

**August 14, 2016**



“I came to bring fire to the earth, and  
how I wish it were already kindled”

**Luke 12:34**



*Celebrating and Sharing the Love of Jesus Christ*

*The word of God is a refining fire. Jesus is the great divide in human history. He invites our undivided attention and devotion. Today, in the assembly, we are surrounded by “so great a cloud of witnesses.” In the word and in the holy communion we are invited yet again to look to Jesus, “the pioneer and perfecter of our faith.”*

**PRELUDE****Dr. Alice Brook****WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS****David Humphrey**

*Please sign the white book found at the end of each pew.*

*Please stand as you are able.*

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

☩ 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.*

☩ Most merciful God,

**☩ we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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.**

☩ 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.**

God Is Here!

1 God is here! As we your peo - ple meet to of - fer  
 2 Here are sym - bols to re - mind us of our life - long  
 3 Here our chil - dren find a wel - come in the Shep - herd's  
 4 Lord of all, of church and king - dom, in an age of

praise and prayer, may we find in full - er mea - sure  
 need of grace; here are ta - ble, font, and pul - pit;  
 flock and fold; here as bread and wine are tak - en,  
 change and doubt, keep us faith - ful to the gos - pel;

what it is in Christ we share. Here, as in the  
 here the cross has cen - tral place. Here in hon - es -  
 Christ sus - tains us as of old. Here the ser - vants  
 help us work your pur - pose out. Here, in this day's

world a - round us, all our var - ied skills and arts  
 ty of preach - ing, here in si - lence, as in speech,  
 of the Ser - vant seek in wor - ship to ex - plore  
 ded - i - ca - tion, all we have to give, re - ceive;

wait the com - ing of the Spir - it in - to o - pen minds and hearts.  
 here, in new - ness and re - new - al, God the Spir - it comes to each.  
 what it means in dai - ly liv - ing to be - lieve and to a - dore.  
 we, who can - not live with - out you, we a - dore you! We be - lieve!

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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.

## KYRIE



*Se - ñor, Se - ñor, ten pie - dad; ten pie - dad de no -*  
Lord, . . have mer - cy on us; O . . . Lord, have . . .



*so - tros. Se - ñor, Se - ñor, ten pie -*  
mer - cy. Lord, . . have mer - cy on



*dad; ten pie - dad de no - so - tros.*  
us; O . . . Lord, have . . mer - cy.



*Cris - to, Cris - to, ten pie - dad; ten pie - dad de no -*  
Christ, . . have mer - cy on us; O . . . Christ, have . .



*so - tros. Cris - to, Cris - to, ten pie -*  
mer - cy. Christ, . . have mer - cy on



*dad; ten pie - dad de no - so - tros.*  
us; O . . . Christ, have . . mer - cy.

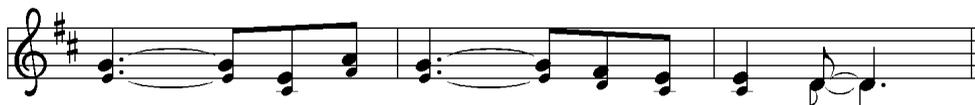


*Se - ñor, Se - ñor, ten pie - dad; ten pie - dad de no -*  
Lord, . . have mer - cy on us; O . . . Lord, have . . .



so - tros.  
mer - cy.

Se - ñor, Se - ñor, ten pie -  
Lord, . . have mer - cy on



dad;  
us;  
ten pie - dad  
O . . . Lord,

de no - so - tros.  
have . . mer - cy.

### HYMN OF PRAISE



¡Glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ria en las al - tu - ras a Dios!  
Glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ry to God . . on high!



¡Glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ria en las al - tu - ras a Dios!  
Glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ry to God . . on high!



Y en la tie - rra paz pa - ra a - que - llos que a - ma el Se - ñor.  
And on earth . . . peace to God's peo - ple. Glo - ry to God.



