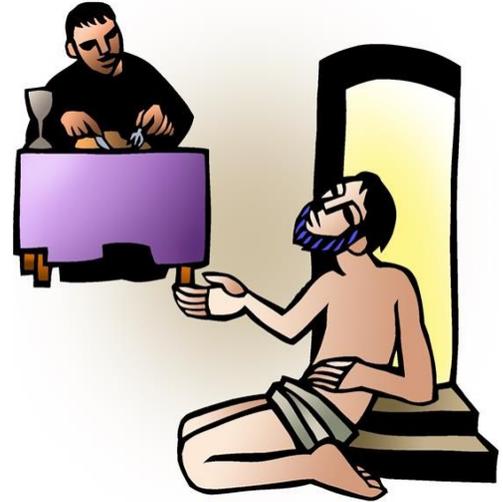


SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION
Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Pastor Rodger Prois ~ September 25, 2022



GATHERING

Please rise as you are able.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who is eager to forgive and who loves us beyond our days. **Amen.**

Dear friends, together let us acknowledge our failure to love this world as Jesus does.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God of mercy and forgiveness,
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.

Beloved of God: your sins are forgiven † and you are made whole. God points the way to new life in Christ, who meets us on the road. Journey now in God's abiding love through the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN ~ *What Is This Place* ~ ELW# 524

What is this place where we are meeting? Only a house, the earth its floor.
Walls and a roof sheltering people, windows for light, an open door.
Yet it becomes a body that lives when we are gathered here, and know our God is near.

Words from afar, stars that are falling, sparks that are sown in us like seed:
names for our God, dreams, signs, and wonders sent from the past are all we need.
We in this place remember and speak again what we have heard: God's free redeeming word.

And we accept bread at this table, broken and shared, a living sign.
Here in this world, dying and living, we are each other's bread and wine.
This is the place where we can receive what we need to increase: our justice and God's peace.

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.**

KYRIE ~ S147 ELW pg. 147

In peace let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**
For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord, **Lord have mercy.**
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. **Lord, have mercy.**
For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,
let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**
Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. **Amen.**

HYMN OF PRAISE ~ *This Is the Feast* ~ ELW pg. 149

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.

**Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.
Power and riches and wisdom and strength, and honor and blessing and glory are his.
This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.**

**Sing with all the people of God and join in the hymn of all creation:
Blessing and honor and glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.
This is the feast of victory for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign.
Alleluia. Alleluia.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY ~ O God, rich in mercy, you look with compassion on this troubled world. Feed us with your grace, and grant us the treasure that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

SPECIAL MUSIC ~ *Where Your Treasure Is* ~ Celebration Singers

WORD

FIRST READING ~ AMOS 6:1a, 4-7 ~ *Complacent Self-Indulgence Will Be Punished*

Alas for those who are at ease in Zion, and for those who feel secure on Mount Samaria, Alas for those who lie on beds of ivory, and lounge on their couches, and eat lambs from the flock, and calves from the stall; who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp, and like David improvise on instruments of music; who drink wine from bowls, and anoint themselves with the finest oils, but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph! Therefore they shall now be the first to go into exile, and the revelry of the loungers shall pass away.

PSALM ~ PSALM 146 ~ *Praise for God's Help*

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord, O my soul!

I will praise the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God all my life long.

Do not put your trust in princes, in mortals, in whom there is no help.

When their breath departs, they return to the earth; on that very day their plans perish.

Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the Lord their God,

who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them; who keeps faith for ever;

who executes justice for the oppressed; who gives food to the hungry. The Lord sets the prisoners free; **the Lord opens the eyes of the blind. The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down; the Lord loves the righteous.**

The Lord watches over the strangers; he upholds the orphan and the widow, but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.

The Lord will reign for ever, your God, O Zion, for all generations. Praise the Lord!

SECOND READING ~ I TIMOTHY 6:6-19 ~ *False Teaching and True Riches*

Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

~ *The Good Fight of Faith*

But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for

which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he will bring about at the right time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen. As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life. ~ Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Please rise.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION ~ ELW S151A Page 151

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

GOSPEL ~ The holy gospel according to Saint Luke, the sixteenth chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

LUKE 16:19-31 ~ *The Rich Man and Lazarus*

‘There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man’s table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, “Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.” But Abraham said, “Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.” He said, “Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father’s house—for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.” Abraham replied, “They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.” He said, “No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.” He said to him, “If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.”’ ~ The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**



You may be seated.

SERMON ~ “Trust in an era of mistrust” ~ Pastor Rodger Prois

Silence for reflection.

Please rise to proclaim the word of God in song.

HYMN OF THE DAY ~ *When the Poor Ones* ~ ELW # 725

When the poor ones, who have nothing, still are giving;
when the thirsty pass the cup, water to share;
when the wounded offer others strength and healing:
We see God, here by our side, walking our way; we see God, here by our side, walking our way.

