

# The Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost

Saturday – August 14, 2021 – 5:30 pm. Worship

Sunday – August 15, 2021 – 9:30 am. Worship & Live-Streamed

10:30 am. Bible Class



Elijah at Horeb

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# † Call to Worship †

Hymn # 973 “Thy Word Is a Lamp”

LSB 973

*Refrain*



Thy Word is a lamp un-to my feet And a light un-to my path.

1 When I feel a - fraid, think I've lost my way,  
2 I will not for - get Your love for me, and yet My

Still You're there right be - side me. And  
heart for - ev - er is wan - der - ing.

noth - ing will I fear as long as You are near.  
Je - sus, be my guide and hold me to Your side; *And Refrain*

Please be near me to the end.  
I will love You to the end.

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*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

- 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, and by His authority, 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 19:7-14

**P** <sup>7</sup>The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul;  
**C** **the testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple;**  
**P** <sup>8</sup>the precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart;  
**C** **the commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes;**  
**P** <sup>9</sup>the fear of the LORD is clean, enduring forever;  
**C** **the just decrees of the LORD are true, and righteous altogether.**  
**P** <sup>10</sup>More to be desired are they than gold,  
**C** **even much fine gold;**  
**P** sweeter also than honey  
**C** **and drippings of the honeycomb.**  
**P** <sup>11</sup>Moreover, by them is your servant warned;  
**C** **in keeping them there is great reward.**  
**P** <sup>12</sup>Who can discern his errors?  
**C** **Declare me innocent from hidden faults.**  
**P** <sup>13</sup>Keep back your servant also from presumptuous sins;  
**C** **let them not have dominion over me!**  
**P** Then I shall be blameless,  
**C** **and innocent of great transgression.**  
**P** <sup>14</sup>Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart  
be acceptable in your sight,  
**C** **O LORD, my rock and my redeemer.**  
**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.**

### Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And al - so with you.

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty God, whom to know is everlasting life, grant us to know Your Son, Jesus, to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow His steps in the way that leads to life eternal; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

### Old Testament Reading: 1 Kings 19:9-18

<sup>9</sup>There he came to a cave and lodged in it. And behold, the word of the LORD came to him, and he said to him, ***“What are you doing here, Elijah?”***

<sup>10</sup>He said, *“I have been very jealous for the LORD, the God of hosts. For the people of Israel have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword, and I, even I only, am left, and they seek my life, to take it away.”*

<sup>11</sup>And he said, ***“Go out and stand on the mount before the LORD.”*** And behold, the LORD passed by, and a great and strong wind tore the mountains and broke in pieces the rocks before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind. And after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake. <sup>12</sup>And after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire. And after the fire the sound of a low whisper.

<sup>13</sup>And when Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his cloak and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. And behold, there came a voice to him and said, ***“What are you doing here, Elijah?”***

<sup>14</sup>He said, *“I have been very jealous for the LORD, the God of hosts. For the people of Israel have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword, and I, even I only, am left, and they seek my life, to take it away.”*

<sup>15</sup>And the LORD said to him, ***“Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus. And when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael to be king over Syria. <sup>16</sup>And Jehu the son of Nimshi you shall anoint to be king over Israel, and Elisha the son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah you shall anoint to be prophet in your place. <sup>17</sup>And the one who escapes from the sword of Hazael shall Jehu put to death, and the one who escapes from the sword of Jehu shall Elisha put to death. <sup>18</sup>Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him.”***

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

### Epistle: Ephesians 5:6-21

<sup>6</sup>Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience. <sup>7</sup>Therefore do not associate with them; <sup>8</sup>for at one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light <sup>9</sup>(for the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true), <sup>10</sup>and try to discern what is pleasing to the Lord. <sup>11</sup>Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. <sup>12</sup>For it is shameful even to speak of the things that they do in secret. <sup>13</sup>But when anything is exposed by the light, it becomes visible, <sup>14</sup>for anything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says,

*“Awake, O sleeper,  
and arise from the dead,  
and Christ will shine on you.”*

<sup>15</sup>Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, <sup>16</sup>making the best use of the time, because the days are evil. <sup>17</sup>Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. <sup>18</sup>And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit, <sup>19</sup>addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with all your heart, <sup>20</sup>giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>21</sup>submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

### Alleluia and Verse

*LSB 156*

The musical notation consists of two staves in G major (one sharp). The first staff begins with a common time signature 'C' and contains the melody for the first line of the verse. The second staff continues the melody for the second line. The lyrics are written below the notes.

**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: John 6:51-69

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the sixth chapter.



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

<sup>51</sup>*I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.*

<sup>52</sup>The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?"

<sup>53</sup>So Jesus said to them, *"Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. <sup>54</sup>Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day. <sup>55</sup>For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. <sup>56</sup>Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood abides in me, and I in him. <sup>57</sup>As the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever feeds on me, he also will live because of me. <sup>58</sup>This is the bread that came down from heaven, not as the fathers ate and died. Whoever feeds on this bread will live forever."* <sup>59</sup>Jesus said these things in the synagogue, as he taught at Capernaum.

