

**Service of Holy Communion**  
**22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**  
**October 24, 2021**  
**10:00 a.m.**

**THE GATHERING**

**PRELUDE**

Jesus, Priceless Treasure                   - Johann Crüger and Jan Bender  
Jerusalem, My Happy Home               - Charles Callahan  
Bread of the World, in Mercy Broken    - Sandra W. Jarrell, *arr.*

**WELCOME & TEMPLE TALK**

**ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Through the power of the Holy Spirit, God promises to heal and forgive us. Let us confess our sins in the presence of God and of one another.

*The congregation may kneel or sit.*

To you, O God,  
**all hearts are open, to you all desires known. We come to you,  
confessing our sins. Forgive us in your mercy, and remember us in  
your love. Show us your ways; teach us your paths; and lead us in  
justice and truth, for the sake of your goodness in Jesus Christ our  
Savior.**  
**Amen.**

By water and the Holy Spirit God gives you a new birth, and through the death and resurrection of † Jesus Christ, God forgives you all your sins. The God of mercy and might strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life.  
**Amen.**

*The congregation may stand or sit.*

## GATHERING HYMN

"God, Whose Almighty Word"

Red Book #673

## GREETING

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

**And also with you.**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. Eternal light, shine in our hearts. Eternal wisdom, scatter the darkness of our ignorance. Eternal compassion, have mercy on us. Turn us to seek your face, and enable us to reflect your goodness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

*The congregation may be seated.*

## THE WORD

## CHILDREN'S SERMON

*Following the message, the children are blessed to go downstairs to children's church or to return to their families. The children's church returns to the sanctuary during the sharing of the peace.*

## FIRST READING      Job 42:1-6, 10-17

*After the glorious vision of creation contained in God's speeches at the end of Job, the righteous sufferer proclaims that he has seen God and is humbled. The LORD restores Job's fortunes, and Job dares to live again, fathering more children and giving his daughters an inheritance along with their brothers.*

<sup>1</sup>Job answered the LORD:

<sup>2</sup>"I know that you can do all things,  
and that no purpose of yours can be thwarted.

<sup>3</sup>'Who is this that hides counsel without knowledge?'  
Therefore I have uttered what I did not understand,  
things too wonderful for me, which I did not know.

<sup>4</sup>'Hear, and I will speak;  
I will question you, and you declare to me.'

<sup>5</sup>I had heard of you by the hearing of the ear,  
but now my eye sees you;  
<sup>6</sup>therefore I despise myself,  
and repent in dust and ashes.”

<sup>10</sup>And the LORD restored the fortunes of Job when he had prayed for his friends; and the LORD gave Job twice as much as he had before. <sup>11</sup>Then there came to him all his brothers and sisters and all who had known him before, and they ate bread with him in his house; they showed him sympathy and comforted him for all the evil that the LORD had brought upon him; and each of them gave him a piece of money and a gold ring. <sup>12</sup>The LORD blessed the latter days of Job more than his beginning; and he had fourteen thousand sheep, six thousand camels, a thousand yoke of oxen, and a thousand donkeys. <sup>13</sup>He also had seven sons and three daughters. <sup>14</sup>He named the first Jemimah, the second Keziah, and the third Keren-happuch. <sup>15</sup>In all the land there were no women so beautiful as Job’s daughters; and their father gave them an inheritance along with their brothers. <sup>16</sup>After this Job lived one hundred and forty years, and saw his children, and his children’s children, four generations. <sup>17</sup>And Job died, old and full of days.

The word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 34:1-8 [19-22]** *read responsively*

<sup>1</sup>I will bless the LORD at all times;  
the praise of God shall ever be in my mouth.

<sup>2</sup>**I will glory in the LORD;  
let the lowly hear and rejoice.**

<sup>3</sup>Proclaim with me the greatness of the LORD;  
let us exalt God’s name together.

<sup>4</sup>**I sought the LORD, who answered me  
and delivered me from all my terrors.**

<sup>5</sup>Look upon the LORD and be radiant,  
and let not your faces be ashamed.

<sup>6</sup>**I called in my affliction, and the LORD heard me  
and saved me from all my troubles.**

<sup>7</sup>The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear the LORD  
and delivers them.

<sup>8</sup>**Taste and see that the LORD is good;**

**happy are they who take refuge in God!**

[ <sup>19</sup>Many are the troubles of the righteous,  
but the LORD delivers them from every one.

<sup>20</sup>**God will keep safe all their bones;  
not one of them shall be broken.**

<sup>21</sup>Evil will bring death to the wicked  
and those who hate the righteous will be punished.

<sup>22</sup>**O LORD, you redeem the life of your servants,  
and those who put their trust in you will not be punished. ]**

**SECOND READING    Hebrews 7:23-28**

*Human priests of old offered sacrifice for their own sins and served only until their death. In contrast, Jesus is God's Son, the holy, sinless, resurrected high priest. Death did not terminate his priestly service, but through his death he has interceded for our sins.*

<sup>23</sup>The former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office; <sup>24</sup>but he holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever. <sup>25</sup>Consequently he is able for all time to save those who approach God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them.

