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Sunday 10:15 am  
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*October 9, 2022*  
*Eighteenth Sunday*  
*after Pentecost*

# Gathering

## ✘ INTRODUCTION

*It's a miracle! Multiple miracles! The waters of holy baptism have healed us. The body and blood of Jesus in holy communion have made us clean. We have died with Christ and been raised with him. For all this we have returned to offer thanks. From this place we are sent on our way rejoicing to share the good news.*

## ✘ CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who is eager to forgive and who loves us beyond our days.

C **Amen.**

P Dear friends, together let us acknowledge our failure to love this world as Jesus does.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P God of mercy and forgiveness,

C **we confess that sin still has a hold on us. We have harmed your good creation. We have failed to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you. Turn us in a new direction. Show us the path that leads to life. Be our refuge and strength on the journey, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend. Amen.**

P Beloved of God: in the name of Jesus Christ † your sins are forgiven and you are made whole. God points the way to new life in Christ, who meets us on the road. Journey now in God's abiding love through the power of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

## ✘ GATHERING HYMN – Baptized in Water (ELW #456)

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## ✘ 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.**

## ✘ **GLORY TO GOD – Now the Feast and Celebration (ELW #167)**

*Refrain:*

Now the feast and celebration,  
all of creation sings for joy  
to the God of life and love and freedom;  
praise and glory forevermore!

- 1 Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain,  
whose blood has freed and united us  
to be one great people of God. *Refrain*
- 2 Power and riches, wisdom and might,  
all honor and glory to Christ forever. *Refrain*
- 3 For God has come to dwell with us,  
to make us people of God;  
to make all things new. *Refrain*

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## ✘ **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

A 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.

C **Amen.**

# Word

## ✘ **FIRST LESSON – 2 Kings 5:1-3; 7-15c**

<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 leprosy. <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 leprosy." <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 leprosy? 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 leprosy! <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-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.”

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

## ✠ RESPONSIVE READING – Psalm 111

<sup>1</sup>Hallelujah! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart,  
in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.

<sup>2</sup>**Great are your works, O LORD,  
pondered by all who delight in them.**

<sup>3</sup>Majesty and splendor mark your deeds,  
and your righteousness endures forever.

<sup>4</sup>**You cause your wonders to be remembered;  
you are gracious and full of compassion.**

<sup>5</sup>You give food to those who fear you,  
remembering forever your covenant.

<sup>6</sup>**You have shown your people the power of your works  
in giving them the lands of the nations.**

<sup>7</sup>The works of your hands are faithfulness and justice;  
all of your precepts are sure.

<sup>8</sup>**They stand fast forever and ever,  
because they are done in truth and equity.**

<sup>9</sup>You sent redemption to your people and commanded your covenant forever;  
holy and awesome is your name.

<sup>10</sup>**The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom;  
all who practice this have a good understanding. God’s praise endures forever.**

## ✘ SECOND LESSON – 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—

for he cannot deny himself.

<sup>14</sup>Remind them of this, and warn them before God 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.

L The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand as you are able, to welcome the Gospel.*

## ✘ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION – (ACS, Setting 11, p. 14)

A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya. A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya. El Se - ñor re - su - ci - tó.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ is ris - en, ris' n in - deed.

## ✠ GOSPEL – Luke 17:11-19

P The Holy Gospel, according to Luke, the seventeenth chapter.

**C 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 lepers 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’ feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. <sup>17</sup>Then Jesus asked, “Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they?” <sup>18</sup>Was none of them found to return and give praise 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.”

P The gospel of the Lord.

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

## ✠ SERMON

### ✠ HYMN OF THE DAY – Have You Thanked the Lord? (ELW #829)

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### ✠ APOSTLES’ CREED (ELW p. 105)

P With the whole Church, let us confess our faith:

**C 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

A In gratitude and humility, let us join together in prayer on behalf of all of God's creation.

*A brief silence.*

A Gracious God, we give you thanks for bishops, pastors, and deacons. Inspire leaders of the church to proclaim your mighty deeds, that your saving faith may be known to all. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**

A Majestic God, we give you thanks for land and water, seedtime and harvest. Break down boundaries we construct between ourselves and the rest of your creation. Bring renewal and restoration to places affected by pollution and deforestation. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**

A Mighty God, we give you thanks for those in our community, nation, and world who work for justice and peace. Guide those who govern to act on behalf of those marginalized by race, ethnicity, or religion. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**

A Merciful God, we give you thanks that you hear the cries of those in need. Restore to community those who are stigmatized by illness, feel rejected, or who live in isolation. Send healing to all who suffer. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**

A Faithful God, we give you thanks for the healing ministries of this congregation. Equip those who visit, care, and pray for the sick. Give insight to doctors, nurses, home health aides, and all practitioners of medical arts. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

A Eternal God, we give you thanks for your faithful people who have gone before us to your glory. Renew our trust in your eternal promises of mercy, redemption, and new life. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**

A With grateful hearts we commend our spoken and silent prayers to you, O God; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C Amen**

✘ **PEACE**

P The peace of the Lord be with you all.

