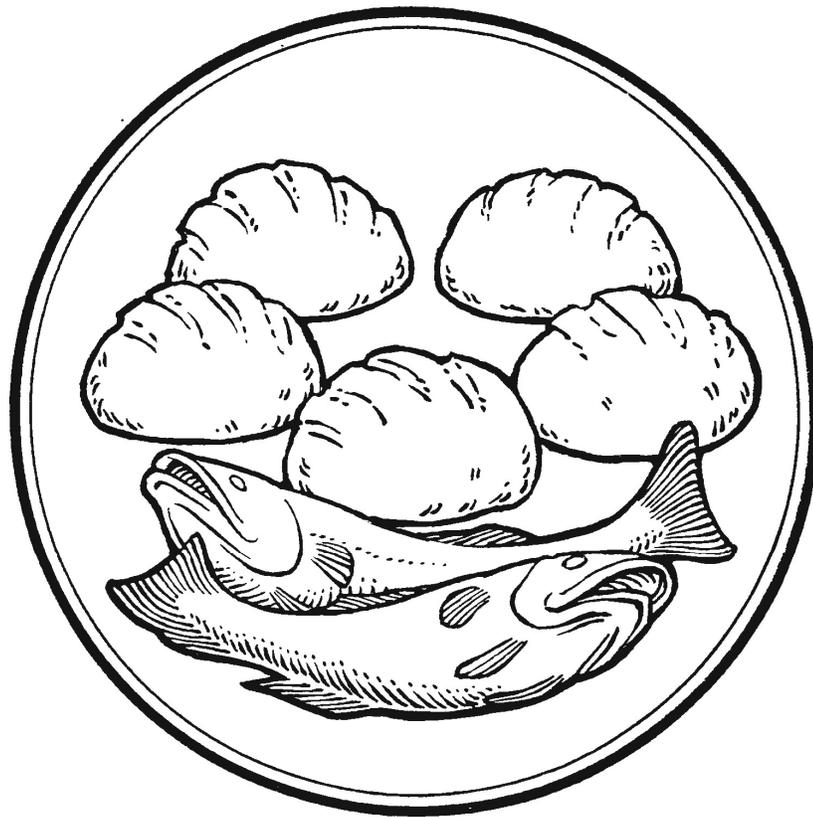


**A Prayer
Upon
Entering
Church**

O Lord God,
whose
strength is
sufficient for
all who lay
hold on it,
grant us in
thee to com-
fort our
hearts and be
strong. Hu-
mility, meek-
ness, temper-
ance, purity,
large-
heartedness,
sympathy,
zeal - grant
us these evi-
dences of
faith, hand-
maids of
hope, fruits of
love; for the
sake of Jesus
Christ. Amen

~ *Christina
Rossetti,
1800s A.D.*



The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

July 22, 2018 + 9:00 and 11:00 A.M.

Welcome to the Lord's Day. First comes preaching, then comes supper: so it always goes in the Kingdom of God. Jesus sent preaches to share the Gospel, and when they returned, He gave both them and their listeners a miraculous meal of bread and fish. Today, Jesus has sent you a preacher, and after you hear him, Jesus will give you a miraculous meal of His own body and blood. Are you not stunned? Doesn't it knock you over with joy? Jesus isn't dead, you see; He lives, and His kingdom lives with Him.

Sharing God's Blessings Today

- Sunday's Radio Broadcast is sponsored in loving memory of Chuck Schuett (b. 7-24-28; d. 11-28-15) by his wife, Verna.
- The flowers at the altar are sponsored to honor Theresa Habeck's July birthday, and also in memory of what would have been Theresa and Gary Habeck's 30th wedding anniversary. Remember Theresa in your prayers!
- Today's bulletins are sponsored by Delores Kottke, in loving memory of her husband, Orlin.
- The sponsor charts for 2018 for Broadcasts and Flowers are available for you to sign up. The charts are by the stairs by the northwest entry.

