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Altar flowers are given to the glory of God for all His many blessings by Kate Stites in gratefulness for her family and in loving memory of her husband, Roger.

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude “Why Should Cross and Trial Grieve Me” (Richard C. Resch)

LSB 556 - Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice stanzas 1-5

Confession and Absolution *p. 203*

Stand (as you are able)

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

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

C Amen.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

P Since we are gathered to hear God’s Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

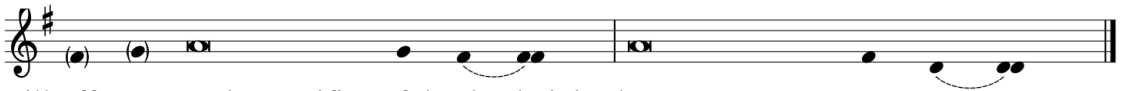
P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Service of the Word p. 204

Introit Tone 7

Psalm 116:12-13, 15-16; antiphon: v. 17



I will offer to you the sacrifice of thanks- | giving*
and call on the name | of the Lord.

What shall I render | to the Lord*
for all his bene- | fits to me?

I will lift up the cup of sal- | vation*
and call on the name | of the Lord.

Precious in the sight | of the Lord*
is the death | of his saints.

O Lord, I am your servant;*

I am your servant, the son of your maidservant. You have | loosed my bonds.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forev- | er. Amen.

I will offer to you the sacrifice of thanks- | giving*
and call on the name | of the Lord.

Kyrie p. 204 *The congregation's response begins just as the leader's petition ends so that the word "Lord" is sung simultaneously by both leader and congregation.*

P In peace let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

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

C Lord, have mercy; Christ has mercy; Lord, have mercy.

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

C Lord, have mercy; Christ has mercy; Lord, have mercy.

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

C Lord, have mercy; Christ has mercy; Lord, have mercy.

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

C Lord, have mercy; Christ has mercy; Lord, have mercy.

Gloria in Excelsis *p. 204*



C 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;
2 To You, O sole - be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro-claimed at Je-sus' birth!
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor-shipped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King.
Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—
In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

- P** The Lord be with you.
C And also with you.
P Let us pray. ...one God, now and forever.
C Amen.

Sit

Old Testament Reading - Isaiah 55:6-9

- ⁶“Seek the LORD while he may be found;
call upon him while he is near;
⁷let the wicked forsake his way,
and the unrighteous man his thoughts;
let him return to the LORD, that he may have compassion on him,
and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.
⁸For my thoughts are not your thoughts,
neither are your ways my ways, declares the LORD.

⁹For as the heavens are higher than the earth,
so are my ways higher than your ways
and my thoughts than your thoughts.”

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Psalm 34:9, 19, alt.

Fear the Lord, | you his saints,
for those who fear him lack | nothing!
Many are the afflictions of the | righteous,
but the Lord delivers him out | of them all.

Epistle - Romans 14:1-12

¹²I want you to know, brothers, that what has happened to me has really served to advance the gospel, ¹³so that it has become known throughout the whole imperial guard and to all the rest that my imprisonment is for Christ. ¹⁴And most of the brothers, having become confident in the Lord by my imprisonment, are much more bold to speak the word without fear. . . .

¹⁹for I know that through your prayers and the help of the Spirit of Jesus Christ this will turn out for my deliverance, ²⁰as it is my eager expectation and hope that I will not be at all ashamed, but that with full courage now as always Christ will be honored in my body, whether by life or by death. ²¹For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. ²²If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me. Yet which I shall choose I cannot tell. ²³I am hard pressed between the two. My desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better. ²⁴But to remain in the flesh is more necessary on your account. ²⁵Convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with you all, for your progress and joy in the faith, ²⁶so that in me you may have ample cause to glory in Christ Jesus, because of my coming to you again.

²⁷Only let your manner of life be worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or am absent, I may hear of you that you are standing firm in one spirit, with one mind striving side by side for the faith of the gospel, ²⁸and not frightened in anything by your opponents. This is a clear sign to them of their destruction, but of your salvation, and that from God. ²⁹For it has been granted to you that for the sake of Christ you should not only believe in him but also suffer for his sake, ³⁰engaged in the same conflict that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia and Verse *p. 205*



A Alleluia. By grace you have been | saved through faith.*
And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God. | Alleluia.

C Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Holy Gospel - Matthew 20: 1-16

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twentieth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

¹[Jesus said:] “The kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. ²After agreeing with the laborers for a denarius a day, he sent them into his vineyard. ³And going out about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the marketplace, ⁴and to them he said, ‘You go into the vineyard too, and whatever is right I will give you.’ ⁵So they went. Going out again about the sixth hour and the ninth hour, he did the same. ⁶And about the eleventh hour he went out and found others standing. And he said to them, ‘Why do you stand here idle all day?’ ⁷They said to him, ‘Because no one has hired us.’ He said to them, ‘You go into the vineyard too.’ ⁸And when evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, ‘Call the laborers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last, up to the first.’ ⁹And when those hired about the eleventh hour came, each of them received a denarius. ¹⁰Now when those hired first came, they thought they would receive more, but each of them also received a denarius. ¹¹And on receiving it they grumbled at the master of the house, ¹²saying, ‘These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.’ ¹³But he replied to one of them, ‘Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Did you not agree with me for a denarius? ¹⁴Take what belongs to you and go. I choose to give to this last worker as I give to you. ¹⁵Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or do you begrudge my generosity?’ ¹⁶So the last will be first, and the first last.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.

Sit

LSB 827 - Hark, the Voice of Jesus Calling

Sermon

Stand

Prayer of the Church

We pray for comfort, peace, and safe travel to the Puyallup area, for **Patty Brueckner** and family, following the death of her brother, Gary. We pray for all those undergoing medical care or recovering including: **Bonita Hoskins, Jace Cutler, Jim & Linda Lowenstein, Kitty Petzoldt, Paul Benadum, Bob Schoessler, Debbie Hayes, Jan Hayward, Erik Simpson, Carolyn Stephens, Jean Collinson, Pat Skinner, Don Haas, Jean Gookins, Bruce Ludke**, and for all our shut-ins. Missionaries of the month: Rev. Tim & Heidi Norton serving at a mission site, Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church, in Navajo, N.M. (Son Philip is now on Vicarage in Gresham, OR & daughter Leslie is currently on a DCE internship in So. Cal.)

Annual collection for the Nortons will be taken today and next Sunday.

Service of the Sacrament *p. 208*

Preface

- 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 Him thanks and praise.

Proper Preface

- P** It is truly good, right, and salutary ... evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus *p. 208*



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;
Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.
Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho - san - na to the Lord;
Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

Prayer of Thanksgiving

- P** Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, ...
Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

Lord's Prayer

- 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.

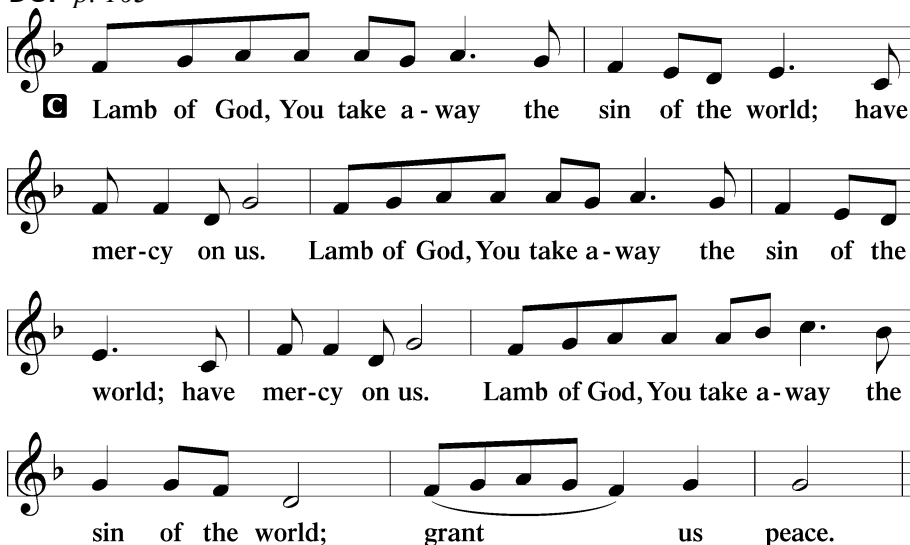
The Words of Our Lord

Pax Domini

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

Agnus Dei *p. 163*



C 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.

