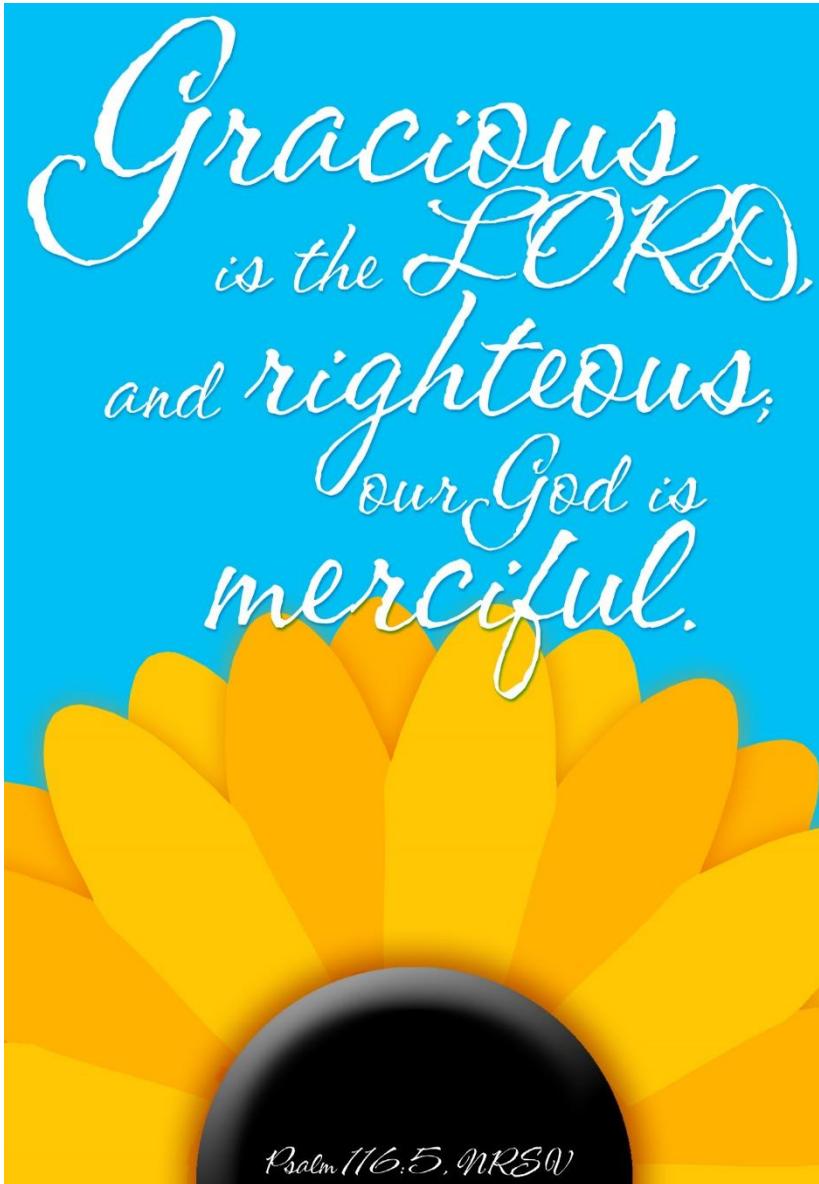


16 Pentecost



September 12, 2021

Gathering

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Welcome

Gathering Hymn

“Lift High the Cross”

ELW #660 vs 1&2

Refrain

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
till all the world adore his sacred name.

1 Come, Christians, follow where our captain trod,
our king victorious, Christ, the Son of God. *Refrain*

2 All newborn servants of the Crucified
bear on their brows the seal of him who died. *Refrain*

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Call to Confession

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **C: Amen.**

P: 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. **C: Amen.**

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Forgiveness

P: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **C: Amen.**

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.**

“We Praise Your Holy Name”

The image shows a musical score for the hymn "We Praise Your Holy Name". It consists of four staves of music in a 4/4 time signature, with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature change to one flat. The lyrics for the first staff are: "We need you God to fill us with your ho - ly pre - sence. to be our You sent your Son who sa - cri - ficed His life to save us. to take a -". The second staff continues the lyrics: "hope way when life is so un - sure. For peace with - in our hearts, you the sins of the world. We're here to wor - ship You." The third staff continues: "com - fort to our souls. We pray for u - ni - ty. here to give our thanks We praise Your Ho - ly Name." The fourth staff continues: "We praise your Ho - ly Name". There are dynamic markings 'F' (forte) and 'C' (crescendo) throughout the piece.