The Gospel and Young People

The Church Times has been running a revealing series of articles about young people in British churches. An 18-year-old called Sherlon is quoted as saying: "How society says you have to be is the main thing. You have to wear this, like this; you have to be popular. Also bullying and stuff: that is massive. Judging people because of how they look. And jealousy – everyone wants to be perfect, but they don't realise that no one is perfect." This is where an effective church can offer comfort and reassurance, emphasizing that everyone is loved, and is of the same inherent value, just as they are. It's not about perfect selfies and Instagram likes and exam grades and money and status. This is a message today's young people need to hear.

~ Peter Ormerod, "So Christianity is No Longer the Norm?
Going Underground Will Do It Good." *The Guardian*, March 22, 2018

Announcements

Parish announcements may be found in the weekly newsletter, *For You*, provided by the ushers.



PRELUDE

Variations on "Christ is Made the Sure Foundation"

... David N. Johnson

RINGING OF THE BELLS

Please stand.

INVOCATION

P: In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: **Amen**

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Please kneel. Silence for reflection.

*Only by
names can
humanity
grasp the es-
sence of a
thing.
~ Hildegard
of Bingen,
d. 1179
A.D.,
Book of
Divine
Works*

The Christian has escaped from that rule, death. But the intention is that he is actually to live. If death has been deposed, we are to let it be deposed in our lives, and no longer shape our lives according to its demand . . .

P: Most merciful God,

C: **we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen**

P: Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church, and by the authority of Christ, I therefore forgive you all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen**

Please stand.

ENTRANCE HYMN

“Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation” blue hymnal #747

THE 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

P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



☩ Lord, have mer - cy.

P: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.

P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the holy Church, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



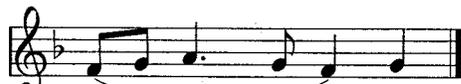
Lord, have mer - cy.

P: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.

P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



A - men

GLORIA

P: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.



Lord God, heav-en - ly king, al-might-y God and Fa - ther:

We wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your

... Through Christ we are free from sin; and for that very reason we are to fight against it. By Christ we have been snatched out of our bondage to sin; and for that very reason we must always fight against sin when it attempts to reconquer what it has lost.
~ Anders Nygren, Swedish Lutheran bishop, 1900s
A.D., Commentary on Romans

glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,
 Lord God, Lamb of God: You take a - way the sin of the world;
 have mer - cy on us. You are seat - ed at the right hand of the
 Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer. For you a -
 lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,
 you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,
 in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men

SALUTATION and PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

☐ And al - so with you.

P: Let us pray . . . Heavenly Father, though we do not deserve your goodness, still you provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant us your Holy Spirit that we may acknowledge your gifts, give thanks for all your benefits, and serve you in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen**

Please be seated.

OLD TESTAMENT Jeremiah 23:1-6

¹“Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture!” declares the LORD. ²Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who care for my people: “You have scattered my flock and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. Behold, I will attend to you for your evil deeds, declares the LORD. ³Then I will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the countries where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. ⁴I will set shepherds over them who will care for them, and they shall fear no more, nor be dismayed, neither shall any be missing, declares the LORD. ⁵“Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ⁶In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell securely. And this is the name by which he will be called: ‘The LORD is our righteousness.’”

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

*The Christian understanding of God is not that of an omnipotent deity handing down commands from on high, but that of God's emptying himself of glory in order to become one with his human creatures, inviting and enabling us to be lifted up by participation in his eternal life. In other words, incarnation; in other words, "the human face of God."
~ Richard John Neuhaus, First Things, May 2008*

*I know why
God doesn't
sleep: because
if only one
person in the
world was
awake, he
would be
lonely.
~ anonymous
7-year old*

PSALM 23

L: The LORD 'is my shepherd;*
I shall not 'be in want.

C: **He makes me lie down 'in green pastures*
and leads me be'side still waters.**

L: He re'vives my soul*
and guides me along right pathways for 'his name's sake.

C: **Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I shall 'fear no evil;*
for you are with me; | your rod and your staff, they 'comfort
me.**

L: You spread a table before me in the presence of those who
'trouble me;
you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is 'running
over.

