

14<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost

September 11, 2022

9:30 a.m.

The Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

\* Confession & Forgiveness ELW pgs. 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 # 858

“Praise To The Lord, The Almighty”

\* 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

\* The Prayer of the Day (all pray): **O God, overflowing with mercy and compassion, you lead back to yourself all those who go astray. Preserve your people in your loving care, that we may reject whatever is contrary to you and may follow all things that sustain our life in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

The First Lesson: Exodus 32:7-14

7 And the LORD said to Moses, “Go down, for your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have corrupted themselves. 8 They have turned aside quickly out of the way that I commanded them. They have made for themselves a golden calf and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it and said, ‘These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!’” 9 And the LORD said to Moses, “I have seen this people, and behold, it is a stiff-necked

people. **10** Now therefore let me alone, that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them, in order that I may make a great nation of you.”

**11** But Moses implored the LORD his God and said, “O LORD, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you have brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? **12** Why should the Egyptians say, ‘With evil intent did he bring them out, to kill them in the mountains and to consume them from the face of the earth’? Turn from your burning anger and relent from this disaster against your people. **13** Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, to whom you swore by your own self, and said to them, ‘I will multiply your offspring as the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your offspring, and they shall inherit it forever.’” **14** And the LORD relented from the disaster that he had spoken of bringing on his people.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### **Responsive Reading – Psalm 51:1-10**

*L: Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.*

**C: <sup>2</sup> Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin!**

*L: <sup>3</sup> For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.*

**C: <sup>4</sup> Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that you may be justified in your words and blameless in your judgment.**

*L: <sup>5</sup> Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, and in sin did my mother conceive me.*

**C: <sup>6</sup> Behold, you delight in truth in the inward being, and you teach me wisdom in the secret heart.**

*L: <sup>7</sup> Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.*

**C: <sup>8</sup> Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones that you have broken rejoice.**

*L: <sup>9</sup> Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities.*

**ALL: <sup>10</sup> Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.**

### **The Second Lesson: Hebrews 12:1-29**

#### **READER BEGINS(1-6)**

**12** Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, <sup>2</sup> looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

<sup>3</sup> Consider him who endured from sinners such hostility against himself, so that you may not grow weary or fainthearted. <sup>4</sup> In your struggle against sin you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding your blood. <sup>5</sup> And have you forgotten the exhortation that addresses you as sons?

“My son, do not regard lightly the discipline of the Lord, nor be weary when reproved by him.

<sup>6</sup> For the Lord disciplines the one he loves, and chastises every son whom he receives.”

#### **READER ENDS**

<sup>7</sup> It is for discipline that you have to endure. God is treating you as sons. For what son is there whom his father does not discipline? <sup>8</sup> If you are left without discipline, in which all have participated, then you are illegitimate children and not sons. <sup>9</sup> Besides this, we have had earthly fathers who disciplined us and we respected them. Shall we not much more be subject to the Father of spirits and live? <sup>10</sup> For they disciplined us for a short time as it seemed best to them, but he disciplines us for our good, that we may share his holiness. <sup>11</sup> For the moment all discipline seems painful rather than pleasant, but later it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it.

**READER (12-14):** <sup>12</sup> Therefore lift your drooping hands and strengthen your weak knees, <sup>13</sup> and make straight paths for your feet, so that what is lame may not be put out of joint but rather be healed. <sup>14</sup> Strive for peace with everyone, and for the holiness without which no one will see the Lord. **READER ENDS.** <sup>15</sup> See to it that no one fails to obtain the grace of God; that no “root of bitterness” springs up and causes trouble, and by it many become defiled; <sup>16</sup> that no one is sexually immoral or unholy like Esau, who sold his birthright for a single meal. <sup>17</sup> For you know that afterward, when he desired to inherit the blessing, he was rejected, for he found no chance to repent, though he sought it with tears.

