

**LUKE 13:12** 





# The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost Saturday August 20, $2022 \sim 5:00$ pm Sunday, August 21, $2022 \sim 9:00$ am

Remember the sabbath day. Call the sabbath a delight. This is the Lord's day, and the Lord will do for us what the Lord does: feed us, forgive us, help and heal us. Rejoice at all the wonderful things God is doing.

#### **PRELUDE**

#### **GATHERING**

#### WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, whose steadfast love endures forever. **Amen.** 

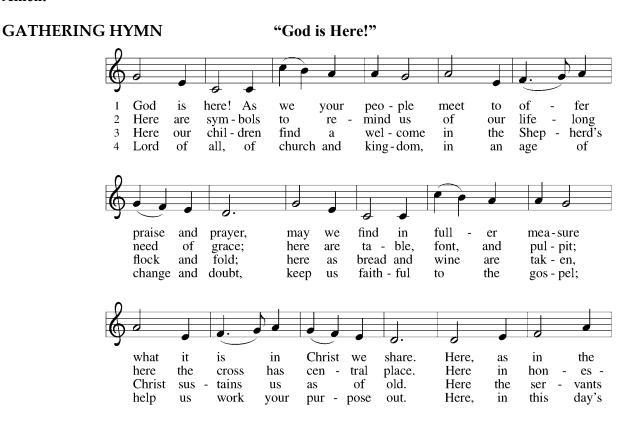
Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

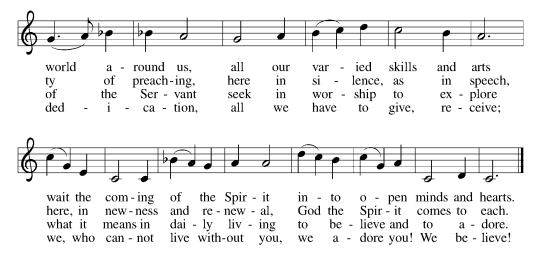
Merciful God,

we confess that we have not followed your path but have chosen our own way. Instead of putting others before ourselves, we long to take the best seats at the table. When met by those in need, we have too often passed by on the other side. Set us again on the path of life. Save us from ourselves and free us to love our neighbors. Amen.

Hear the good news! God does not deal with us according to our sins but delights in granting pardon and mercy. In the name of  $\pm$  Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. You are free to love as God loves. **Amen.** 



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#### **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.** 

# **CANTICLE OF PRAISE**



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# PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

O God, mighty and immortal, you know that as fragile creatures surrounded by great dangers, we cannot by ourselves stand upright. Give us strength of mind and body, so that even when we suffer because of human sin, we may rise victorious through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

# **BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS**

#### FIRST READING: Isaiah 58:9b-14

A reading from Isaiah.

<sup>9b</sup>If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, <sup>10</sup>if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. <sup>11</sup>The LORD will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail. <sup>12</sup>Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in. <sup>13</sup>If you refrain from trampling the sabbath,

from pursuing your own interests on my holy day; if you call the sabbath a delight and the holy day of the LORD honorable; if you honor it, not going your own ways, serving your own interests, or pursuing your own affairs; <sup>14</sup>then you shall take delight in the LORD, and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth; I will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob, for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### **PSALM: Psalm 103:1-82**

<sup>1</sup>Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless God's holy name. <sup>2</sup>Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all God's benefits-<sup>3</sup>who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases; <sup>4</sup>who redeems your life from the grave and crowns you with steadfast love and mercy; <sup>5</sup>who satisfies your desires with good things so that your youth is renewed like an eagle's. <sup>6</sup>O Lord, you provide vindication and justice for all who are oppressed. <sup>7</sup>You made known your ways to Moses and your works to the children of Israel. <sup>8</sup>LORD, you are full of compassion and mercy, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

## **SECOND READING: Hebrews 12:18-29**

A reading from Hebrews.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup>You have not come to something that can 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 not another word

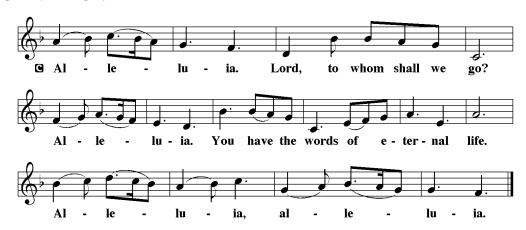
be spoken to them. <sup>20</sup>(For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death." <sup>21</sup>Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear.") <sup>22</sup>But you have come to Mount Zion and to the 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 the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one 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 heaven." <sup>27</sup>This phrase, "Yet once more," indicates the removal of what is shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. <sup>28</sup>Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; <sup>29</sup>for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



#### **GOSPEL:** Luke 13:10-17

The holy gospel according to Luke.

