

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

August 20, 2023

9:30am Worship

The Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Opening Prayer

*** Confession & Forgiveness p. 94-96**

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

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

*P: Most merciful God, **C: we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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.***

*P: Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.***

*** Gathering Hymn #855 (vs. 1,2,3,4)**

“Crown Him With Many Crowns”

*** Greeting p. 138** *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.***

*** Kyrie p. 138** *P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **C: Lord, have mercy.***

P: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

*P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord. **C: Lord, have mercy.***

*P: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord. **C: Lord, have mercy.***

*P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. **C: Amen.***

*** Glory to God p. 139**

P: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.

*** The Prayer of the Day (all 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. Amen.****

First Lesson: Isaiah 56:1,6-8

¹Thus 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." ⁸The Lord God, who gathers the outcasts of Israel, declares, "I will gather yet others to him besides those already gathered."

Reader: The Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Responsive Reading – Psalm 67

L:67 May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us,

C:² that your way may be known on earth, your saving power among all nations.

L:³ Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!

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

L:⁵ Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!

C:⁶ The earth has yielded its increase; God, our God, shall bless us.

ALL:⁷ God shall bless us; let all the ends of the earth fear him!

Second Lesson: Romans 11:1-2, 29-32

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?

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.

Reader: The Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

* **Gospel Acclamation** p. 142

* **Gospel Announcement**

* Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the 15th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

* **The Gospel Lesson: Matthew 15:21-28**

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! Be it done for you as you desire." And her daughter was healed instantly.

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to You, O Christ.**

Children's Sermon

Hymn #744 (vs. 1,2,3)

"Lord Be Glorified"

The Sermon

Pastor Andy Schmeck

* **Apostle's Creed** p. 105

The Hymn of the Day #661

"I Love To Tell The Story"

Offering

* **Offering Response #186**

Prayers

* **The Lord's Prayer** p. 154 **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.**

* **Benediction**

* **Sending Hymn #742**

"What A Friend We Have In Jesus"

* **Dismissal** *P:* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God!**

Postlude

Announcements:

Weekly Events:

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| Monday, 8/21 | 6:30pm Gideon's Dinner Meeting |
| Tuesday, 8/22 | 10:00am Prayer Shawl |
| Wednesday, 8/23 | 6:00am Men's Bible Study 1:00pm Prayer Group |
| Saturday, 8/26 | 7:00am Gideons |
| Sunday, 8/27 | 9:30am Worship/Communion 10:45 Coffee Fellowship |

Continued prayers for:

Those with cancer: Karen May, Loren Cook, Linda Kloc, Shawn (co-worker of Dave Little), Nancy O'Connor (mother of Pam & Jerry Zibert's son-in-law, Chad Errio), Natalie Radtke (cousin of Mary Lee Twidell), Jeff Jaques, Trudy Kreiling (friend of Gay Kyle), Kim Brenneman, Eric David (brother-in-law of Rob & April Buchanan).

Others: Nick & Sandi Smith & daughter Melissa, Gary & Laureen Schail, Anne Gripp (friend of Nancy Hartz), Sue Eggers, Alice Schindel (aunt of Gayle Little & Jennifer Jaques), Melissa Castro, Diane Wampler, Wanda (daughter of Helen Wrona has Bell's Palsy)