INCARNATION LUTHERAN CHURCH

+ Pentecost 13 Sunday · September 4th, 2022 + Worship Notes:

• Our Lector for today is Susan McArver • Our Crucifer for today is Amy Kehl • The flowers are in memory of Thelma Coster, Mother of Marcy Coster-Schulz and Mother-in-Law of Richard Schulz. She died September 4, 2011 at age 91 years of age. • We are in Setting One of the ELW •

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Louis Vierne (1870-1937)

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Please stand as able and face the Processional Cross.

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. **Amen.**

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.**

GATHERING HYMN: ELW 880 O God beyond All Praising

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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.**

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Direct us, O Lord God, in all our doings with your continual help, that in all our works, begun, continued, and ended in you, we may glorify your holy name; and finally, by your mercy, bring us to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. *Please be seated.*

FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 30:15-20

¹⁵See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. ¹⁶If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the LORD your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. ¹⁷But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, ¹⁸I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. ¹⁹I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, ²⁰loving the LORD your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the LORD swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

PSALM: Psalm 1

¹Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel | of the wicked, nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats | of the scornful!

²Their delight is in the law | of the LORD,

and they meditate on God's teaching | day and night.

³They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that | do not wither;

everything they $\slash\hspace{-0.6em}\rule{0.8em}{0.8em}\hspace{0.2em}$ do shall prosper.

⁴It is not so | with the wicked;

they are like chaff which the wind | blows away.

⁵Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when | judgment comes, nor the sinner in the council | of the righteous.

⁶For the LORD knows the way | of the righteous, but the way of the wicked shall | be destroyed.

SECOND READING: Philemon 1-21

¹Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother, To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, ²to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellow soldier, and to the church in your house: ³Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. ⁴When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God ⁵because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith toward the Lord Jesus. ⁶I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. ⁷I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother. ⁶For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do

your duty, ⁹yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love—and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. ¹⁰I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. ¹¹Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. ¹²I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. ¹³I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; ¹⁴but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. ¹⁵Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back forever, ¹⁶no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a beloved brother—especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord. ¹⁷So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. ¹⁸If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. ¹⁹I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. ²⁰Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. ²¹Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Please stand as able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: p.102



GOSPEL: Luke 14:25-33

Before the Reading: The Holy Gospel according to Luke. Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁵Now large crowds were traveling with [Jesus;] and he turned and said to them, ²⁶"Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. ²⁷Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. ²⁸For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? ²⁹Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, ³⁰saying, 'This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.' ³¹Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? ³²If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. ³³So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions."

After the Reading: This is the gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.** *Please be seated.*

SERMON

Pastor Emily Willhide

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 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

Each petition concludes "God of grace," We respond: "Hear our prayer."

PEACE

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

MEAL

The offering plate will be passed throughout the Congregation.

OFFERING Flûtes Pierre Cocheareau (1924-1984)

Please stand as able.

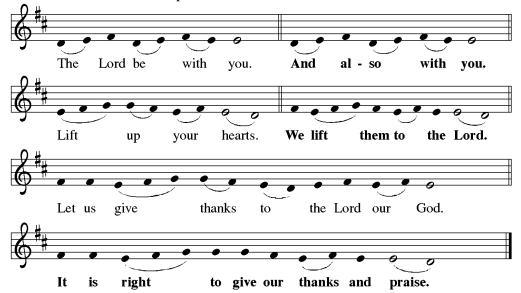
OFFERTORY: ELW 884

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow OLD HUNDREDTH

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.**

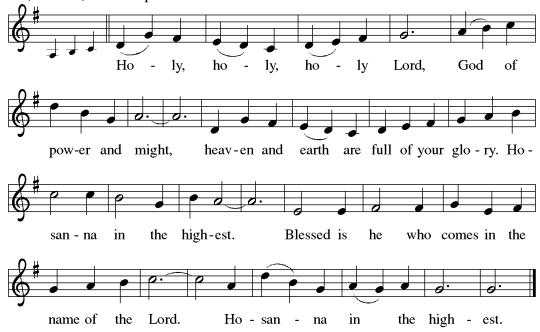
GREAT THANKSGIVING: p.108



PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY: p.108



EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

These are the gifts of God for the people of God. Welcome to the table of the Lord.

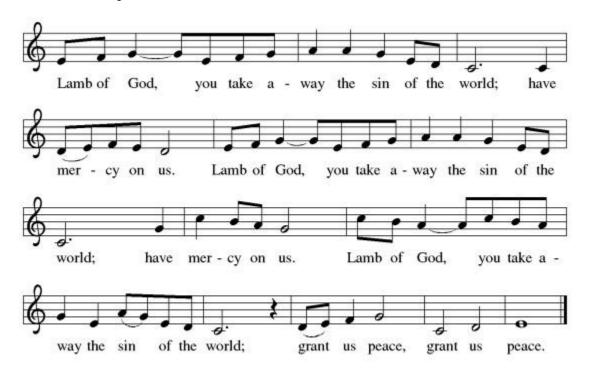
Thanks be to God.

Please be seated.

COMMUNION - We invite you to either take communion in your pew with the communion pods, or to come to the front of the church to receive a wafer and wine. The communion cups are in trays at the front of the church. There are discard trays by the side aisles.

The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you. **Amen**.

LAMB OF GOD: p.112



COMMUNION HYMN: ELW 757

All My Hope on God Is Founded

MICHAEL

COMMUNION HYMN: ELW 814

Take, Oh, Take Me As I am TAKE ME AS I AM

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Please stand as able.

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.**

SENDING

BLESSING

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 HYMN: ELW 802

Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus LASSET UNS MIT JESU ZIEHEN

DISMISSAL:

Go in peace, with Christ beside you.

Thanks be to God.

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Join us after Worship for Coffee Hour