

# 15<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SEPTEMBER 10, 2023



**St. Luke Evangelical Lutheran Church**  
2695 Luther Drive | Chambersburg, Pennsylvania | 17202

*“SHARING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST”*

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### PRELUDE

*For the Fruit of All Creation*

Lloyd Larson

## CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

*The assembly stands. All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

In the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen  
God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Gracious God,  
**have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen**

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins.

As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

## APOSTOLIC GREETING

## KYRIE

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, amen**

OPENING HYMN     *Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven*

ELW 864

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

## FIRST READING

Ezekiel 33:7-11

*Response after the reading:* **Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM

Psalm 119:33-40

*Spoken responsively by whole verse.*

<sup>33</sup>Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes,  
and I shall keep it to the end.

<sup>34</sup>**Give me understanding, and I shall keep your teaching;  
I shall keep it with all my heart.**

<sup>35</sup>Lead me in the path of your commandments,  
for that is my desire.

<sup>36</sup>**Incline my heart to your decrees  
and not to unjust gain.**

<sup>37</sup>Turn my eyes from beholding falsehood;  
give me life in your way.

<sup>38</sup>**Fulfill your promise to your servant,  
which is for those who fear you.**

<sup>39</sup>Turn away the reproach that I dread,  
because your judgments are good.

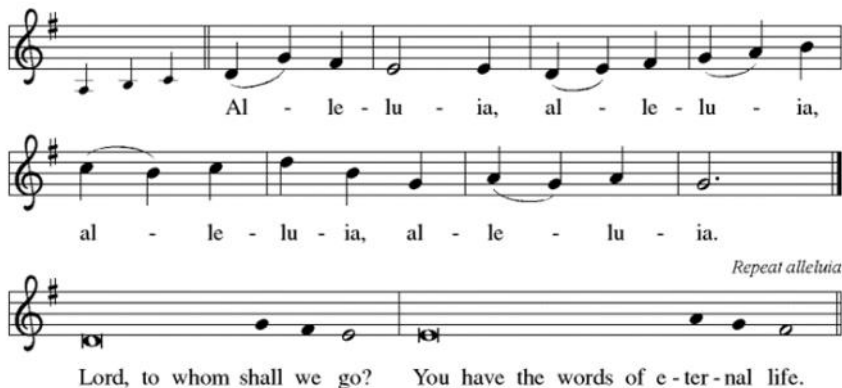
<sup>40</sup>**Behold, I long for your commandments;  
by your righteousness enliven me.**

## SECOND READING

Romans 13:8-14

*Response after the reading:*     **Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



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

## GOSPEL

Matthew 18:15-20

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew: **Glory to you, O Lord.**  
The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY *God When Human Bonds are Broken*

ELW 603

## APOSTLES' CREED

**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 power of 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

**After each petition:** Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

## SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

ANTHEM

*On Eagle's Wings*

Words & Music by Mike Joncas

Arranged by Mark Hayes

OFFERING

OFFERTORY HYMN

*Devotion*

Reginald W. Martin

OFFERTORY

*The Doxology*

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;***

***Praise Him, all creatures here below;***

***Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:***

***Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.***

OFFERING PRAYER

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

**Words on Screen**

PROPER PREFACE

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of  
pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the  
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

### LORD'S PRAYER

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.**

### DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

*All are welcome at the table! Please join us by coming up the center aisle and receiving the bread from the Pastor. Then you may choose to receive the wine from the common cup, or by picking up an empty cup and receiving the wine from one of the two pouring chalices. Filled cups of grape juice are available alongside the empty cups.*

### COMMUNION HYMNS

ELW 522, 742, 821, 790, 616

### COMMUNION BLESSING

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

### BENEDICTION

### SENDING HYMN

*God's Work, Our Hands*

ACS 1000

### DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Love your neighbor.  
**Thanks be to God!**

### POSTLUDE

*My Heart Sings Out with Joyful Praise*

J. Wayne Kerr



**Faith Formation/Christian  
Education**  
Sunday 8:45 a.m.

**Worship with Holy  
Communion**  
Sunday 10:00 a.m.

**Holy Communion with  
Rite of Healing**  
Wednesday 11:00 a.m. (Chapel)  
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Greeters: Bob & Norma Huss  
Altar Guild: Terry & Carol Angstadt  
Ushers: Carl & Joanne Forrester  
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