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# July 14, 2024 Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

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#### **Prelude:**

#### **GATHERING**

#### (Stand if you are able)

- P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.
- C: Amen.
- P: Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

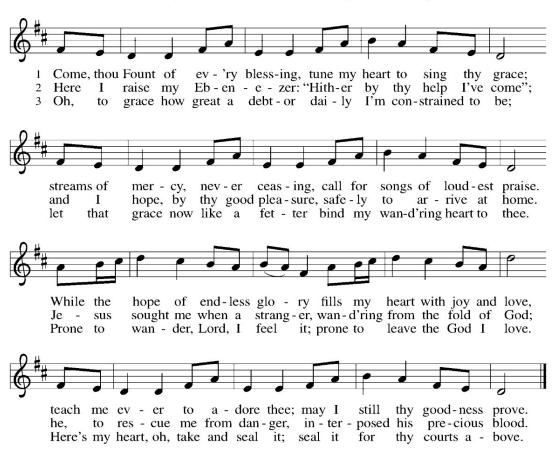
Silence is kept for reflection.

- P: God, our provider,
- C: help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.
- P: Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, + the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

C: Amen.

## **Gathering Hymn: ELW 807**

## Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

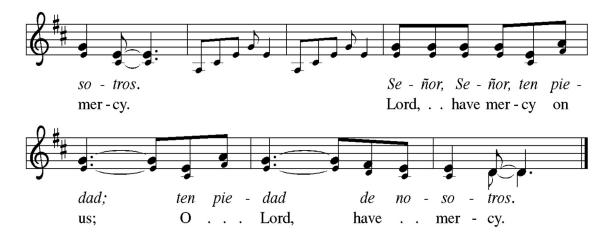


P: The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Love of God and the community of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

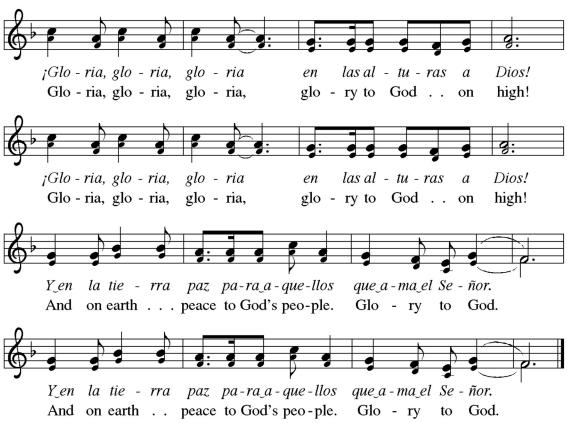
## C: And also with you

## **Kyrie**





#### **CANTICLE OF PRAISE**



## **Prayer of the Day**

L: The Lord be with you.

## C: And also with you.

O God, from you come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works. Give to us, your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey your commandments; and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

(Please be Seated)

#### First Lesson- Amos 7:7-15

L: A reading from the seventh chapter of Amos.

<sup>7</sup>This is what [the Lord God] showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand. <sup>8</sup> And the Lord said to me, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A plumb line." Then the Lord said,

"See, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass them by; <sup>9</sup> the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword."

<sup>10</sup> Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, "Amos has conspired against you in the very center of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. <sup>11</sup> For thus Amos has said,

'Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.' "

12 And Amaziah said to Amos, "O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; 13 but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom."

<sup>14</sup>Then Amos answered Amaziah, "I am no prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees, <sup>15</sup> and the LORD took me from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel.'"

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

#### Second Lesson: 2 Samuel 11:27c -12:15a

L: A reading from the eleventh chapter of Second Samuel.

