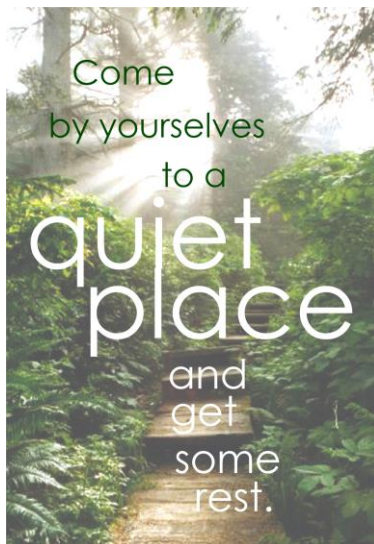


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Ninth Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday, July 21, 2024
10:30 am

The Holy Spirit Empowers Us for Ministry in Daily Life

Gathered by God's grace and empowered by the Holy Spirit,
we invite and welcome all people to join us on our journey
to become more faithful ministers of Jesus Christ
in our homes, our communities, and the world.

We welcome all who worship with us today.

Visitors are invited to sign the guest register located in the lobby.

If you are interested in joining our family of faith,
please talk with one of our Pastors or call the church office.

Children are welcome and celebrated!

The “Children’s Ministry” table and basket in the lobby contains a variety of items for children’s use during worship. Stop by to borrow a book, pick up some coloring sheets and crayons or take along a copy of this week’s children’s bulletin.

Please silence all communication devices.

Our services are live streamed and recorded. In-person attendance implies consent to be included in the live streamed and recorded worship service.

HOLY COMMUNION

All who believe in the presence of Jesus Christ in Holy Communion are welcome to receive the Sacrament. To facilitate flow, the ushers invite people to come forward starting with the back rows and working forward. You should come forward using the center aisle to receive the elements in a continuous style from pastor and worship assistant. Afterward you may choose to kneel or stand at the altar rail for a brief moment of prayer or return to your seat up the side aisle, depositing your empty cup in the receptacle on your way. Gluten free wafers are available. Our wine is grape juice so that all may freely receive.

Children may receive the sacrament if they have completed instruction with a pastor.

Children who do not commune may come forward for a blessing. Communion kits are available at the usher stands for those who prefer to remain in their seats, and they will be communed along with our Zoom worshippers at the beginning of distribution.

GATHERING

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

Gathering Music

Christ is Made the Sure Foundation

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Welcome and Announcements

Please stand as you are able.

Gathering Dialog

Whether we are strangers or old friends,
God is joining us together in this place.

**God's steadfast love is our foundation;
God's faithfulness is with us forever.**

Whether we are 'natives' or immigrants,
God is building us together spiritually.

**God's steadfast love is our foundation;
God's faithfulness is with us forever.**

Whatever walls we try to build between us,
in Christ, God tears them down to build a household for all of God's people.

**God's steadfast love is our foundation;
God's faithfulness is with us forever.**

Come, let us worship God!



1 All peo - ple that on earth do dwell, sing to the
 2 Know that the Lord is God in - deed; with - out our
 3 Oh, en - ter then his gates with praise; ap - proach with
 4 For why? The Lord our God is good: his mer - cy
 5 To Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost, the God whom



Lord with cheer - ful voice; him serve with mirth, his
 aid he did us make. We are his folk, he
 joy his courts un - to; praise, laud, and bless his
 is for - ev - er sure; his truth at all times
 heav'n and earth a - dore, from us and from the



praise forth tell; come ye be - fore him and re - jice.
 doth us feed, and for his sheep he doth us take.
 name al - ways, for it is seem - ly so to do.
 firm - ly stood, and shall from age to age en - dure.
 an - gel host be praise and glo - ry ev - er - more.

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.



1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
 2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
 3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:
 Son of God and gra - cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;
 Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
 on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
 Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.
 Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.
 For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

We gather around you, O Jesus, to tell you what we have done.

And you say to us, "Come and rest a while."

So, we give you thanks for his time of rest and reflection.

In this sacred time, prepare us for the work ahead of us.

Amen

The assembly is seated.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture readings, preaching and song.

1st Reading – Jeremiah 23:1-6

Translation: CEV

A reading from Jeremiah.

You leaders of my people are like shepherds that kill and scatter the sheep.
You were supposed to take care of my people,
but instead you chased them away.
So now I'll punish you severely and make you pay for your crimes!

I will bring the rest of my people home from the lands where I have scattered them,
and they will grow into a mighty nation.
I promise to choose leaders who will care for them like real shepherds.
All of my people will be there, and they will never again be frightened.

Someday I will appoint
an honest king
 from the family of David,
a king who will be wise
 and rule with justice.
As long as he is king,
Israel will have peace,
 and Judah will be safe.
The name of this king will be
 "The Lord Gives Justice."

Word of God, Word of Life.
Thanks be to God!

A reading from Ephesians.

Don't forget that you are Gentiles.
In fact, you used to be called "uncircumcised"
by those who take pride in being circumcised.
At that time you did not know about Christ.
You were foreigners to the people of Israel,
and you had no part in the promises God had made to them.
You were living in this world without hope and without God,
and you were far from God.
But Christ offered his life's blood as a sacrifice and brought you near God.