## Glory to you, O Lord.

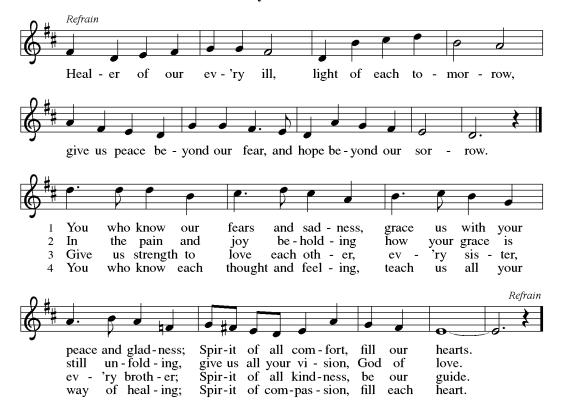
<sup>10</sup>Now [Jesus] was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. <sup>11</sup>And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. <sup>12</sup>When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." <sup>13</sup>When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. <sup>14</sup>But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day." <sup>15</sup>But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? <sup>16</sup>And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?" <sup>17</sup>When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

#### **SERMON**

# HYMN OF THE DAY "Healer of Our Every Ill"



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## **BLESSING OF KEYS (9 am)**

#### APOSTLES CREED

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 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.

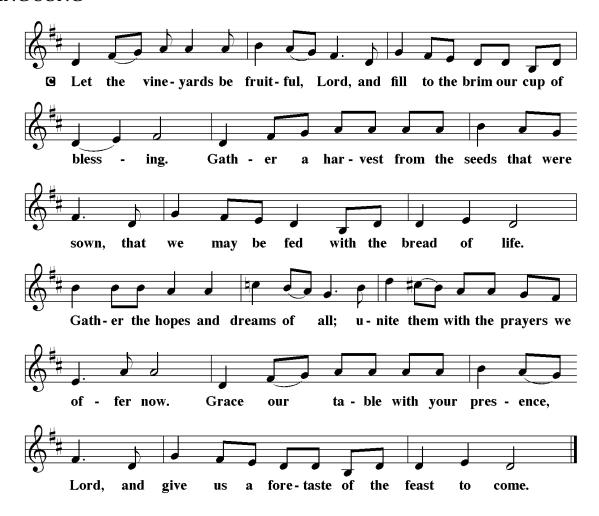
#### PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

#### SHARING OF THE PEACE

#### **OFFERING**

We give thanks to God for the gifts that God provides, and for the gifts that you share with the church. Offerings to the church may be placed in the box on the table near the entrance to worship or be sent through the mail, through automatic withdraw, or through the Tithe.ly app on our website.

#### OFFERING SONG



#### OFFERTORY PRAYER

God of abundance: you have set before us a plentiful harvest. As we feast on your goodness, strengthen us to labor in your field, and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all, in the name of Jesus. **Amen.** 

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

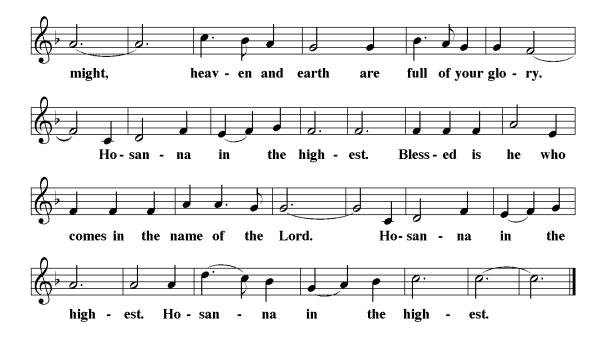
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

## It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. 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:



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#### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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.

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, 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.

