



**The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost**  
**August 9, A+D 2026**



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DIVINE SERVICE

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Lutheran Service Book

## Christ the Crucified Comes to Save Us by the Word of Faith

The Lord who “laid the foundation of the earth” (Job 38:4) is the Author and Giver of life who governs all things by His Word. His wisdom and power are beyond our understanding, except as He reveals Himself in the incarnate Word, Christ Jesus. He has “entered into the springs of the sea” and “walked in the recesses of the deep” (Job 38:16), and He draws near to us in mercy. We have been “a long way from the land, beaten by the waves” and tossed about by hostile winds (Matt. 14:24). In our mortality and sinful unbelief, we do not always recognize the Lord Jesus. But as we cry out in fear, He speaks tenderly to us, “Do not be afraid,” and He reaches out His hand to save us (Matt. 14:27, 31). “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved” (Rom. 10:13), and now we call upon Him in faith, because we have heard “through the word of Christ” (Rom. 10:17). “The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart” (Rom. 10:8).

*Ringling of the Bells*

*Welcome*

## Confession and Absolution

**722 Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me**

*Stand*

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

### Invocation

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** Amen.

### Exhortation

*LSB 151*

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

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

### Confession of Sins

*LSB 151*

- P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.  
**C** Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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.

### Absolution

*151*

- 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

## Introit

*Psalm 34:4–8; antiphon: v. 1*

- P** I will bless the LORD at all times;  
**C** **his praise shall continually be in my mouth.**
- P** I sought the LORD, and he answered me  
**C** **and delivered me from all my fears.**
- P** Those who look to him are radiant,  
**C** **and their faces shall never be ashamed.**
- P** This poor man cried, and the LORD heard him  
**C** **and saved him out of all his troubles.**
- P** The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him,  
**C** **and delivers them.**
- P** Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good!  
**C** **Blessèd is the man who takes refuge in him!**
- C** **Glory be 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.**
- P** I will bless the LORD at all times;  
**C** **his praise shall continually be in my mouth.**

## Kyrie

152

- A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

- A** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

- A** 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 mer - cy.

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



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

- A** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



**C** A - men.

### Gloria in Excelsis

154

- A** Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.



**C** 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 glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



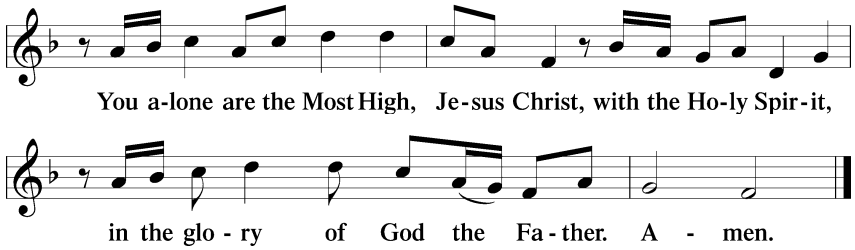
You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



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,



### Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And al - so with you.

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty and most merciful God, preserve us from all harm and danger that we, being ready in both body and soul, may cheerfully accomplish what You want done; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



*Sit*

### Old Testament Reading

*Job 38:4–18*

**A** The Old Testament Reading for The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost is from the thirty-eighth chapter of the Book of Job.

<sup>4</sup>[The Lord said to Job:] “Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth?

Tell me, if you have understanding.

<sup>5</sup>Who determined its measurements—surely you know!

Or who stretched the line upon it?