<sup>11:27</sup>The thing that David had done displeased the LORD, <sup>12:1</sup>and the LORD sent Nathan to David. He came to him, and said to him, "There were two men in a certain city, the one rich and the other poor. <sup>2</sup>The rich man had very many flocks and herds; <sup>3</sup>but the poor man had nothing but one little ewe lamb, which he had bought. He brought it up, and it grew up with him and with his children; it used to eat of his meager fare, and drink from his cup, and lie in his bosom, and it was like a daughter to him. <sup>4</sup>Now there came a traveler to the rich man, and he was loath to take one of his own flock or herd to prepare for the wayfarer who had come to him, but he took the poor man's lamb, and prepared that for the guest who had come to him." <sup>5</sup>Then David's anger was greatly kindled against the man. He said to Nathan, "As the LORD lives, the man who has done this deserves to die; <sup>6</sup>he shall restore the lamb fourfold, because he did this thing, and because he had no pity."

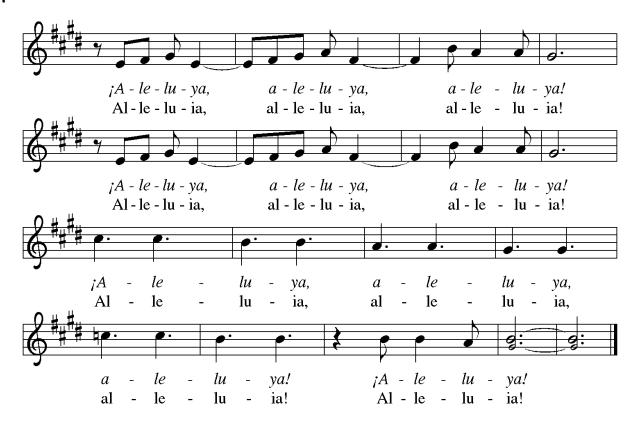
<sup>7</sup>Nathan said to David, "You are the man! Thus says the LORD, the God of Israel: I anointed you king over Israel, and I rescued you from the hand of Saul; <sup>8</sup>I gave you your master's house, and your master's wives into your bosom, and gave you the house of Israel and of Judah; and if that had been too little, I would have added as much more. <sup>9</sup>Why have you despised the word of the LORD, to do what is evil in his sight? You have struck down Uriah the Hittite with the sword, and have taken his wife to be your wife, and have killed him with the sword of the Ammonites. <sup>10</sup>Now therefore the sword shall never depart from your house, for you have despised me, and have taken the wife of Uriah the Hittite to be your wife. <sup>11</sup>Thus says the

LORD: I will raise up trouble against you from within your own house; and I will take your wives before your eyes, and give them to your neighbor, and he shall lie with your wives in the sight of this very sun. <sup>12</sup>For you did it secretly; but I will do this thing before all Israel, and before the sun." <sup>13</sup>David said to Nathan, "I have sinned against the LORD." Nathan said to David, "Now the LORD has put away your sin; you shall not die. <sup>14</sup>Nevertheless, because by this deed you have utterly scorned the LORD, the child that is born to you shall die." <sup>15</sup>Then Nathan went to his house.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

## **Gospel Acclamation:**



The Gospel – : Mark 4:1-20

P: The holy gospel according to Mark, the fourth chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

P: <sup>1</sup>Again he began to teach beside the sea. Such a very large crowd gathered around him that he got into a boat on the sea and sat there, while the whole crowd was beside the sea on the land. <sup>2</sup>He began to teach them many things in parables, and in his teaching he said to them: <sup>3</sup>Listen! A sower went out to sow. <sup>4</sup>And as he sowed, some seed fell on the path, and the birds came and ate it up. <sup>5</sup>Other seed fell on rocky ground, where it did not have much soil, and it sprang up quickly, since it had no depth of soil. <sup>6</sup>And when the sun rose, it was scorched; and since it had no root, it withered away. <sup>7</sup>Other seed fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked it, and it yielded no grain. <sup>8</sup>Other seed fell into good soil and brought forth grain, growing up and increasing and yielding thirty and sixty and a hundredfold." <sup>9</sup>And he said, "Let anyone with ears to hear listen!"

<sup>10</sup>When he was alone, those who were around him along with the twelve asked him about the parables. <sup>11</sup>And he said to them, "To you has been given the secret of the kingdom of God, but for those outside, everything comes in parables; <sup>12</sup>in order that

'they may indeed look, but not perceive, and may indeed listen, but not understand; so that they may not turn again and be forgiven.'"

