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**October 9, 2022; THE EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**10:30 AM – Non-Communion Service/ ELW Setting 10**

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**Prelude -**

**Welcome - Announcements**

**Introduction to Worship**

It's a miracle! Multiple miracles! The waters of holy baptism have healed us. The body and blood of Jesus in holy communion have made us clean. We have died with Christ and been raised with him. For all this we have returned to offer thanks. From this place we are sent on our way rejoicing to share the good news.

**Confession and Forgiveness**

**(Stand if you are able)**

P: Blessed be the Holy Trinity, + one God, who is eager to forgive and who loves us beyond our days.

**C: Amen.**

P: Dear friends, together let us acknowledge our failure to love this world as Jesus does.

*Silence for reflection.*

God of mercy and forgiveness,

**C: we confess that sin still has a hold on us. We have harmed your good creation. We have failed to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you. Turn us in a new direction. Show us the path that leads to life. Be our refuge and strength on the journey, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend. Amen.**

P: Beloved of God: your sins are forgiven † and you are made whole. God points the way to new life in Christ, who meets us on the road. Journey now in God's abiding love through the power of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

## Opening Hymn - ELW #865 - "Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven"

### Apostolic 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.

Kyrie . . . . . ELW Page 203

### Prayer of the Day

L: Let us pray. . . Almighty and most merciful God, your bountiful goodness fills all creation. Keep us safe from all that may hurt us, that, whole and well in body and spirit, we may with grateful hearts accomplish all that you would have us do, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen. (Please be Seated)

### First Reading: 2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c

*Naaman, a Syrian general, suffers from leprosy. In this passage Elisha miraculously cures his illness, but only after Naaman realizes, with the help of his servants, that he also needs healing for his pride. This foreign general then acknowledges the sovereignty of the God of Israel.*

L: A reading from the 5<sup>th</sup> chapter of 2<sup>nd</sup> Kings.

<sup>1</sup>Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master, because by him the LORD had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from leprosy. <sup>2</sup>Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. <sup>3</sup>She said to her mistress, "If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy." <sup>7</sup>When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me."

<sup>8</sup>But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel." <sup>9</sup>So Naaman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. <sup>10</sup>Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean." <sup>11</sup>But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, "I thought that for me he

would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of the LORD his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the leprosy! <sup>12</sup>Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?" He turned and went away in a rage. <sup>13</sup>But his servants approached and said to him, "Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, 'Wash, and be clean'?" <sup>14</sup>So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean. <sup>15a-c</sup>Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company; he came and stood before him and said, "Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel."

L: The Word of the Lord.      **C: THANKS BE TO GOD.**

## **Psalm 111**

<sup>1</sup>Hallelujah! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart,  
in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.

<sup>2</sup>**Great are your works, O LORD, pondered by all who delight in them.**

<sup>3</sup>Majesty and splendor mark your deeds, and your righteousness endures forever.

<sup>4</sup>**You cause your wonders to be remembered; you are gracious and full of compassion.**

<sup>5</sup>You give food to those who fear you, remembering forever your covenant.

<sup>6</sup>**You have shown your people the power of your works  
in giving them the lands of the nations.**

<sup>7</sup>The works of your hands are faithfulness and justice; all of your precepts are sure.

<sup>8</sup>**They stand fast forever and ever, because they are done in truth and equity.**

<sup>9</sup>You sent redemption to your people and commanded your covenant forever;  
holy and awesome is your name.

<sup>10</sup>**The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; all who practice this have a good  
understanding. God's praise endures forever.**

## **Second Reading: 2 Timothy 2:8-15**

*Though Paul is chained as a prisoner, the word of God is never shackled or confined. Timothy is encouraged to proclaim that word of freedom in an honest and upright life as well as in his teaching and preaching.*

L: A reading from the second chapter of 2<sup>nd</sup> Timothy.

