

## GATHERING

### PRELUDE

### WELCOME

- Welcome to worship! Welcome to all those joining us via our Live Stream, and via our Radio broadcast. Our broadcast is sponsored this morning by Muriel and Pastor John Mikkelson in honor of St. Michael's Day – thank you, Mikkelsons!
- Worship volunteer signup sheets on Welcome table
- If you are joining us from home, I invite you to gather some bread and wine/juice so you can join us in celebrating Holy Communion this morning.
- Thank you for wearing your mask!

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,  
whose teaching is life, whose presence is sure, and whose love is endless. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sins to the one who welcomes us with an open heart.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

God, our comforter,

**like lost sheep, we have gone astray.**

**We gaze upon abundance and see scarcity.**

**We turn our faces away from injustice and oppression.**

**We exploit the earth with our apathy and greed.**

**Free us from our sin, gracious God.**

**Listen when we call out to you for help.**

**Lead us by your love to love our neighbors as ourselves. Amen.**

All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.

By the gift of grace in † Christ Jesus, God makes you righteous.

Receive with glad hearts the forgiveness of all your sins. **Amen.**

### 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.**

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us your gift of faith, that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to what lies ahead, we may follow the way of your commandments and receive the crown of everlasting joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

## WORD

### FIRST READING Psalm 90:12-17

*Our reading is taken from the Psalms today. We read responsively by whole verse.*

- <sup>12</sup>So teach us to number our days  
that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.
- <sup>13</sup>**Return, O LORD; how long will you tarry?  
Be gracious to your servants.**
- <sup>14</sup>Satisfy us by your steadfast love in the morning;  
so shall we rejoice and be glad all our days.
- <sup>15</sup>**Make us glad as many days as you afflicted us  
and as many years as we suffered adversity.**
- <sup>16</sup>Show your servants your works,  
and your splendor to their children.
- <sup>17</sup>**May the graciousness of the Lord our God be upon us;  
prosper the work of our hands; prosper our handiwork.**

Word of God. Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

### GOSPEL Mark 10:17-31

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

<sup>17</sup>As [Jesus] was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” <sup>18</sup>Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. <sup>19</sup>You know the commandments: ‘You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.’” <sup>20</sup>He said to him, “Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.” <sup>21</sup>Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, “You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.” <sup>22</sup>When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

<sup>23</sup>Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!” <sup>24</sup>And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, “Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! <sup>25</sup>It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.” <sup>26</sup>They were greatly astounded and said to one another, “Then who can be saved?” <sup>27</sup>Jesus looked at them and said, “For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.”

<sup>28</sup>Peter began to say to him, “Look, we have left everything and followed you.” <sup>29</sup>Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, <sup>30</sup>who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. <sup>31</sup>But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.”

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**SERMON Pastor Heather Wigdahl**

**SONG OF THE DAY *Take My Life, That I May Be* 685 vs. 1,4,5,6**

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| 1 Take my life, that I may be<br>consecrated, Lord, to thee;<br>take my moments and my days;<br>let them flow in ceaseless praise. | 5 Take my will and make it thine,<br>it shall be no longer mine.<br>Take my heart, it is thine own,<br>it shall be thy royal throne. |
| 4 Take my silver and my gold,<br>not a mite would I withhold;<br>take my intellect and use<br>ev'ry pow'r as thou shall choose.    | 6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour<br>at thy feet its treasure store;<br>take myself, and I will be<br>ever, only, all for thee.        |

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836-1879, alt.

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Made children and heirs of God's promise, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

Uniting God, you call forth different and unique gifts in those who follow you. Encourage us to welcome the diverse benefits and blessings of the whole church in teaching, preaching, healing, serving and welcoming.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Nurturing God, you bring forth crops from the soil and bounty from the trees and plants of every kind. Increase the produce of the land and bless all who toil in fields and orchards. Provide for good working conditions and keep them safe. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Empowering God, you offer compassion for those who are overlooked or forgotten. Open the hearts of local, national, and world leaders to show such compassion and love for their neighbors.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Sheltering God, in Jesus you travelled among us without a place to lay your head. Provide safe places to sleep and rest for those who have no place to live. Sustain ministries that offer food, clothing, and peace of mind, especially Lutheran World Relief, Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Services, and our local agencies, including Stepping Stones, Bridge to Hope and Arbor Place. We pray for members and friends who we know personally to be in need today, especially Lucille Whittier, Jonathan Schultz (Troy Peickert's brother), Howard Hintzman (Harvey Hintzman's brother) and Elinore Wood (Donna Lark's sister). We pray for the family of Jeannette Breckner, whose memorial service was held here yesterday, for the family of Ardis Folstad, whose burial will take place this next week, and for Michaela Gifford' friend, Ayila Hall, in the tragic death of Ayila's father.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Renewing God, you bring life out of death. Help us part with those things that are no longer beneficial to us and open our hearts to see where new life is budding in this congregation.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Eternal God, we thank you for the lives of those who have died, especially Jeannette Breckner, Ardis Folstad and Ayila Hall's father. Make us confident in your promise of salvation and support us in our own journey of faith.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Receive these prayers, O God, and those in our hearts known only to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### SHARING OF THE PEACE

The Peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

### MEAL

#### THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

*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.*

#### LORD'S PRAYER

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

**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.**

#### COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

#### POST-COMMUNION BLESSING AND PRAYER

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

Lord of life, in the gift of your body and blood you turn the crumbs of our faith into a feast of salvation. Send us forth into the world with shouts of joy, bearing witness to the abundance of your love in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

### SENDING

#### BENEDICTION

People of God,  
you are Christ's body, bringing new life to a suffering world.  
The holy Trinity, † one God, bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

#### BRIEFING THE MINISTERS

- Offering announcement

#### SENDING HYMN

*We Are Called*

720 all verses

No downloads available

**DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. The living Word dwells in you.

**Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE**

<b>PRAYER CONCERNS</b>	Lucille Whittier; Jonathan Shultz (Troy Peickert's brother); Howard Hintzman (Harvey Hintzman's brother); Elinor Wood (Donna Lark's sister)
<b>IN THANKSGIVING</b>	Patrick & Jacqueline Bencke, missionaries in Japan  Kasungu Central, Our Malawi Sister Parish
<b>IN REMEMBRANCE</b>	The family of Jeannette Breckner, whose memorial service was yesterday The family of Ardis Folstad, whose burial will take place this week

<b>TODAY, OCTOBER 10</b>	
8:30am	Worship Service
9:35am	Sunday School
10:30am	Worship Service
<b>THIS WEEK</b>	
October 12	Ardis Folstad's Graveside Service, 11am
October 13	NYG Registration due
	Confirmation, 6pm
October 14	Bells Angels rehearsal, 6pm
<b>UPCOMING EVENTS</b>	
October 17	Health Forum, Sanctuary, 9:30-10:15am