<sup>26</sup>For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. <sup>27</sup>Unlike the other high priests, he has no need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for those of the people; this he did once for all when he offered himself. <sup>28</sup>For the law appoints as high priests those who are subject to weakness, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*The congregation may stand.*

## 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.

## GOSPEL Mark 10:46-52

The holy gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark, the tenth chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*Bartimaeus comes to Jesus with faith, asking that he might see again. Recognizing Jesus' identity, Bartimaeus is the first person to call him "Son of David" in the Gospel of Mark.*

<sup>46</sup>As [Jesus] and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. <sup>47</sup>When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" <sup>48</sup>Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" <sup>49</sup>Jesus stood still and said, "Call him here." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; get up, he is calling you." <sup>50</sup>So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. <sup>51</sup>Then Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said to him, "My teacher, let me see again." <sup>52</sup>Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

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

*The congregation may be seated.*

## SERMON

*The congregation may stand.*

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

“O Christ, Your Heart, Compassionate”

Red Book #722

**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 INTERCESSION**

Set free from sin and death and nourished by the word of truth, we join in prayer for all of God's creation.

*A brief silence.*

Risen One, we give you thanks for congregations and ministries throughout the world that serve as centers of prayer and action. Help us to remember to pray each day, to call on you for help, and to listen to your voice. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Ruling One, we give you thanks for leaders of nations who work to build up the common good. Strengthen efforts of reconciliation among all

nations (especially), that peace extends in every direction. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Healing One, we give you thanks for all who labor for the health of others. Comfort and strengthen all who struggle with chronic pain. Send healing and relief to all who are sick (especially). Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Empowering One, you made us all in your image with different abilities, challenges, and needs. Help us to embrace one another as you do, beloved and blessed; not in need of fixing, but in need of authentic welcome. Open our hearts to receive the gifts and needs of all people. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Providing One, we give you thanks for all who provide for others. Inspire our generosity to support ministries of care. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Living One, we give you thanks for the saints who have increased our faith, especially Joyce. Give us courage to follow in hope until you gather us all around your table of abundance. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Confident that you hear us, O God, we boldly place our prayers into your hands; through Jesus Christ, our truth and life.

**Amen.**

**OFFERTORY**

“Organ Piece”

- A. Kehrer

*The congregation may stand.*

### MEAL

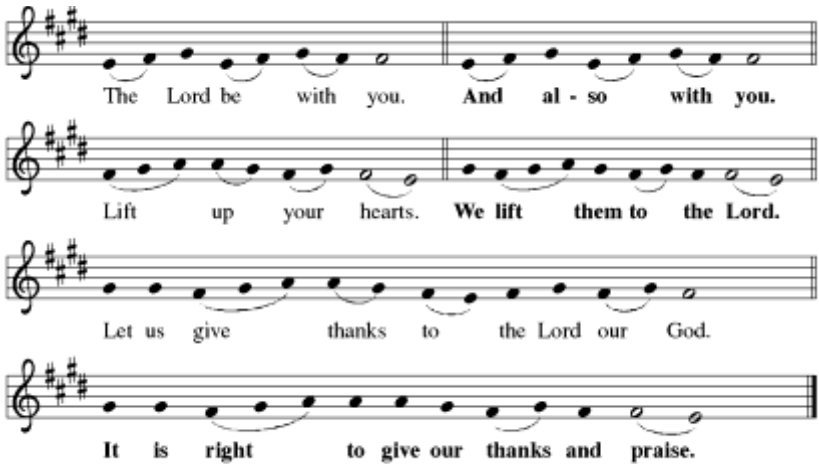
#### **OFFERING PRAYER**

Gracious God, you bless us with gifts of guidance, new life, growth in grace, and fruitful labor. Accept the first fruits of time and toil, field and orchard we offer here. Bless and multiply these gifts to our nurture and

the care of your creation; for the sake of your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ.

Amen.

## GREAT THANKSGIVING



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.

It is indeed right, our duty, and our joy...*(the presiding minister continues giving thanks)*...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,  
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.  
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.



Blessed are you, O God, creator of heaven and earth. You rescued your covenant people, led them on all their journeys, and taught them by the prophets... *(the presiding minister continues giving thanks, concluding)* ...As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Pour out your Holy Spirit in this meal and make us one in this community of faith and with your people throughout the world.

Glory and praise to you, O God, Author of life, Word made flesh, Power of the Most High, now and forever.

**Amen.**

### **LORD'S PRAYER**

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

**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 THE TABLE**

The gifts of God for the people of God. Come to the table, for all is now ready.

## LAMB OF GOD



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, grant us peace.

