# **Traditional Worship**

October 2, 2022
Time after Pentecost
Lectionary 27
World Communion Sunday

A little faith goes a long way is Jesus' point in the gospel. A mustard seed's-worth of faith has miraculous potential. The patience, tenacity, and endurance required for the life of faith are the blessings received in holy baptism, holy communion, and the word read and proclaimed in this assembly. Anticipate them. Receive them with thanksgiving.

## **GATHERING**

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

**PRELUDE** 

Fantasia in C Major, BWV 570 - J. S. Bach

#### RINGING OF THE STEEPLE BELL \*

As the bell is rung the assembly stands for the Opening Hymn. A \* in the order of service indicates that those who are able are invited to stand.

#### **OPENING HYMN #526 \***

God Is Here!

#### **CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS \***

Leader: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,

and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Assembly: And also with you.

Leader: Dear friends, together let us acknowledge

our failure to love this world as Jesus does.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Leader: God of mercy and forgiveness,

Assembly: 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.

Leader: Beloved of God...through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Assembly: Amen.





#### PRAYER OF THE DAY \*

Leader: Let us pray.

Benevolent, merciful God: When we are empty, fill us. When we are weak in faith, strengthen us. When we are cold in love, warm us, that with fervor we may love our neighbors and serve them for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Assembly: Amen.

## **WORD**

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

FIRST READING Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4

Injustice and violence in the time leading up to the Babylonian exile move this prophet to lament: How can a good and all-powerful God see evil in the world and seemingly remain indifferent? God answers by proclaiming that the righteous will live by faith.

<sup>1</sup>The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw.

<sup>2</sup>O LORD, how long shall I cry for help,

and you will not listen?

Or cry to you "Violence!"

and you will not save?

<sup>3</sup>Why do you make me see wrongdoing

and look at trouble?

Destruction and violence are before me;

strife and contention arise.

<sup>4</sup>So the law becomes slack

and justice never prevails.

The wicked surround the righteous—

therefore judgment comes forth perverted.

<sup>2:1</sup>I will stand at my watchpost,

and station myself on the rampart;

I will keep watch to see what he will say to me,

and what he will answer concerning my complaint.

<sup>2</sup>Then the LORD answered me and said:

Write the vision;

make it plain on tablets,

so that a runner may read it.

<sup>3</sup>For there is still a vision for the appointed time;

it speaks of the end, and does not lie.

If it seems to tarry, wait for it;

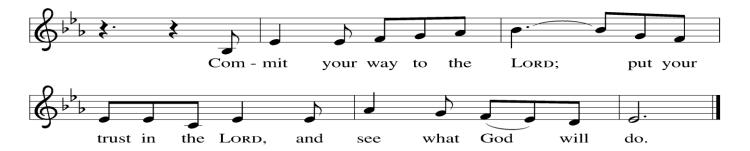
it will surely come, it will not delay.

<sup>4</sup>Look at the proud!

Their spirit is not right in them, but the righteous live by their faith.

PSALM Psalm 37:1-9

The cantor sings the refrain and then the assembly joins in the refrain. The cantor then sings the verses and the assembly joins in each refrain.



Do not be provoked by evildoers;
 do not be jealous of those who do wrong.
 For they shall soon wither like the grass,
 and like the green grass fade away.
 Put your trust in the LORD and do good;
 dwell in the land and find safe pasture.
 Take delight in the LORD,
 who shall give you your heart's desire...Refrain
 Commit your way to the LORD; put your trust in the LORD,
 and see what God will do.

<sup>6</sup>The LORD will make your vindication as clear as the light and the justice of your case like the noonday sun.

<sup>7</sup>Be still before the LORD and wait patiently.

Do not be provoked by the one who prospers, the one who succeeds in evil schemes.

<sup>8</sup>Refrain from anger, leave rage alone;

do not be provoked; it leads only to evil.

<sup>9</sup>For evildoers shall be cut off,

but those who hope in the LORD shall possess the land... Refrain

SECOND READING

II Timothy 1:1-14

This letter written to Timothy is a personal message of encouragement. In the face of hardship and persecution, Timothy is reminded that his faith is a gift of God. He is encouraged to exercise that faith with the help of the Holy Spirit.

