

# 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost

October 12, 2025; 9 a.m.



**St John's**  
Lutheran Church

*(An usher rings the church bell at 8:55 a.m.)*

## Welcome and Announcements

### Prelude

*(Acolytes light the candles)*

Linda Ranney

### Gathering Hymn *(please stand)*

ACS #1097; *Ten Thousand Reasons*

#### *Refrain*

Bless the Lord O my soul, O my soul, worship His holy name.

Sing like never before, O my soul, I'll worship Your holy name.

- 1 The sun comes up it's a new day dawning It's time to sing Your song  
again Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me Let me be singing  
when the evening comes *Refrain*
- 2 You're rich in love and You're slow to anger Your name is great and Your  
heart is kind For all Your goodness I will keep on singing Ten thousand  
reasons for my heart to find *Refrain*
- 3 And on that day when my strength is failing The end draws near and my  
time has come Still my soul will sing Your praise unending Ten thousand  
years and then forevermore *Refrain*

### Apostolic 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



Music: *Mass of Creation*, Marty Haugen, © 1984, GIA Publications, Inc.

## Canticle of Praise

(Assembly sings refrains, Choir sings vs. 1-3)



- 1 Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. *Refrain*
- 2 Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, receive our prayer. *Refrain*
- 3 For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the Glory of God the Father. Amen, Amen! *Refrain*

## Prayer of the Day

Let us pray. Almighty and most merciful God, **your bountiful goodness fills all creation. Keep us safe from all that may hurt us, that, whole and well in body and spirit, we may with grateful hearts accomplish all that you would have us do, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## Reading: 2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c *(please sit)*

<sup>1</sup> Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master because by him the Lord had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from a skin disease. <sup>2</sup> Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. <sup>3</sup> She said to her mistress, "If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his skin disease."

<sup>7</sup> When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his skin disease? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me."

<sup>8</sup> But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel." <sup>9</sup> So Naaman came with his horses and chariots and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. <sup>10</sup> Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored, and you shall be clean." <sup>11</sup> But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, "I thought that for me he would surely come out and stand and call on the name of the Lord his God and would wave his hand over the spot and cure the skin disease! <sup>12</sup> Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them and be clean?" He turned and went away in a rage. <sup>13</sup> But his servants approached and said to him, "Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, 'Wash, and be clean'?" <sup>14</sup> So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean.

<sup>15a, b, c</sup> Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company; he came and stood before him and said, "Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel."

Word of God. Word of Life.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Reading: 2 Timothy 2:8-15

<sup>8</sup> Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David—that is my gospel, <sup>9</sup> for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. <sup>10</sup> Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. <sup>11</sup> The saying is sure:

If we have died with him, we will also live with him;

<sup>12</sup> if we endure, we will also reign with him;

if we deny him, he will also deny us;

<sup>13</sup> if we are faithless, he remains faithful—  
he cannot deny himself.

<sup>14</sup> Remind them of this, and warn them before the Lord that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. <sup>15</sup> Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

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## Children's Time

*Where's Waldo? Where's Jesus?*

## Gospel Acclamation *(please stand)*

Choir:

Assembly:



## Gospel: Luke 17:11-19

The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 17<sup>th</sup> Chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>11</sup> On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. <sup>12</sup> As he entered a village, ten men with a skin disease

approached him. Keeping their distance, <sup>13</sup> they called out, saying, “Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!” <sup>14</sup> When he saw them, he said to them, “Go and show yourselves to the priests.” And as they went, they were made clean. <sup>15</sup> Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. <sup>16</sup> He prostrated himself at Jesus’s feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. <sup>17</sup> Then Jesus asked, “Were not ten made clean? So where are the other nine?” <sup>18</sup> Did none of them return to give glory to God except this foreigner?” <sup>19</sup> Then he said to him, “Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.”

The Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

### **Sermon** *(please sit)*

*Recognizing God in the Fray*  
Rev. Sandee D. Kosmo

### **Hymn of the Day** *(please stand)*

ELW #617; *We Come to You For Healing* vs. 1-3, 5

- 1     We come to you for healing, Lord,  
      of body, mind, and soul,  
      and pray that by your Spirit's touch  
      we may again be whole.
- 2     As once you walked through ancient streets  
      and reached toward those in pain,  
      come, risen Christ, among us still  
      with pow'r to heal again.
- 3     You touch us through physicians' skills,  
      through nurses' gifts of care,  
      and through the love of faithful friends  
      who lift our lives in prayer.
- 5     We come to you, O loving Lord,  
      in our distress and pain,  
      in trust that through our nights and days  
      your grace will heal, sustain.