Sit

Distribution

*We believe, teach, and confess that the Lord's Supper is the **true Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ**, given under the forms of bread and wine, for us Christians to eat and to drink in a meal instituted by Christ Himself. Baptized Christians who have been instructed and share this faith and understanding are invited to participate in the Lord's Supper. If you are unsure, please speak with the Pastor prior to communing.*

LSB 631 - Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face

LSB 756 - Why Should Cross and Trial Grieve Me

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The Dismissal

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart ☩ in peace.

C Amen.

Nunc Dimittis *p. 211*



1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All

part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the

glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three in One;

A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -
For as in the be - gin - ning, Is

to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -

peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

Post-Communion Collect

P Let us pray. ...one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Benedicamus

A Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

C Amen.

Sit

LSB 556 - Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice

stanzas 6-10

Postlude

“God of Grace and God of Glory”

(Paul Manz)

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THOSE SERVING TODAY:

Greeters: (8:30) Rev. Mark & Darlene Smith; (11:00)

Lectors: (8:30) Marty Adickes; (11:00) Dave Ahlman; **Cantor:** Rev. Cwirla

Audio Visual: Pat Moored, Paul Schwabe, George Haslett, Rev. Mark Smith

Altar Care: Jackie Dawley, Norm Drewett & Judy Tissot; **Counters:** D. Smith & M. Hood

Elders: (8:30) Jerry Walker & Dave Ahlman; (11:00) Gary Meier & Vic Vardanega

Ushers: (8:30) Bill Eichler, Roger Harmann; (11:00) Jarrod & Lauren Jackson



OPPORTUNITIES FOR THIS WEEK:

[Sunday Worship Services: 8:30 & 11 am]

TODAY: 9:45 am Coffee & 10 am Bible Study; 9:45 am Sunday School Resumes

MONDAY: 10–12 pm Laundry Mission; 1 pm Line Dancing; 7 pm **GRIEFSHARE**

TUESDAY: 10:15 am Games Day – meets in the Youth Room

WEDNESDAY: 9 – 9:30 Preschool Chapel

6 pm Bell Choir & 7:15 pm Choir Rehearsals



THURSDAY: 7:30 am Men's Prayer Group; 9:30 am & 12:30 pm Preschool Chapels

10 am Living Way Bible Study Daytime Group; 6:30 pm Evening Class

12 pm Quilting Group; 5 – 7 pm Women's AA Group



Our LWM will collect “mites” or coins in support of missions, on the 1st Sunday of every month.

All are encouraged to bring 84 coins Sunday Oct. 4th in celebration of the LWM's 84th anniversary!

The Preschool Bulb Sale begins today and order forms are in the narthex & due back by Oct. 2nd.



Thank you
for your support.



MUG MATES:

This fun program for women, encourages friendship & prayer and will take place over the first few weeks of October. Registration forms are in the narthex. (salmon colored)

All of our regularly scheduled activities here at Faith have resumed and new participants are welcome! Please be prayerfully deciding which group you would like to attend and then plan to come and add your support. Thank you.

Spotlight on Missionaries of the Month

Reverend Tim Norton and his wife Heidi serve at Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church, a mission site in Navajo, New Mexico. Rev. Tim served as a missionary in Cote d'Ivoire and Guinea West Africa before coming to the Navajo Nation in 2013. Rev. Tim was also just recently installed as pastor at Trinity Lutheran Church in Gallup, New Mexico. Rev. Tim & Heidi's son Philip was installed as vicar at Redeemer Lutheran in Gresham, Oregon this past August, and their daughter Leslie was also installed as a D.C.E. intern at Christ Lutheran in Rancho Palos Verdes, California in May. *(more info in narthex)*



Annual collection for the Norton's will be taken today and next Sunday.

[Make checks out to: FLC; with: "Norton - Shepherd of the Valley" in the memo-line.]

A Dual-Point Parish: "On June 28th, I was installed at Trinity Lutheran in Gallup, NM to be their pastor. Trinity and our church in Navajo joined together in a dual-point parish agreement. This helps both congregations since Trinity cannot at this time afford a full-time pastor, and this helps us with staying power at Shepherd of the Valley because our long-term financial picture is more secure. We praise God for the opportunity to share the Gospel in both places, and our prayer is that this arrangement will create combined energy between the congregations for the benefit of both." *Rev. Tim Norton*

Prayer Requests:

- 1) That the seeds planted this summer will bear fruit!
- 2) Thanksgiving for our deaconess field work student, Emily, and for her continuing studies and service.
- 3) For us as we adjust to serving at two congregations, - for wisdom and stamina!