When compassion gives the suffering consolation;
when expecting brings to birth hope that was lost;
when we choose love, not the hatred all around us:

We see God, here by our side, walking our way; we see God, here by our side, walking our way.

When our spirits, like a chalice, brim with gladness;
when our voices, full and clear, sing out the truth;
when our longings, free from envy, seek the humble:

We see God, here by our side, walking our way; we see God, here by our side, walking our way.

When the goodness poured from heaven fills our dwellings;
when the nations work to change war into peace;
when the stranger is accepted as our neighbor:

We see God, here by our side, walking our way; we see God, here by our side, walking our way.

THE APOSTLES' CREED ~ With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

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 ~ As scattered grains of wheat are gathered together into one bread, so let us gather our prayers for the church, those in need, and all of God's good creation.

A brief silence.

O God, rich in mercy, fill your church with righteousness, faith, love, endurance, and gentleness. Empower the baptized by your Spirit to be rich in good works and ready to share. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Protect the earth and its creatures. Provide water, food, shelter, and favorable habitats, especially for endangered species. Preserve threatened ice caps, glaciers, parks, and beaches. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Increase justice in nations, local governments, and courtrooms. Guide lawyers and those who hold public office to act with compassion and discernment. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Give food to the hungry. Set the captives free. Lift up those who are bowed down. Watch over the stranger. Tend to those who are ill especially those we name here and those known only to you held closely in our hearts...

Jacob Bangsberg; Matthew Olesiak; Doug Olesiak; Kathy Hanson; Felecia Kleven; Kyli Kleven; Larry Johnson; Chuck Jackson; Jo Alvin; Bud Rieschl; Jim Gronberg; Bob Tucker; Sue Sleik; Sharon Rubin; Heather Purdy Larson; David Frost; and Wally & Margie Cason; Fran Ackerman; Tom Weigel; Alex Adler; the family and friends of Dave Cleveland.

Please observe a moment of silence reflecting on those for whom we pray.

Stir us to act in the best interest of our neighbors. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Enliven our praise. Inspire musicians, artists, poets, and all who create beauty in this place especially our Worship and Music committee. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**



Enfold the saints who have died in the arms of your loving care. Grant that the holy angels accompany us and bring us to eternal life with them in the light of your presence. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Gathered together in the sweet communion of the Holy Spirit, gracious God, we offer these and all our prayers to you; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. **Amen.**

PEACE ~ The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**
Please share God's peace with one another.

Please be seated

MEAL

OFFERING

Please Rise

OFFERING HYMN ~ *We Come to the Hungry Feast* ~ ELW# 479 [Vs. 1]

We come to the hungry feast hungry for a word of peace.
To hungry hearts unsatisfied the love of God is not denied.
We come, we come to the hungry feast.

Please rise

OFFERING PRAYER ~ Gracious God, in your great love you richly provide for our needs. Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing, and make us ready to share with all in need; through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all. **Amen.**



THE 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 our thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ.

Fulfilling the promise of the resurrection, you pour out the fire of your Spirit, uniting in one body people of every nation and tongue. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY ~ S153 ELW Page 153

Holy, holy, holy Lord. Lord God of pow'r and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE ~ In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me. For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER ~ Remember us in your kingdom, O Lord, and teach us to pray. 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.

Please be seated

DISTRIBUTION

COMMUNION HYMN ~ *Lord, Whose Love In Humble Service* ~ ELW# 712

Lord, whose love in humble service bore the weight of human need,
who upon the cross, forsaken, worked your mercy's perfect deed:
we, your servants, bring the worship not of voice alone, but heart;
consecrating to your purpose ev'ry gift which you impart.

Still your children wander homeless; still the hungry cry for bread;
still the captives long for freedom; still in grief we mourn our dead.
As you, Lord, in deep compassion healed the sick and freed the soul,
by your Spirit send your power to our world to make it whole.

As we worship, grant us vision, till your love's revealing light
in its height and depth and greatness dawns upon our quickened sight,
making known the needs and burdens your compassion bids us bear,
stirring us to ardent service, your abundant life to share.

Called by worship to your service, forth in your dear name we go,
to the child, the youth, the aged, love in living deeds to show;
hope and health, good will and comfort, counsel, aid and peace we give,
that your servants, Lord, in freedom may your mercy know and live.

COMMUNION HYMN ~ *Christ, Be Our Light* ~ ELW# 715

Longing for light, we wait in darkness. Longing for truth, we turn to you.
Make us your own, your holy people, light for the world to see.
Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gathered today.

Longing for peace, our world is troubled. Longing for hope, many despair.
Your word alone has pow'r to save us. Make us your living voice.
Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gathered today.

Longing for food, many are hungry. Longing for water, many still thirst.
Make us your bread, broken for others, shared until all are fed.
Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gathered today.

Longing for shelter, many are homeless. Longing for warmth, many are cold.
Make us your building, sheltering others, walls made of living stone.
Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gathered today.