<sup>6</sup>On what were its bases sunk,

or who laid its cornerstone,  
<sup>7</sup>when the morning stars sang together  
 and all the sons of God shouted for joy?  
<sup>8</sup>"Or who shut in the sea with doors  
 when it burst out from the womb,  
<sup>9</sup>when I made clouds its garment  
 and thick darkness its swaddling band,  
<sup>10</sup>and prescribed limits for it  
 and set bars and doors,  
<sup>11</sup>and said, 'Thus far shall you come, and no farther,  
 and here shall your proud waves be stayed'?  
<sup>12</sup>"Have you commanded the morning since your days began,  
 and caused the dawn to know its place,  
<sup>13</sup>that it might take hold of the skirts of the earth,  
 and the wicked be shaken out of it?  
<sup>14</sup>It is changed like clay under the seal,  
 and its features stand out like a garment.  
<sup>15</sup>From the wicked their light is withheld,  
 and their uplifted arm is broken.  
<sup>16</sup>"Have you entered into the springs of the sea,  
 or walked in the recesses of the deep?  
<sup>17</sup>Have the gates of death been revealed to you,  
 or have you seen the gates of deep darkness?  
<sup>18</sup>Have you comprehended the expanse of the earth?  
 Declare, if you know all this."

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

## Epistle

*Romans 10:5–17*

**A** The Second Reading is from the tenth chapter of the Epistle of St. Paul to the Romans.

<sup>5</sup>Moses writes about the righteousness that is based on the law, that the person who does the commandments shall live by them. <sup>6</sup>But the righteousness based on faith says, "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?'" (that is, to bring Christ down) <sup>7</sup>or "'Who will descend into the abyss?'" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead).

<sup>8</sup>But what does it say? "The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); <sup>9</sup>because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. <sup>10</sup>For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. <sup>11</sup>For the Scripture says, "Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame." <sup>12</sup>For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. <sup>13</sup>For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

<sup>14</sup>But how are they to call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? <sup>15</sup>And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!" <sup>16</sup>But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, "Lord, who has believed what he has heard from us?" <sup>17</sup>So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

*Stand*

### Alleluia and Verse

*LSB 156*

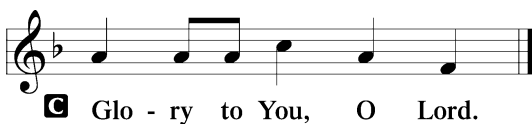


**C** Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

### Holy Gospel

*Matthew 14:22–33*

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



**C** Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

<sup>22</sup>Immediately [Jesus] made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. <sup>23</sup>And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, <sup>24</sup>but the boat by this time was a long way from the land, beaten by the waves, for the wind was against them. <sup>25</sup>And in the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. <sup>26</sup>But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, and said, "It is a ghost!" and they cried out in fear. <sup>27</sup>But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, "Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid."

<sup>28</sup>And Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." <sup>29</sup>He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus. <sup>30</sup>But when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, "Lord, save me." <sup>31</sup>Jesus immediately reached out his hand and took hold of him, saying to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" <sup>32</sup>And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. <sup>33</sup>And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

*Sit*

## 717 Eternal Father, Strong to Save

### Sermon

*Stand*

### Nicene Creed

**C** 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 worshipped 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*

### **Gathering of Tithes & Offerings**

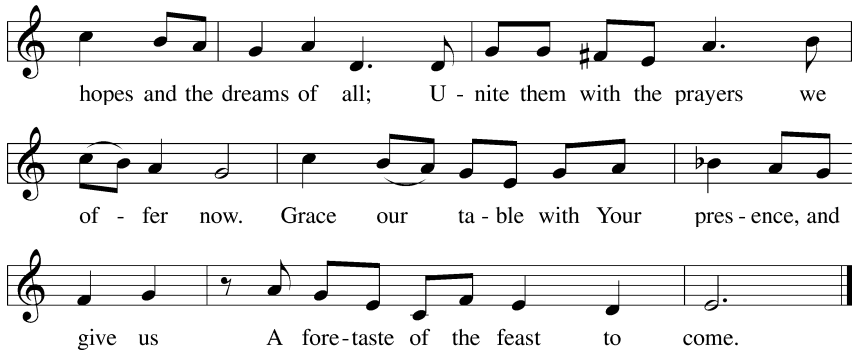
*If you are submitting a prayer request on a prayer card, kindly hand it directly to the usher. Do not place it into the offering plate.*

*Stand*

### **955 Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful**

The musical score is written on three staves in treble clef. The melody is simple and melodic, with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are written below the notes.