<sup>1</sup>Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus,

<sup>2</sup>To Timothy, my beloved child:

Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

<sup>3</sup>I am grateful to God—whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did—when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. <sup>4</sup>Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. <sup>5</sup>I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. <sup>6</sup>For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; <sup>7</sup>for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

<sup>8</sup>Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, <sup>9</sup>who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, <sup>10</sup>but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought

life and immortality to light through the gospel. <sup>11</sup>For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, <sup>12</sup>and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. <sup>13</sup>Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. <sup>14</sup>Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

Reader: The Word of the Lord. **Assembly: Thanks be to God.** 

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION \***



HOLY GOSPEL\* Luke 17:5-10

On the way to Jerusalem, Jesus instructs his followers about the power of faith and the duties of discipleship. He calls his disciples to adopt the attitude of servants whose actions are responses to their identity rather than works seeking reward.

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke, the seventeenth chapter.

Assembly: Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>5</sup>The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" <sup>6</sup>The Lord replied, "If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you.

<sup>7</sup>Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, 'Come here at once and take your place at the table'? <sup>8</sup>Would you not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink'? <sup>9</sup>Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? <sup>10</sup>So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, 'We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!'"

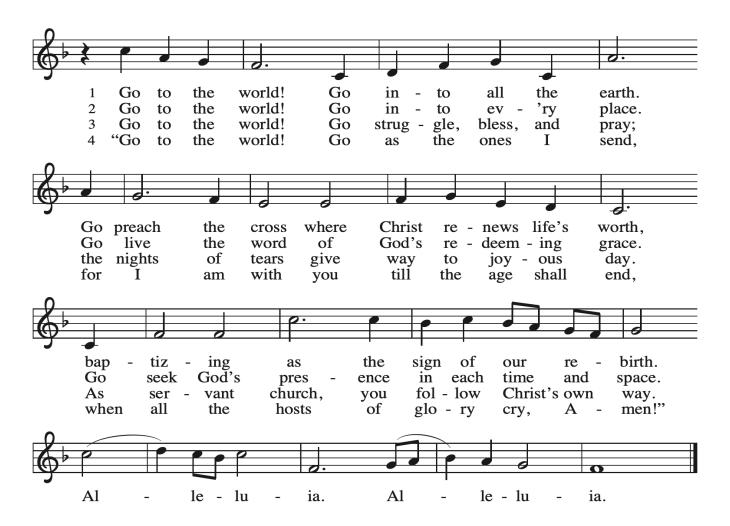
Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord. **Assembly:** Praise to you, O Christ.

## **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (11:00)**

#### **SERMON**

#### **HYMN OF THE DAY \***

Go to the World



#### **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** \*

The assembly responds to each petition ending in "God of grace," **Assembly: hear our prayer.** 

The assembly responds to the final petition ending with "through Jesus Christ, our Savior" Assembly: Amen.

# INVITE CONGREGATION TO BE SEATED INTRODUCE OFFERING WITH ANNOUNCEMENTS

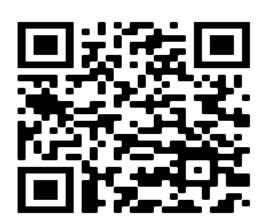
#### **MEAL**

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ. In Christ's body and blood given to us, God forgives us and nourishes us for mission.

#### **OFFERING**

As we respond to hearing God's Word and prepare to feast at God's table we contemplate the many ways we serve the Kingdom of God through our time, talents, and gifts.

Offering plates are available at each entrance to the sanctuary and the QR code below can be used to give our tithes and offering.



8:00 – Lord, I Want to Be a Christian – arr. Lloyd Larson

Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart, in my heart.

Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart.

In my heart, in my heart,

Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart.

Lord, I want to be more loving...

Lord, I want to be more holy...

Lord, I want to be like Jesus...

Every word that You have spoken, each command You give today, Holy vows that can't be broken; Lord, please write upon my heart, Write Your word upon my heart.

Every grace that You have granted, each small thing Your hand supplies, Every seed of faith You've planted; Lord, please write upon my heart, Write Your grace upon my heart.

Love the Lord with all your strength, cherish God with all your heart, Bind His wisdom to your spirit, from God's Word do not depart.

Every love that You have given, each compassion You bestow, Every sin that You've forgiven; Lord, please write upon my heart, Write Your love upon my heart.

