# Serving God's People At The Liturgies

Presiding		The Rev. Kathleen J. Baker, STM
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Organist		Nicholas P. Werner
Assisting Minister	8:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	John Bricker John Switaj
Cantor		Nicholas P. Werner
Ushers	8:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Sylvia and John McAnnaney Vicki Delp

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Koly Eucharist Time After Pentecost Lectionary 27 October 2, 2022 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

A little faith goes a long way is Jesus' point in the gospel. A mustard seed's-worth of faith has miraculous potential. The patience, tenacity, and endurance required for the life of faith are the blessings received in holy baptism, holy communion, and the word read and proclaimed in this assembly. Anticipate them. Receive them with thanksgiving.

# Sathering

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

#### Prelude

The assembly stands at the ringing of the bells.

At the entrance:

#### Invocation

- P In the name of the Father, and of the  $\pm$  Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

#### Greeting

- 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.

#### **Confession & Forgiveness**

P My brothers and sisters, to prepare ourselves to celebrate these sacred mysteries, let us call to mind our sins.

- P You were sent to heal the contrite of heart: Lord, have mercy.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P You came to call sinners: Christ, have mercy.
- C Christ, have mercy.
- P You are seated at the right hand of the Father to intercede for us: Lord, have mercy.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P In great mercy God has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ. In obedience to our Lord's command, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father, and of the ⊕ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Gathering Song	ELW 851
When In Our Music God Is Glorified	ENGELBERG

- 1 When in our music God is glorified, and adoration leaves no room for pride, it is as though the whole creation cried: Alleluia!
- 2 How oft, in making music, we have found a new dimension in the world of sound, as worship moved us to a more profound Alleluia!
- 3 So has the church, in liturgy and song, in faith and love, through centuries of wrong, borne witness to the truth in ev'ry tongue: Alleluia!
- 4 And did not Jesus sing a psalm that night when utmost evil strove against the light? Then let us sing, for whom he won the fight: Alleluia!
- 5 Let ev'ry instrument be tuned for praise; let all rejoice who have a voice to raise; and may God give us faith to sing always: Alleluia!

#### **Entrance Antiphon**

- P O Lord, you have given everything its place in the world, and no one can make it otherwise.
- **C** For it is your creation, the heavens and the earth and the stars: you are the Lord of all. *(Esther 13:9, 10-11)*



#### **Prayer of the Day**

P Benevolent, merciful God: When we are empty, fill us. When we are weak in faith, strengthen us. When we are cold in love, warm us, that with fervor we may love our neighbors and serve them for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

The assembly may be seated.

# Word

#### **First Reading**

#### Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4

Injustice and violence in the time leading up to the Babylonian exile move this prophet to lament: How can a good and all-powerful God see evil in the world and seemingly remain indifferent? God answers by proclaiming that the righteous will live by faith.

A A reading from Habakkuk.

<sup>1</sup>The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw.

<sup>2</sup>O Lord, how long shall I cry for help,

- and you will not listen?
- Or cry to you "Violence!"
- and you will not save?
- <sup>3</sup>Why do you make me see wrongdoing

and look at trouble?

Destruction and violence are before me;

strife and contention arise.

<sup>4</sup>So the law becomes slack

and justice never prevails.

The wicked surround the righteous—

therefore judgment comes forth perverted.

<sup>2:1</sup>I will stand at my watchpost,

and station myself on the rampart;

I will keep watch to see what he will say to me,

and what he will answer concerning my complaint.

<sup>2</sup>Then the Lord answered me and said:

Write the vision;

make it plain on tablets,

so that a runner may read it.

<sup>3</sup>For there is still a vision for the appointed time;

it speaks of the end, and does not lie.

If it seems to tarry, wait for it;

it will surely come, it will not delay.

<sup>4</sup>Look at the proud! Their spirit is not right in them, but the righteous live by their faith.

- A The Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

#### Psalm

#### Psalm 37: 1-9

The refrain will be sung by the cantor and repeated by the assembly. The Psalm is sung antiphonally with congregation singing verses in bold. The refrain is then repeated as indicated  $\mathbf{R}$ .

Psalm refrain



Com - mit your way to the LORD; put your trust in the LORD.

Psalm tone



<sup>1</sup>Do not be provoked by <sup>1</sup> evildoers;

do not be jealous of those <sup>I</sup> who do wrong.