<sup>13</sup>And he said to them, "Do you not understand this parable? Then how will you understand all the parables? <sup>14</sup>The sower sows the word. <sup>15</sup>These are the ones on the path where the word is sown: when they hear, Satan immediately comes and takes away the word that is sown in them. <sup>16</sup>And these are the ones sown on rocky ground: when they hear the word, they immediately receive it with joy. <sup>17</sup>But they have no root, and endure only for a while; then, when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, immediately they fall away. <sup>18</sup>And others are those sown among the thorns: these are the ones who hear the word, <sup>19</sup>but the cares of the world, and the lure of wealth, and the desire for other things come in and choke the word, and it yields nothing. <sup>20</sup>And these are the ones sown on the good soil: they hear the word and accept it and bear fruit, thirty and sixty and a hundredfold."

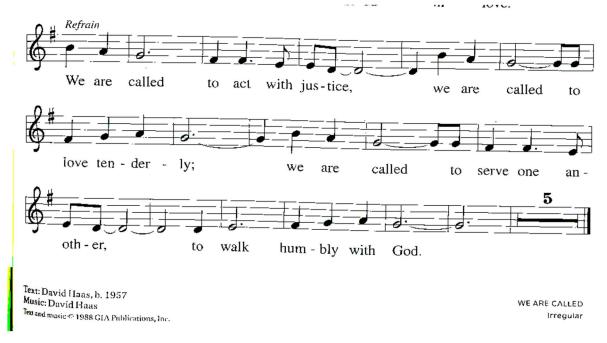
P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Children's Sermon / Sermon (please be seated)

Hymn of the Day: ELW 720 We are Called





#### **Apostle's Creed**

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 and born of the virgin Mary. He 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, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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 INTERCESSION

P: One in the communion of saints and in the power of the Holy Spirit, we join our voices in prayer.

A brief silence.

You gather your people into the body of Christ. Where your church is wounded, heal it. Where it is right, strengthen it. Where it is divided, reunite it. In your mercy,

## C: hear our prayer.

From before the foundation of the world, you are God. Revive ecosystems destroyed by human greed. Curb our desire to put wealth ahead of the health of all who call this planet home. In your mercy,

## C: hear our prayer.

You establish equity and make justice. Within every nation, tribe, and land, cause laws to be written and customs to be observed that protect the most vulnerable. In your mercy,

## C: hear our prayer.

On the cross your beloved Son endured pain and death. Bring healing to those in need, hope to any in despair, and comfort to the dying. (Especially those we name aloud or on the silienc of our hearts . . . .) In your mercy,

## C: hear our prayer.

You send your Spirit into this community of faith. Empower our ministries that serve and build up local communities. Nurture our partnerships with other community organizations. In your mercy,

## C: hear our prayer.

All peoples praise you, O God. We give you thanks and praise for the lives of our loved ones who now rest in you. In the fullness of time gather us with all your saints in light. In your mercy,

## C: hear our prayer.

#### Here other intercessions may be offered.

P: Holy God, holy and merciful: into your outstretched arms we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in the one who is the way, the truth, and the life, Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

## **Sharing of the Peace**

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

#### **OFFERING**

**Choir Anthem:** Bring Forth the Kingdom

#### PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

## Accept, O Lord, the Gifts We Bring



- 1 Ac cept, O Lord, the gifts we bring to place up on your ta ble.
- The vines were plant ed, seeds were sown. They grew in your good plea-sure.
- 3 Our hopes and dreams, our toils and cares we lift in prayer be fore you.



We do not wor - ship as we ought but on - ly as we're a - ble. What once was com - mon, dail - y food be-comes a ho - ly trea-sure. Lord, by your grace now come to us, as hum-bly we a - dore you.

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## **Offering Prayer**

P: 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.

C: Amen.

#### THE HOLY COMMUNION

## The Great Thanksgiving

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.

## **Eucharistic Prayer** (said by Pastor)

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

C: Amen.

P: Let us pray with confidence in the words our Savior gave us:

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.