Many the gifts, many the people, many the hearts that yearn to belong.
Let us be servants to one another, signs of your kingdom come.
Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gathered today.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION ~ God of the abundant table, you have refreshed our hearts in this meal with bread for the journey. Give us your grace on the road that we might serve our neighbors with joy; for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

BLESSING OF THE QUILTS ~ Let us pray. Almighty God, it is your will to bring comfort and help to the distressed. Thank you for all who use their talents to create these beautiful messages of love to people all over the world who may be seeking your word of grace and comfort. Bless these quilts wherever they may be used, that they may provide warmth and security to those who have experienced tragedy or who have no other shelter. May all who receive these quilts be wrapped in your love and forgiveness. May they also encounter your grace and peace and learn the joy of Christ. Renew our mission to feed the hungry, shelter the homeless, cloth the naked, comfort the weary and outcast, welcome the stranger, and be a loving neighbor to all people of the earth. In the name of Jesus Christ, we pray. **Amen.**

SENDING

BENEDICTION ~ God, who gives life to all things and frees us from despair, bless you with truth and peace. And may the holy Trinity, † one God, guide you always in faith, hope, and love. **Amen.**

SENDING SONG ~ *Canticle of the Turning* ~ ELW# 723

My soul cries out with a joyful shout that the God of my heart is great,
and my spirit sings of the wondrous things that you bring to the ones who wait.
You fixed your sight on your servant's plight, and my weakness you did not spurn,
so from east to west shall my name be blest. Could the world be about to turn?

My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the fires of your justice burn.
Wipe away all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is about to turn.

Though I am small, my God, my all, you work great things in me,
and your mercy will last from the depths of the past to the end of the age to be.
Your very name puts the proud to shame, and to those who would for you yearn,
you will show your might, put the strong to flight, for the world is about to turn.

My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the fires of your justice burn.
Wipe away all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is about to turn.

From the halls of pow'r to the fortress tow'r, not a stone will be left on stone.

Let the king beware for your justice tears ev'ry tyrant from his throne.

The hungry poor shall weep no more, for the food they can never earn;
there are tables spread, ev'ry mouth be fed, for the world is about to turn.

My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the fires of your justice burn.
Wipe away all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is about to turn.

Though the nations rage from age to age, we remember who holds us fast:

God's mercy must deliver us from the conqueror's crushing grasp.

This saving word that our forebears heard is the promise which holds us bound,
till the spear and rod can be crushed by God, who is turning the world around.

My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the fires of your justice burn.
Wipe away all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is about to turn.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DISMISSAL ~ Go in peace, with Christ beside you. **Thanks be to God.**

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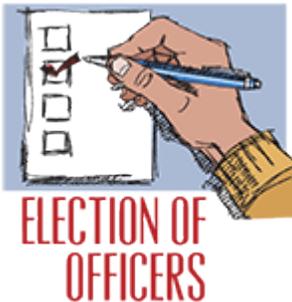
WELCOME! Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob...Praise the Lord! [Psalm 146:5, 10]. I welcome you as we seek God's help and praise him in worship. **Prepare for Today's Word:** "My refuge and my fortress; my God, in who I trust:" I thank you for the assurance that whenever I call on you, you will answer [Psalm 91:2].

NEXT WEEKS READINGS: 10/2. Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4; Psalm 37:1-9; II Timothy 1:1-14; Luke 17:5-10.

THIS WEEK AT LONG LAKE: Tuesday ~ Acts of the Apostles Bible Study, 9:30 a.m.; Book Club, 4:15 p.m.; Wednesday ~ Outdoors Club, 9:00 a.m.; Quilters, 9:00 a.m.; Thursday ~ Men's Bible, Breakfast and Conversation, 8:30 a.m. at Rice Lake Family Restaurant, 2411 S. Main St.

BLESSING OF THE PETS: will be held on Sunday, October 2nd. Bring your special companion to this very special service.

PASTOR RODGER is leading a study of the "Acts of the Apostles" (often called the Acts of the Holy Spirit) Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m. in the gathering room (Narthex) of the church. Coming to an end. Don't miss these last weeks.



THE ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

for the purpose of elections will be held after the worship service on Sunday, October 23rd 2022.

Election of officers to serve beginning in 2023 will be held. Elections will include 1) Vice President/President Elect; 2) Secretary; 3) Christian Education; 4) Evangelism Chairperson; 5) Stewardship Chairperson.

Other Issues may be presented. Please plan to attend this important Meeting.

OUR SYMPATHY is extended to Carolyn Cleveland and family in the passing of David. The funeral service will be held Wednesday, September 28th with visitation beginning at 10:00 a.m. and service at 1:00 p.m. Luncheon will follow at Butternut Hills. Condolences may be sent to Carolyn Cleveland, W3195 Soholt Rd, Sarona, WI 54870.



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