C: **Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days
'of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the 'LORD forever.**

All: **Glory to the Father, and 'to the Son,*
and to the 'Holy Spirit;
as it was in 'the beginning,*
is now, and will be forever. 'Amen**

EPISTLE Ephesians 2:11-22

¹¹Therefore remember that at one time you Gentiles in the flesh, called "the uncircumcision" by what is called the circumcision, which is made in the flesh by hands—¹²remember that you were at that time separated from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth

of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. ¹³But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. ¹⁴For he himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility ¹⁵by abolishing the law of commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace, ¹⁶and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby killing the hostility. ¹⁷And he came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near. ¹⁸For through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. ¹⁹So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, ²⁰built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone, ²¹in whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord. ²²In him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit.

*A member of
the body
which does
not partici-
pate
in the suffer-
ing of its fel-
low-member
must be dead.*
~ Johann
Gerhard,
Sacred
Medita-
tions, 1606
A.D.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand.

VERSE

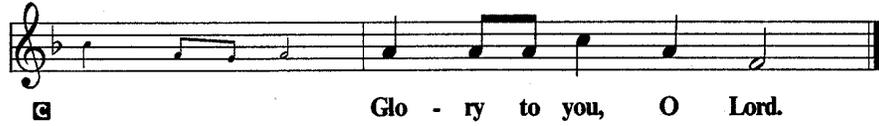
Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

It is a very great incentive to mercy to share in others' misfortunes, to help the needs of others as far as our means allow, and sometimes even beyond them. For it is better for mercy's sake to help someone's case, or to suffer contempt rather than to show hardness of heart.

~ Ambrose, bishop of Milan, 333-397 A.D., On the Duties of the Clergy,

GOSPEL

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 6th chapter.



³⁰The apostles returned to Jesus and told him all that they had done and taught. ³¹And he said to them, "Come away by yourselves to a desolate place and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. ³²And they went away in the boat to a desolate place by themselves. ³³Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they ran there on foot from all the towns and got there ahead of them. ³⁴When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. And he began to teach them many things. ³⁵And when it grew late, his disciples came to him and said, "This is a desolate place, and the hour is now late. ³⁶Send them away to go into the surrounding countryside and villages and buy themselves something to eat." ³⁷But he answered them, "You give them something to eat." And they said to him, "Shall we go and buy two hundred denarii worth of bread and give it to them to eat?" ³⁸And he said to them, "How many loaves do you have? Go and see." And when they had found out, they said, "Five, and two fish." ³⁹Then he commanded them all to sit down in groups on the green grass. ⁴⁰So they sat down in groups, by hundreds and by fifties. ⁴¹And taking the five loaves and the two fish he looked up to heaven and said a blessing and broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples to set before the people. And he divided the two fish among them all. ⁴²And they all ate and were satisfied. ⁴³And they took up twelve baskets full of broken pieces and of the fish. ⁴⁴And those who ate the loaves were five thousand men.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.



APOSTLES CREED

P: Let us confess the faith with one heart:

C: 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

Please be seated.

HYMN OF THE DAY

"The Church's One Foundation" green hymnal #369

SERMON

"When the Kingdom Comes"

Please kneel.

Finally, mark this, that you must always make the Amen strong, never doubting that God is surely listening to you with all grace and saying Yes to your prayer. Remember that you are not kneeling or standing there alone, but that all Christendom, all devout Christians are standing there with you and you with them in one unanimous, united prayer which God cannot ignore . . .

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... And
never leave
off praying
without hav-
ing said or
thought:
There now,
this prayer
has been
heard by God;
this I know of
a certainty.
That is what
"Amen"
means.
~ Martin
Luther,
A Simple
Way to
Pray

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all creation according to its needs.

P: ... Lord in your mercy,

C: **hear our prayer.**

P: Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: **Amen**

Please be seated.

OFFERING

*While the offerings are received, please pass in your row the **Friendship Register**, and add your name(s). If you are a guest or visitor, please include your address.*

VOLUNTARY

"The Church's One Foundation"

... Benjamin M. Culli

Please stand.

