

9th Sunday after Pentecost

August 7, 2022

9:30am Worship

The Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Opening Prayer

*** Confession & Forgiveness p. 116-118**

*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 # 408**

“Come, Thou Almighty King”

*** 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.***

*** This is the Feast p. 140**

*** The Prayer of the Day (all pray)** **Almighty God, you sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your church. Open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may be ready to receive you wherever you appear, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

First Lesson: Genesis 15:1-6

15 After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision: "Fear not, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." 2 But Abram said, "O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" 3 And Abram said, "Behold, you have given me no offspring, and a member of my household will be my heir." 4 And behold, the word of the LORD came to him: "This man shall not be your heir; your very own son shall be your heir." 5 And he brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven, and number the stars, if you are able to number them." Then he said to him, "So shall your offspring be." 6 And he believed the LORD, and he counted it to him as righteousness.

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

Responsive Reading: Psalm 33:12-22

L:12 Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD, the people whom he has chosen as his heritage!

C:13 The LORD looks down from heaven; he sees all the children of man;

L:14 from where he sits enthroned he looks out on all the inhabitants of the earth,

C:15 he who fashions the hearts of them all and observes all their deeds.

L:16 The king is not saved by his great army; a warrior is not delivered by his great strength.

C:17 The war horse is a false hope for salvation, and by its great might it cannot rescue.

L:18 Behold, the eye of the LORD is on those who fear him, on those who hope in his steadfast love,

C:19 that he may deliver their soul from death and keep them alive in famine.

L:20 Our soul waits for the LORD; he is our help and our shield.

C:21 For our heart is glad in him, because we trust in his holy name.

ALL:22 Let your steadfast love, O LORD, be upon us, even as we hope in you.

Second Lesson: Hebrews 8:1-13

8 Now the point in what we are saying is this: we have such a high priest, one who is seated at the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in heaven, 2 a minister in the holy places, in the true tent that the Lord set up, not man. 3 For every high priest is appointed to offer gifts and sacrifices; thus it is necessary for this priest also to have something to offer. 4 Now if he were on earth, he would not be a priest at all, since there are priests who offer gifts according to the law. 5 They serve a copy and shadow of the heavenly things. For when Moses was about to erect the tent, he was instructed by God, saying, "See that you make everything according to the pattern that was shown you on the mountain." 6 But as it is, Christ has obtained a ministry that is as much more excellent than the old as the covenant he mediates is better, since it is enacted on better promises. 7 For if that first covenant had been faultless, there would have been no occasion to look for a second.

8 For he finds fault with them when he says: "Behold, the days are coming, declares the Lord, when I will establish a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah, 9 not like the covenant that I made with their fathers on the day when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt. For they did not continue in my covenant, and so I showed no concern for them, declares the Lord. 10 For this is the covenant that I will

make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the Lord: I will put my laws into their minds, and write them on their hearts, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ¹¹ And they shall not teach, each one his neighbor and each one his brother, saying, 'Know the Lord,' for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest. ¹² For I will be merciful toward their iniquities, and I will remember their sins no more."

¹³ In speaking of a new covenant, he makes the first one obsolete. And what is becoming obsolete and growing old is ready to vanish away.

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

* **Gospel Acclamation** p. 142

* **Gospel Announcement**

* Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the 12th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

* **The Gospel Lesson:** Luke 12:32-40

32 "Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. **33** Sell your possessions, and give to the needy. Provide yourselves with moneybags that do not grow old, with a treasure in the heavens that does not fail, where no thief approaches and no moth destroys. **34** For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

35 "Stay dressed for action and keep your lamps burning, **36** and be like men who are waiting for their master to come home from the wedding feast, so that they may open the door to him at once when he comes and knocks. **37** Blessed are those servants whom the master finds awake when he comes. Truly, I say to you, he will dress himself for service and have them recline at table, and he will come and serve them. **38** If he comes in the second watch, or in the third, and finds them awake, blessed are those servants! **39** But know this, that if the master of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have left his house to be broken into. **40** You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect."

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

Children's Sermon

Hymn #153 (TOSB)

"Oh, How He Loves You and Me"

The Sermon

**"The Supremacy Of Jesus Christ"
Part 8 – "A New And Better Covenant"**

(sermon text: Hebrews 8:1-13)

Pastor William Shields

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

The Hymn of the Day #759

"My Faith Looks Up To Thee"

Offering

* **Offering Response #186**

Prayers

* **Words of Institution**

* **The Lord's Prayer** p. 145 **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.**

Communion

In the Lord's Supper, we believe that Jesus is truly present in this meal to share His forgiveness and grace. All who share our faith are welcome. Communing children should hold their hand out to receive the bread. Cross arms in front to receive a blessing. Come down the center aisle to receive the bread from Pastor, an assistant on either side will serve the wine or white grape juice. Return to your seats using the side aisles. During Communion, please join in singing ELW hymns # 685,689,707,719.

The Blessing

* **Benediction**

* **Sending Hymn #545**

"Lord Dismiss Us With Your Blessing"

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

Postlude

Announcements:

Weekly Events:

Tues. August 9 – 8:00am – Closet Board Meeting
10:00am – Prayer Shawl
3:30 pm – Council Meeting
Wed. August 10 – 6:30am – Men's Bible Study
1:00pm – Prayer
Thurs. August 11 - 1:00pm - Quilters
Sat. August 13 – 7:00am – Gideons
1:00pm – Baby Shower
Sunday, August 14 – 9:30 am Sunday Worship
Andy Schmeck Preaching
Coffee Fellowship

Prayers for: John Purvis, Dick Mills, Brad Pearson (*nephew of Dale Fiste – stroke*), Ray Larson (*brother of Deb Lindberg*), Sandi Smith, Nick Smith, Melissa (*Nick & Sandi's daughter*), Dianne Van Drew, Larry Nelson, Melissa Castro (*foot problems*), Chris Balensiefen (*cerebral spinal fluid leak*), Harold Richards (*Covid*).
Cancer patients: Matt Scruggs, Janette Dunn, Loren Cook, Steve Heward (*Hank & Evelyn Sale's son-in-law*), Steve "Pin" Johnson.

Family Fishing at Scruggs Pond
August 21, 4:00-7:30pm
All youth and their parents
are invited to an afternoon of
swimming, fishing, and food.
Please sign up in the back of church.

Our Sympathy to the family of
Ruth Eklof.
Ruth passed away on Wed., August 3,
2022 at OSF St. Clare in Princeton.
Her daughter, Shari Eklof's address is:
543 S. Chestnut St., Princeton.

I am home from rehab at Liberty Village.
Thanks to all who sent me cards and for
your prayers.
Dianne Van Drew