<sup>2</sup>For they shall soon wither <sup>1</sup> like the grass,

#### and like the green grass <sup>1</sup> fade away.

<sup>3</sup>Put your trust in the Lord<sup>1</sup> and do good;

dwell in the land and <sup>1</sup> find safe pasture.

<sup>4</sup>Take delight <sup>1</sup> in the Lord,

who shall give you your <sup>1</sup> heart's desire. R

<sup>5</sup>Commit your way to the Lord; put your trust <sup>1</sup> in the Lord, and see what <sup>1</sup> God will do.

<sup>6</sup>The Lord will make your vindication as clear <sup>1</sup> as the light and the justice of your case like the <sup>1</sup> noonday sun.

<sup>7</sup>Be still before the Lord and wait <sup>1</sup> patiently.

Do not be provoked by the one who prospers, the one who succeeds

in <sup>I</sup> evil schemes.

<sup>8</sup>Refrain from anger, leave <sup>1</sup> rage alone;

do not be provoked; it leads on-<sup>1</sup> ly to evil.

<sup>9</sup>For evildoers shall <sup>1</sup> be cut off,

but those who hope in the Lord shall pos-<sup>1</sup> sess the land. **R** 

#### Second Reading

This letter written to Timothy is a personal message of encouragement. In the face of hardship and persecution, Timothy is reminded that his faith is a gift of God. He is encouraged to exercise that faith with the help of the Holy Spirit.

A A reading from 2 Timothy.

<sup>1</sup>Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus,

<sup>2</sup>To Timothy, my beloved child:

Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

<sup>3</sup>I am grateful to God—whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did—when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. <sup>4</sup>Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. <sup>5</sup>I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. <sup>6</sup>For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; <sup>7</sup>for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

<sup>8</sup>Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, <sup>9</sup>who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, <sup>10</sup>but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. <sup>11</sup>For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, <sup>12</sup>and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. <sup>13</sup>Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. <sup>14</sup>Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

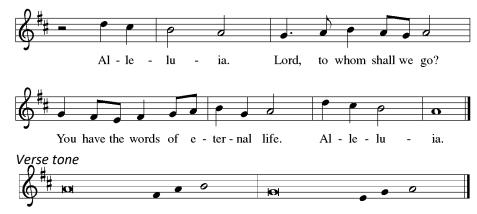
- A The Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

The assembly stands to welcome the Gospel.

#### **Gospel Acclamation**

The cantor introduces the acclamation. The assembly will repeat the acclamation. Following the verse, the acclamation is sung again by all.

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#### Cantor

The word of the Lord en- $^{I}$  dures forever.\* That word is the good news that was an- $^{I}$  nounced to you. (1 Pet. 1:25)

#### Gospel

#### Luke 17: 5-10

On the way to Jerusalem, Jesus instructs his followers about the power of faith and the duties of discipleship. He calls his disciples to adopt the attitude of servants whose actions are responses to their identity rather than works seeking reward.

P The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Luke, the 17th chapter.



<sup>5</sup>The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" <sup>6</sup>The Lord replied, "If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you.

<sup>7</sup>"Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, 'Come here at once and take your place at the table'? <sup>8</sup>Would you not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink'? <sup>9</sup>Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? <sup>10</sup>So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, 'We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!' "

P The Gospel of the Lord.



The assembly may be seated.

Sermon

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

**Hymn of the Day** My God, How Wonderful Thou Art The assembly stands at the last stanza.

#### ELW 863

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1 My God, how wonderful thou art,<br/>thy majesty how bright!4 Yet I may love thee too, O Lord,<br/>almighty as thou art,<br/>for thou hast stooped to ask of me<br/>the love of my poor heart.

2 How wonderful, how beautiful5 Mythe sight of thee must be--thou ethine endless wisdom, boundless pow'r,On theand awesome purity!till fair

5 My God, how wonderful thou art, thou everlasting friend!On thee I stay my trusting heart till faith in vision end.

3 No earthly father loves like thee; no mother, e'er so mild, bears and forbears as thou hast done with me, thy sinful child.