*The congregation may be seated.*

## SHARING OF THE SACRAMENT

*All are welcome to Holy Communion today. Lutherans believe that Christ is truly present in the bread and wine. The ushers will invite you forward to receive; please keep 6 feet of distance between you and the next group of communicants. Gluten free wafers are available; please let the pastor know if you wish to receive them. If you are able to receive either bread or wine (but not both), please know that you still receive the full communion.*

*The congregation may stand.*

## BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Lord of life, in the gift of your body and blood  
you turn the crumbs of our faith into a feast of salvation.  
Send us forth into the world with shouts of joy,  
bearing witness to the abundance of your love  
in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

## THE SENDING

### BLESSING

People of God, you are Christ's body, bringing new life to a suffering world. May the blessing of God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you and remain with you always.

**Amen.**

### SENDING HYMN

"Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound"

Red Book #779

### DISMISSAL

Go in peace, serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### POSTLUDE

"Orgelstück"

- Johann Christian Heinrich Rinck

### SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

The Rev. Kimberly van Driel	<b>Presiding Minister</b>
Mollie Hibbs	<b>Assisting Minister</b>
Susan Farrell	<b>Reader</b>
Dan Morrow	<b>Crucifer</b>
Sharon Heist Miller	<b>Children's Church</b>
Kevin Mathias	<b>Organist</b>
Sue Morrow	<b>AV Assisting Minister</b>
Melody Kamerer	<b>PowerPoint Assisting Minister</b>
Roxanne Glagola	<b>Altar Guild</b>
Susan Farrell and Jack Rudzki	<b>Ushers</b>
Jack and Amy Beiler	<b>Counters</b>

*Flowers are given to the glory of God by the Lavorini family,  
in memory of Bill and Lorraine Kesterson.*

### THIS WEEK AT FIRST ENGLISH

Monday, 10/25	5:00 PM	Community Dinner
	8:00 PM	NA Meeting (Social Hall)
Wednesday, 10/27	7:00 PM	Book Study via Zoom
	7:00 PM	AA Meeting (Social Hall)
Thursday, 10/28	10:30 AM	Bible Study

	7:30 PM	Choir Rehearsal
	7:30 PM	NA Meeting (Downstairs)
Friday, 10/29		Pr. Kimberly's day off
Saturday, 10/30	12:00 PM	NA Meeting (Downstairs)

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**We mourn with the family of Joyce Hall**, who died in resurrection hope on October 19<sup>th</sup>. Rest eternal grant her, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon her.

**Sign-Up Sheet: Snacks for Staff at Butler Memorial Hospital** – As part of the ministry of the Butler Clergy Network, Pr. Kimberly will be visiting with staff on the COVID unit at the hospital on Monday mornings to offer support. If you would like to bake or purchase treats for her to take and share with the staff, please sign-up on the sheet in the Social Hall or contact Caitlyn in the office at (724) 283-2378.

**Children's church has returned to First English!** This aspect of worship allows children under age 10 to experience the scripture readings in ways that are appropriate for them.

**Trunk or Treat at Lutherlyn next Sunday, Oct. 31 from 11:45 am until 12:15 pm!** If you would like to hand out individually wrapped/pre-packaged treats to the Sunday School students, please meet at Dogwood Shelter. Please let Sharon know if you plan to participate:  
[sharonfelc@zoominternet.net](mailto:sharonfelc@zoominternet.net).

**Sundays @ Lutherlyn** continues on Sunday, November 7<sup>th</sup> for all children age 3 - confirmation age 3. We will gather at the Dogwood Shelter.

#### **Book Study: *The Difficult Words of Jesus***

In this six-week study, we'll dive into Amy-Jill Levine's *The Difficult Words of Jesus* and learn more about these hard sayings. The study will take place for six weeks on Wednesdays from October 13 to November 17 at 7 p.m. via Zoom. Check the church email the week before for a link. The book is available on Amazon and other online retailers.

**Butler Hospital is now allowing pastoral visitation.** If you are hospitalized and would like Pr. Kimberly to visit, please let the church office know.

### **PRAYERS**

Glenn and family; the family of Joyce Hall; Eric Levine; Lisa; Jan Nieto; Kathy Kline's niece Rose; Bill and Judy Vilcheck and family; Kara and family; family of Larry Kline; Jan Nieto; Jeff LaLonde; the Pelgrin and Buehler family; Jean Morrow; families of Joan Chew, Henry Sinopoli, and Mark Grossman; family of Shirley Sellers; family of Barbara Petanovich and Curtis Wilbert; friend of the Swansons; Don, Betty and family; Mia Gill; Claude and all the soldiers who have been recently deployed to Kuwait as well as their families; Eleanor Roth; Joe Roudebush; Joe and Linda; Dave Konesni; Raymond Sawyer; Donna; the family of Rita Wagner; the family of Carol Duffus; Judy O. and family; Graham Cannon; Anne Ferguson; Claudia; Karen; Anita; Kitty Walker; Nancy Hoehn; Tad Sellers; Aryl Bashline; Jenna; Tom Olson; Pam Patterson

### **NEXT WEEK'S READINGS**

#### **Jeremiah 31:31-34**

*I will write my law in their hearts, says the LORD*

#### **Psalm 46**

The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold. (Ps. 46:7)

#### **Romans 3:19-28**

*Justified by God's grace as a gift*

#### **John 8:31-36**

*Jesus says, Continue in my word and you will know the truth*