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Inviting all people to a life in Christ.

Eleventh Sunday of Pentecost

August 8, 2010

Green is the liturgical color for Sundays after Pentecost.

Jesus says, "It is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom." It is God's promise from the beginning—to Abraham, to the early church, and to the "little flock" of which we are a part today in assembly. Faith, God's baptismal gift, trusts the promises of God. Have no fear.

We invite those that are able to stand each time the symbol appears in the service bulletin.

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRINITY CHIMES

‡ **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C: Amen.

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

P: 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.

C: Amen.

‡ **GATHERING SONG:** *Awake, My Soul, and With the Sun*ELW 557

‡ **GREETING**

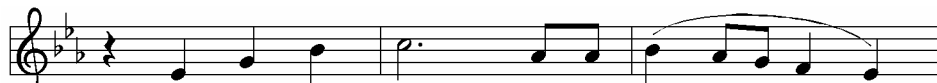
P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.


Please complete a tri-fold "Welcome to Worship" form and place it in the offering plate. Inside you will find opportunities to: volunteer, request special prayers, sign up for events, or join specific ministries.

Feel free to ask one of the ushers for **HEARING DEVICES** or **LARGE PRINT BULLETINS.**

‡ CANTICLE OF PRAISE




Glo - ry to God in the high -




est, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.



Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and



Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we



praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus



Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,




Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the



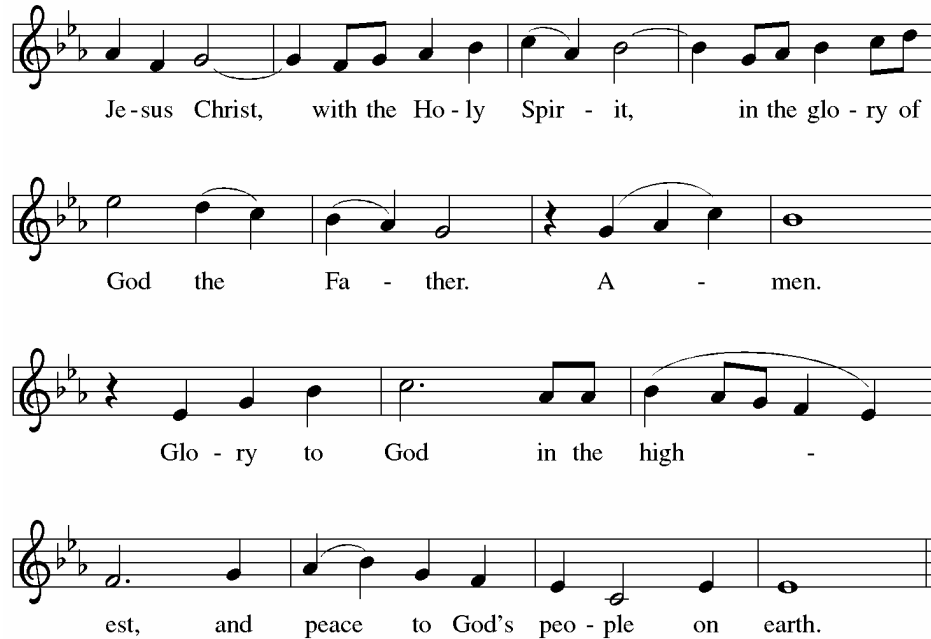
right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a -



lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the Most High,



Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir - it, in the glo - ry of
 God the Fa - ther. A - men.
 Glo - ry to God in the high -
 est, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

✠ PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

C: Almighty God, you sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your church. Open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may be ready to receive you wherever you appear, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

OLD TESTAMENT READING: GENESIS 15:1-6

God promises childless and aging Abram that a child of his own will be his heir and that his descendants will number as many as the stars. Abram trusts God's promise, and through this faith he is considered righteous.

R: A reading from the Book of Genesis, the 15th Chapter.

After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." ²But Abram said, "O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" ³And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." ⁴But the word of the LORD came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." ⁵He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." ⁶And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness.

R: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM: 33:12–22

R: Please join me in reading the Psalm responsively.

¹²Happy is the nation whose God is the Lord!
Happy the people chosen to be God's heritage!

**C: ¹³The Lord looks down from heaven,
and sees all humankind.**

R: ¹⁴God sits firmly enthroned and watches
all who dwell on the earth.

**C: ¹⁵God fashions all their hearts
and observes all their deeds.**

R: ¹⁶A king is not saved by the size of the army,
nor are warriors rescued by their great strength.

**C: ¹⁷The horse gives vain hope for victory;
despite its great strength it cannot save.**

R: ¹⁸Truly, your eye is upon those who fear you, O Lord,
upon those who wait for your steadfast love,

**C: ¹⁹to deliver their lives from death,
and to keep them alive in time of famine.**

R: ²⁰Our innermost being waits for you, O Lord,
our helper and our shield.