<sup>60</sup>When many of his disciples heard it, they said, "This is a hard saying; who can listen to it?"

<sup>61</sup>But Jesus, knowing in himself that his disciples were grumbling about this, said to them, *"Do you take offense at this? <sup>62</sup>Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? <sup>63</sup>It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh is of no avail. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. <sup>64</sup>But there are some of you who do not believe."* (For Jesus knew from the beginning who those were who did not believe, and who it was who would betray him.) <sup>65</sup>And he said, *"This is why I told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted him by the Father."*

<sup>66</sup>After this many of his disciples turned back and no longer walked with him. <sup>67</sup>So Jesus said to the Twelve, *"Do you want to go away as well?"*

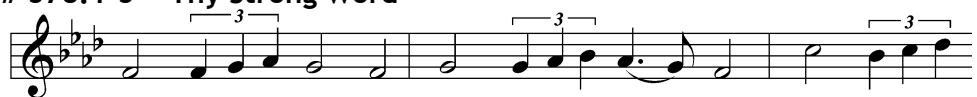
<sup>68</sup>Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life, <sup>69</sup>and we have believed, and have come to know, that you are the Holy One of God."

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

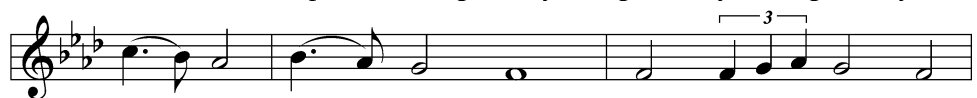


**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

# Hymn # 578:1-5 "Thy Strong Word"



1 Thy strong word did cleave the dark - ness; At Thy  
 2 Lo, on those who dwelt in dark - ness, Dark as  
 3 Thy strong Word be - speaks us righ - teous; Bright with  
 4 From the cross Thy wis - dom shin - ing Break - eth  
 5 Give us lips to sing Thy glo - ry, Tongues Thy



speak - ing it was done. For cre - at - ed  
 night and deep as death, Broke the light of  
 Thine own ho - li - ness, Glo - rious now, we  
 forth in con - qu'ring might; From the cross for -  
 mer - cy to pro - claim, Throats that shout the



light we thank Thee, While Thine or - dered sea - sons run.  
 Thy sal - va - tion, Breathed Thine own life - breath - ing breath.  
 press toward glo - ry, And our lives our hopes con - fess.  
 ev - er beam - eth All Thy bright re - deem - ing light.  
 hope that fills us, Mouths to speak Thy ho - ly name.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! May the



Thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,  
 Thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,  
 Thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,  
 Thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,  
 light which Thou dost send Fill our songs with



al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!  
 al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!  
 al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!  
 al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!  
 al - le - lu - ias, Al - le - lu - ias with - out end!

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Sermon "Words of Eternal Life" 1 Kings 19:9-18, John 6:68

Stand

## Hymn # 578:6 "Thy Strong Word"

△ 6 God the Fa - ther, light - cre - a - tor, To Thee  
laud and hon - or be. To Thee, Light of  
Light be - got - ten, Praise be sung e - ter - nal - ly.  
Ho - ly Spir - it, light - re - veal - er, Glo - ry,  
glo - ry be to Thee. Mor - tals, an - gels,  
now and ev - er Praise the ho - ly Trin - i - ty!

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 6/8 time. It consists of six staves of music. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with many triplets indicated by a '3' over a bracket. The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across notes. The final note of the sixth staff is a double bar line.

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## Nicene Creed

**☩ I believe in one God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth  
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father,  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.  
He suffered and was buried.  
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures  
and ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of the Father.  
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,  
whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,  
who spoke by the prophets.  
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.**

