

# 12<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost



# Vicar Sena Norton

Christ the Good Shepherd - August 28, 2022

Holy Communion:

Jesus said of the communion of bread and wine,

#### "This IS my Body...; This IS my Blood..."

We believe those who receive Holy Communion receive Jesus Christ in His fullness. When we hear those words, we can rest in the fact that Jesus lived for us; he died for us; lives again for us; he heals us; he teaches us; he loves us. Jesus' body and blood (through bread and wine) is a gift for you. This is the Lord's table, and you are welcome to commune with us.

Instructions: Please come forward to receive communion.

Welcome Visitors: Thank you for visiting Christ the Good Shepherd. Please stop by the Welcome Desk and to introduce yourself learn more about our church and our ministries.

#### During Worship:

For the consideration of others, **please silence your cell phones and electronic devices**. For your convenience, the nursery is available during worship. Activity bags for your child's use are available. Please ask an usher for assistance.

LBW: Lutheran Book of Worship (green)

WOV: With One Voice (blue)

Bible verses from New Revised Standard Version

<u>Prelude</u>

Gathering

Please check with an usher to record your attendance.

**GATHERING SONG** 

"Psalm 112"

Poor Bishop Hooper

#### GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.** 

#### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVNESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, Who forgives all our sin,

Whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for You alone. Give us the power of Your Holy Spirit that we may confess our

sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

#### Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

# Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive 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.

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

Amen.

**KYRIE** 



#### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Let us pray, O God, you resist those who are proud and give grace to those who are humble. Give us the humility of your Son, that we may embody the generosity of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

# Word

# FIRST READING: Sirach 10:12-18

A reading from Sirach:

<sup>12</sup>The beginning of human pride is to forsake the Lord; the heart has withdrawn from its Maker.

<sup>13</sup>For the beginning of pride is sin,

and the one who clings to it pours out abominations.

Therefore the Lord brings upon them unheard-of calamities,

and destroys them completely.

<sup>14</sup>The Lord overthrows the thrones of rulers, and enthrones the lowly in their place.

<sup>15</sup>The Lord plucks up the roots of the nations, and plants the humble in their place.

<sup>16</sup>The Lord lays waste the lands of the nations, and destroys them to the foundations of the earth.

<sup>17</sup>He removes some of them and destroys them, and erases the memory of them from the earth.

<sup>18</sup>Pride was not created for human beings, or violent anger for those born of women. Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

# **RESPONSIVE READING PSALM**

# **PSALM: 112**

<sup>1</sup>Hallelujah! Happy are they who fear the LORD and have great delight in God's Com-

mandments! <sup>2</sup>Their descendants will be mighty in the land; the generation of the upright will be blessed.

<sup>3</sup>Wealth and riches will be in their house, and their righteousness will last forever.

# <sup>4</sup>Light shines in the darkness for the upright; the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.

<sup>5</sup>It is good for them to be generous in lending and to manage their affairs with justice.

#### <sup>6</sup>For they will never be shaken; the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.

<sup>7</sup>They will not be afraid of any evil rumors; their heart is steadfast, trusting in the LORD.

# <sup>8</sup>Their heart is established and will not shrink, until they see their desire up on their enemies.

<sup>9</sup>They have given freely to the poor, and their righteousness stands fast forever; they will hold up their head with honor.

# <sup>10</sup>The wicked will see it and be angry; they will gnash their teeth and pine away; the desires of the wicked will perish.

# SECOND READING: Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

A reading from Hebrews:

<sup>1</sup>Let mutual love continue.

<sup>2</sup>Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it.

<sup>3</sup>Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured.

<sup>4</sup>Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers.

<sup>5</sup>Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you."

<sup>6</sup>So we can say with confidence, "The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can anyone do to me?"

<sup>7</sup>Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. <sup>8</sup>Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

<sup>15</sup>Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name.

<sup>16</sup>Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

Word of God, word of life. Thanks be to God.

