

# The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

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9:30 am - Holy Communion Service

2:00 pm - Nuer Language Service

5:00 pm - Wedding Rehearsal

Monday, 7:00 pm - Evening Communion Service

## Call to Worship Bells

### Hymn

**Sing Praise to God, the Highest Good** *LSB #819*

**Sing praise to God, the highest good, The author of creation,  
The God of love who understood Our need for His salvation.  
With healing balm our souls He fills And ev'ry faithless murmur stills:  
To God all praise and glory!**

**What God's almighty pow'r has made, In mercy He is keeping.  
By morning glow or evening shade His eye is never sleeping.  
Within the kingdom of His might All things are just and good and right:  
To God all praise and glory!**

**We sought the Lord in our distress; O God, in mercy hear us.  
Our Savior saw our helplessness And came with peace to cheer us.  
For this we thank and praise the Lord, Who is by one and all adored:  
To God all praise and glory!**

### Invocation

*Pastor* In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

*People* **Amen.**

*Pastor* If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

*People* **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 on God's Word and for self-examination.*

*Pastor* Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

*People* **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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.**

*Pastor* Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

*People* **Amen.**

**Hymn****Sing Praise to God, the Highest Good** *LSB #819*

**He never shall forsake His flock, His chosen generation;  
 He is their refuge and their rock, Their peace and their salvation.  
 As with a mother's tender hand, He leads His own, His chosen band:  
 To God all praise and glory!**

**All who confess Christ's holy name, Give God the praise and glory.  
 Let all who know His pow'r proclaim Aloud the wondrous story.  
 Cast ev'ry idol from its throne, For God is God, and He alone:  
 To God all praise and glory!**

**Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 55:1-5**

<sup>1</sup>“Come, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and he who has no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. <sup>2</sup>Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy? Listen diligently to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. <sup>3</sup>Incline your ear, and come to me; hear, that your soul may live; and I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. <sup>4</sup>Behold, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. <sup>5</sup>Behold, you shall call a nation that you do not know, and a nation that did not know you shall run to you, because of the LORD your God, and of the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you.

*Pastor* This is the Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

**Epistle Reading: Romans 9:1-5**

<sup>1</sup>I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; my conscience bears me witness in the Holy Spirit— <sup>2</sup>that I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. <sup>3</sup>For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my brothers, my kinsmen according to the flesh. <sup>4</sup>They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises. <sup>5</sup>To them belong the patriarchs, and from their race, according to the flesh, is the Christ, who is God over all, blessed forever. Amen.

*Pastor* This is the Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

**Anthem** (*Judy Lumsden - soloist*)**Holy Gospel: St. Matthew 14:13-21**

*Pastor* The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fourteenth chapter.

*People* **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>13</sup>Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a desolate place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. <sup>14</sup>When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them and healed their sick.

<sup>15</sup> Now when it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a desolate place, and the day is now over; send the crowds away to go into the villages and buy food for themselves." <sup>16</sup> But Jesus said, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." <sup>17</sup> They said to him, "We have only five loaves here and two fish." <sup>18</sup> And he said, "Bring them here to me." <sup>19</sup> Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass, and taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and said a blessing. Then he broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. <sup>20</sup> And they all ate and were satisfied. And they took up twelve baskets full of the broken pieces left over. <sup>21</sup> And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

*Pastor* This is the Gospel of the Lord.

*People* **Praise to You, O Christ.**

## Nicene Creed

*All* **I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

**Hymn of the Day**

**The King of Love My Shepherd Is** *LSB #709*

**Sermon**

St. Matthew 14:13-21

**"AND EVERYONE ATE"**

**Prayer of the Church**

**Parish Announcements and Gathering of Offering**

## Service of Holy Communion

*Pastor* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Pastor* Lift up your hearts.

*People* **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Pastor* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

*Pastor* It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who by His death on the cross and His resurrection from the grave feeds both our bodies and souls with all we need to live abundant lives. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

## Sanctus

1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!  
 2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore Thee,  
 Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to Thee;  
 Cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;  
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!  
 Cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore Thee,  
 God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!  
 Which wert and art and ev - er - more shalt be.

## Words of Our Lord

*Pastor* Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

## Proclamation of Christ

*Pastor* As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

*People* **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

*Pastor* O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

## Lord's Prayer

*All* **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.**

*Pastor* The peace of the Lord be with you always.

*People* **Amen.**

## Lamb of God



1 Your on - ly Son, no sin to hide, But You have  
2 Your Gift of love they cru - ci - fied, They laughed and  
3 I was so lost, I should have died, But You have



sent Him from Your side To walk up - on this guilt - y  
scorned Him as He died: The hum - ble King they named a  
brought me to Your side To be led by Your staff and



sod, And to be - come the Lamb of God.  
fraud, And sac - ri - ficed the Lamb of God.  
rod, And to be called a lamb of God.



*Refrain*  
O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God, I love the ho - ly Lamb of God!



O wash me in His pre - cious blood, My Je - sus Christ, the Lamb of God.

## Distribution Hymns

**Praise and Thanksgiving** LSB #789  
**I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table** LSB #618

## Post-Communion Thanksgiving

*Pastor* Gracious God, to this world so hungry for what is truly good and what can truly satisfy our hungry hearts, You send Jesus, the Bread of Life. For joining us together in the Body of Christ and for forgiving our sins in this Holy Communion, we give thanks. Give our restless and tired hearts rest in You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

*People* **Amen.**

## Benediction

*Pastor* 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.

*People* **Amen.**

## Hymn

**Give thanks with a Grateful Heart** LSB #806

**Officiant** ..... Pastor Nolan Astley (*Sunday*)

..... Pastor Gary Weber (*Monday*)

**Communion Assistants** ..... Pastors Joe Das, Gary Weber, Lloyd Wentzlaff (*Sunday*)

**Pianist** ..... Judy Lumsden

**Sound Operator** ..... Jerry Golschesky

**Prayer Concerns:** In our prayers today we continue to uphold **Anthony Lavender** who has been in Grand River Hospital this week after suffering a series of strokes. We ask God to grant healing and peace for his family. We also continue to remember **Winnie Reitzel and John Nesbitt** as they mourn the death of Winnie's mom. We ask God to bless those of our congregation (**Debbie and Bill Pritchard, Kim Young and Ken Baxter, Carol Young, Jonathan and Caitlin Astley**) who will be heading to Moncton, New Brunswick this week to lead a Vacation Bible School at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church August 14-18. We also remember **Rebekah Astley and Micah Maffett** who will be married here at Holy Cross tomorrow afternoon. May God grant them great joy as they promise their lives to each other!

**Staff Holidays...Pastor Roland and Anita Syens** continue their holidays and Pastor will return to the office on Wednesday, August 16. **Jennifer Massicotte** continues holidays and will return Monday, August 14. **Debbie Pritchard** will begin her holidays, a Mission trip to do VBS in Moncton, NB, on Wednesday and she'll return to the office Wednesday, August 23. Please keep our staff in your prayers as they enjoy some time away to relax and be refreshed.

**Wedding Invitation** – The Holy Cross family is invited to join **Micah Maffett and Rebekah Astley** as they promise their lives to each other in Holy Marriage. The service will take place **tomorrow at 1:00 pm** here at the church with an informal reception to follow. Please join us as we celebrate together, *Pastor David and Carla Maffett, Pastor Nolan and Susan Astley.*