<sup>8</sup>Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David—that is my gospel, <sup>9</sup>for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. <sup>10</sup>Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect,

so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. <sup>11</sup>The saying is sure: If we have died with him, we will also live with him;

<sup>12</sup>if we endure, we will also reign with him; if we deny him, he will also deny us;

<sup>13</sup>if we are faithless, he remains faithful—for he cannot deny himself.

<sup>14</sup>Remind them of this, and warn them before God that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. <sup>15</sup>Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

L: The Word of the Lord

**C: THANKS BE TO GOD**

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (Please stand) ELW page 205**

### **The Holy Gospel - Luke 16: 19-31**

*Jesus' mission includes making people clean again. Unexpectedly, a Samaritan healed of leprosy becomes a model for those who would praise and worship God and give thanks for God's mercy.*

P: The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 17<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

P: <sup>11</sup>On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. <sup>12</sup>As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, <sup>13</sup>they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" <sup>14</sup>When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. <sup>15</sup>Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. <sup>16</sup>He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. <sup>17</sup>Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they?" <sup>18</sup>Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" <sup>19</sup>Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

P: The gospel of the Lord.

**C: PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST.**

(Be seated after the gospel)

### **Children's Message**

### **Sermon**

**Hymn of the Day — ELW#612- "Healer of Our Every Ill"**

## The 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 power of 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 and Intercessions:**

P: In gratitude and humility, let us join together in prayer on behalf of all of God's creation.

*A brief silence.*

Gracious God, we give you thanks for bishops, pastors, and deacons (*church leaders may be named*). Inspire leaders of the church to proclaim your mighty deeds, that your saving faith may be known to all. Hear us, O God.

**C: Your mercy is great.**

P: Majestic God, we give you thanks for land and water, seedtime and harvest. Break down boundaries we construct between ourselves and the rest of your creation. Bring renewal and restoration to places affected by pollution and deforestation. Hear us, O God.

**C: Your mercy is great.**

P: Mighty God, we give you thanks for those in our community, nation, and world who work for justice and peace. Guide those who govern to act on behalf of those marginalized by race, ethnicity, or religion. Hear us, O God.

**C: Your mercy is great.**

P: Merciful God, we give you thanks that you hear the cries of those in need. Restore to community those who are stigmatized by illness, feel rejected, or who live in isolation. Send healing to all who suffer (*especially*). Hear us, O God.

**C: Your mercy is great.**

P: Faithful God, we give you thanks for the healing ministries of this congregation. Equip those who visit, care, and pray for the sick (*especially*). Give insight to doctors, nurses, home health aides, and all practitioners of medical arts. Hear us, O God.

**C: Your mercy is great.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

P: Eternal God, we give you thanks for your faithful people who have gone before us to your glory. Renew our trust in your eternal promises of mercy, redemption, and new life. Hear us, O God.

**C: Your mercy is great.**

P: With grateful hearts we commend our spoken and silent prayers to you, O God; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

## **Sharing of the Peace**

**Offertory Choir Anthem - "Sing out Your Joy!" Victor C. Johnston**

**Canticle of Thanksgiving (ELW p.2019)**

**Thanksgiving for the Word (ELW p.220)**

P: Let us pray. God of justice and love, we give thanks to you that you illumine our way through life with the words of your Son. Give us the light we need, awaken us to the needs of others, and at the end bring all the world to your feast; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever.

**C: Amen.**

**The Lord's Prayer**

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**C: 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: God, who gives life to all things and frees us from despair, bless you with truth and peace. And may the holy Trinity, † one God, guide you always in faith, hope, and love.

**C: Amen.**

**Sending Song: ELW #848 - "Give to Our God Immortal Praise"**

## Dismissal:

P: Go in peace, with Christ beside you.

C: Thanks be to God.