Profession of Faith The Apostles' Creed

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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 power of 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**

Hearing the Word of God in Scripture and in Preaching moves us to pray for the whole Church, the nations, those in need, the parish, and our special concerns. The intercessor moves to stand with the assembled people of God, as a rich symbol of the petitions truly being the Prayers of the People.

Each portion of the prayers ends with these words:

- A God of Grace,
- C hear our prayer.

Response at the conclusion of the prayers of the people:

C Amen.

#### Peace

The words of the Peace are an ancient solemn blessing signifying the reconciliation that we have with God and, through Christ, with one another. Please do not use this time for casual greetings or conversations.

- P Jesus said: Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled.The peace of the risen Christ be with you always.
- C And also with you.

Worshippers will stay in place, speaking a word of peace, nodding, smiling, using the peace sign, using American Sign Language, touching their hearts, etc.

Greeting: Peace be with you. Response: Peace be with you.

The assembly may be seated.

## Meal

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

#### Offering

#### Offertory

Offertory SongELW 184Let the Vineyards Be FruitfulOFFERING SONGThe assembly stands as the ushers come forward with the gifts.

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 dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer. Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

#### **Offertory Prayer**

- P Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this bread to offer, which earth has given and human hands have made. It will become for us the bread of life.
- C Blessed be God forever!
- P Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human hands. It will become our spiritual drink.
- C Blessed be God forever!
- A Gracious God, in your great love you richly provide for our needs. Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing, and make us ready to share with all in need; through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all.
- C Amen.



#### **Eucharistic Prayer**

At the Presiding Minister's invitation: "...For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes."



The Eucharistic prayer continues: "... Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your Holy Church,



#### The Lord's Prayer

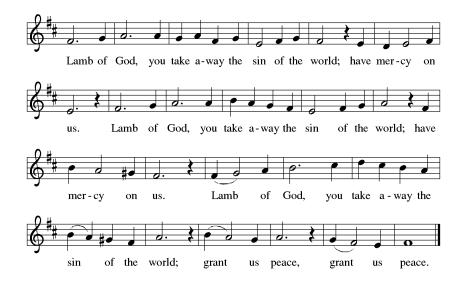
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- P Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.
- C Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
   Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, 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.

#### Lamb of God



#### **Invitation To Communion**

- P This is the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world. Happy are those who are called to his supper.
- C Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word and I shall be healed.

The assembly may be seated.

#### **Communion Of The Faithful**

All baptized Christians are invited to share faithfully in the Holy Eucharist. In this sacrament, by the power of God's Word and the Holy Spirit, we receive the body and blood of Jesus Christ along with the bread and wine for our forgiveness and salvation, as we celebrate our unity with Christ and all the saints.

Please come by the center aisle as directed by the ushers.

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say, "The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you," and each person may respond, "**Amen.**"

#### **Music During Distribution**

**Song After Communion** *Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise The assembly stands.*  ELW 207 NELSON

Thankful hearts and voices raise; tell ev'ryone what God has done. Let ev'ryone who seeks the Lord rejoice and bear the name of Christ. Send us with your promises and lead your people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.

**Prayer After Communion** 

# Sending

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

#### Blessing

- P God, who gives life to all things and frees us from despair, bless you with truth and peace. And may the holy Trinity, + one God, guide you always in faith, hope, and love.
- C Amen.

#### Sending Song

### ELW 812

Faith of Our Fathers

ST. CATHERINE

 Faith of our fathers, living still in spite of dungeon, fire, and sword. Oh, how our hearts beat high with joy whene'er we hear that glorious word.

#### Refrain

Faith of our fathers, holy faith, we will be true to thee till death.

- 2 The martyrs, chained in prisons dark, were still in heart and conscience free; and blest would be their children's fate if they, like them, should die for thee. *Refrain*
- 3 Faith of our fathers! We will love both friend and foe in all our strife; proclaim thee too, as love knows how, by saving word and faithful life. *Refrain*

Dismissal

- A The liturgy is ended. Go in peace, with Christ beside you.
- C Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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## This Wook

