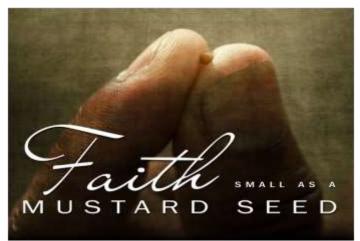
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# July 30, 2023 9:30am Ninth Sunday after Pentecost Hymn Sing Sunday



Matthew 13:31

<sup>31</sup>[Jesus] put before [the crowds] another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field;

> To listen to the service, please turn your radio to  $\underline{FM 88.9}$ Thank you for joining our service today.

Please leave your offering in the plate at the door as you enter or leave the service.

This worship we will be using ELW Setting 10. You may stand during worship with asterisk (\*) in this bulletin.

#### **Gathering**

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Prelude

**Tena Rackow** 

#### Welcome and Announcements

\* Gathering Hymn

### "Gather Us In"

#### ELW#532

#### \* Greeting

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

#### \* Confessional Hymn "Just As I Am, Without One Plea" ELW #592 Favorite hymn of Jim Swain.

#### \* Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray. Beloved and sovereign God, through the death and resurrection of your Son you bring us into your kingdom of justice and mercy. By your Spirit, give us your wisdom, that we may treasure the life that comes from Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C: Amen.** 

Word

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

Listening Hymn

#### "Borning Cry" ELW #732 Favorite of Vivian Hesselbacher.

First Reading: 1 Kings 3:5-12

Psalm 119:129-136

<sup>129</sup>Your decrees are wonderful; therefore I obey them with all my heart.
 <sup>130</sup>When your word is opened it gives light; it gives understanding to the simple.

<sup>131</sup>I open my mouth and pant because I long for your commandments.

<sup>132</sup>Turn to me and be gracious to me, as you always do to those who love your name.

<sup>133</sup>Order my footsteps in your word; let no iniquity have dominion over me.
<sup>134</sup>Rescue me from those who oppress me, and I will keep your commandments.

<sup>135</sup>Let your face shine upon your servant and teach me your statutes.
<sup>136</sup>Mv eves shed streams of tears, because people do not keep your

teaching

Second Reading: Romans 8:26-39

Gospel Hymn	"You Have Come Down to the La	keshore" ELW #817		
	F	avorite of Sue Diddens.		
*Gospel: Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52				
Sermon		Vicar Thomas Mosbo		
* Hymn of the Day	"Be Thou My Vision"	ELW#793		
* Apostles' Creed		ELW page 206		
P: Let us con	nfess together the faith into which we	have been baptized,		

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty...

Praying Hymn	"What a Friend We Have In Jesus"	ELW #742
• • •	Favorite hymn of Sue R	ush and Jim Swain.

#### **Prayers of Intercession**

Congregation responds to each petition with the following: L: Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.

### We lift our prayers for

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Lynn Lyvers, Jerry, Sheridan Brinker, Fern Harnish, Taylor B., Denny Bergmann, Willie Kayser, Rene', Sue Kraft, Paul Fahr, Gary Hudik, Sue Rush, Coral Mosbo, Connor Stadermann, Brooke, Jon Forsythe, Diane, Randy, Brian, Paul Heller, Janet, Ryse Stone, Nicole, Meghan and her baby, John, Chuck, Joyce, Terri, Tina, Julie, Jamie, Crystal, Katie, Christian, Anna, Abby, Karla, Jacob and his family, Richard Gordon, Kay, Shanna, Kathy, Charlie, Brad, Jack, Gretchen, Tina, Joe, Dan Kempel, Ron Heckman, Justin Yeager, Sue, Emma, Cindy, Lamar Hail, Connie, Rachel Collins, Jim Clay, Sharon Janicke, Ethan and Hanna.

#### Lord's Prayer

#### ELW page 208

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray, C: Our Father, who art in heaven...

#### Sending

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

### **Blessing Hymn**

#### See Insert "Sanctuary" **Favorite hymn of Troy Doubler**

### Blessing

P: T he Lord bless you and keep you, The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you, The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace, in the name of the Father, + and of the Son, and of the Holv Spirit. C: Amen.

#### "Beautiful Savior" \*Sending Hymn ELW #838 **Favorite hymn of Coral Mosbo**

#### \* Dismissal

P. Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C. Thanks be to God.

### Postlude

#### **Tena Rackow**

Attendance July 16<sup>th</sup> In-person 29. Online-not available, technical issues.

## Sanctuary

- V1 Lord, prepare me to be a Sanctuary, Pure and holy, tried and true With thanksgiving, I'll be a living Sanctuary for You
- V2 Lord prepare me to be a testimony, Sweet and Simple, tried and true With thanksgiving I'll be a living Testimony for you
- V3 Lord, prepare me to be a Sacrifice, Pure and holy, tried and true With thanksgiving, I'll be a living Sacrifice for You
- V4 Lord, prepare me to be a Sanctuary, Pure and holy, tried and true With thanksgiving, I'll be a living Sanctuary for You

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## Adult Vacation Bible School,

Beginning Monday, July 31<sup>st</sup> continuing until A ugust 16<sup>th</sup> meeting on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday from 6:30-800pm. Join us for a fun evening of Bible Stories, songs and fellowship.



Lena Fall Festival 2023 Our Past-Our Future September 8th and 9th

Good Shepherd will be having a Hospitality Tent and float in the parade, Volunteers are needed to design the float and to work in the hospitality tent. August 10th at 12:30pm Friendship Club will meet in Fellowship Hall for Potluck and Entertainment by Gone Fishin'.



#### Join us for Backyard Worship

When: August 20<sup>th</sup> (Sunday), 9:30am

Where: Darci Meier's backyard.

There will be games and puzzles potluck lunch after worship! You may also bring along a lawn chair. Please