God's heritage!

**The LORD looks down from heaven,
and sees all humankind.**

God sits firmly enthroned and watches
all who dwell on the earth.

**God fashions all their hearts
and observes all their deeds.**

A king is not saved by the size of the army,
nor are warriors rescued by their great strength.

The horse gives vain hope for victory;

despite its great strength it cannot save.
 Truly, your eye is upon those who fear you, O LORD,
 upon those who wait for your steadfast love,
to deliver their lives from death,
and to keep them alive in time of famine.
 Our innermost being waits for you, O LORD,
 our helper and our shield.
Surely, our heart rejoices in you,
for in your holy name we put our trust.
 Let your lovingkindness, O LORD, be upon us,
 even as we place our hope in you.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord!
 Congregation: **Thanks be to God!**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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

GOSPEL: Luke 12:32-40

Preacher: The Gospel according to Luke, the 12th chapter.
Congregation: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus said:] "Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

Preacher: The Gospel of the Lord.
Congregation: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

THE MESSAGE (*Congregation sits*)
Pastor Mark Boster

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Blessed Assurance” ELW 638

THE APOSTLES CREED:

Congregation: 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, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell. 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 PRAYERS

Assisting Minister: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs. (*Each prayer concludes: ...Lord in your mercy.*)

Congregation: **Hear our prayer.**

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Presiding Minister: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Congregation: **And also with you.**

Greet one another: **“Peace be with you.”**

OFFERING

“Praise His Holy Name” Keith Hampton

VOCAL OCTET

OFFERING PRAYER

Assisting Minister: Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world.

Congregation: **Amen.**

Great Thanksgiving

S 144a

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The musical score consists of four staves of music in G major (one flat) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below each staff. The first staff has two measures, the second and third have two measures each, and the fourth has two measures. The music is written in treble clef.

PREFACE

Presiding Minister: 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:

S 144b

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

The musical score consists of four staves of music in G major (one flat) and 4/4 time. The melody is more complex than the first score, with lyrics written below each staff. The first staff has two measures, the second and third have two measures each, and the fourth has two measures. The music is written in treble clef.

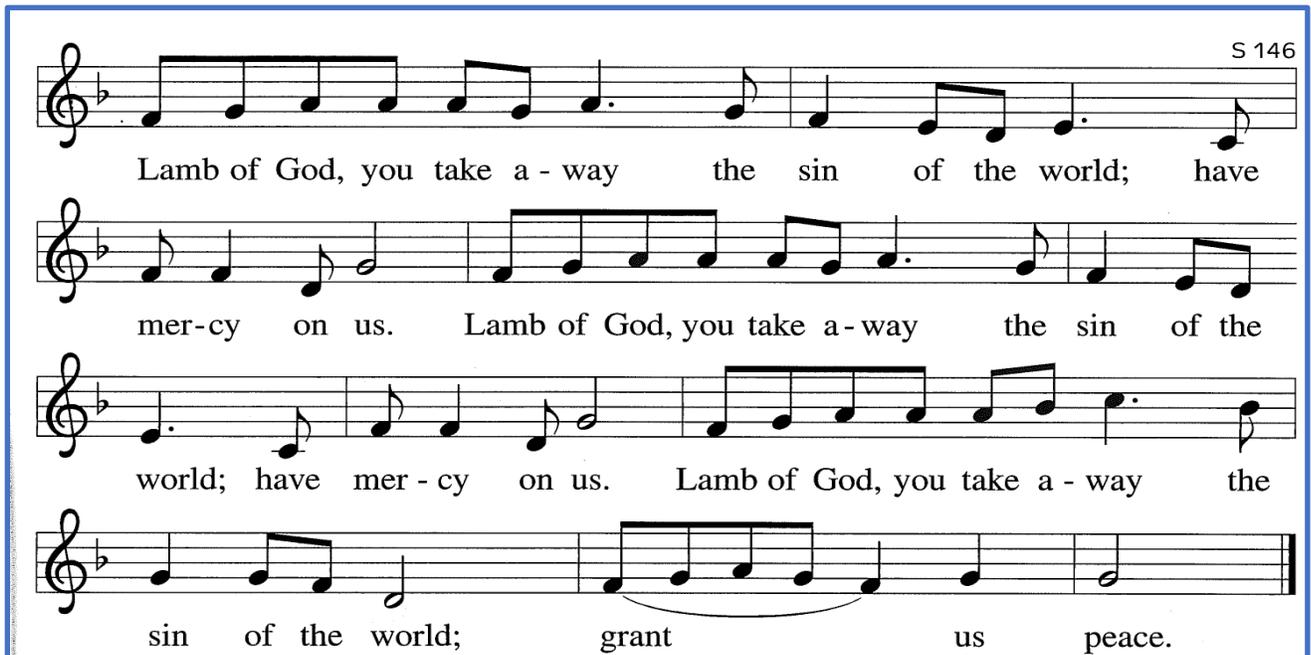
WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

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DISTRIBUTION MUSIC



S 146

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

“Come, Let Us Eat” **ELW 491**

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

Presiding Minister: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus strengthen and keep you in his grace.

Congregation: **Amen**

BENEDICTION

“The Lord Bless You and Keep You” arr. John Rutter

CHORAL OCTET

PRAYER

Assisting Minister: Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray.

Congregation: **Amen**

FINAL BLESSING

Presiding Minister: The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, be upon you now and forever.

Congregation: **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN

“Sent Forth By God's Blessing” **ELW 547**

DISMISSAL

Assisting Minister: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Congregation: **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Assisting Minister: Go in peace. Tell what God has done.

Congregation: **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE