

Service of Holy Communion
19th Sunday after Pentecost
October 16, 2022
10:00 a.m.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

"Dialogue sur les grands jeux"
"Lobe Den Herren"

- François Couperin
- Chorale
Johann Walther
Rachel Laurin

WELCOME

GATHERING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who looks upon us in
compassion, forgives our sin, and heals our lives.

Amen.

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

The congregation may kneel or sit.

Have mercy, O God, **against you, you alone, we have sinned.**

In your compassion, cleanse us from our sin and take away our guilt.

**Create in us a new heart and give us a steadfast spirit. Do not cast us
away, but fill us with your Holy Spirit and restore your joy within us.**

Amen.

As tender as parent to child, so deep is God's compassion for you.

As high as heaven is above earth, so vast is God's love for you.

As far as east is from west, so far God removes your sin from you,
renewing your life through Jesus Christ.

Blessed be God who crowns us with mercy and love.

Blessed be God forever.

The congregation is invited to turn and face the cross in the procession.

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.

GLORY TO GOD *stanzas 1 and 3*

1 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;
 2 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;
 3 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;

yours is the prom - ise, the bless - ing, the birth.
 yours the ho - san - nas, the dy - ing, re - birth.
 yours the a - noint - ing, the ra - di - ant worth.

Ours the re - joic - ing for Word giv - en frame;
 Ours the re - joic - ing for na - ture re - claimed;
 Ours the re - joic - ing for spir - its a - flame;

ours the thanks - giv - ing to your ho - ly name.

Ours be the tell - ing of deeds great - ly done;

yours be the glo - ry, O God, yours a - lone.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. O Lord God, tireless guardian of your people, you are always ready to hear our cries. Teach us to rely day and night on your care. Inspire us to seek your enduring justice for all this suffering world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

The congregation may be seated.

THE WORD

CHILDREN'S SERMON

FIRST READING **Jeremiah 31:27-34**

After uttering many oracles of judgment, Jeremiah announces a day of hope when God will make a new covenant with Israel and Judah, a covenant written upon their hearts and sealed with God's forgiveness.

²⁷The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will sow the house of Israel and the house of Judah with the seed of humans and the seed of animals. ²⁸And just as I have watched over them to pluck up and break down, to overthrow, destroy, and bring evil, so I will watch over them to build and to plant, says the LORD. ²⁹In those days they shall no longer say:

“The parents have eaten sour grapes,
and the children's teeth are set on edge.”

³⁰But all shall die for their own sins; the teeth of everyone who eats sour grapes shall be set on edge.

³¹The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ³²It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. ³³But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, “Know the LORD,” for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 119:97-104 *read responsively*

⁹⁷Oh, how I love your teaching!

All the day long it is in my mind.

⁹⁸**Your commandment has made me wiser than my enemies,
for it is always with me.**

⁹⁹I have more understanding than all my teachers,
for your decrees are my study.

¹⁰⁰**I am wiser than the elders,
because I observe your commandments.**

¹⁰¹I restrain my feet from every evil way,
that I may keep your word.

¹⁰²**I do not turn aside from your judgments,
because you yourself have taught me.**

¹⁰³How sweet are your words to my taste!
They are sweeter than honey to my mouth.

¹⁰⁴**Through your commandments I gain understanding;
therefore I hate every lying way.**

SECOND READING 2 Timothy 3:14--4:5

The writer of this letter continues his instruction of Timothy, his younger colleague in ministry, by emphasizing the importance of faithful teaching despite opposition.

¹⁴But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, ¹⁵and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, ¹⁷so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

^{4:1}In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: ²proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. ³For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, ⁴and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. ⁵As for

you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The congregation may stand.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

All sing the alleluia before and after the verse, which is chanted by the cantor.



The word of God is liv-¹ing and active,* able to judge the thoughts and intentions¹ of the heart. (*Heb. 4:12*)

GOSPEL **Luke 18:1-8**

The holy gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke, the eighteenth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus tells a parable of an unjust judge who is worn down by a widow's pleas. Jesus is calling God's people to cry out for justice and deliverance. For if an unethical judge will ultimately grant the plea of a persistent widow, how much more will God respond to those who call.

¹Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. ²He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. ³In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my opponent.' ⁴For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, ⁵yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.' " ⁶And the Lord said, "Listen to what the

unjust judge says. ⁷And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? ⁸I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

The congregation may be seated.

SERMON

The congregation may stand.

HYMN OF THE DAY

"If You But Trust in God to Guide You"

Red Book #769

RITE OF HOLY BAPTISM

PRESENTATION

Translation:

In Holy Baptism our gracious heavenly Father liberates us from sin and death by joining us to the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. We are born children of a fallen humanity; in the waters of Baptism we are reborn children of God and inheritors of eternal life. By water and the Holy Spirit we are made members of the Church which is the body of Christ. As we live with him and with his people, we grow in faith, love, and obedience to the will of God.

I present Brianna Cuarenta to receive the Sacrament of Holy Baptism.

In Christian love you have presented this child for Holy Baptism. You should, therefore, faithfully bring her to the services of God's house, and teach her the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments. As she grows in years, you should place in her hands the Holy Scriptures and provide for her instruction in the Christian faith, that, living in the covenant of her Baptism and in communion with the Church, she may lead a godly life until the day of Jesus Christ.

Do you promise to fulfill these obligations?

I do.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church, the faith in which we baptize.

¿Renuncian ustedes a todas las fuerzas malignas, al diablo y a todas sus promesas vanas? Do you renounce all the forces of evil, the devil, and all his empty promises?

Sí, renuncio/ I do.

¿Creen ustedes en Dios Padre? Do you believe in God the Father?

**Creo en Dios Padre
todopoderoso,
creador del cielo y de la tierra.**

**I believe in God the Father
Almighty, creator of heaven
and earth.**

¿Creen ustedes en Jesucristo, el Hijo de Dios? Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**Creo en Jesucristo,
su único Hijo,
nuestro Señor.
Fue concebido por obra
del Espíritu Santo
y nació de la Virgen María
Padeció bajo el poder
de Poncio Pilato,
fue crucificado,
muerto y sepultado.
Descendió a los muertos.
Al tercer día resucitó,
subió a los cielos,
y está sentado
a la diestra del Padre.
Volverá para juzgar
a los vivos y a los muertos.**

**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.**

¿Creen ustedes en Dios el Espíritu Santo? Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

**Creo en el Espíritu Santo,
la santa iglesia católica,
la comunión de los santos,
el perdón de los pecados,
la resurrección del cuerpo,
y la vida eterna. Amén**

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.

THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father: We give you thanks, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and you created heaven and earth. By the gift of water you nourish and sustain us and all living things.

By the waters of the flood you condemned the wicked and saved those whom you had chosen, Noah and his family. You led Israel by the pillar of cloud and fire through the sea, out of slavery into the freedom of the promised land. In the waters of the Jordan your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Spirit. By the baptism of his own death and resurrection your beloved Son has set us free from the bondage to sin and death, and has opened the way to the joy and freedom of everlasting life. He made water a sign of the kingdom and of cleansing and rebirth. In obedience to his command, we make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, so that she who is here baptized may be given new life. Wash away the sin of she who is cleansed by this water and bring her forth as an inheritor of your glorious kingdom.

To you be given praise and honor and worship through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

BAPTISM

Translation:

Brianna, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we give you thanks for freeing your sons and daughters from the power of sin and for raising them up to a new life through this holy sacrament. Pour your Holy Spirit upon Brianna; the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence. **Amen.**

Brianna, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever. **Amen.**

Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

WELCOME

Through Baptism God has made this new sister a member of the priesthood we all share in Christ Jesus, that we may proclaim the praise of God and bear his creative and redeeming Word to all the world.

We welcome you into the Lord's family. We receive you as fellow members of the body of Christ, children of the same heavenly Father, and workers with us in the kingdom of God.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Trusting in God's extraordinary love, let us come near to the Holy One in prayer.

That all God's people may be persistent in prayer, dedicated to learning the faith, and insistent on justice for all people, let us pray: **hear us, O God.**

That Brianna and her parents may throughout their lives be strengthened by the gifts and promises of Holy Baptism, let us pray: **hear us, O God.**

That as the growing season ends, the work of farmers and laborers be fruitful, let us pray: **hear us, O God.**

That God would interrupt the plans of those who wage war without measure, mercy, or reason, and that peace might prevail, let us pray: **hear us, O God.**

That those who suffer from illness, violence, sadness, or loneliness be blessed with refreshing mercy, let us pray: **hear us, O God.**

That those who are most in our hearts might receive from God all that they need, remembering especially: Let us pray: **hear us, O God.**

That the joy of the resurrection continues to illumine each day with delight, and that trusting in God's future, we commend our beloved dead to Christ, let us pray: **hear us, O God.**

Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

THE MEAL

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

ORGAN OFFERTORY

"Thee We Adore"

- Plainsong Melody, Mode V

OFFERING PRAYER *led by the assisting minister*

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also 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 God 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, God of pow'r and
God of might, heav - en and earth are full of your
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is the one who comes in the name of the
Lord. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Let the peoples praise you, generous and abundant creator.... United by your Spirit and with all your people, we pray through your Son, Jesus Christ, to you, our Source and our Goal, our Sun and our Shield, our God, now and forever. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

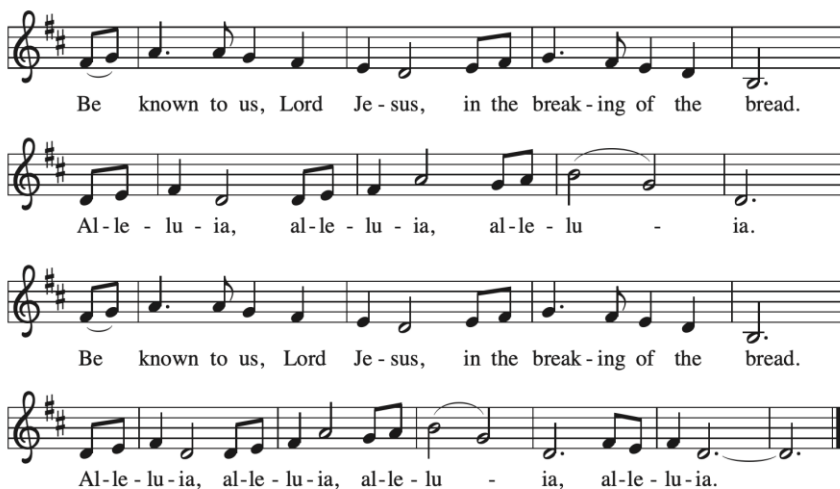
Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, we pray as Jesus taught us:

**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 COMMUNION

FRACTION ANTHEM



Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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. 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.

HYMN DURING COMMUNION

This Is Christ's Body



Text: Anne Krentz Organ, b. 1960

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BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION

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

Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

BLESSING

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, guard your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and the blessing of Almighty God, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, be with you now and forever.

Amen.

During the hymn, the congregation is invited to turn and face the cross in the procession.

SENDING HYMN

"What God Ordains Is Good Indeed"

Red Book #776

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. The Lord is with you!

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

“Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior”

- David Johnson

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

The Rev. Kimberly van Driel	Presiding Minister
Lois Trimbur	Assisting Minister
Marlin Boltz	Reader
Grant McVay	Crucifer
Julia McVay	Acolyte
Signe Mitchell	Organist
Josh Kamerer	AV Assisting Minister
Melody Kamerer	PowerPoint Assisting Minister
Lois Trimbur	Altar Guild
Larry Christy and Jack Rudzki	Ushers
Susan Farrell and Sue Morrow	Counters

Altar flowers are given by Myrna and Larry Hamil to the glory of God and in loving memory of our beloved mother, Mildred Kathryn Montgomery Hamil.

All are welcome to gather in the social hall for coffee hour following worship.

THIS WEEK AT FIRST ENGLISH

Mon., 10/17	5:00 PM	Community Dinner
	8:00 PM	NA Meeting (Social Hall)
Wed., 10/19	7:00 PM	AA Meeting (Social Hall)
	7:00 PM	Zoom book group (online)
Thurs., 10/20	10:30 AM	Bible Study
	7:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal
	7:30 PM	NA Meeting (Downstairs)
Fri., 10/21		Pastor Kimberly's day off
Sat., 10/22	12:00 PM	NA Meeting (Downstairs)
Sun. 10/23	9:00 AM	Bible Study (Pastor's office)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We welcome Brianna Cuarenta through the sacrament of Holy Baptism. Brianna is the daughter of Paola Hernandez and Carlos Cuarenta. Brianna's baptismal sponsors are Francisco and Alejandra Hernandez. Welcome, child of God!

Reminder: Congregational News submissions for the November Newsletter are due in the church office by Thursday, October 20th.

First English will send \$2,000 to Lutheran Disaster Response to provide Hurricane Ian relief. The Council would like to challenge the congregation to match this gift by the end of October. Donations can be made online at elca.org or through FELC by indicating "Hurricane Relief" on the specials line of your offering envelope.

Do you have joys and concerns you would like to lift up in the prayers of intercession today? We'll invite people to name those concerns prior to worship during the welcome time. Zoom worshipers are invited to name their prayer requests in the chat.

Join us for Daily Discipleship Bible study at 9 a.m. If you wish to join by zoom, please join the worship link. We'll conclude by 9:40.



PRAYERS

Tony Sequite; Hazel Warheit; Kyle Badger; Joyce Mitchel (Matt Cooper's grandma); those affected by hurricane Ian; Brian Salisbury; Mark Vogel & family; continued healing for Graham Cannon; Stan Graff; family of Gretchen Farrell; Aryl Bashline; Patrick Frank; Holly Schubert; Ellen Dodge; Tad Sellers; Claudia; Pam Patterson; Tom Olson

If you would like to add someone to the prayer list, please contact the church office or add their names to the sign-up sheet in the social hall.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Joel 2:23-32

The LORD promises to restore Israel

Psalms 65

Your paths overflow with plenty. (Ps. 65:11)

2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

The good fight of faith

Luke 18:9-14

A Pharisee and tax collector pray together

ZOOM MEETING INFO

To join online, click 'Join Our ZOOM Meeting' in the email.

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