

**October 9, 2022**  
**18th Sunday after Pentecost**

**PRELUDE** "Piano Sonata in F, Movement II" Mozart

**WELCOME**

**MINUTE FOR FINANCE** Jerry Ambrose

**OPENING SENTENCES** Ps. 118:1; 2 Tim. 2:8; Isa. 25:6-7

Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.  
**God's steadfast love endures forever.**  
Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead.  
**This is the good news we proclaim.**  
The Lord will make a feast for all people  
**and destroy the power of death forever.**  
Let us worship God!

**INTROIT** "Psalm of Gladness" McChesney  
Sanctuary Bells

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**+HYMN #20** "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" ODE TO JOY

**CALL TO CONFESSION** Col. 2:12

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Merciful God,  
you pardon all who truly repent and turn to you.  
We humbly confess our sins and ask your mercy.  
We have not loved you with a pure heart,  
nor have we loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We have not done justice, loved kindness,  
or walked humbly with you, our God.

Have mercy on us, O God, in your loving-kindness.  
In your great compassion,  
cleanse us from our sin.  
Do not cast us away from your presence,  
or take your Holy Spirit from us.  
Restore to us the joy of your salvation  
and sustain us with your bountiful Spirit.

**SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION**

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON** 2 Cor. 5:17

... and be at peace.  
**Thanks be to God! Amen.**

**HYMN #519** "It Is Well with My Soul" VILLE DU HAVRE

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Children and youth are dismissed to Sunday School

**INVITATION TO OFFERING** Jas. 1:17

**OFFERTORY** "Prayer of the Children" Bestor / Hayes

**+RESPONSE #809** OLD HUNDREDTH  
"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

**+AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** from A Brief Statement of Faith

**We trust in Jesus Christ,**  
**fully human, fully God.**  
**Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:**  
**preaching good news to the poor**  
**and release to the captives,**  
**teaching by word and deed**  
**and blessing the children,**  
**healing the sick**  
**and binding up the brokenhearted,**  
**eating with outcasts,**  
**forgiving sinners,**  
**and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.**  
Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition,  
Jesus was crucified,  
suffering the depths of human pain  
and giving his life for the sins of the world.  
God raised this Jesus from the dead,  
vindicating his sinless life,  
breaking the power of sin and evil,  
delivering us from death to life eternal.

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**OLD TESTAMENT LESSON** Jeremiah 29:1-14

**PSALM** Psalm 66:1-12

Be joyful in God, all you lands;  
be joyful, all the earth.  
**Sing the glory of God's name;**  
**sing the glory of God's praise.**  
Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!  
Because of your great strength your enemies cringe before you."  
**All the earth bows down before you,**  
**sings to you, sings out your name."**

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Come now and see the works of God,  
how awesome are God's deeds toward all people.  
**God turned the sea into dry land,**  
**so that they went through the water on foot,**  
**and there we rejoiced in God.**  
Ruling forever in might, God keeps watch over the nations;  
let no rebels exalt themselves.  
**Bless our God, you peoples;**  
**let the sound of praise be heard.**  
Our God has kept us among the living  
and has not allowed our feet to slip.  
**For you, O God, have tested us;**  
**you have tried us just as silver is tried.**  
You brought us into the net;  
you laid heavy burdens upon our backs.  
**You let people ride over our heads;**  
**we went through fire and water,**  
**but you brought us out into a place of refreshment.**

**NEW TESTAMENT LESSON** 2 Timothy 2:8-15

**GOSPEL LESSON** Luke 17:11-19

**RESPONSE** Deut. 6:6

Keep these words in your heart.  
The Lord is our God, the Lord alone.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**ANTHEM** "He Is My Savior, He Is My Friend" Besig / Price

**SERMON** "Living Well" Rev. Jim Hegedus

**+HYMN #648** "O Jesus, I Have Promised" ANGEL'S STORY

**+BLESSING**

**POSTLUDE** "Von fremden Ländern und Menschen" Schumann

*Join us for fellowship after worship.*

**SERVING US TODAY**

**Liturgist:** Steve VanDyke  
**Greeters:** Debbie Shellenbarger and Linda Myall  
**Sound:** Marty Subject  
**Livestream:** Tami Chapman  
**Security:** Will Ozee  
**Today's flowers** are given by  
Jane Somerville  
in honor of Lange Somerville  
and Louise Allen's birthdays

**CHURCH HISTORY IN MINIATURE**

**#4. Origins:**

About 120 disciples—including the 11 remaining apostles, Mary (Jesus’s mother), and James (Jesus’s brother)—begin worshipping the risen Christ. (Acts 1:12-15)

**THE STUDY CATECHISM**

**Question 37. Was the covenant with Israel an everlasting covenant?**

Yes. With the coming of Jesus the covenant with Israel was expanded and confirmed. By faith in him Gentiles were welcomed into the covenant. This throwing open of the gates confirmed the promise that through Israel God’s blessing would come to all peoples. Although for the most part Israel has not accepted Jesus as the Messiah, God has not rejected Israel. God still loves Israel, and God is their hope, “for the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable” (Rom. 11:29). The God who has reached out to unbelieving Gentiles will not fail to show mercy to Israel as the people of the everlasting covenant.

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**DAILY PRAYER**

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**EVENTS THIS WEEK**

|                  |   |          |
|------------------|---|----------|
| <b>Today</b>     | Adult Education: <i>Friend of Sinners</i> | 11:30 am |
|                  | Crop Walk                                 | 2:00 pm  |
| <b>Tuesday</b>   | 26+ Friends!                              | 3:30 pm  |
| <b>Wednesday</b> | Lunch Packing for Advent House            | 10:30 am |
|                  | Prayer Fellowship                         | 12:00 pm |
|                  | Worship and Music Committee               | 1:30 pm  |
|                  | Wonderful Wednesday (children/youth)      | 3:00 pm  |
|                  | Bell Choir Rehearsal                      | 6:00 pm  |
|                  | Wednesday Night Dinner                    | 6:30 pm  |
|                  | Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal                 | 7:00 pm  |
|                  | Stewardship Information Session           | 7:15 pm  |
| <b>Thursday</b>  | Finance Committee                         | 8:00 am  |
| <b>Friday</b>    | Church Office closed / Pastor’s Sabbath   |          |
| <b>Saturday</b>  | Visitation for Sue Sheffer                | 10:00 am |
|                  | Memorial Service for Sue Sheffer          | 11:00 am |

**BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK**

|                   |         |                      |         |
|-------------------|---------|----------------------|---------|
| Chloë Caltrider   | Oct. 9  | Mary Garland Jackson | Oct. 15 |
| Kaitlyn Caltrider | Oct. 9  | Linda Peterson       | Oct. 15 |
| Doreen Chapman    | Oct. 14 |                      |         |

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*The fruit of the Spirit*  
*is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity,*  
*faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.*  
*(Galatians 5:22-23)*