Y en la tie - rra paz pa - ra a - que - llos que a - ma el Se - ñor.  
And on earth . . . peace to God's peo - ple. Glo - ry to God.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

☞ The Lord be with you.

☛ **And also with you.**

☞ Let us pray.

☛ **O God, judge eternal, you love justice and hate oppression, and you call us to share your zeal for truth. Give us courage to take our stand with all victims of bloodshed and greed, and, following your servants and prophets, to look to the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

### **First Reading: Jeremiah 23:23-29**

*Because Jeremiah preaches the unpopular message of God's judgment, he suffers rejection. Today's reading distinguishes between the true prophet, like Jeremiah, who speaks God's word, and the false prophet who misleads the people through dreams. One is like wheat; the other like worthless straw.*

<sup>23</sup>Am I a God near by, says the LORD, and not a God far off? <sup>24</sup>Who can hide in secret places so that I cannot see them? says the LORD. Do I not fill heaven and earth? says the LORD. <sup>25</sup>I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, "I have dreamed, I have dreamed!" <sup>26</sup>How long? Will the hearts of the prophets ever turn back—those who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart? <sup>27</sup>They plan to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, just as their ancestors forgot my name for Baal. <sup>28</sup>Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let the one who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? says the LORD. <sup>29</sup>Is not my word like fire, says the LORD, and like a hammer that breaks a rock in pieces?

## Psalm: 82



Psalm 82:8

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<sup>1</sup>God stands to charge the divine coun- | cil assembled,  
giving judgment in the midst | of the gods:

<sup>2</sup>**“How long will you | judge unjustly,  
and show favor | to the wicked?”**

<sup>3</sup>Save the weak | and the orphan;  
defend the hum- | ble and needy;

<sup>4</sup>**rescue the weak | and the poor;  
deliver them from the power | of the wicked. *Refrain***

<sup>5</sup>They do not know, neither do they understand; they wander a- | bout in darkness;  
all the foundations of the | earth are shaken.

<sup>6</sup>**Now I say to you, | ‘You are gods,  
and all of you children of | the Most High;**

<sup>7</sup>nevertheless, you shall | die like mortals,  
and fall like | any prince.’ ”

<sup>8</sup>**Arise, O God, and | rule the earth,  
for you shall take all nations | for your own. *Refrain***

## Second Reading: Hebrews 11:29-12:2

*The author of Hebrews presents us with rich stories of faith. In a long list of biblical heroes, we find examples of trust in God that enabled them to face the trials of life faithfully. In addition to this “cloud of witnesses,” we have Jesus, the perfect model of faithful endurance.*

<sup>29</sup>By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. <sup>30</sup>By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. <sup>31</sup>By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace.

<sup>32</sup>And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets—<sup>33</sup>who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, <sup>34</sup>quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. <sup>35</sup>Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. <sup>36</sup>Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. <sup>37</sup>They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented—<sup>38</sup>of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground.

<sup>39</sup>Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, <sup>40</sup>since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect.

<sup>12:1</sup>Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, <sup>2</sup>looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

## CHILDREN’S SERMON

Alicia Urban

*Please stand as you are able.*

### VERSE

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

## **GOSPEL**

P The Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke, the twelfth chapter.

**C Glory to you, O Lord.**

**Gospel: Luke 12:49-56**

[Jesus said:] <sup>49</sup>“I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! <sup>50</sup>I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! <sup>51</sup>Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! <sup>52</sup>From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; <sup>53</sup>they will be divided:

father against son

and son against father,

mother against daughter

and daughter against mother,

mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law

and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.”

<sup>54</sup>He also said to the crowds, “When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, ‘It is going to rain’; and so it happens. <sup>55</sup>And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, ‘There will be scorching heat’; and it happens. <sup>56</sup>You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?”

P The Gospel of the Lord.