<sup>18</sup> For you have not come to what may be touched, a blazing fire and darkness and gloom and a tempest <sup>19</sup> and the sound of a trumpet and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that no further messages be spoken to them. <sup>20</sup> For they could not endure the order that was given, “If even a beast touches the mountain, it shall be stoned.” <sup>21</sup> Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, “I tremble with fear.” <sup>22</sup> But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, <sup>23</sup> and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God, the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, <sup>24</sup> and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

<sup>25</sup> See that you do not refuse him who is speaking. For if they did not escape when they refused him who warned them on earth, much less will we escape if we reject him who warns from heaven. <sup>26</sup> At that time his voice shook the earth, but now he has promised, “Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heavens.” <sup>27</sup> This phrase, “Yet once more,” indicates the removal of things that are shaken—that is, things that have been made—in order that the things that cannot be shaken may remain. <sup>28</sup> Therefore let us be grateful for receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, and thus let us offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe, <sup>29</sup> for our God is a consuming fire.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**\* The Gospel Announcement:**

\* P: The Holy Gospel is heard according to St. Luke, the 15<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

**\* The Gospel Lesson: Luke 15:1-10**

**15** Now the tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to hear him. **2** And the Pharisees and the scribes grumbled, saying, “This man receives sinners and eats with them.”

**3** So he told them this parable: <sup>4</sup> “What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he has lost one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the open country, and go after the one that is lost, until he finds it? <sup>5</sup> And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing. <sup>6</sup> And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and his neighbors, saying to them, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.’ <sup>7</sup> Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

<sup>8</sup> “Or what woman, having ten silver coins, if she loses one coin, does not light a lamp and sweep the house and seek diligently until she finds it? <sup>9</sup> And when she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.’ <sup>10</sup> Just so, I tell you, there is joy before the angels of God over one sinner who repents.”

\* P: The Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to You, O Christ.**

**Children’s Sermon**

**Hymn: #135 (TOSB)**

**“Majesty”**

**The Sermon**

**“The Supremacy Of Jesus Christ”**

**Pastor William Shields**

**Part 12 – “ Run With Endurance”**

*(sermon text – Hebrews 12:1-29)*

\* **The Apostle’s Creed**

\* **The Hymn of the Day #810**

**“O Jesus, I Have Promised”**

**The Offering**

\* **Offering Response #186**

\* **The Prayers of God’s People**

\* **The Lord’s Prayer**

\* **Benediction**

\* **The Sending Hymn #803**

**“When I Survey The Wondrous Cross”**

\* **The Dismissal**

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

**Postlude**

\* Please stand as you are able.

**Announcements:**

<b><u>Weekly Events:</u></b>	
Tues. Sept. 13	10:00am – Prayer Shawl 3:30pm – Council Meeting
Wed. Sept. 14	6:30am – Men’s Bible Study 11:00am – Pastor’s Bible Study 1:00pm – Prayer 6:00pm – Confirmation 7:00 pm – Choir Practice
Thurs. Sept. 15	6:00pm – Pastor’s Bible Study
Sat. Sept. 17	7:00am – Gideon’s
<b>Sunday, Sept. 18 - 9:30 am Rally Day / Outdoor Worship &amp; Comm. / Games for Adults &amp; Kids / Potluck lunch</b>	

**Altar Flowers**  
Given in memory of David Van Drew  
By Dianne Van Drew

Prayers for: John Purvis, 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 (*hip*), Larry Nelson (*hip*), Melissa Castro (*foot problems*), Chris Balensiefen (*cerebral spinal fluid leak*), Ray Schoff (*Shoulder surgery*), Jackie Pilcher (*knee surgery*).  
Cancer patients: Matt Scruggs, Janette Dunn, Loren Cook, Steve Heward (*Hank & Evelyn Sale’s son-in-law*), Steve “Pin” Johnson.

**Rally Day/Outdoor Worship**  
**September 18, 2022**  
**Outdoor worship - 9:30am**  
**Fellowship time - 10:45am**  
**Potluck Salad and Dessert Lunch**  
**will be served from 11:45am to 1:00pm**  
**Fried Chicken will be provided.**  
**Please come enjoy the day and bring a salad or dessert plus your lawn chair.**  
**Please no hot dishes.**

**Lutheran World Relief**  
**School Kit Items Needed**

12” ruler  
70 count notebooks  
pencil sharpener  
ballpoint pens (no gel)  
16 or 24 count crayons

Please check out the collection area in the back.  
Questions? Contact Karen May. Thank you!

**CHURCH GARAGE SALE**

Dave & Bernice Schuetz are willing to host a garage sale at their home to raise funds for our Church Auction. The dates set are September 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>. If you have things to contribute, please contact Bernice after 3pm at 815-878-8695. Schuetz’s will be ready to accept items beginning August 27<sup>th</sup>.