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



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**Prayer of the Church***Responsive Form*

- P** . . . Lord, in Your mercy,  
**C** hear our prayer.

# Service of the Sacrament

**Preface**

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- P** The Lord be with you.



- C** And al - so 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 (Full)**

- P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

**Sanctus***LSB 161*

**C** 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.

**Prayer of Thanksgiving***LSB 161*

- P** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously

receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C Amen.**

## Lord's Prayer

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**P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom 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**

## The Words of Our Lord

**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  $\text{✠}$  body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after 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  $\text{✠}$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

## Pax Domini

LSB 163

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.



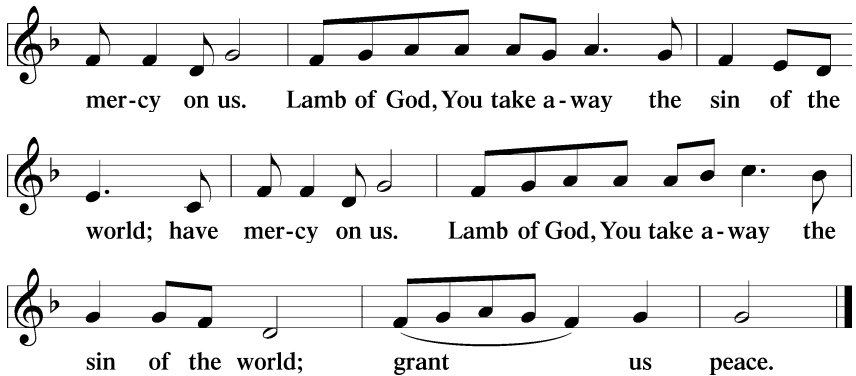
**C** A - men.

## Agnus Dei

LSB 163



**C** Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world; have



*Sit*

### **Distribution of Christ's Body and Blood**

*Members of other Christian denominations who are present may come forward to receive a blessing from the Pastor during the distribution. It is requested that you cross your arms over your chest to indicate that you desire this blessing.*

**Silent Prayer Just Before Communing:** *Dear Savior, at your gracious invitation, I come to Your table to eat and drink Your holy body and blood. Let me find favor in Your eyes to receive this holy Sacrament in faith for the salvation of my soul and to the glory of Your holy name; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.*

**Silent Prayer Just After Communing:** *Almighty and everlasting God, I thank and praise You for feeding me the life-giving body and blood of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send your Holy Spirit that, having with my mouth received the holy Sacrament. I may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace the forgiveness of sins unity with Christ, and life eternal; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.*

### **718 Jesus, Lead Thou On**

### **739 Precious Lord, Take My Hand**

*Stand*





## 715 Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me

*Silent Prayer*

*Announcements*

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### REMEMBER IN PRAYER

#### ST. PAUL'S FAMILY

Violet Rich

Abigal Rodenberg, Family Nathan, Annelise, Nolan

Janet Sanders

#### BIRTHDAYS

Michelle Michels, 8/9

#### BAPTISM ANNIVERSARIES

Tina Morse, 8/15

#### CONFIRMATION ANNIVERSARIES

Tara Schassburger, 8/9

Violet Rich, 8/13

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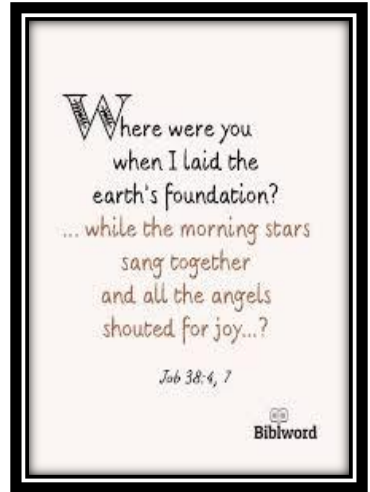
Gene & Jean Wiltjer, 8/13