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Sunday October 2 Lectionary 27 Pentecost 17	IN-GATHERING 8:30 a.m. Word and Sacrament (Nave/ YouTube— link may be found at <u>www.goodshepherdpaxtang.com</u> ) 9:45 a.m. Welcome Back Breakfast (ASH) 11:00 a.m. Word and Sacrament (Nave) 3:00 p.m. Pet Blessing (Rose Garden)			
Monday October 3	6:30 p.m. Cub Scout Pack 42 (ASH)			
Tuesday October 4	9:30 a.m. Workshop (ASH) 10:00 a.m. Ready for School, Ready to Succeed (Sts. Peter and Paul) 1:30 p.m. W/ELCA Board (Library)			
Wednesday October 5	9:30 a.m. Word and Sacrament (Chapel) 7:30 p.m. Keystone Concert Band (ASH)			
Thursday October 6	6:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal (Music Room)			
Saturday October 8	5:00 p.m. Word and Sacrament (Chapel)			
Sunday October 9 Lectionary 28 Pentecost 18	<ul> <li>8:30 a.m. Word and Sacrament (Nave/ YouTube— link may be found at <u>www.goodshepherdpaxtang.com</u>)</li> <li>9:45 a.m. Stained Glass Window Presentation (Nave)</li> <li>11:00 a.m. Word and Sacrament (Nave)</li> </ul>			

# Daily Readings

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**Coult Sunday School** Adult Faith Formation will resume on October 30 at 9:45 a.m. in the Library. John Switaj will lead off with a five-week course titled, "Feast and Festivals of the Old Testament and Jewish Times."



# Worship Memorials

The flowers given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of father and grandfather, Marlin S. Kichman by the Davis Family

The flowers, bulletins, and lamps are given by the members of the Church Council in memory of John Pollock, our brother in Christ, who faithfully served with us until the time of his death. He will be missed.

# Last Week

Our praise and thanksgiving to God for our many blessings reflected in our tithes and offerings each week.

Spending Proposal Per Week	\$ 4,527.00
Total Received	2,497.17
Difference	-2,029.83

# Announcements

**THROUGHOUT THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC**, Good Shepherd has done well caring for our neighbors. Currently, for indoor gatherings, masks are optional. At this time, Pastor will be masked and will sanitize prior to distribution of Holy Communion. Thank you.

**REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS** all those who, because of illness or infirmity, are unable to be with us for worship. Your prayers, cards, and visits to them are invited so that Christ may be glorified by the manner in which his people care for one another.

**WE OFFER OUR SYMPATHIES AND THE COMFORT OF THE CHRISTIAN FAITH** to the family and friends of John Pollock, who died September 20, 2022. A funeral service was held October 1,2022 at Good Shepherd with Pastor Baker presiding.

**PRAYER CHAIN:** Good Shepherd members lift up prayer requests throughout the week. If you have a prayer request you wish to share, or if you would like to receive prayer requests to include in your daily devotions, please contact Edna Hafer or Suzie Crist.

#### UPCOMING OCTOBER EVENTS—MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

**October 9 and 16:** Special presentation of our stained glass windows and other important symbols in the Nave by Gary Wendt at 9:45 a.m. in the Nave. **October 23, 2022: 75th Anniversary Celebration**—one service at 10:00 a.m. in the Nave followed by a catered lunch in All Saints Hall. R.S.V.P.s and payment for lunch are due to the Church Office **no later than October 9.** Cookie donations are being requested for dessert following the lunch and may be dropped off the morning of October 23.

**CALLING ALL SINGERS** to join the Good Shepherd Choir for our special 75th Anniversary service, October 23 at 10:00 a.m. We will meet in the Music Room to rehearse on Thursdays October 6, 12 and 19 at 6:00 p.m. Please see Nick Werner for more information.

**FAMILY PROMISE** sign-up sheets for the week of October 16 through 23 are on the bulletin board in the Breezeway. Or, contact Georgia Rehm to sign up.

**ST. BARNABAS CENTER FALL BASKETS:** Items for the St. Barnabas Center may be placed in the green tubs located in the Narthex, Breezeway, and outside the Chapel. For more information, contact Sue Bricker.

**NEW USHER SIGN-UP IN NARTHEX** If you are interested in serving as an usher on Sunday mornings, place your name on the purple sign-up sheet located in the narthex of either the Nave or the Chapel. If you have never served as an usher before but would like to give it a try, add your name to the sign-up sheet with one of the "veteran" ushers so you can familiarize yourself with the job. Ushering is an easy yet very important way to help the church. It requires no extra time since you are already at church. Please consider signing up to serve Good Shepherd as an usher.

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