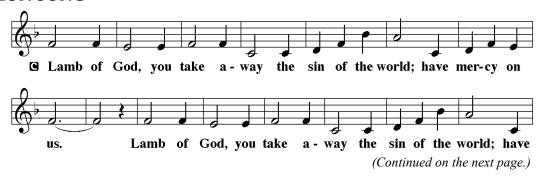
#### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

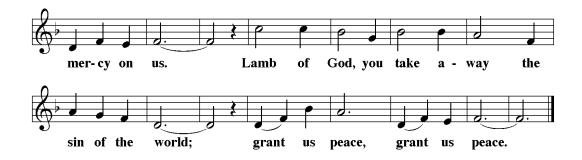
In Christ's presence there is fullness of joy. Come to the banquet.

#### DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS

Believing in the real presence of Christ, we invite all present to participate in the Sacrament of Holy Communion. All who are baptized and believe that Jesus Christ is present in the gifts of bread and wine are welcome at the Lord's table. Please follow the directions of the pastors to receive communion. Both wine and grape juice are available for communion. The grape juice is the darker color in the middle of the tray. Those who do not wish to receive communion and children who are not yet receiving communion will receive a blessing. Those who are worshiping with us online are invited to have bread and wine or juice available for worship, and we will commune you at the end of communion.

#### **COMMUNION SONG**

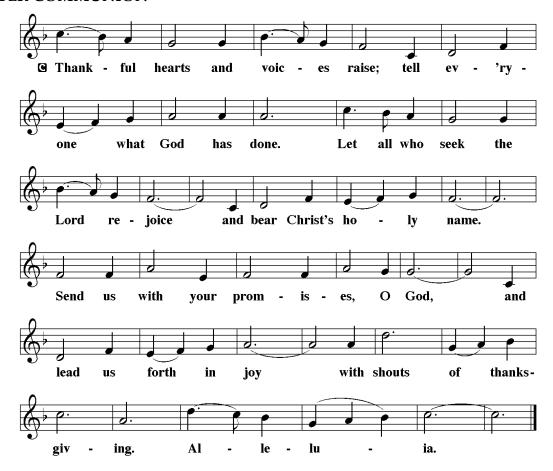




#### POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen us and keep us in his grace. **Amen.** 

## SONG AFTER COMMUNION



# PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

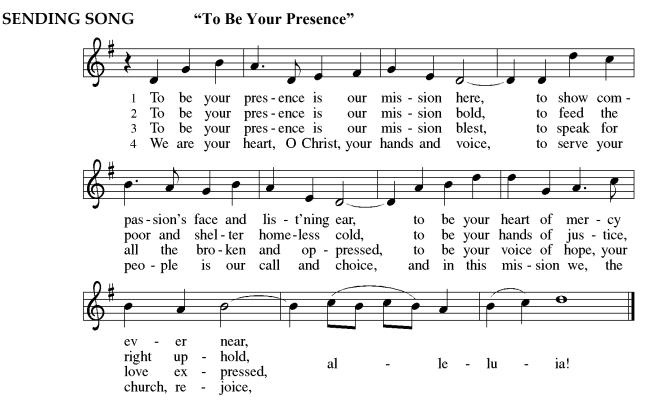
Life-giving God, through this meal you have bandaged our wounds and fed us with your mercy. Now send us forth to live for others, both friend and stranger, that all may come to know your love. This we pray in the name of Jesus.

Amen.

# **BLESSING**

The God of peace, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you, comfort you, and show you the path of life this day and always.

Amen.



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## **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Love your neighbor.

Thanks be to God.

| Lord, &<br>Hear Our<br>Prayer & | Trusting that God hears our prayers, we keep these people and all who are in need in our prayers. |                |
|---------------------------------|---|----------------|
| Ron McFate                      | Mary Flenker  | Sue Vogel      |
| H.O. Nelson                     | Mary Ann Anderson   | Andrew Arp     |
| Sheila Baustian                 | Janet Bowman  | Norman Harms   |
| Sally Puls                      | Florence Whisler  | Kim Pierce     |
| Duane Miller                    | Roger Lewis   | Jeanette Myers |
| Kory Winter                     | Ed Stoltz   | Mary           |
| Tim Winter                      | Judy Knoer  | Kelly          |
| Jensen Spencer                  | Jan Kluever   | Vaughn         |
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| Carolyn Scheibe                 | Patty Mixdorf   |                |
| Madison Russo                   | Melissa Alden   |                |



FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR are given by the Chad and Carrie Keppy in celebration of their 16th wedding anniversary.