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

*Please be seated.*

## **SERMON**

*Please stand as you are able.*

**Pr. Carl Hoffman**

## Lift High the Cross

*Refrain*

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim till

all the world a - dore his sa - cred name.

1 Come, Chris - tians, fol - low where our cap - tain trod,  
 2 All new - born ser - vants of the Cru - ci - fied tree,  
 3 O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,  
 4 So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be:

*Refrain*

our king vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God.  
 bear on their brows the seal of him who died.  
 as thou hast prom - ised, draw us all to thee.  
 praise to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry!

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## **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**

Rooted in Christ and rising to serve, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

*A brief silence.*

**A** God near to us, increase your people's passion to share how Christ transforms lives. Raise up prophets in your church, Lord, to interpret the word and the world today. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

**A** Renewing God, we pray for scorched places that need rain, those recovering from disaster, and those needing balance. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

**A** God of power, administer justice. Pour your spirit of compassion and mercy into those who hold the lives of others in their hands. We pray for all who are persecuted or imprisoned for their beliefs. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

**A** Compassionate God, save us from being overwhelmed by addictions, medical conditions, competition, and fear. Comfort all in need in body, mind, or spirit (*especially*). Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

**A** Give wisdom to our community, Lord. Help us discern your will for our life and ministry together, even when it may divide or challenge us. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

**A** We thank you, O God, for the great cloud of witnesses that surrounds us. Gather us with (*Maximilian Kolbe and Kaj Munk, martyrs of the church, and*) all the saints around your throne on the last day. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

**A** We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting your promise to hear us; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## **PEACE**

**P** The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C** **And also with you.**

*Please be seated.*

## **OFFERING**

*Please stand as you are able*

**OFFERTORY****Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow****ELW 884**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;

praise him above, ye heav'nly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

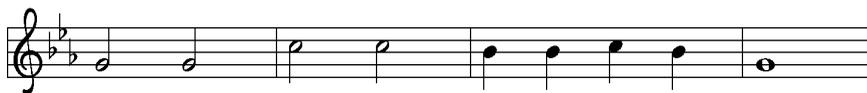
**PREFACE – Cantor Only****A** Let us pray.

Holy God, gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C** Amen.**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING****P** The Lord be with you.**And also with you.****P** Lift up your hearts.**We lift them to the Lord.****P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

**P** 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; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

# SANCTUS



San - to, san - to, san - to, es el Se - ñor,  
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord . . . God,



Dios del u - ni - ver - so; san - to, es el Se - ñor.  
God of might and pow - er; ho - ly is the Lord.



San - to, san - to, san - to, san - to, es el Se - ñor,  
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord . . . God,



Dios del u - ni - ver - so; san - to, es el Se - ñor.  
God of might and pow - er; ho - ly is the Lord.



Ho - san - na en el cie - lo, ho - san - na en la  
Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na here on



tie - rra. Ben - di - to el que vie - ne en el  
earth. . . . . Blest is he who comes in the



nom - bre del Se - ñor. Ho - san - na en el  
name . . . of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the



cie - lo, ho - san - na en la tie - rra. Ben -  
high - est, ho - san - na here on earth. . . . .



di - to el que vie - ne en el nom - bre del Se - ñor.  
Blest is he who comes in the name . . . of the Lord.

## **EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER**

☞ Holy God, our Maker, Redeemer, and Healer, in the harmonious world of your creation, the plants and animals, the seas and stars were whole and well in your praise. When sin had scarred the world, you sent your Son to heal our ills and to form us again into one. 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. Remembering, therefore, his acts of healing, his body given up, and his victory over death, we await that day when all the peoples of the earth will come to the river to enjoy the tree of life. Send your Spirit upon us and this meal: as grains scattered on the hillside become one bread, so let your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth, that all may be fed with the Bread of life, your Son. Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.

☞ **Amen.**

## **THE 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.**

☞ The table of life is spread before you. Feast on the goodness and mercy of God.