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



#### GOSPEL READING: Luke 14:1, 7-14

The Holy Gospel according to Luke **Glory to you, O Lord.** 

<sup>1</sup>On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely.

<sup>7</sup>When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable.

<sup>8</sup>"When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host;

<sup>9</sup>and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, 'Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place.

<sup>10</sup>But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you.

<sup>11</sup>For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

<sup>12</sup>He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid.

<sup>13</sup>But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind.

<sup>14</sup>And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON		Vicar Sena Norton
HYMN OF THE DAY	"Love Like This"	Lauren Daigle

#### NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

#### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

For the church and its leaders, we pray. Uphold all deacons, pastors, and bishops who serve and teach your people (*including our own Bishop Laurie Larson Cesor*). Awaken in your church a spirit of invitation that reaches ever outward.

#### Merciful God, receive our prayer.

For the well-being of creation and its inhabitants, we pray. Stir in us reverent awe for the beauty of the natural world, for oceans and lakes, rivers and streams, forests and deserts (*Especially our own mighty Pacific, majestic Willamette and Columbia and our numerous lakes like Crater lake*).

#### Merciful God, receive our prayer.

For the nations and peoples of the world, we pray. Sustain the efforts of those who pursue justice and equity for all. Defend and accompany all immigrants and refugees and all who are persecuted for their ethnic origin or religious beliefs.

#### Merciful God, receive our prayer.

For all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, we pray. Be present with those who live in isolation or fear, especially those who are incarcerated or detained. Comfort all who are sick or grieving (*especially*).

#### Merciful God, receive our prayer.

For this congregation and its ministries, we pray. Embolden our witness to invite others to the table and walk with us through our Better Together and RIC processes.

#### Merciful God, receive our prayer.

For all the saints who confessed God's name (*especially Augustine, Bishop of Hippo, and Moses the Black*), we give thanks. May we cling to the promise of our risen Savior, Jesus Christ, the same yesterday, today, and forever.

#### Merciful God, receive our prayer.

Receive the prayers of your children, merciful God, and hold us forever in your steadfast love; through Jesus Christ, our holy Wisdom.

#### SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you.

The congregation is invited to share the peace with one another.

Meal

OFFERING

Please give online at Tithe.ly or drop your offering in the plates provided. Contact an usher for assistance.



#### **OFFERING PRAYER**

Let us pray.

God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

**GREAT THANKSGIVING** 

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts We lift them to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

#### PREFACE

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:

our Good Samaritan, who tends the wounds of body and spirit with the oil of consolation and the wine of hope; the Sun of righteousness,

who raises us to life on his healing wings.

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

#### THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy God, you alone are holy, you alone are God.

The universe declares your praise: beyond the stars; beneath the sea; within each cell; with every breath.

We praise you, O God.

Generations bless your faithfulness: through the water; by night and day; across the wilderness; out of exile; into the future.

# We bless you, O God.

We give you thanks for your dear Son: at the heart of human life; near to those who suffer; beside the sinner; among the poor; with us now.

## We thank you, O God.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering his love for us on the way, at the table, and to the end, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

#### Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

We pray for the gift of your Spirit: in our gathering; within this meal; among your People; throughout the world.

Blessing, praise, and thanks to you, holy God, through Christ Jesus, by your Spirit, in your church, without end.

#### Amen.

#### LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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

The gifts of God for the people of God. Come to the banquet, for all is now ready. You are invited to mark yourself with the cross + in remembrance of your baptism, or light a prayer candle. **COMMUNION** *Please come forward to commune with gluten-free bread, wine or juice.* 

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

SEND INC

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

#### Amen.

SENDING SONG: "Lord of Hopefulness" Jan Struther (Joyce Torrens-Graham)

#### DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the good news. Thanks be to God.

*Please join us for fellowship in the Gathering Room and hear a recap of the Better Together process.* 

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