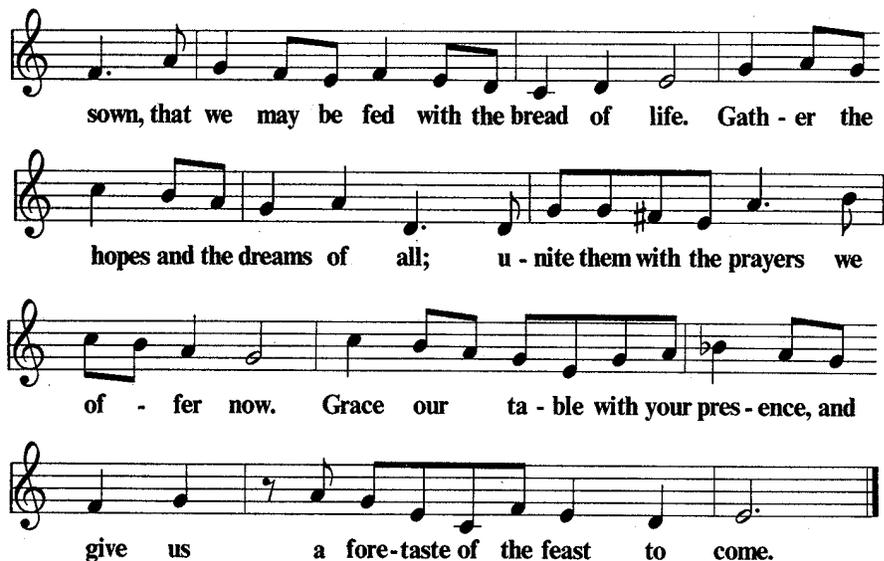
OFFERTORY



☒ Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our



cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were



sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the
 hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the prayers we
 of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence, and
 give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

P: Let us pray . . . Merciful Lord,

C: we do not come to your table trusting in our own righteousness but in your manifold and great mercies. Grant us so to eat the flesh of your dear Son, Jesus Christ, and so to drink his blood that we may ever dwell in him, and he in us. Amen

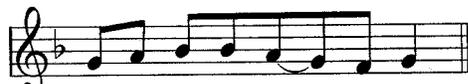
THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.



☐ And al - so with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.



☐ We lift them to the Lord.

The Eucharistic table presents itself as the one place in our society where at least this much of God's kingdom is anticipated: where everyone is welcome, where those who are elsewhere unwelcome, outcasts, despised, oppressed, shunned, excluded are the most welcome of all.
 ~ Robert W. Hooda,
It Is Your Own Mystery

As I took the host [that is, the bread at Holy Communion] a few minutes later, all the conflicting and confusing thoughts and feelings I normally experienced, the usual objections and reservations and logical, sensible, common sense hesitations were swept aside, fused into a whole of certainty. It was all perfectly natural, it all made perfect sense – this was bread just as Christ had used bread . . .

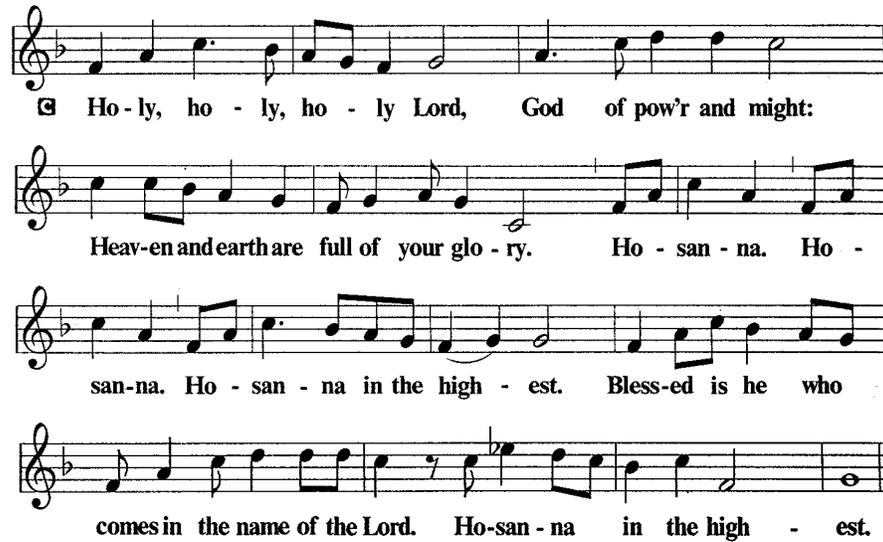
P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