Christ has made peace between Jews and Gentiles,
and he has united us by breaking down the wall of hatred that separated us.
Christ gave his own body to destroy the Law of Moses with all its rules and commands.
He even brought Jews and Gentiles together
as though we were only one person, when he united us in peace.
On the cross Christ did away with our hatred for each other.
He also made peace between us and God by uniting Jews and Gentiles in one body.
Christ came and preached peace to you Gentiles,
who were far from God, and peace to us Jews, who were near God.
And because of Christ, all of us can come to the Father by the same Spirit.

You Gentiles are no longer strangers and foreigners.
You are citizens with everyone else who belongs to the family of God.
You are like a building with the apostles and prophets
as the foundation and with Christ as the most important stone.
Christ is the one who holds the building together
and makes it grow into a holy temple for the Lord.
And you are part of that building Christ has built as a place for God's
own Spirit to live.

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God!

Please stand as you are able to welcome the gospel.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia

ELW Setting 10



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

Gospel – Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

Translation: NIV

The Good News from Mark, the 6th chapter.

Open our hearts, Lord.

The apostles gathered around Jesus and reported to him all they had done and taught. Then, because so many people were coming and going that they did not even have a chance to eat, he said to them, “Come with me by yourselves to a quiet place and get some rest.”

So they went away by themselves in a boat to a solitary place. But many who saw them leaving recognized them and ran on foot from all the towns and got there ahead of them. When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. So he began teaching them many things.

This is the Good News!

Thanks be to God!

The assembly is seated.

Sermon

Pastor Tami Reichley

Please stand as you are able.

Hymn of the Day

I heard the voice of Jesus say

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1 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Come un - to me and rest;
2 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Be - hold, I free - ly give
3 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "I am this dark world's light;



lay down, O wea - ry one, lay down your head up - on my breast."
the liv - ing wa - ter, thirst - y one; stoop down and drink and live."
look un - to me, your morn shall rise, and all your day be bright."



I came to Je - sus as I was, so wea - ry, worn, and sad;
I came to Je - sus, and I drank of that life - giv - ing stream;
I looked to Je - sus, and I found in him my star, my sun;



I found in him a rest-ing-place, and he has made me glad.
my thirst was quenched, my soul re - vived, and now I live in him.
and in that light of life I'll walk till trav-'ling days are done.

Apostles' Creed

Let us profess our faith in the words of the 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 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

Invitation to prayer:

One in the communion of saints
and in the power of the Holy Spirit, we join our voices in prayer.

After each petition:

Jesus, our Good Shepherd,
hear our prayer.

Pastor's closing prayer:

Holy God, holy and merciful: into your outstretched arms
we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray,
trusting in the one who is the way, the truth, and the life,
Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.

Amen

Peace

Christ's love breaks down the walls that divide us.
In joy and celebration of this great gift,
let us share signs of the peace that makes us one.

The peace of the Lord be with you always.
And also with you.

*The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace by saying,
"Peace be with you."*

The assembly is seated.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Response to God's gifts

The assembly responds to the Word of God by gathering an offering for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need. Please place your offering in the offering plates on the tables in the rear of the worship center.

The table is set.

Please stand as you are able.

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift your hearts to the One who is your peace.

We open them to God, who breaks down the walls we put us.

Take heart! God has prepared this Table for all people.

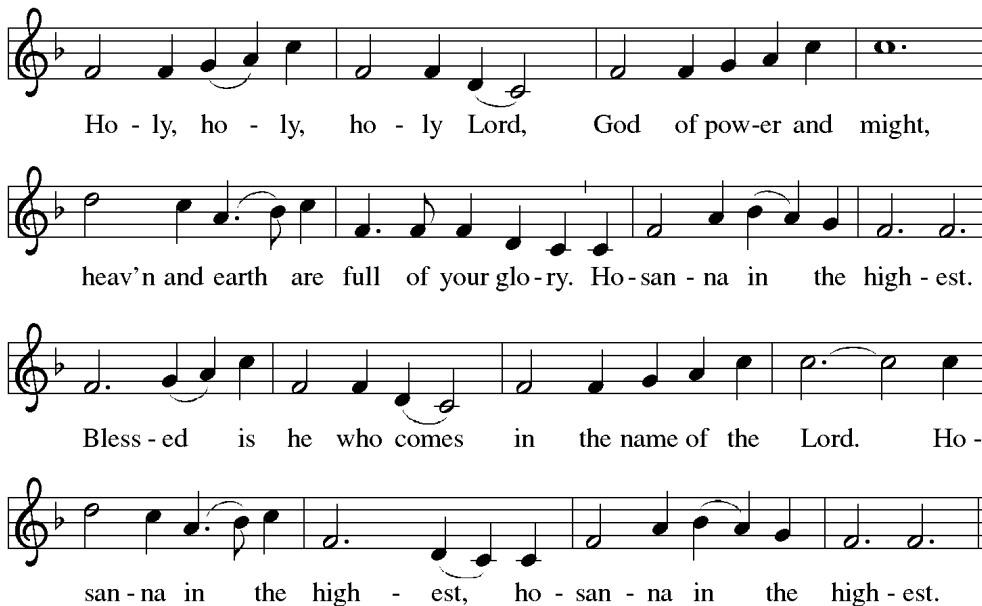
We sing glad song of thanksgiving to God, who makes us one.