## 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 the People

Petition: God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

## The Peace

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

## Offering

*(Ushers take up the collection)*

*There is a Balm in Gilead* Traditional Spiritual  
St. John's Choir

## Offertory *(please stand)*

*(Ushers bring collection forward for acolytes to receive)*

ELW #726; *Light Dawns on a Weary World*, vs. 1, 3

- 1     Light dawns on a weary world  
      when eyes begin to see  
      all people's dignity.  
      Light dawns on a weary world:  
      the promised day of justice comes.

*Refrain*

The trees shall clap their hands;  
the dry lands, gush with springs;  
the hills and mountains shall break forth with singing!

We shall go out in joy,  
and be led forth in peace,  
as all the world in wonder echoes shalom.

- 3     Hope blooms in a weary world  
      when creatures, once forlorn,  
      find wilderness reborn.  
      Hope blooms in a weary world:  
      the promised green of Eden comes. *Refrain*

## Offertory Prayer

Let us pray. Blessed are you, **O God, source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## 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.**

## Proper Preface

### Holy, Holy, Holy

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er, God of might:  
heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. 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. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

## Eucharistic Prayer

### The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**


### Invitation to the Table

*(acolytes prepare for communion distribution; ushers come forward to invite assembly by pew)*



## Lamb of God

*Cantor:*



1. Je-sus, Lamb of  
2. Je-sus, Bread of  
3. Je-sus, Prince of

*All:*



God,  
Life,  
Peace,

you take a-way the sins of the world: have

*Last time*

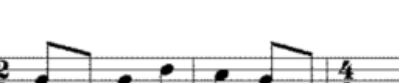
*Cantor:*



mer-cy on us.

Je-sus, Lamb of God; you

*All:*



take a-way the sins of the world: grant us your peace.

## Communion Hymn

## ELW #453; *Baptized and Set Free*

- 1 We are people created,  
chosen by God.  
Then we're washed, ever gently,  
in mercy and love.  
Sin has power no more.  
Jesus opened the door  
to a fountain bringing healing,  
and wholeness and more.
- 2 We are fed and we're nourished,  
filled and refreshed.  
Then our hunger returns and  
again we are blessed.  
For whatever the need,  
God is greater indeed:

endless ocean, always deeper  
than all of our need.

- 3 We are nourished by water,  
all living things,  
and by life that the Spirit  
abundantly brings.  
As we journey toward home,  
may your presence be known:  
precious river, ever-flowing,  
now carry us home.
- 4 Now with praise and thanksgiving,  
we join the song.  
All are welcome! We gather  
to sing loud and strong.  
Not enslaved, but set free!  
From now on, all will be  
one in Jesus, one in water,  
baptized and set free!

### **Post-Communion Blessing & Prayer** *(please stand)*

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

Let us pray. O God, **through this meal you have strengthened us and appointed us to be your servants. Send us to do good and to share our possessions with all in need. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.**

### **Benediction**

The God of righteousness,  
who gives justice to the oppressed,  
who gives food to the hungry,  
who sets the prisoners free,  
✠ bless you now and forever.  
**Amen.**

## Sending Hymn

*(Acolytes extinguish the candles)*

ELW #840; *Now Thank We All Our God*

- 1     Now thank we all our God  
      with hearts and hands and voices,  
      who wondrous things has done,  
      in whom this world rejoices;  
      who, from our mothers' arms,  
      has blest us on our way  
      with countless gifts of love,  
      and still is ours today.
- 2     Oh, may this bounteous God  
      through all our life be near us,  
      with ever joyful hearts  
      and blessed peace to cheer us,  
      and keep us all in grace,  
      and guide us when perplexed,  
      and free us from all harm  
      in this world and the next.
- 3     All praise and thanks to God  
      the Father now be given,  
      the Son, and Spirit blest,  
      who reign in highest heaven,  
      the one eternal God,  
      whom earth and heav'n adore;  
      for thus it was, is now,  
      and shall be evermore.

## Sending

Go in peace. Do not lose heart.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Postlude

Linda Ranney

## Altar Flowers

In Honor of our 45th Anniversary on October 11, by Gary & Julie Kersten

## Serving at Worship Today

Presider	Rev. Sandee Kosmo
Assistant	Jean Jirovec
Lector	Linda LaFave
Acolytes	Xavier Olson, Reese Boeckmann
Ushers	Larry Krause, Jeff Putnam
Greeters	Dramus Peuse, Sam Pederson
Communion Servers	Cheryl Mattison, Jenna Boeckmann, Louise Alt, Penny Erickson
Media & Streaming	Scott Olsen
Screen Operator	Brett Isaacson
Musicians	Linda Ranney, piano/organ; Mark Lundin, Director of Music; St. John's Choir

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