## Postlude:

### Helping in Worship

Preacher	- Katie Fritchman Youth Director, St. Mathew's Lutheran Church, Keller's Church
Organist/Choir Director	- Carolyn Williams
Acolyte	- Addyson Mammana
Altar Guild	- Barbara Naska and Serena Ashmore
Lector	- Bonnie DePortillo
Council Counting Team	-
Technology	- Ken Anderson
Office Secretary	- Jessica Mette
Custodian	- Dianna Streletz

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **TODAY**, Sunday, October 9th - 18th Sunday after Pentecost  
We welcome and thank Katie Fritchman back again this week as Pastor Jim is in Arlington, MA, baptizing his Grand daughter. He will be back in time for his Wednesday and Friday office hours and leading worship next Sunday.
- **Next Sunday**, October 16th - 19th Sunday after Pentecost
- Pastor Jim's Office hours – Wednesday & Friday – 10 to 1:00 pm
- Tuesday, October 11 – 7:00 PM - Finance Committee Meeting
- The Adult Bible study meets on Wednesdays from 1:00-3:00 at the home of Don Seipt and Kathy Hlavaty.
- Friday, October 14 - 10:00 am – WELCA Meeting –Soup Preparation for Durham Day – All volunteers welcome
- Saturday, October 15 – 1 to 4 pm – Durham Day @ Durham Post Office

### UP-COMING EVENTS

- Monday, October 17 – 7:00 pm – Live Nativity Committee Meeting
- Thursday, October 20 – 12:30 pm – Care-a-Lot Board Meeting

- Thursday, October 20 – 6:30 pm – Beer & Bible @ Becker’s Corner  
This is open to all Palisades Conference Churches
- Monday, October 24 – 7:00 pm – Church Council Meeting
- Sunday, October 30 – REFORMATION SUNDAY – Wear something RED
  - Forum to follow Worship - “How do we as Lutherans express our faith in the politics of our world today?”
  - Deadline for names for All Saints’ Day list
- **OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS-** OCTOBER 16th - Chris Roberts
- **OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES-** OCTOBER 13th- Lisa and Bruce Crouse (32) ;OCTOBER 15th- Val and Paul McGinn (28)
- **OCTOBER BAPTISMS-** OCTOBER 15th - Sharon Streletz
- Our Outreach envelopes for October have been designated for World Hunger.
- The food basket is given by Helen Dungan in honor and to thank Miriam and Ken Anderson.
- There is a signup sheet on the bulletin board in the narthex for Food Basket donations. You can either buy the supplies for the basket or Helen Dungan can shop for you.

**Please lift up in prayer the following ...**

**For Healing of those in our Congregation:** Michael Altemus; Joanne & David Antoni; Frank Erceg; Betty and George Kreitz; Paul McGinn; Cheryl Mesko; Barbara Naska; Bethany Michl; Donnie Pyne; and Joanne and Bobby Ziegenfuss.

**For Healing of Friends and Family:** Wanda Altemose; Lynn Bailey; Ron and Kathy Ballek; Michael Barats; Anthony Beck; Aiden Benoure; Jason Bigley; Kelly Bordelon; Emma Brown; Ollie Butler; Deb Carmichael; Stephanie Courtney; Jacob Currie; Rev. Dennis Durasoff; Nancy Edelen; Diane Ellington; Chris Fear; Fred Foerster; Gerry Foran; Debbie Gardner; Candie Gimbar; Lois James & family; Virginia Johnson; Lauren Keebler; Martine King; Jane Litzenberger; Chelsea Marley; Lenny Marin; Jim McAnally; Becky; Naska; Sue Odor; Lucia Otero; Debra Patten; Lisa Pezzino; Jennifer Phelps; Connie Rugen; Linda Saunders; Lani Schlegel; Debbie Schultz; David Sebring; Alex Sempt; Donna Storm; Russ Trauger; Nancy Vetter; Linda Wilson, and Henry Wong.

**For those who are Homebound:** Cleo & Ken Eck; Norma Fox; Phyllis Lanshe; Jayne Miller; Silas Rodenbach; and Hal Taylor.

**For the grieving:** Mary Ellen Jonczyk; Jeffrey Tapler