

# The Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Saturday – August 29, 2020 – 5:30 pm. Worship

Sunday – August 30, 2020 – 8:15 am. & Live-Streamed  
10:45 am. Worship



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## † Call to Worship †

Hymn “The Old Rugged Cross”

1. On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross,  
The emblem of suff’ring and shame;  
And I love that old cross where the dearest and best  
For a world of lost sinners was slain.

Chorus:       So I’ll cherish the old rugged cross  
                  Till my trophies at last I lay down  
                  I will cling to the old rugged cross  
                  And exchange it some day for a crown.

2. O that old rugged cross, so despised by the world,  
Has a wondrous attraction for me;  
For the dear Lamb of God left His glory above  
To bear it to dark Calvary. *Chorus*
3. In the old rugged cross, stained with blood so divine,  
A wondrous beauty I see;  
For ‘twas on that old cross Jesus suffered and died  
To pardon and sanctify me. *Chorus*
4. To the old rugged cross, I will ever be true,  
Its shame and reproach gladly bear;  
Then He’ll call me some day to my home far away,  
Where His glory forever I’ll share. *Chorus*

*Stand*

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

**Invocation**

*LSB 151*

- P** In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** Amen.

**Exhortation**

*LSB 151*

- P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.  
**C** **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

*Silence for reflection on God’s Word and for self-examination.*

**Confession of Sins**

*LSB 151*

- P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.  
**C** **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

**Absolution**

*LSB 151 Alt. [John 20:19–23]*

- P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, by His authority and by His command, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** Amen.

# † Service of the Word †

## Psalm 140

**P** <sup>1</sup>Deliver me, O LORD, from evil men;  
**C** **preserve me from violent men,**  
**P** <sup>2</sup>who plan evil things in their heart  
**C** **and stir up wars continually.**  
**P** <sup>3</sup>They make their tongue sharp as a serpent's,  
**C** **and under their lips is the venom of asps.**  
**P** <sup>4</sup>Guard me, O LORD, from the hands of the wicked;  
preserve me from violent men,  
**C** **who have planned to trip up my feet.**  
**P** <sup>5</sup>The arrogant have hidden a trap for me,  
and with cords they have spread a net;  
**C** **beside the way they have set snares for me.**  
**P** <sup>6</sup>I say to the LORD, You are my God;  
**C** **give ear to the voice of my pleas for mercy, O LORD!**  
**P** <sup>7</sup>O LORD, my Lord, the strength of my salvation,  
**C** **you have covered my head in the day of battle.**  
**P** <sup>8</sup>Grant not, O LORD, the desires of the wicked;  
**C** **do not further their evil plot or they will be exalted!**  
**P** <sup>9</sup>As for the head of those who surround me,  
**C** **let the mischief of their lips overwhelm them!**  
**P** <sup>10</sup>Let burning coals fall upon them!  
Let them be cast into fire,  
**C** **into miry pits, no more to rise!**  
**P** <sup>11</sup>Let not the slanderer be established in the land;  
**C** **let evil hunt down the violent man speedily!**  
**P** <sup>12</sup>I know that the LORD will maintain the cause of the afflicted,  
**C** **and will execute justice for the needy.**  
**P** <sup>13</sup>Surely the righteous shall give thanks to your name;  
**C** **the upright shall dwell in your presence.**  
**ALL** **Glory be to the Father and to the Son**  
**and to the Holy Spirit;**  
**as it was in the beginning,**  
**is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

## Kyrie

LSB 152

**P** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

**P** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

**P** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

**P** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

Other Petitions:

. . . let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

**P** Help, save, comfort and defend us, gracious Lord.

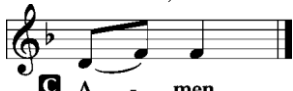


**C** A - men.

### Collect of the Day

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty God, Your Son willingly endured the agony and shame of the cross for our redemption. Grant us courage to take up our cross daily and follow Him wherever He leads; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

*Sit*

### Old Testament Reading: Jeremiah 15:15-21

<sup>15</sup>O LORD, you know;  
remember me and visit me,  
and take vengeance for me on my persecutors.

In your forbearance take me not away;  
know that for your sake I bear reproach.

<sup>16</sup>Your words were found, and I ate them,  
and your words became to me a joy  
and the delight of my heart,

for I am called by your name,  
O LORD, God of hosts.

<sup>17</sup>I did not sit in the company of revelers,  
nor did I rejoice;  
I sat alone, because your hand was upon me,  
for you had filled me with indignation.