#### **Invitation to Communion**

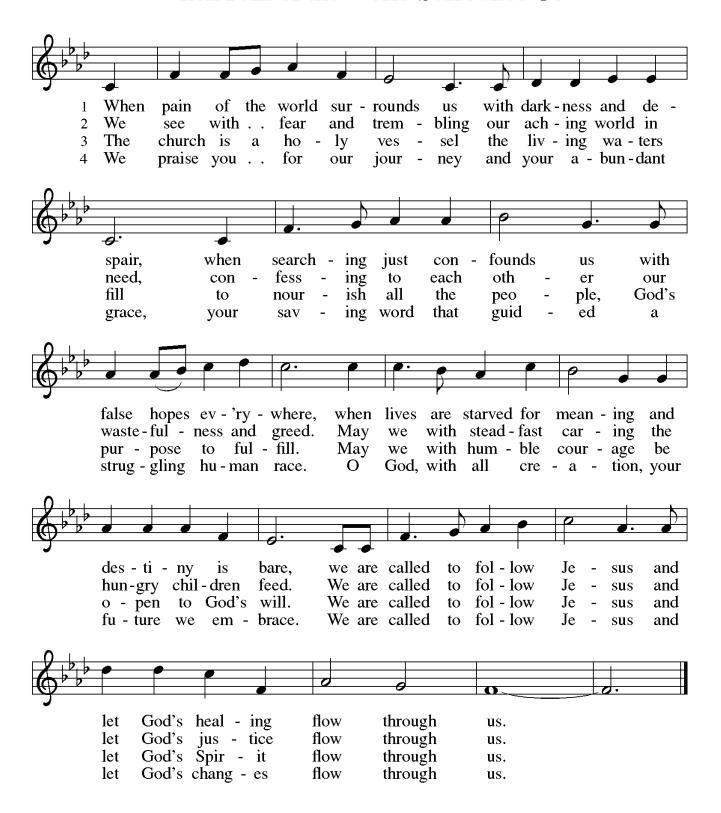
P: Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!

Distribution of Bread & Fruits of the Vine (please follow ushers)



## **Hymn during Communion: ELW 704**

# When Pain of the World Surrounds Us



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## **Prayer after Communion**

P: 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.

C: Amen.

#### **Announcements**

#### **BLESSING**

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

C: Amen.



## Sending Song: ELW 726

# Light Dawns on a Weary World



Text: Mary Louise Bringle, b. 1953
Music: TEMPLE OF PEACE, William P. Rowan, b. 1951
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#### **DISMISSAL**

P: Go in Peace, you are the body of Christ.

C: Thanks be to God.

#### Postlude:

<u>ANNOUNCEMENTS</u>							
July	BIRTHDAYS		ANNIVERSARII	ES	BAPTISMS		
12	David Helfrich						
16	Kristy-Lee Reiman						
19	Joe Erceg						
THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES							
Sunday, July 14 10:00 A		M	Communion Worship				

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	Office Hours				
6:30 - 8:00 PM	Wednesday Sundaes: Faith, Fellowship and				
	Fun for the whole family!				
9:00 AM - 12:00 PM	PALM VBS @Trinity - Campfire light				
	Office hours				
12:00 PM	Chat & Chew with Pr. Jim				
9:00 AM - 12:00 PM	PALM VBS @Trinity - Campfire light				
6:00 PM	PALM VBS Closing Campfire Ceremony				
UPCOMING ACTIVITIES					
10:00 AM	Communion Worship				
7:30 PM	Finance Committee meeting				
10:00 AM	Care-a-Lot Board meeting				
1:00 PM - 3:00 PM	Office Hours				
6:30 - 8:00 PM	Wednesday Sundaes: Faith, Fellowship and				
	Fun for the whole family!				
10:00 AM - 1:00 PM	Office hours				
12:00 PM	Chat & Chew with Pr. Jim				
7:00 PM	PALM Leaders meeting @ Durham				
10:00 AM	Communion Worship				
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Out of Office	Pastor Jim away for continuing education.				
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#### For Healing of those in our Congregation:

James Altemose; David Antoni; Frank Erceg; Joe Erceg; Kenneth Hager; George Kreitz; Paul McGinn; Cheryl Mesko; Ed Xander; Joanne and Bobby Ziegenfuss.

