TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST September 1, 2019



St. Philip's Lutheran Church

ST. PHILIP'S LUTHERAN CHURCH **September 1, 2019**

Gathering

Prelude "Largo (from 'Xerxes')"

Handel

Welcome

Gathering

Hvmn "Gather Us In"

ELW 532

Greeting P: The grace of our Lord…be with you all.

C: And also with you.

Prayer of the O God, you resist those who are proud and give grace to those who **Day** 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 Proverbs 25: 6 - 7

Reading The book of Proverbs is part of a collection of writings known as wisdom literature. Wisdom literature gave directions to Israel's leaders and people for the conduct of daily life. Today's reading is about humility.

> ⁶Do not put yourself forward in the king's presence or stand in the place of the great; ⁷for it is better to be told, "Come up here," than to be put lower in the presence of a noble.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Children's Message ¹Hallelujah! Happy are they who | fear the LORD and have great delight in | God's commandments!

²Their descendants will be mighty | in the land; the generation of the upright | will be blessed. R

³Wealth and riches will be | in their house, and their righteousness will | last forever.

⁴Light shines in the darkness | for the upright; the righteous are merciful and full | of compassion.

⁵It is good for them to be gener- | ous in lending and to manage their af- | fairs with justice.

⁶For they will nev- | er be shaken; the righteous will be kept in everlast- | ing remembrance. R

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

⁸Their heart is established and | will not shrink, until they see their desire up- | on their enemies.

⁹They have given freely to the poor, and their righteousness stands | fast forever;

they will hold up their | head with honor.

¹⁰The wicked will see it and be angry; they will gnash their teeth and | pine away;

the desires of the wick- | ed will perish. R

Second Hebrews 13: 1 - 8, 15 - 16

Reading

The conclusion of the letter to the Hebrews contains suggestions for the conduct of a holy life, all of which are shaped by God's love toward us in Jesus Christ.

¹Let mutual love continue. ²Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. ³Remember 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. ⁴Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. ⁵Keep 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." ⁶So we can say with confidence, "The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can anyone do to me?" ⁷Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. ⁸Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

¹⁵Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. ¹⁶Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation



Gospel P: The Holy Gospel as it is recorded in **Luke**.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Luke 14:1, Jesus observes guests jockeying for position at the table. He uses the **7-14** opportunity to teach his hearers to choose humility rather than self-exaltation. Jesus also makes an appeal for hosts to mimic God's gracious hospitality to the poor and the broken.

¹On 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.

When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. 8"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; ⁹and 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. ¹⁰But 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. ¹¹For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted." ¹²He 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. 13But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. ¹⁴And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

P: The Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Pastor Tuula Van Gaasbeek

Hymn of the

Day "Let Us Go Now to the Banquet"

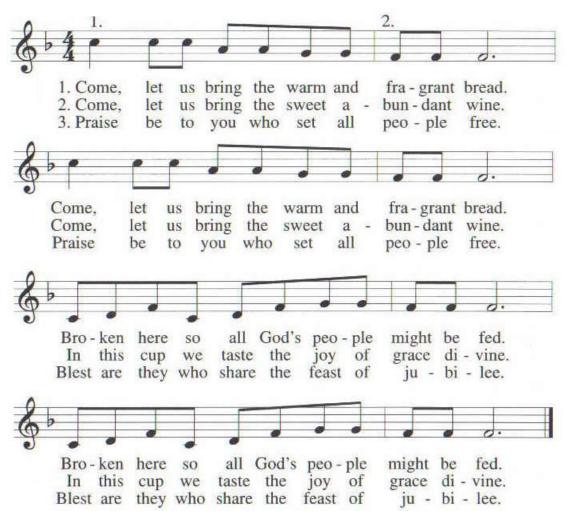
ELW 523

Prayers of P: Lord, in your mercy, **Intercession C:** *hear our prayer*.

Peace P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Offering Hymn



Offering Blessed are you, O God, for the greening earth given for all, for the **Prayer** talents we are given to share, and for this bread and wine. Transform us to be the body of Christ, that, feasting on this food and drink, our lives may reflect your generosity; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Great P: The Lord be with you. Thanksgiving C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them up to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks......we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Thanksgiving at the Table In the night...Amen.