<sup>18</sup>Why is my pain unceasing,  
my wound incurable,  
refusing to be healed?

Will you be to me like a deceitful brook,  
like waters that fail?

<sup>19</sup>Therefore thus says the LORD:

***“If you return, I will restore you,  
and you shall stand before me.***

***If you utter what is precious, and not what is worthless,  
you shall be as my mouth.***

***They shall turn to you,  
but you shall not turn to them.***

<sup>20</sup>*And I will make you to this people  
a fortified wall of bronze;  
they will fight against you,  
but they shall not prevail over you,  
for I am with you  
to save you and deliver you,  
declares the LORD.*

<sup>21</sup>*I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked,  
and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless.”*

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

### Epistle: Romans 12:9-21

<sup>9</sup>Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good. <sup>10</sup>Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. <sup>11</sup>Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord. <sup>12</sup>Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer.

<sup>13</sup>Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality.

<sup>14</sup>Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. <sup>15</sup>Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. <sup>16</sup>Live in harmony with one another. Do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly. Never be conceited. <sup>17</sup>Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is honorable in the sight of all. <sup>18</sup>If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all.

<sup>19</sup>Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God, for it is written, “Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.” <sup>20</sup>To the contrary, “if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink; for by so doing you will heap burning coals on his head.”

<sup>21</sup>Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

Stand

### Common Alleluia and Verse

LSB 156

**C** Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

### Holy Gospel: Matthew 16:21-28

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the sixteenth chapter.

**C** Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

<sup>21</sup>From that time Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised.

<sup>22</sup>And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, “*Far be it from you, Lord! This shall never happen to you.*” <sup>23</sup>But he turned and said to Peter, “***Get behind me, Satan! You are a hindrance to me. For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man.***”

<sup>24</sup>Then Jesus told his disciples, “***If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me.***” <sup>25</sup>***For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.*** <sup>26</sup>***For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his life? Or what shall a man give in return for his life?*** <sup>27</sup>***For the Son of Man is going to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay each person***

according to what he has done. <sup>28</sup>Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death until they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

*Sit*

Hymn “Are You Weary, Are You Troubled”

(Tune: LSB 729)



- 1 Are you wear-y, are you trou-bled, Are you sore dis-tressed?
- 2 Has He marks to lead me to Him If He be my Guide?
- 3 Has He di-a - dem, as Mon-arch, That His brow a - dorns?
- 4 If I find Him, if I fol - low, What His boun - ty here?
- 5 If I still hold close - ly to Him, What has He at last?



“Come to Me,” says One, “and com- ing, Be at rest.”  
“In His feet and hands are wound-prints, And His side.”  
“Yes, a crown of no - ble roy’l - ty, But of thorns.”  
“Man - y a sor - row, man - y a la - bor, Man - y a tear.”  
“Sor - row van-quished, la - bor end-ed, Jor - dan passed.”

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| 6 If I ask Him to receive me,<br>Will He turn away?<br>“He will lead me to the realms of<br>Endless Day.” | 7 Finding, following, keeping, struggling,<br>Is He sure to bless?<br>Saints, apostles, prophets, martyrs<br>Answer, “Yes!” |
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Sermon “The Christ of the Cross” Matthew 16:21-28 Pastor Willig

*Stand*

Apostles' Creed

**C** I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.  
The third day He rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life ✠ everlasting. Amen.

*Sit*

**C** What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to  
 me? I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv - ing and will  
 call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-  
 va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my  
 vows to the Lord now in the pres - ence of all His peo-ple, in the  
 courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

**Prayer of the Church**

**Responses:**

- P** Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** hear our prayer.

**Final Petition:**

- P** Hear us Father for we pray in the name of Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who taught us to pray,

**Lord's Prayer**

- C** 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.

**Benediction**

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
 The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
 The Lord look upon you with favor and  $\text{✠}$  give you peace.

- C** A-men, a-men, a - men.

## Hymn # 861 "Christ Be My Leader"



1 Christ be my Lead - er by night as by day; Safe through the  
2 Christ be my Teach - er in age as in youth, Drift - ing or  
3 Christ be my Sav - ior in calm as in strife; Death can - not



dark - ness, for He is the way. Glad - ly I fol - low, my  
doubt - ing, for He is the truth. Grant me to trust Him; though  
hold me, for He is the life. Nor dark - ness nor doubt - ing nor



fu - ture His care, Dark - ness is day - light when Je - sus is there.  
shift - ing as sand, Doubt can - not daunt me; in Je - sus I stand.  
sin and its stain Can touch my sal - va - tion: with Je - sus I reign.

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