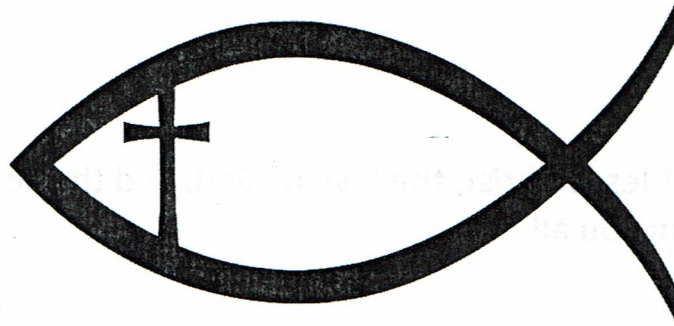


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September 12, 2021 – SEASON OF PENTECOST

10:30 AM - Worship/ Sacrament of Holy Baptism

also on - www.facebook.com/durhamlutheran

Piano Prelude- *"Love of Jesus Medley"* - Arr. Mark Hayes

Welcome - Announcements

Introduction to Worship

Opening Hymn - ELW #781 - "Children of the Heavenly Father"

(Stand if you are able)

Sacrament of Holy Baptism- ELW, pages 227-231

BAPTISM of OLIVIA DAWN FROELICH and DANE CHARLES REIMAN

Greeting (please stand)

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

PEOPLE: **AND ALSO WITH YOU**

Prayer of the Day

O God, through suffering and rejections 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.

(Please be seated)

First Reading- Isaiah 50: 4-9a

The Lord GOD has given me the tongue of a teacher,
that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word.
Morning by morning he awakens— awakens my ear to listen
as those who are taught. The Lord GOD has opened my ear,
and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backwards. I gave my back to
those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard;
I did not hide my face from insult and spitting.

The Lord GOD helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced;
therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall
not be put to shame; he who vindicates me is near.
Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together.
Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me.
It is the Lord GOD who helps me; who will declare me guilty?
All of them will wear out like a garment; the moth will eat them up.

Lector: **The Word of the Lord.**

PEOPLE: **THANKS BE TO GOD.**

Psalm 116: 1-9 (read responsively)

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

²for 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.

⁴Then 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.

⁶The 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.

**⁸For 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.

Second Reading- James 3: 1-12

Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits.

How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, but no one can tame the tongue—a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (said by all - please stand)

**“ALLELUIA! LORD, TO WHOM SHALL WE GO?
YOU HAVE THE WORDS OF ETERNAL LIFE. ALLELUIA!”**

Introduction to the Gospel

Pastor: The holy gospel according to Mark:

PEOPLE: GLORY TO YOU, O LORD.

The Holy Gospel - Mark 8: 27-38

Jesus 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?” And they answered him, “John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets.” He asked them, “But who do you say that I am?” Peter answered him, “You are the Messiah.” And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him.

Then 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. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But 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.”

He 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. For 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. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those 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.”

Pastor: The gospel of the Lord.

PEOPLE: PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST.

(please be seated)

Message

Hymn - ELW #777 - "Come to Me, All Pilgrims Thirsty" vs. 1-4

(Stand if you are able)

Prayers and Intercessions:

Pastor: Lord, in your mercy,

People: HEAR OUR PRAYER.

The Lord's Prayer

Sign of Peace

Blessing (Pastor) : The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us,
+ be upon you now and forever. AMEN.

Dismissal:

Pastor: Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

PEOPLE: THANKS BE TO GOD!

Organ Postlude- "*On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand*" - Arr. Tom Birchwood

Helping in Worship

Organist/Choir Director

- Carolyn Williams

Lector/ Assisting Minister

- Rev. Donna T. Deal

Acolyte

- TBD

Altar Guild

- Serena Ashmore, Nancy Moskella

Usher

- Joe Hlavaty

Technology

- Ken Anderson

Office Secretary

- Jessica Mette

Custodian

- Dianna Streletz

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- TODAY- FALL WORSHIP BEGINS! - worship each Sunday at **10:30AM** - inside with masks and also livestreamed on Facebook and YouTube.
- CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING, Tuesday, September 14, 7:00PM
- SUNDAY, September 26 - Pastor Deal's final Worship Service 10:30AM
Holy Communion/ Thanksgiving and Sending
- "There will be a special Lemonade on the Lawn following the Worship Service on Sept. 26, Pastor Deal's final service."
- SEPTEMBER "OUTREACH OFFERINGS" - Lutheran Disaster Response

Please lift up in prayer the following ...

For Healing of those in our Congregation: Michael Altemus; Joanne & David Antoni; Norma Fox; Virginia Hager; Betty & George Kreitz; Dot Peterman; Silas Rodenbach; Hal Taylor; Carolyn Williams; and Joanne and Bobby Ziegenfuss.

For Healing of Friends and Family: Harry & Terry Bachart; Lynn Bailey; Ron & Kathy Ballek; Jason Bigley; Karen Bolesta; Kelly Bordelon; Phyllis Boyer; Deb Carmichael; Bill Corrigan; Chris Fear; Fred Foerster; Gabriella Froehlich; Ken Garey; Candie Gimbar; Kathy J.; George & Lois James; Virginia Johnson; Mary Ellen Jonczyk; Jean Kaki; Lauren Keebler; Martine King; Priscilla Kinter; Chelsea Marley; Pat Merkham; Clint O'Connor; Lisa Pezzino; Donnie Pyne; Connie Rugen; Linda Saunders; David Sebring; Ron Steele; Donna Storm; Russ Trauger; Rocco Vonelli; and Linda Wilson

For those who are Homebound: Cleo and Ken Eck; Phyllis Lanshe; Jayne Miller.

For the Grieving: The families of Brian Ashmore, Jr.; Robert Harman; Craig Hartzell; Ruth Holena; Dean Litzenberger; Elfriede and Manfred Marschewski; The Rhine Family; Randy Rilling; Gerry Seipt; Lewis Snyder; Alex Ulrey; and Rudolf von Watzdorf.

For those in Health Care: Including Sara Aquino, Debbie Angstadt; Kendell Beerer, Mary Crouse, Sara Deal Den Herder, Mary Erceg; Faye Gadwell; Tanya Naska; Kristi Lee Reiman; and Sharron Streletz.

Essential Food Workers: Bethany Michl, Trauger's Farm

Essential Postal Workers: Andrea Fox and Dawn Margeson