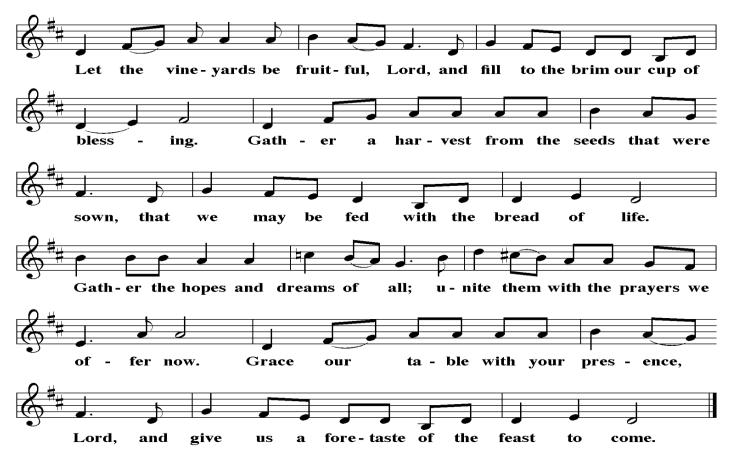
Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart...

Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart...

Write Your word upon my heart.

# OFFERTORY \*

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful



#### **GREAT THANKSGIVING \***

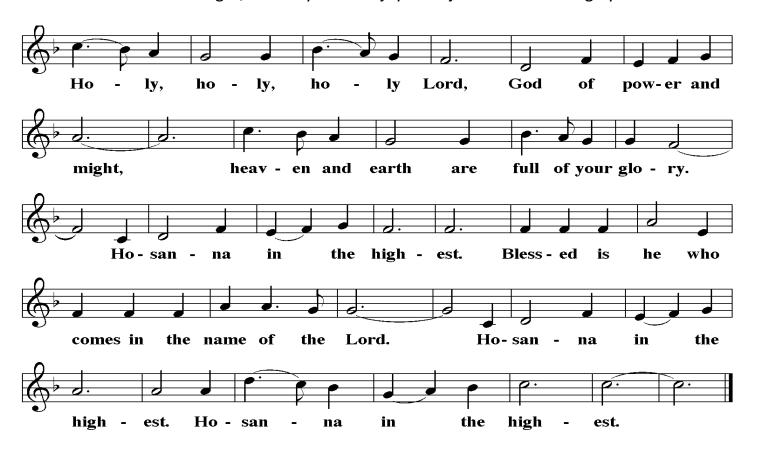
Pastor: The Lord be with you. **Assembly:** And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

Assembly: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **Assembly:** It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Pastor: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...and join their unending hymn:



#### **WORDS OF INSTITUTION \***

#### LORD'S PRAYER \*

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.

#### LAMB OF GOD \* Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have us. take mer-cy on Lamb of God, you the us. world; sin of the grant grant peace. peace,

#### **HOLY COMMUNION**

All those who confess Jesus as Lord and Savior are welcome to the table.

We invite you to come forward to receive the communion elements from the servers.

You will be handed a wafer from the server and are invited to select a cup of wine from the tray.

Pre-packaged elements of grape juice and gluten free wafers are available in the baskets at the communion rail and at each entrance to the sanctuary.

You may partake of the elements at the communion rail and dispose of the cups and packaging in the receptacles at the end of each communion rail or take the elements back to your pew to partake of them and dispose of the cups and packaging after the service.

Paper bags for the disposal of cups and packaging are available on the communion rail. "Bread from the Lord's Table" and/or a pastoral blessing are available for children who do not yet commune.

# **First Communion Participants**

We welcome these people to Holy Communion for the first time at the 9:15 service today:

Caroline Fern Beery
Alexander Thomas Broecker
Hilleary June Crist
Emma Eloise Kjellander
Ronnie Hernandez-Romito
Evan William Rust
Nora Elizabeth Soller
Jayden Stephen Staub
Lillian Grace Staub
Nora Renee Swinehart

Communion Server: The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you

Communion Receiver: Amen.

Music at Distribution:

Organ – If You But Trust in God to Guide You – arr. Paul Manz Hymn #769 (11:00) – If You But Trust in God to Guide You

#### **POST-COMMUNION BLESSING \***

Pastor: The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you

and keep you in his grace.