## For Healing of Friends and Family:

Frank Allebach; Lynn Bailey; Ron & Kathy Ballek; Bob Benoure; Jason Bigley; Stephen Bizon; Sherri Breithoff; Deb Carmichael; Jane Carr; Peggy Coleman; Stephanie Courtney; Nancy Edelen; Diane Ellington; Leon Errico; Kandyce Fischer; Fred Foerster; Gabriella Froehlich; Debbie Gardner; Cindy Gilligan;

Candie Gimbar; Baree Lee Goodman; Penni Griffith; Andrew Hales; Penny Houck; Bill Hunt; Lois James & family; Martine King; Tim Koplin; Jim McAnally; Letitia McCrea; Tom McFarland & Family; Barbara Michl; Sue Odor; Cindy Oswald; Lucia Otero; Jennifer Phelps; Connie Rugen; Paul Sauter; Debbie Schultz; Laurel Sheetz; Donna Storm; Russ Trauger; Joe V.; Kelly Walsh; Jacqueline Ward; Dean Erika Wesch; Henry Wong; Josephine Yeisley & Wayne Yeisley; Barbara Yob.

#### For those who are Homebound:

Cleo Eck; Norma Fox; Frank Mammana; Jayne Miller; and Silas Rodenbach.

## For families and friends grieving the loss of:

Ronald Fox; Rev. Dennis Durasoff; Kenneth Eck; Phyllis Lanshe; Charles Reiman

If you want to add or remove someone from the prayer list, please contact Joan Mammana either by phone (610-258-5717 or 610-417-6553) or by email at: <a href="mailto:prayerchain@durhamlutheran.org">prayerchain@durhamlutheran.org</a>

The Outreach envelope collection for July will go to each of the food banks, and the August Outreach envelope collection will go to the Rise Against Hunger meal packing event in September.

Please note the following changes in Summer office hours in the Calendar:

- Office Hours Wednesday 1-3, Thursday 10-1 with Chat & Chew At 12
- Thursday Bible study goes on vacation in July & August and will resume in September.

#### **Worship Assistants**

Preacher	Rev. James Heckman	
Organist / Choir Director	Carolyn Williams	
Altar Guild	Val McGinn & Bea von Watzdorf	
Greeter(s)	Mark Harwick	
Acolyte		
Lector	Maggie Fischer	
Head / Communion Usher		
Council Communion / Counting Team	Pat Zion & Beky Praster	
Administration & Technology	Ken Anderson	
Custodian	Dianna Streletz	



#### ALL ARE WELCOME AND WE HOPE YOU JOIN US!

This is a free event! Come out weekly on Wednesdays to enjoy an evening of fellowship and fun for all ages. We can promise ice cream and intentional learning activities about the values and story of Christ. Arrive and depart anytime between 6:30pm and 8pm. We hope to provide an enjoyable opportunity for families to experience the love of God in the open arms of our church family.

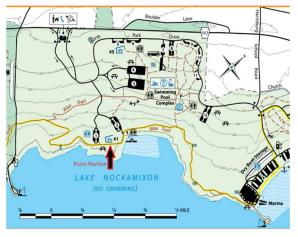




Please bring your own lawn chairs, cutlery, plates, napkins, and a side dish or dessert to share. There will not be a service at the PALM churches, but there will be a 5:00 PM Saturday evening service at St. Peter's Riegelsville on August 17th for those who cannot attend Worship in the park on Sunday.

There will be a sign up sheet at each church to indicate how many are coming, and food and games they will be bringing.

SEE YOU THERE! (See map on reverse)



#### Directions:

Enter the Park at the main entrance on Rt. 563 onto North Park Drive. Take the next right, then at the fork in the road, proceed either right to Lot #1, or left to Lot #2. The picnic pavilion is by the lake between these two parking lots.



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