#### SPECIAL CONCERNS

**Pray for** Sandy Bodza, Sondra Budde, Pastor Collins, Carmen Dampier, Judy Diekleman, Shirley Emerick, Pastor Fluechtling, Latricia Harris, Ed Hoeksema Jr., Marg Loitz, Beverly Oaks, Chester Orendorff, Violet Rich, Pastor Simon, Bill Sommer, Dolly Tagenhorst, Warren & Chris Van Mynen, Jean and Gene Wiltjer, Ray Zander.

**Serving in the Military** – Austin Brandy, Dakota Gaut and Nathan Lopez.

**Serving as First Responders** – David Allen, Dave Bloom, Harrison & Arianna Cromeey, Brianne Giba, Melanie Hudson, Brian Orth, Dana Tatgenhorst, Taylor VanDommelen and Dan Zander.



# NEWS UPDATE

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To the glory of God and in loving memory of Madelaine Zander a memorial gift has been made to the General Fund by Sandey Dempsey, Cherlyn Plaia, Ray Zander Family.

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## St. Paul Book Club

Will meet on Wednesday August 19<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am, to review *the things we leave unfinished* by Rebecca Yarros. We always welcome new members. We enjoy fellowship and lunch following the discussion.



## Let's Discuss



## In The Zoom Room

### MONDAY – FRIDAY DEVOTIONS

Portals of Prayer 8:00am to 8:15am

Lutheran Hour 8:00pm to 8:15pm

For the Link:

Call or Text Church Cell: 312-533-1896

Email: [letsdiscuss@splcms.org](mailto:letsdiscuss@splcms.org)

### SATURDAY BIBLE STUDY

8:00 am – 9:00am Women of the Bible

Co-Hosts: Casey and Deb

Contact [deb@splcms.org](mailto:deb@splcms.org) for more info.

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**Christ for You on KFUE.org the Week of August 9<sup>th</sup>** We're continuing our study of Matthew on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8 a.m. CT)! This week, we'll take a look at chapters 15 and 16.



**Issues, Etc. The Week of August 9<sup>th</sup> Your Lifeline To The Lutheran Worldview.** Issues, Etc. is a podcast and radio talk show produced by Lutheran Public Radio

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# Jesus Walks on the Water

During the fourth watch of the night Jesus went out to them, walking on the lake. Matthew 14:25 (NIV)

Based on Matthew 14:22-33 (NIV)



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# GOD'S PEOPLE IN ACTION



## ATTENDANCE AND OFFERINGS

August 2<sup>nd</sup> Attendance 11, 11 Communed, 3 Online

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|-----------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|-----------------|
| Envelopes             | \$1,170.00        | Weekly Missions           | \$40.00         |
| General Fund          | 2,060.00          | Luth. Church Charity      | 20.00           |
|                       |                   | Church Maint              | 20.00           |
|                       |                   | Social Ministry           | 45.00           |
| <b>Budgeted Total</b> | <b>3,230.00</b>   | <b>Non-budgeted Total</b> | <b>\$125.00</b> |
| Offering Needed       | 1,342.00          |                           |                 |
| <b>Surplus</b>        | <b>\$1,888.00</b> |                           |                 |



## THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

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|-----------|----------|-----------------|
| Today     | 9:30 am  | Worship Service |
|           | 10:30 am | Coffee &...     |
| Monday    |          |                 |
| Tuesday   |          |                 |
| Wednesday |          |                 |
| Thursday  |          |                 |
| Friday    |          |                 |
| Saturday  |          |                 |
| Sunday    | 9:30 am  | Worship Service |
|           | 10:30 am | Coffee &...     |

## SERVANT SCHEDULE

Sun, Aug 9, 9:30 AM

Sun, Aug 16, 9:30 AM

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