**C: ²¹Surely, our heart rejoices in you,
for in your holy name we put our trust.**

R: ²²Let your lovingkindness, O Lord, be upon us,
even as we place our hope in you.

R: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

NEW TESTAMENT READING: HEBREWS 11:1–3, 8–16

Abraham and Sarah exemplify the vision of faith that people of God enact in every age. Their hope and trust in God's promise allowed them to face an unknown future and to receive the promise of God.

R: A reading from the Book of Hebrews, the 11th Chapter.

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. ²Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. ³By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.

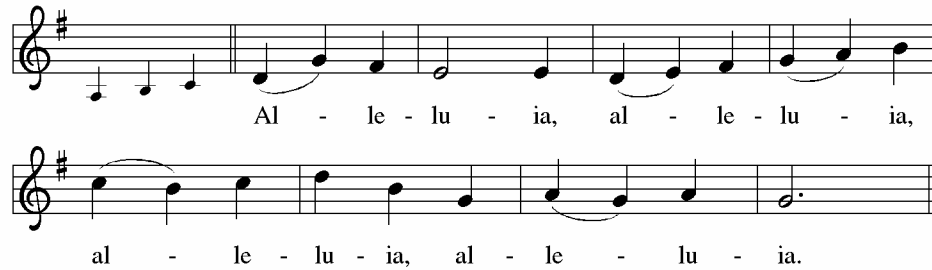
⁸By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. ⁹By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. ¹⁰For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. ¹¹By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old — and Sarah herself was barren — because he considered himself faithful who had promised. ¹²Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, "as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore."

¹³All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, ¹⁴for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. ¹⁵If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. ¹⁶But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

R: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

‡ **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



‡ **GOSPEL: LUKE 12:32–40**

Jesus encourages disciples to invest their hearts and live fully into God's reign. Instead of facing life with fear, those who know God's generosity are always ready to receive from God and to give to others.

P: The holy gospel according to St. Luke, the 12th Chapter.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

³²Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom.

³³Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an un-failing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. ³⁴For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

³⁵Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; ³⁶be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. ³⁷Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. ³⁸If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

³⁹But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. ⁴⁰You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON Rev. Mark N. Orvick

HYMN OF THE DAY: *When Peace Like a River* ELW 785

‡ **APOSTLES CREED**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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 INTERCESSION**

P: With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

A brief silence is kept before the prayers.

P: Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C: Amen.

OFFERING

‡ **OFFERTORY**

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-new a right
spir-it with-in me. Cast me not a-way from your pres-ence, and take
not your Ho-ly Spir-it from me. Re-store to me the joy of
your sal-va-tion, and up-hold me with your free Spir-it.

‡ **OFFERING PRAYER**

P: Let us pray.

C: God of mercy and grace, the eyes of all wait upon you, and you open your hand in blessing. Fill us with good things at your table, that we may come to the help of all in need, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and Lord.

‡ **LORD'S PRAYER**

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.

‡ **BLESSING**

P: Continue to walk in Christ Jesus, rooted and built up in him. Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

‡ **SENDING SONG:** *Jesus, Still Lead On* ELW 624

‡ **DISMISSAL**

P: Go in peace, serve the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

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SERVANTS FOR TODAY, SUNDAY, AUGUST 8, 2010

	9:30a
<i>Acolytes</i>	Hannah D'Cunha
<i>Children's Message</i>	Sue Haffield
<i>Coffee Hosts</i>	Judi & Jeff Simons
<i>Communion Assistants</i>	
<i>Cued Speech</i>	Sarah Keating
<i>Greeters</i>	Jon & Lisa D'Cunha & Family, Shane & Tara Johnson
<i>Musicians</i>	
<i>Nursery Volunteers*</i>	Jennie Burns
<i>Pursers</i>	Bob Gustafson
<i>Reader</i>	Andrea Loger
<i>Ushers</i>	Bob Kresse , Kris Pearson, Carl & Julie Sarff

SERVANTS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, AUGUST 15, 2010

	9:30a
<i>Acolytes</i>	Kathryn Hinderaker, Jack Voeller
<i>Children's Message</i>	
<i>Coffee Hosts</i>	coffee hosts needed
<i>Communion Assistants</i>	Bob & Cyndi Kresse
<i>Cued Speech</i>	Jenee Petri
<i>Greeters</i>	Dave & Monica Kilber & Family, Grace Parsons
<i>Musicians</i>	Chuck Linderkamp
<i>Nursery Volunteers*</i>	Carol Olean
<i>Pursers</i>	Jon Brunsberg, Mike Eckroth
<i>Reader</i>	Kathy Gustafson
<i>Ushers</i>	Tom Larson , Jeff Simons, Jim Wombacher, Alex Gonzalez

*Nursery Volunteers assist the permanent Nursery Staff.