If you are interested in providing altar flowers, there is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board in the narthex. You may also sign up using the link on our web site, www.faithlutheraneldridge.com



# **Confirmation Kick Off**

#### A New Year for Confirmation

It is time to begin our Confirmation Conversations again, so it is time to have a **mandatory** student/parent meeting and pizza party. All 7th and 8th Graders and their parents and siblings are invited to a pizza party and Confirmation kick-off meeting on **Wednesday**, August 31, at 5:45 pm. At this meeting we will go over expectations and opportunities for

the year as well as the calendar of events. There will be a formal letter coming in the mail with more information, so for now, please just save the date and time for the meeting.

Please let us know how many from your family will be coming so that we can be sure to have enough food for everyone using the link on our website (www.faithlutheraneldridge.org), or call the office at 285-4501 by Friday, August 26.

P.S. Our first week of the regular class schedule will be the following **Wednesday**, **September 7**, beginning with a meal at 5:00 pm and our Confirmation Conversations from 5:30-6:45 pm.



# **High School Youth Group Kick-Off**

It is hard to believe that we are heading back into the school year, but as we do, we also head into a new year of Youth Group. In order to get the year kicked off, we invite all high school youth and their parents to join us for a conversation about plans for the year, including how often we would like to meet, the kinds of activities we would like to do, the 2023 mission trip, and possible local mission activities. We will meet on Wednesday, August 31, at 7pm. A dessert will be provided!

Please sign up online using the link on our website (www.faithlutheraneldridge.org), or call the office at 285-4501 by Friday, August 26. We encourage you to invite friends. More information will be coming in a letter soon. See you there!



# High School Faith Milestone

# Blessing of the Keys

As our Children begin high school, there are many milestones that they will begin to come across. One of those milestones is learning to drive, from

getting the permit to driver's ed to getting a license. We would like to help these youth and parents to mark that milestone in worship with a 'Blessing of the Keys". This Sunday, August 21, during the 9:00 am worship service, we will invite any High School students who are new drivers to come forward with their parents as we pray over them and provide them with a small token to mark this time in their lives. We will also be providing each family with a sample "contract" which can help families to have conversation around proper use of the car. We hope that all of our new drivers and their families will be present for this milestone as we begin this new school year.

ATTENDANCE

August 13 & 14 5pm: 33 9am: 63 Online: <u>78</u>

Total: 174

# Blessing of Backpacks, Teachers, & School Workers

BEESS OF THE BALL TO DAY This weekend, August 20 and 21, we invite all Children and youth who are starting back to school to bring their backpacks to worship at 5:00 pm on Saturday or 9:00 am on Sunday. During the Children's message, we will do a blessing of backpacks to pray God's blessing on the backpacks and on the children who will wear them this year. We will then offer a blessing over the teachers, administrators, staff, and board members as they prepare to head back to school. We hope that you will join us for this celebration of the new year!



Following the request at the annual meeting of the congregation, the second quarter financial report is available at the welcome center. If you have questions, contact our Treasurer, Deanna Nielsen (home 285-6194 or email deannasnielsen@gmail.com).

Turning shoes Faith is collecting new and gently worn shoes for the Eldridge Lion's Club for the and clothing into Soles4Souls program. You may donate all styles, types and sizes of shoes, as long SOULS | opportunity as they are gently worn. They even take mismatched singles! The donation collection will run through September 5th. More information about this program can be found at soles4souls.org., or in the recent North Scott Press article.

# THIS WEEK AT FAITH

Saturday, August 20 Worship with Blessing of Backpacks 5 pm

Sunday, August 21 9 am Worship with Blessing of Keys and

**Backpacks** 

10 am Fellowship Hour

Monday, August 22 Office Closed

Tuesday, August 23 5:30 pm Food Pantry

Wednesday, August 24

Thursday, August 25

Friday, August 26 9:30 am **Food Pantry** 

Saturday, August 27 5 pm Worship

Sunday, August 28 9 am Worship

> 10 am Fellowship Hour





**Confirmation & Youth Group Kick Off** Wednesday, August 31, 2022

See inside for more details!





Join us for Sunday School Rally Day Sunday, September 11, 2022