C **And also with you.**

✘ **OFFERING**

*An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, here and around the world.  
After the offering is gathered, the gifts are brought forward. Please stand, as you  
are able.*

✘ **OFFERING PRAYER**

A Gracious God, in your great love you richly provide for our needs.

Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing, and make us ready to share with all in need;  
through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all.

C **Amen.**

# Meal

✘ **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

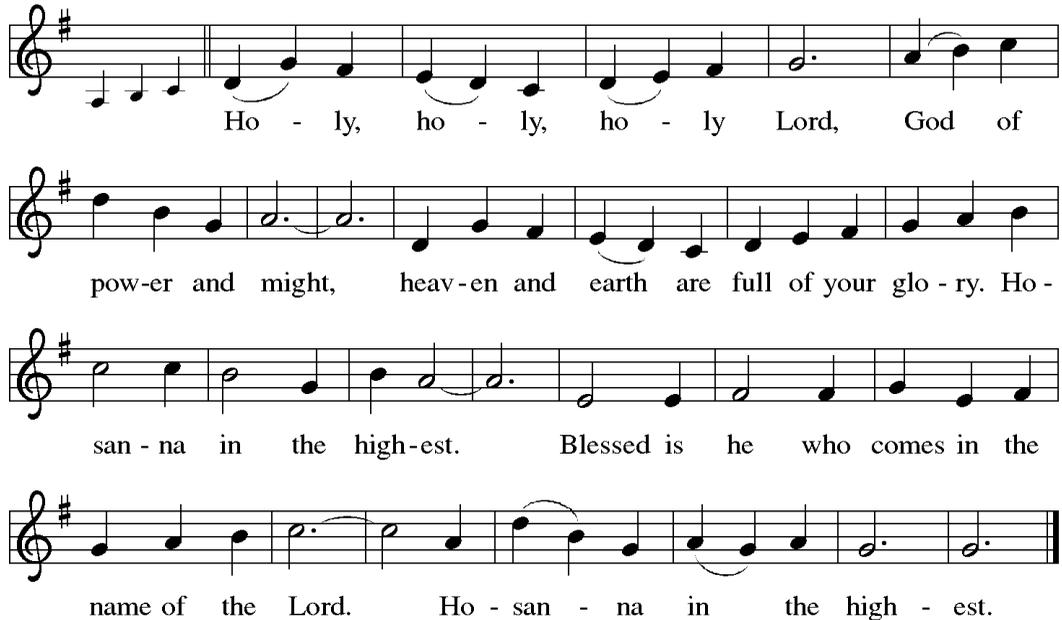
C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

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:

## ✠ HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (ELW p. 108, Setting One)



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of  
pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the  
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

## ✠ EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

**P** Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father:...  
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

**C** **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

**P** Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup...  
to share with us the great and promised feast.

**C** **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

**P** Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit...  
and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

**C** **Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.**

**P** Join our prayers with those of your servants...  
all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

## ✠ LORD'S PRAYER

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**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.**

## ✠ INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P Christ invites you to this table. Come, taste and see.

## ✠ DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

## ✠ COMMUNION HYMN – Shall We Gather at the River (ELW #423)

## ✠ PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A God of the abundant table, you have refreshed our hearts in this meal with bread for the journey. Give us your grace on the road that we might serve our neighbors with joy; for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C Amen.**

## ✠ BLESSING

P God, who gives life to all things and frees us from despair, bless you with truth and peace. And may the holy Trinity, ✠ one God, guide you always in faith, hope, and love.

**C Amen.**

## ✠ ANNOUNCEMENTS

## ✠ SENDING HYMN – Baptized and Set Free (ELW #453)

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## ✠ DISMISSAL

P Go in peace, with Christ beside you.

**C Thanks be to God.**

## **Pet Fair – THANK YOU!**

We want to thank Julie Schmidt and all those who came out to help with the pet fair on Saturday. May God bless our animals!

## **Monthly Bible Study Tuesday, October 18, 10 a.m. in Fellowship Hall**

Our three session study focuses on "What does the Bible teach us about our kinship with and our responsibility to all creation?"

**Session two:** *Dirt* The topic of dirt is a common theme in the Bible. See how something so “lowly” can be so important.

Come and bring a friend to share your thoughts with others.  
For further information, contact **Hattie Hammer**.  
**Kris Davies** will be leading the study this month.

**Beginning this week, Office Hours are changing slightly –**  
Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday 1:00-4:30 pm  
Wednesday 2:30 - 6:00 pm.

## ✠ **SERVING TODAY**

Presiding Minister:	The Rev. Julio Cruz-Natal
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Assisting Minister:	Julie Schmidt
Lay Reader:	Jeff Adix
Communion Cup Holder:	Kyle Bennett
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