Sit

## Prayer of the Church

### Responses:

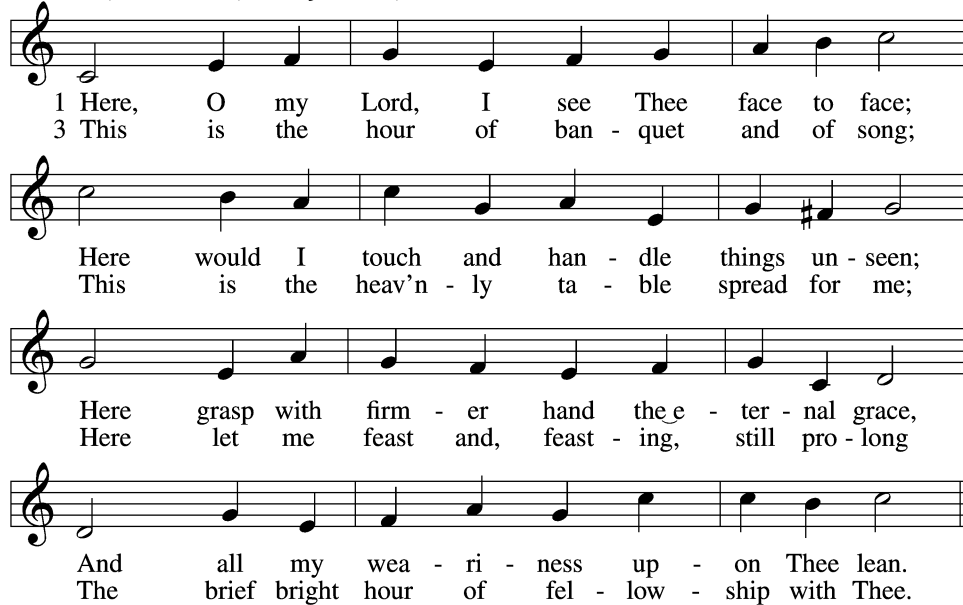
**P** Lord, in Your mercy,  
**C** hear our prayer.

### Final Petition:

**P** Hear us Father for we pray in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, risen from the dead and reigning together with You and the Holy Spirit, now and into all eternity.  
**C** Amen.

## † Service of the Sacrament †

### Hymn # 631:1,3 “Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face”



1 Here, O my Lord, I see Thee face to face;  
3 This is the hour of ban - quet and of song;  
Here would I touch and han - dle things un - seen;  
This is the heav'n - ly ta - ble spread for me;  
Here grasp with firm - er and hand the e - ter - nal grace,  
Here let me feast and, feast - ing, still pro - long  
And all my wea - ri - ness up - on Thee lean.  
The brief bright hour of fel - low - ship with Thee.

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### Proper Preface

LSB 161

**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

### Hymn # 631:4 “Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face”



4 I have no help but Thine; nor do I need  
An - oth - er arm but Thine to lean up - on.  
It is e - nough, my Lord, e - nough in - deed;  
My strength is in Thy might, Thy might a - lone.



## Prayer of Thanksgiving

LSB 161

**P** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## Lord's Prayer

LSB 162

**P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**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.

## The Words of Our Lord

LSB 162

**P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: *“Take, eat; this is My ~~✠~~body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”*

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: *“Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ~~✠~~blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”*

## Pax Domini

LSB 163

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.



## Hymn # 631:2,5 "Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face"



2 Here would I feed up - on the bread of God,  
5 Mine is the sin, but Thine the righ-teous-ness;

Here drink with Thee the roy - al wine of heav'n;  
Mine is the guilt, but Thine the cleans - ing blood;

Here would I lay a - side each earth - ly load,  
Here is my robe, my ref - uge, and my peace:

Here taste a - fresh the calm of sin for - giv'n.  
Thy blood, Thy righ - teous - ness, O Lord my God.

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## Thanksgiving

LSB 200

- A** O give thanks to the Lord, for He is good,  
**C** and His mercy endures forever.

## Hymn # 631:6-7 "Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face"



6 Too soon we rise; the ves - sels dis - ap - pear;  
7 Feast af - ter feast thus comes and pass - es by,

The feast, though not the love, is past and gone;  
Yet, pass - ing, points to that glad feast a - bove,

The bread and wine re - move, but Thou art here;  
Giv - ing sweet fore - taste of the fes - tal joy,

Near - er than ev - er; still my shield and sun.  
The Lamb's great mar - riage feast of bliss and love.

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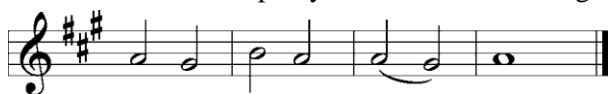
## Post-Communion Collect

- A** Let us pray.  
Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

**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 give you peace.



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

### Hymn # 790 "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty "



1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -  
 2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is won - drous - ly  
 3 Praise to the Lord, who has fear - ful - ly, won - drous - ly,  
 4 Praise to the Lord, who will pros - per your work and de -  
 5 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a -



a - tion! O my soul, praise Him, for He is your  
 reign - ing And, as on wings of an ea - gle, up -  
 made you, Health has be - stowed and, when heed - less - ly  
 fend you; Sure - ly His good - ness and mer - cy shall  
 dore Him! All that has life and breath, come now with



health and sal - va - tion! Let all who hear Now to His  
 lift - ing, sus - tain - ing. Have you not seen All that is  
 fall - ing, has stayed you. What need or grief Ev - er has  
 dai - ly at - tend you. Pon - der a - new What the Al -  
 prais - es be - fore Him! Let the A - men Sound from His



tem - ple draw near, Join - ing in glad ad - o - ra - tion!  
 need - ful has been Sent by His gra - cious or - dain - ing?  
 failed of re - lief? Wings of His mer - cy did shade you.  
 might - y can do As with His love He be - friends you.  
 peo - ple a - gain; Glad - ly for - ev - er a - dore Him!

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