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July 31, 2022 – 8th Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome in Jesus' name.

We extend a special welcome to guests and visitors.



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WELCOME TO WORSHIP

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Prelude/Procession/Bells

Welcome and Announcements

***Opening Hymn:** "Bind Us Together"

Refrain: Bind us together, Lord, bind us together with cords that cannot be broken.
Bind us together, Lord, bind us together, Lord; bind us together in love.

Verse 1: There is only one God. There is only one King. There is only one Body; that is why we sing: **Refrain**

Verse 2: You are the fam'ly of God. You are the promise divine. You are God's chosen desire, you are the glorious new wine. **Refrain**

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Call to Worship:

(from Psalm 136: 1-9)

P: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,

C: for his steadfast love endures forever.

P: O give thanks to the God of gods,

C: for his steadfast love endures forever.

P: O give thanks to the Lord of lords,

C: for his steadfast love endures forever;

P: who alone does great wonders,

C: for his steadfast love endures forever;

P: who by understanding made the heavens,

C: for his steadfast love endures forever;

P: who spread out the earth on the waters,

C: for his steadfast love endures forever;

P: who made the great lights,

C: for his steadfast love endures forever;

P: the sun to rule over the day,

C: for his steadfast love endures forever;

P: the moon and stars to rule over the night,

C: for his steadfast love endures forever;

Hymn of Praise: "This is the Feast" ELW page 140-141

Refrain: This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. **Refrain**

Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are his. **Refrain**

Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. **Refrain**

For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia.
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***The Prayer of the Day:**

Benevolent God, **you are the source, the guide, and the goal of our lives. Teach us to love what is worth loving, to reject what is offensive to you, and to treasure what is precious in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

Responsive Psalm Reading:

Psalm 49

L: Hear this, all you peoples; give ear, all inhabitants of the world,

C: both low and high, rich and poor together.

L: My mouth shall speak wisdom; the meditation of my heart shall be understanding.

C: I will incline my ear to a proverb; I will solve my riddle to the music of the harp.

L: Why should I fear in times of trouble, when the iniquity of my persecutors surrounds me,

C: those who trust in their wealth and boast of the abundance of their riches?

L: Truly, no ransom avails for one's life, there is no price one can give to God for it.

C: For the ransom of life is costly, and can never suffice

L: that one should live on forever and never see the grave.

C: When we look at the wise, they die; fool and dolt perish together and leave their wealth to others.

L: Their graves are their homes forever, their dwelling places to all generations, though they named lands their own.

C: Mortals cannot abide in their pomp; they are like the animals that perish.

Scripture Reading

Colossians 3:1-11

So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ²Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, ³for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

⁵Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). ⁶On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. ⁷These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. ⁸But now you must get rid of all such things—anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. ⁹Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices ¹⁰and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. ¹¹In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!

L: Word of God, Word of Life.

C. Thanks be to God.

***Gospel Acclamation:** “Thy Word”

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet, a light unto my path.

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***Holy Gospel:**

Luke 12:13-21

P: The Holy Gospel according to 12th chapter of Luke.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Someone in the crowd said to him, “Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me.” ¹⁴But he said to him, “Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?” ¹⁵And he said to them, “Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one’s life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.” ¹⁶Then he told them a parable: “The land of a rich man produced abundantly. ¹⁷And he thought to himself, ‘What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?’ ¹⁸Then he said, ‘I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. ¹⁹And I will say to my soul, ‘Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.’ ²⁰But God said to him, ‘You fool! This very night your life is being demanded

of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' ²¹ So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God."

P: The Gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

by Dave Clark

Hymn:

"How Great Thou Art"

ELW #856

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder consider all the works thy hand hath made, I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder, thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed;

Refrain: Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee, how great thou art! How great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee, how great thou art! How great thou art!

When through the woods and forest glades I wander, I hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees; When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze; **Refrain**

But when I think that God, his Son not sparing, sent him to die, I scarce can take it in, that on the cross my burden gladly bearing he bled and died to take away my sin;

Refrain

When Christ shall come, with shout of acclamation, and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in humble adoration and there proclaim, "My God, how great thou art!" **Refrain**

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***Apostle's 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

Offering

(children may bring offerings forward)

Offertory Hymn: "Let the Vineyards be Fruitful" ELW #184

Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord,
and fill to the brim our cup of blessing.
Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown,
that we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gather the hopes and the dreams of all;
unite them with the prayers we offer now.
Grace our table with your presence, Lord,
and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

Offertory Prayer:

God of abundance: **you have set before us a plentiful harvest. As we feast on your goodness, strengthen us to labor in your field, and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all, in the name of Jesus. Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer:

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.

Benediction:

Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn: "Lord, I Lift Your Name on High" ELW #857 (2x)

Lord, I lift your name on high; Lord, I love to sing your praises. I'm so glad you're in my life, I'm so glad you came to save us. You came from heaven to earth to show the way, from the earth to the cross, my debt to pay, from the cross to the grave, from the grave to the sky; Lord, I lift your name on high.

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Dismissal:

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**