Lord's Prayer

hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial

and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

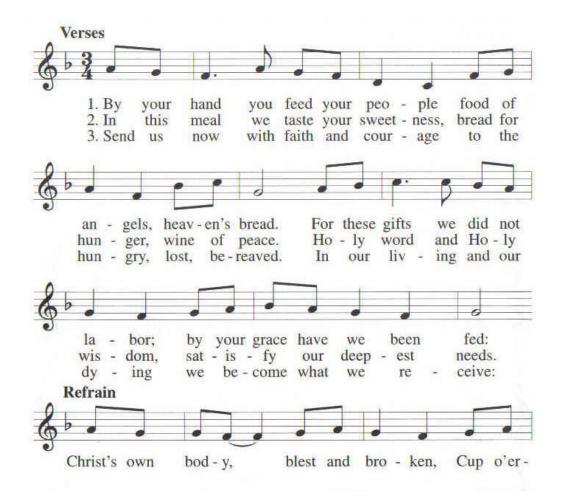
Communion

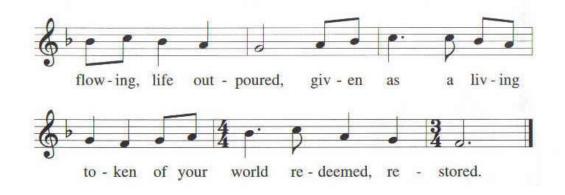
Hymn "Here Is Bread"

ELW 483

Prayer After God of blessing, at this table we have seen you face to face, and in **Communion** the gift of Christ's body and blood, our hearts have been refreshed. Send us now to shine with your goodness and bear witness to the one we have received: Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Post-Communion Canticle





Sending

Blessing Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us. Almighty God + bless you with grace, mercy, and peace, now and forever. *Amen*.

Sending Song "Light Dawns on a Weary World"

ELW 726

Dismissal P: Go in peace. Live in love as Christ loved us.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude "Toccata in D minor"

J. S. Bach

(Please leave quietly or remain seated. Thank you.)

SERVING US TODAY			
Assisting Minister	D. Pascoe		
Lector	K. Roche		
Audio	P. Marsh		
Communion Server	P. Marsh		
Altar	M. Lochert		
Greeter	F. Spark		
Ushers	J. Stewart, N. Stewart		
Counter	J. Rouse		

THIS WEEK AT ST. PHILIP'S

DAY	TIME	PROGRAM
Wednesday	10:00 am	Cover Girls Sewing Group
Friday	6:30 pm	Yoga

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VISION STATEMENT

We are a diverse and inclusive Lutheran faith community freed by the grace of Christ to find God and self as we connect with our neighbours. We **practise** hospitality of open hearts and open arms. We **unite** with partners to make a difference in our neighbourhood. We **nurture** community of Christ.

REMINDERS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

In our prayers....

Hanna Berndt, Rodney Erlandson, Mary Hughes, Mark Kieswetter, Fran Moore, Marion Morningstar, Pat Penney, Julie Potocny, Eleonore Ritthaler, and Elga Smidt.

CHURCH OFFICE: Summer hours have come to a close. The church office will now be open Monday to Friday from 9:00 am - 12:00 pm. *Office will be closed on Monday, September 2nd for Labour Day.* Sarah McCutcheon will cover for Margaret during her holidays.

THANK YOU! We thank Marianne Gast for filling in today for Boris while he is on holiday.

50+ Welcome Potluck Luncheon: **Thursday, September 12th @ 12:00 pm**. Please see sign-up sheet on the bulletin board.

Church Council: Meeting on Thursday, September 12th @ 7:00 pm.

Euchre resumes on Monday, September 16th @ 11:00 am.

Senior's Fitness resumes on **Monday, September 16th** @ **1:00 - 2:00 pm**. Cost: \$10/4 sessions.

SPLC Book Club will meet on Wednesday, September 18th @ 12:30 pm to discuss the latest book. New members welcome at any time.



Fall Kick-off: **Sunday, September 22nd** with Blessing of the Backpacks, Sunday School Registration, BBQ/Picnic, and fun/games for all.

HOLIDAYS:

Victoria Mlynko: August 26 - September 3

Margaret Isaacs: September 3 - 6

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