Prayer of the Day

P: O God,

C: through suffering and rejection you bring forth our salvation, and by the glory of the cross you transform our lives. Grant that for the sake of the gospel we may turn from the lure of evil, take up our cross, and follow your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Anthem

“Servants of Christ” - Lou Ann Shafer

Adult Choir

Word

God Speaks to Us in Scripture Reading, Preaching, and Song.

Psalm: Psalm 116:1-9

¹I love the LORD, who has heard my voice,
and listened to my supplication,

²**for the LORD has given ear to me
whenever I called.**

³The cords of death entangled me; the anguish of the grave came upon me;
I came to grief and sorrow.

⁴**Then I called upon the name of the LORD:
“O LORD, I pray you, save my life.”**

⁵Gracious is the LORD and righteous;
our God is full of compassion.

⁶**The LORD watches over the innocent;
I was brought low, and God saved me.**

⁷Turn again to your rest, O my soul.
for the LORD has dealt well with you.

⁸**For you have rescued my life from death,
my eyes from tears, and my feet from stumbling;**

⁹I will walk in the presence of the LORD
in the land of the living.

Gospel Acclamation



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

P: The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the eighth chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: Mark 8:27-38

²⁷Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that I am?” ²⁸And they answered him, “John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets.” ²⁹He asked them, “But who do you say that I am?” Peter answered him, “You are the Messiah.” ³⁰And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him.

³¹Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. ³²He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. ³³But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

³⁴He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ³⁵For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. ³⁶For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? ³⁷Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? ³⁸Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Children's Message

Sermon

"This Changes Everything"

Pastor Kathy

Hymn of the Day

"We are the Church"

Refrain

We are the Church,
the body of our Lord;
We are all God's children,
we have been restored.

The Church is not a building
where people go to pray;
It's not made out of sticks and stones,
it's not made out of clay. *Refrain*

You can go to worship
but you cannot go to Church;
You can't find a building that's alive
no matter how you search. *Refrain*

The Church is not a business,
a committee, or a board;
It's not a corporation
for the business of the Lord. *Refrain*

The Church, it is the people,
living out their lives
Called, enlightened, sanctified
for the work of Jesus Christ. *Refrain*

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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 the People

P: Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

Offertory

"A Grateful Heart"

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like. The lyrics are written below the notes.

grate-ful heart is what I bring. A cup of praise, my of - fer ing.

A-mong the Saints, I lift my voice. In You Oh God, I will re-joice!

Offertory Prayer

P: Merciful Father,

C: we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us – our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Holy Communion

Today we celebrate Holy Communion: If you are a guest, please know you are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Jesus said that the body and blood are given "for you and for all people." For gluten-free wafers, ask the pastors. If you desire to commune while seated, please sit near an aisle and let an usher know. We will bring communion to you. Children not yet communing are invited forward to receive a

blessing. If you would like to have grape juice instead of wine, please hold up your index finger when you reach a communion server.

P: The Lord be with you,

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts,

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God,

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

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. 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.

Communion

Communion Blessing and Prayer

Benediction

Sending Hymn "You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore" ELW #817 vs 1,3&4

- 1 You have come down to the lakeshore
seeking neither the wise nor the wealthy,
but only asking for me to follow.

Refrain

Sweet Lord, you have looked into my eyes;
kindly smiling, you've called out my name.
On the sand I have abandoned my small boat;
now with you, I will seek other seas.

- 3 You need my hands, my exhaustion,
working love for the rest of the weary--
a love that's willing to go on loving. *Refrain*

- 4 You who have fished other waters;
you, the longing of souls that are yearning:
O loving Friend, you have come to call me. *Refrain*

Dismissal

P: Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.



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9/5 General Offering	\$ 6,230.50	\$ 278,646.91	\$ 313,668.00
9/5 Building Fund	\$ 1,802.50	\$ 40,729.50	\$ 45,252.00
TOTAL:	\$ 8,033.00	\$ 319,376.41	\$ 358,920.00
9/5 World Hunger	\$ 140.00	\$ 5,709.00	

ATTENDANCE	5:30PM Sat.	FB Live Views	9:00AM Sun.
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In Our Prayers This Week:

Merrle Asleson, Audrey Broste, Russ Brown, Nicole Degner, Paul Egeland, Dixie Flitter, Dave Ganske, Marilyn Hudson, Sharon Hulke, Larry Hunstad, Joyce Jobe, Ann Julien, Kain Kittleson, Dave Marsh, Tom Postel, Pam Riebe, Keith Riser, Sharon Riser, Con Trapp, Linda Trimnell, Michele Walters, Tom Weilage, Richard Wurtzberger