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Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost



God Give Us Life - Ray Makeever Liturgy
Please leave your offering in the plate at the door
You may stand at times marked with an asterisk (*)

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Prelude and Contemplation

Karen Niemeier

Welcome and Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

P: In the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: 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.

C: Amen.

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection

P: Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

P: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord ☩ Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

C: Amen.

* Hymn *Jesus Shall Reign* ELW # 434

* 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.

* Invocation / Make a Joyful Noise

A: In the name of God the Creator of the world,
in the name of Christ the Son,
in the name of the Holy Spirit,.

C: Amen. Amen.

Refrain: **Make a joyful noise to the Lord.**
Enter in with singing.
Join the festival of Love.
Alleluias ringing.

A: Born of the water we recall
Death defeated, Life for all.
In the body of the risen Son
Welcome everyone.

C: *Refrain:* **Make a joyful noise to the Lord...**

* God of Love, Have Mercy

A: Let us pray to God with peace in our hearts.

C: God of Love, have mercy.

A: For the peace from above let us pray to our God.

C: God of Love, have mercy.

A: For the peace of the world, for the health of the church,
for the unity of all people, pray to our God.

C: God of Love, have mercy. God of love have mercy.

A: For the people of God and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to our God.

C: God of Love, have mercy.

A: Help, save, comfort and defend us, gracious God.

C: Amen.

* Glory to God

*Refrain: (***Women): Glory to God**
(Men): Glory to God
(All): Glory to God in the highest:
Glory, glory, glory to God above.
Glory to God in the highest:
Glory, glory, glory to the God of Love.

A: Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. Power, riches, wisdom and strength and honor and blessing and glory are God's.

Refrain: **Glory to God…**

A: Sing with all the people of God and join in the hymn of all creation. Blessing and honor, glory and praise be to God and the Lamb forever and ever.

Refrain: **Glory to God…**

* Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray.

God of all peoples, your arms reach out to embrace all those who call upon you. Teach us as disciples of your Son to love the world with compassion and constancy, that your name may be known throughout the earth, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord .

C: Amen.

First Reading: *Isaiah 56:1, 6-8*

L: A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

56 Thus says the LORD:
"Keep justice, and do righteousness,
for soon my salvation will come,
and my righteousness be revealed.
6 "And the foreigners who join themselves to the LORD,
to minister to him, to love the name of the LORD,
and to be his servants,
everyone who keeps the Sabbath and does not profane it,
and holds fast my covenant—
7 these I will bring to my holy mountain,
and make them joyful in my house of prayer;
their burnt offerings and their sacrifices
will be accepted on my altar;
for my house shall be called a house of prayer
for all peoples."
8 The Lord GOD,
who gathers the outcasts of Israel, declares,
"I will gather yet others to him
besides those already gathered." *[ESV]*

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.



Psalm: *67*

L: Let us read responsively Psalm 57.

[1] May God be gracious to us and bless us
and make his face to shine upon us,

[2] **that your way may be known on earth,**
your saving power among all nations.

[3] Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you!

[4] **Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,**
for you judge the peoples with equity
and guide the nations upon earth.

[5] Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you!

[6] **The earth has yielded its increase;**
God, our God, shall bless us.

[7] God shall bless us;
let all the ends of the earth fear him! *[ESV]*

Second Reading: *Romans 11:1-5, 29-32*

L: A reading from Paul's letter to the Romans.

11 I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! For I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. [2] God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew. Do you not know what the Scripture says of Elijah, how he appeals to God against Israel? [3] "Lord, they have killed your prophets, they have demolished your altars, and I alone am left, and they seek my life." [4] But what is God's reply to him? "I have kept for myself seven thousand who have not bowed the knee to Baal." [5] So too at the present time there is a remnant, chosen by grace.

[29] For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. [30] For just as you were at one time disobedient to God but now have received mercy because of their disobedience, [31] so they too have now been disobedient in order that by the mercy shown to you they also may now receive mercy. [32] For God has consigned all to disobedience, that he may have mercy on all. *[ESV]*

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

* Gospel: *Matthew 15:10-28*

P: The holy Gospel according to Matthew.

C: *(sung)* **From the fullness of God**
have we all received grace upon grace,
peace upon peace.

[10] [Jesus] called the people to him and said to them, "Hear and understand: [11] it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but what comes out of the mouth; this defiles a person." [12] Then the disciples came and said to him, "Do you know that the Pharisees were offended when they heard this saying?" [13] He answered, "Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be rooted up. [14] Let them alone; they are blind guides. And if the blind lead the blind, both will fall into a pit." [15] But Peter said to him, "Explain the parable to us." [16] And he said, "Are you also still without understanding? [17] Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth passes into the stomach and is expelled? [18] But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this defiles a person. [19] For out of the heart come evil thoughts, murder, adultery, sexual immorality, theft, false witness, slander. [20] These are what defile a person. But to eat with unwashed hands does not defile anyone."

[21] And Jesus went away from there and withdrew to the district of Tyre and Sidon. [22] And behold, a Canaanite woman from that region came out and was crying, “Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David; my daughter is severely oppressed by a demon.” [23] But he did not answer her a word. And his disciples came and begged him, saying, “Send her away, for she is crying out after us.” [24] He answered, “I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.” [25] But she came and knelt before him, saying, “Lord, help me.” [26] And he answered, “It is not right to take the children's bread and throw it to the dogs.” [27] She said, “Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table.” [28] Then Jesus answered her, “O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you desire.” And her daughter was healed in that hour.
[ESV]

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: *(sung)* **From the fullness of God**
have we all received grace upon grace,
peace upon peace.