So with all who are near, and with those who seem so far away,
we lift our voices in joy to you:

Sanctus

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord

ELW Setting 10



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Words of Institution

Word in Meal

As we remember how you were with Jesus in life, in death, in resurrection hope,
we speak of that mystery we call faith:

**Christ came, to break down all barriers;
Christ died, to bring peace to all;
Christ rose, to offer new life to all;
Christ will return, to take all home.**

You do not go back on your promises, but continue to pour out your Spirit
on those who have gathered in this place to share the gifts of the Table.

Saints and sinners pass the broken bread to one another
and, healing the echoes of your whispers,
join in serving those whom the world considers as strangers.
Native born and immigrants drink deeply of your grace and,
walking side by side, rush to minister to the sick, to the dying, to the hurt, to the lost.

Lord's Prayer

God in community, Holy in One,
gather us into your heart, even as we pray as we are taught.

**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 the table

Our shepherd, the one who has gathered us in this place,
has spread a table before us,
knowing that we need sustenance for the journey ahead.
Let us follow the Good Shepherd and rejoice in this meal!

The assembly is seated.

Distribution of communion

The body of Christ given for you.
The blood of Christ shed for you.

Agnus Dei

O Lamb of God

ELW Setting 10



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer - cy now, we pray.
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer - cy now, we pray.
e - ter - nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.



1 Sav - ior like a shep - herd lead us; much we need your ten - der care.
 2 We are yours; in love be - friend us, be the guard - ian of our way;
 3 You have prom - ised to re - ceive us, poor and sin - ful though we be;
 4 Ear - ly let us seek your fa - vor, ear - ly let us do your will;



In your pleas - ant pas - tures feed us, for our use your fold pre - pare.
 keep your flock, from sin de - fend us, seek us when we go a - stray.
 you have mer - cy to re - lieve us, grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free.
 bless - ed Lord and on - ly Sav - ior, with your love our spir - its fill.



Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, you have bought us; we are yours.
 Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, hear us chil - dren when we pray.
 Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, ear - ly let us turn to you.
 Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, you have loved us, love us still.



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Refrain



As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were



gath-ered in - to one to be - come our bread; so may all your peo-ple from



all the ends of earth be gath-ered in - to one in you.



1 As this cup of bless-ing is shared with-in our midst,
2 Let this be a fore-taste of all that is to come when



Refrain

may we share the pres - ence of your love.
all cre - a - tion shares this feast with you.

Please stand as you are able.

Prayer after communion

Let us pray.

Jesus, bread of life,

we have received from your table

more than we could ever ask.

As you have nourished us in this meal,

now strengthen us to love the world with your own life.

In your name we pray.

Amen

SENDING

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

Blessing

Now go and gather all the sheep that have been scattered,
and share with them this good news:
do not fear or be dismayed,
for God has raised up shepherds to care for you.
In the name of God, the Creator, Redeemer and Sanctifier.
Amen

Sending Hymn *Please see next page.*

Dismissal

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.
Thanks be to God.

Sending Music

How Firm the Foundation

Heller

Please join in supporting our church's ministries using your preferred method of giving:

- Enroll in our on-line giving program, Simply Giving (recommended);
- Mail your offering check to the church;
- Use your credit or debit card at the Giving Kiosk;
- Text your offering to 610-981-1312;
- Download our mobile app for recurring or one-time gifts;
- Establish automatic contributions to the church using your bank's bill pay service.

Additional information is located in the Stewardship section of the church's website at: lchsemmaus.org.



1 The church's one foun - da - tion is Je - sus Christ, her Lord;
 2 E - lect from ev - 'ry na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth,
 3 Though with a scorn - ful won - der this world sees her op - pressed,
 4 Through toil and trib - u - la - tion and tu - mult of her war,
 5 Yet she on earth has u - nion with God, the Three in One,



she is his new cre - a - tion by wa - ter and the word.
 her char - ter of sal - va - tion one Lord, one faith, one birth:
 by schisms . . rent a - sund - er, by her - e - sies dis - tressed,
 she waits the con - sum - ma - tion of peace for - ev - er - more;
 and mys - tic sweet com - mu - nion with those whose rest is won.



From heav'n he came and sought her to be his ho - ly bride;
 one ho - ly name she bless - es, par - takes one ho - ly food,
 yet saints their watch are keep - ing; their cry goes up: "How long?"
 till with the vi - sion glo - rious her long - ing eyes are blest,
 Oh, bless - ed heav'n - ly cho - rus! Lord, save us by your grace,



with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.
 and to one hope she press - es with ev - 'ry grace en - dued.
 and soon the night of weep - ing shall be the morn of song.
 and the great church vic - to - rious shall be the church at rest.
 that we, like saints be - fore us, may see you face to face.

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