It is right to give him thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right and salutary . . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS ("Holy")



Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:
 Heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na. Ho-
 san-na. 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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is my body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of me."

In the same way also he took the cup after the supper, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in my blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink of it, in remembrance of me.

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**

ACCLAMATION

P: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup,

C: **we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.**

AGNUS DEI ("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.

Please be seated.

*... this was a meal just as the Last Supper had been; how else would you take your God into yourself but through your mouth, consuming Him in this ordinary, mundane way? The ordinary was the divine, where common sense met mystery, where logic kissed the cheek of the inexplicable, the immeasurable, immemorial spirit throbbing like veins beneath the hard gray asphalt of quotidian life.... The host practically burned my mouth with the presence of what it contained; I felt as if a shaft of light had pierced the top of my cranium and lit me up from the inside out.
~ Tony Hendra,
Father Joe*

The congregation is ushered forward for Communion. If you cannot use the steps to the altar, you may either ask an usher to have Communion brought to you, or you may go to the altar in the side (west) chapel. Those not communing may cross their arms over their chest for a blessing.

Holy Communion is the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ which He joyfully gives to His Church to eat and to drink. This gift bestows tremendous benefits. His body and blood forgives our sins, strengthens our faith, binds us to the Lord, and unites us with each other. In this is life and salvation.

The Lord therefore invites to His altar baptized Christians who trust that they will receive in Holy Communion all that He promises there: His body and blood, the forgiveness of sins, union with Christ and His Church, life, and salvation. Know that He gives it to you with great joy.

COMMUNION HYMNS

“I Come, O Savior, to Your Table” green hymnal #213

“The King of Love My Shepherd Is” green hymnal #456

Please stand after all have received the sacrament.

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE



☞ Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev-ry-one what he has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - jice and proud - ly bear his name.

He re-calls his prom-is - es and leads his peo-ple forth in joy with

shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le-lu - ia.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

P: We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us, through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen

BENEDICTION

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.
 The Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you.
 The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

A - men

SILENT PRAYER

POSTLUDE

“Christ is Made the Sure Foundation” ... Charles W. Ore

+ Soli Deo Gloria +
To God alone be glory

**A Prayer
 As You Go**

Remember,
 Lord, Your
 church, to save
 it from all evil
 and to make it
 perfect by
 Your love.
 Make it holy,
 and gather it
 together from
 the four winds
 into Your king-
 dom which
 You have
 made ready for
 it. For Yours is
 the power and
 the glory for-
 ever. Amen.
 ~ *Didache,*
before
100 A.D.

Serving at Worship

Preaching: The Rev. Dr. Steven K. Gjerde

Assisting: Vicar Joseph Pinzl

Organist: Kantor Irene Beethe

Lector: (9:00) Bill Metter

(11:00) Dave Gisselman

Radio Announcer: (9:00) Ryan Fernstaedt

Acolyte: (9:00) Asa Rich

(11:00) Mara Stahl

Elder: (9:00) Scott Schubring

(11:00) Gordon Schalow

Ushers: (9:00) Sally Christoffersen; Steve and Marlene Kroening;
Ken Rodemeier

(11:00) Al Lippert; Herbert Zahrt

Communion Assistants:

(9:00) Grace Mueller; Joe Pinzl; Vicky Radunz

(11:00) Dave Gisselman; Donna Nuernberg; Joe Pinzl

Altar Guild: Pam Hoppe; Debra Thomas

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Those who trust in the Lord shall be like Mount Zion,
which cannot be moved, but abides forever. (Psalm 125:1)

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