Sermon

Rev. Thomas Mosbo

* Hymn *Healer of Our Every Ill* ELW # 612

* Nicene Creed

P: With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

C: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father,
through whom all things were made.

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

L: With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

Please respond to each petition with the following:

L: … Merciful God,
C: receive our prayer.

P: Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.
C: Amen.

We lift our prayers for

Lynn Lyvers, Jerry, Denny Bergmann, Rene', Paul Fahr, Gary Hudik, Virgil Martin, Caroline Jam, Cyndy Schumacher, Virgil Gordon, Jerry Martin, Donna Christen, Richard Freitag, Sherry Freitag, Connor Stadermann, Ryse Stone, Joyce, Terri, Tina, Julie, Jamie, Crystal, Katie, Christian, Anna, Abby, Karla, Jacob and his family, Richard Gordon, Kathy, Charlie, Brad, Sue, Emma, Cindy, Connie, Pam, Caroline, Tina D.,Jim DeMontigny Jr., Norman, Vivian, Tina Cheeney, Brenda, Christine Beyer, Bob Schulz, Kenny Frie, Steve Rothschadl, Gary L. Hartwig, Josh, Hannah, Ray Phillips, Susan, Allison Biddick, Brad Rackow, Kim Choin, Jeannie, Dianne, Nancy, Pat McCluskey, Jim Briggs, Sandi, Tina, Jim, Ronald Schrader, Christine S., Carol Lartz, Amy, Leta Toelke and Pr. Paul Carlson.

LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you all.

C: And also with you.

Please greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace.

Setting the Table

C: *(sung)* **Come bring them to the table.**
Bring the gifts of bread and wine,
The hopes and dreams of all the people,
the offering of our lives. *(repeat)*

Responses

P: The Lord be with you.
C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.
C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Eucharistic Prayer

P: Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord…
all honor and glory, now and forever.
C: Amen.

Lord's Prayer

P: Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us :

C: 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.

Christ Have Mercy on Us All

C: *(sung)* **Christ have mercy on us all,**
Hold us steadfast e'er we fall.
Break the bread, Pour the Wine, Come and dine.

God be with us at the feast,
Grant us wisdom, give us peace.
Break the bread, Pour the Wine, Come and dine.

Holy Spirit, breathe again,
Light the darkness, be our friend.
Break the bread, Pour the Wine, Come and dine.

Bake a great loaf, give it time.
Choose the best grapes from the vine.
Break the bread, Pour the Wine, Come and dine.

Communion

All are welcome to come to receive Christ's body and blood
or you may come to receive a blessing

Now the Body Broken

After all have received:

C: *(sung)* **Now the body broken, Now the blood is shed.**
Now the eyes are open to the Living Bread:
Bread of Life, Bread of Hope, Bread of Peace.

Now with wills united, Now with open hands,
Now with hearts delighted Hear our God's command:
"Share the Life, Share the Hope;
Share the Life, Share the Hope;
Share the Life, Share the Hope, Share the Peace.

Blessing

P: The 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 Holy Spirit..

C: Amen.

* Hymn *Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service* **ELW # 712**

* Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude Karen Niemeier



Le-Win Food Pantry

Good Shepherd will be at the Le-Win Food Pantry August 22nd, from 8:20am-11:30am.

Men's Group

Saturday August 29th at 4:30pm

Hannah Circle

September6th 2026

After Worship Service, Sheila Keene will be Bible Study Leader.



School Begins SOON!!!

Safety Reminder: Watch for Children Going to School

As the school day begins, please slow down and stay alert in neighborhoods, near bus stops, and around school zones. Children may be walking, biking, e-scooter or crossing the street unexpectedly.

Reduce speed in school zones.

Stop for school buses when red lights are flashing.

Stay distraction-free — keep phones down and eyes on the road.

Friendship Club

September 12th

12:30pm Potluck, 1:00pm Entertainment provided by Deb Leininger.

Good Shepherd Council Meeting

September12th at 6:30pm

Piece Corps Quilting Group

Meets every Wednesday from 8:00am-11:30am.

Come enjoy a morning of fellowship and quilting, Everyone welcome.



A Month Of Laughter

Poet: Catherine Pulsifer

August arrives with joyful cheer,
A month of laughter drawing near.
The sun shines bright, the sky so blue,
Adventure awaits, as dreams come true.

Flowers bloom in radiant hues,
August, a time to chase what's new.
With hearts alight, we'll savor each day,
Oh, August, our excitement will never sway.

Please keep the Pastor Paul Carlson in your prayers.

It is with deep sadness that we have been informed Pastor Carlson is battling an ongoing illness. His wife, Sandy and sons are able to care for him at this time.

Get-well cards will be appreciated and will surely help the Carlson Family feel lifted up . Send warm thoughts, prayers and lots of hugs to:

Pastor Paul Carlson
603 Cochise Circle
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Attendance - August 2nd
In-person 26, Online - 201