Assembly: Amen.

## **SENDING**

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

#### **BLESSING** \*

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

Assembly: Amen.

#### SENDING HYMN #661 \*

I Love to Tell the Story

#### **DISMISSAL**\*

Pastor: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Assembly: Thanks be to God.

**POSTLUDE** 

Processional in A-flat Major – David N. Johnson

#### **SERVICE PARTICIPANTS:**

Pastor Tim Iseringhausen, Lead Pastor
Pastor Denny Asp, Associate Pastor
Deacon Diane Schwiger-Alexander, Director of Youth & Family
Joe Weaver, 8:00 Lector & Communion Assistant
Carolyn Martin, 11:00 Lector & Communion Assistant
Chad Baker, Director of Worship & Music
Samuel Owens, Cantor
Jane McFadden, Chancel Choir Accompanist

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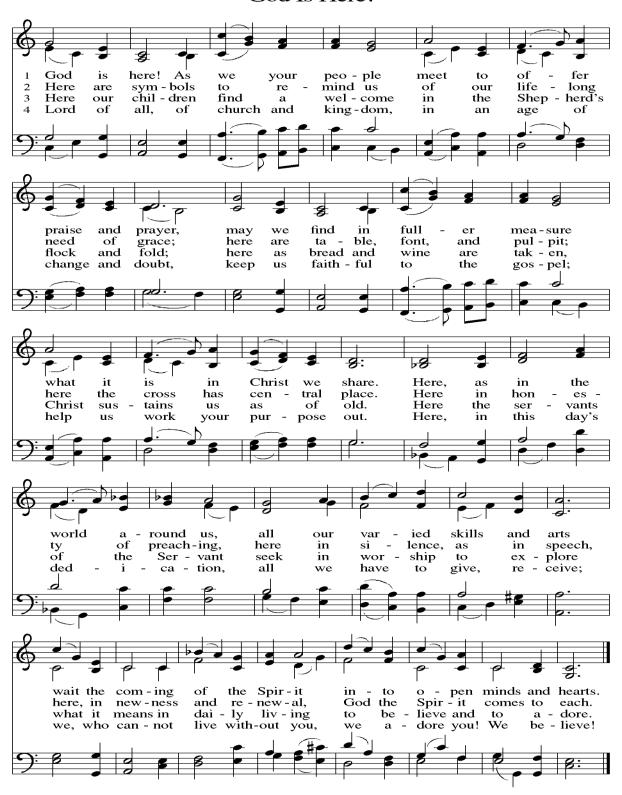
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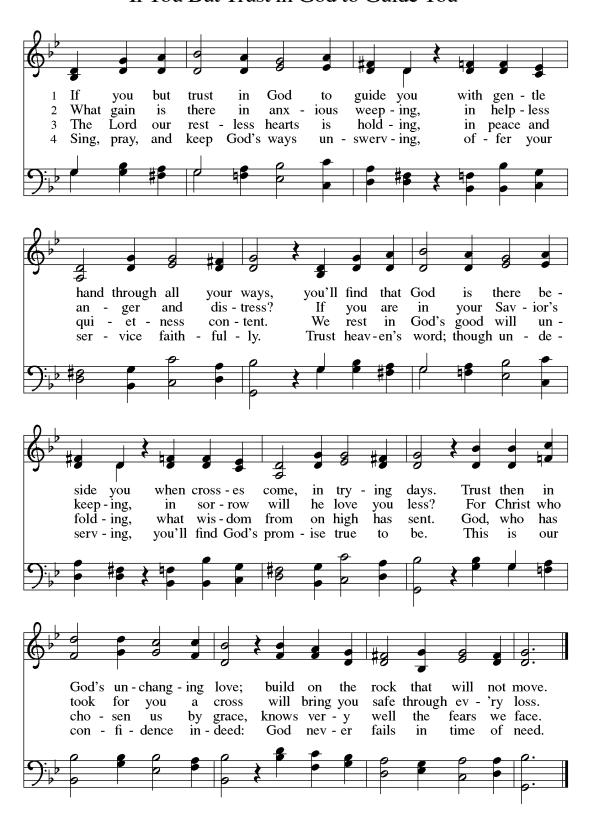
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# If You But Trust in God to Guide You



#### I Love to Tell the Story



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