*Please be seated. All baptized Christians are welcome to receive this meal. The ushers will direct you forward to receive communion. All are invited to come forward for a blessing.*

# COMMUNION



Cor - de - ro de Dios, tú que qui-tas el pe-ca-do del mun-do;  
 O Lamb of . . God, you . . take a-way the sin of the world; . .



ten pie-dad de no - so - tros,                      ten pie - dad de no - so - tros.  
 have . . mer-cy up - on us,                      have . . mer-cy up - on us.



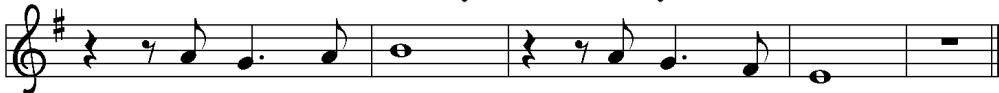
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 have . . mer-cy up - on us,                      have . . mer-cy up - on us.



Cor-de - ro de Dios, tú que qui-tas el pe-ca-do del mun-do;  
 O Lamb of . . God, you . . take a-way the sin of the world; . .



da - nos tu paz,                      da - nos tu paz.  
 grant us your peace,                      grant us your peace.

## My Faith Looks Up to Thee

1 My faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Cal - va - ry,  
 2 May thy rich grace im - part strength to my faint - ing heart,  
 3 While life's dark maze I tread and griefs a - round me spread,  
 4 When ends life's tran - sient dream, when death's cold, sul - len stream

Sav - ior di - vine! Now hear me while I pray, take all my  
 my zeal in - spire; as thou hast died for me, oh, may my  
 be thou my guide; bid dark - ness turn to day, wipe sor - row's  
 shall o'er me roll; blest Sav - ior, then, in love fear and dis -

guilt a - way, oh, let me from this day be whol - ly thine!  
 love to thee pure, warm, and change - less be, a liv - ing fire!  
 tears a - way, nor let me ev - er stray from thee a - side.  
 trust re - move; oh, bear me safe a - bove, a ran - somed soul!

*Please stand as you are able.*

☞ May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

☞ **Amen.**

**POST-COMMUNION PRAYER – Cantor Only**

☞ Let us pray. We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

☞ **Amen.**

**BLESSING**

☞ The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and ✝ give you peace.

☞ **Amen.**

## Rise Up, O Saints of God!

1 Rise up, O saints of God! From vain am - bi - tions turn;  
 2 Speak out, O saints of God! De - spair en - gulf's earth's frame;  
 3 Rise up, O saints of God! The king - dom's task em - brace;  
 4 Give heed, O saints of God! Cre - a - tion cries in pain;  
 5 Com - mit your hearts to seek the paths which Christ has trod;

Christ rose tri - um - phant that your hearts with no - bler zeal might burn.  
 as heirs of God's bap - tis - mal grace, the word of hope pro - claim.  
 re - dress sin's cru - el con - se - quence; give jus - tice larg - er place.  
 stretch forth your hand of heal - ing now, with love the weak sus - tain.  
 and, quick - ened by the Spir - it's pow'r, rise up, O saints of God!

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## DISMISSAL

**A** Go in peace. Proclaim the good news.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## **Chimes**

(Representing the Father, Son and Holy Spirit)

### **Thank you to our Worship Assistants today!**

**Greeters:** Steve & Shonda Studtmann  
**Ushers:** Mike & Martha Lowe  
**Crucifer:** Shelby Helm  
**Acolyte:** Greta Mueller  
**Cantor:** Roger Meyer  
**Lector:** David Humphrey  
**Comm Asst:** Dave & Jean Dearhamer  
**Altar Guild:** Carol Graham Marie Newgard  
**CPOD:** Joan Olsen  
**Hospitality:** Michelle Staedeli Dave & Dixie Tate  
Gary & Tedra McCall

**Altar flowers this morning are given to the glory of God from  
Robert & Carol Bird**

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