

The 16th Sunday After Pentecost

Saturday – September 11, 2021 – 5:30 pm. Worship

Sunday – September 12, 2021 – 9:30 am. Worship & Live-Streamed

10:30 am. Bible Class



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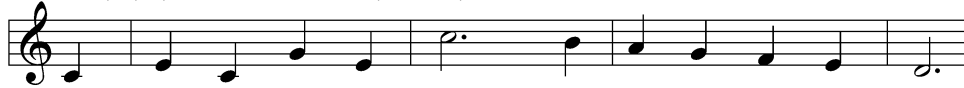
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† Call to Worship †

Hymn # 966:1,2,4,5 "Before You, Lord, We Bow"



1 Be - fore You, Lord, we bow, Our God who reigns a - bove
 2 The na - tion You have blest May well Your love de - clare,
 4 Earth, hear your Mak - er's voice; Your great Re - deem - er own;
 5 And when in pow'r He comes, Oh, may our na - tive land



And rules the world be - low, Bound-less in pow'r and love. Our thanks
 From foes and fears at rest, Pro - tect - ed by Your care. For this
 Be - lieve, o - bey, re - joice, And wor-ship Him a - lone. Cast down
 From all its rend - ing tombs Send forth a glo-rious band, A count -



we bring In joy and praise, Our hearts we raise To You, our King!
 bright day, For this fair land—Gifts of Your hand—Our thanks we pay.
 your pride, Your sin de - plore, And bow be - fore The Cru - ci - fied.
 less throng, With joy to sing To heav'n's high King Sal - va - tion's song!

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Stand

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

Invocation

LSB 151 Matthew 28:19b; [18:20]

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

Exhortation

Psalm 124:8; Psalm 130:3–4; Luke 18:13 LSB 203

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C who made heaven and earth.
P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
C But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

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

Confession of Sins

John 20:19–23 LSB 213

P O almighty God, merciful Father,
C I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

Absolution

LSB 151 [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, 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 60

P ¹O God, you have rejected us, broken our defenses;
C you have been angry; oh, restore us
P ²You have made the land to quake; you have torn it open;
C repair its breaches, for it totters.

P ³You have made your people see hard things;
C **you have given us wine to drink that made us stagger.**
P ⁴You have set up a banner for those who fear you,
C **that they may flee to it from the bow.**
P ⁵That your beloved ones may be delivered,
C **give salvation by your right hand and answer us!**
P ⁶God has spoken in his holiness:
C **“With exultation I will divide up Shechem**
P **and portion out the Vale of Succoth.**
C ⁷**Gilead is mine; Manasseh is mine;**
P Ephraim is my helmet;
C **Judah is my scepter.**
P ⁸Moab is my washbasin;
C upon Edom I cast my shoe;
P **over Philistia I shout in triumph.”**
C ⁹Who will bring me to the fortified city?
P **Who will lead me to Edom?**
C ¹⁰Have you not rejected us, O God?
P **You do not go forth, O God, with our armies.**
C ¹¹Oh, grant us help against the foe,
P **for vain is the salvation of man!**
C ¹²With God we shall do valiantly;
P **it is he who will tread down our foes.**
C **Glory be to the Father and to the Son**
ALL **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.



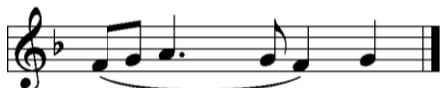
C Lord, have mer - cy.

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.

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



C A - men.

Gloria in Excelsis

Luke 2:14; John 1:29 LSB 204



C 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;
2 To You, O sole - be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good - will from God in heav - en Pro - claimed at Je - sus' birth!
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor - shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n - ly King.
Where You in pow'r are seat - ed At God's right hand on high—
In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.



C And al - so with you.

P Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, our support and defense in every need, continue to preserve Your Church in safety, govern her by Your goodness, and bless her with Your peace; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C A - men.

Sit

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 50:4-10

⁴*The Lord GOD has given me
the tongue of those who are taught,
that I may know how to sustain with a word
him who is weary.*

*Morning by morning he awakens;
he awakens my ear
to hear as those who are taught.*

⁵*The Lord GOD has opened my ear,
and I was not rebellious;
I turned not backward.*

⁶*I gave my back to those who strike,
and my cheeks to those who pull out the beard;
I hid not my face
from disgrace and spitting.*

⁷*But the Lord GOD helps me;
therefore I have not been disgraced;*

*therefore I have set my face like a flint,
and I know that I shall not be put to shame.*

⁸He who vindicates me is near.

Who will contend with me?

Let us stand up together.

Who is my adversary?

Let him come near to me.

⁹Behold, the Lord GOD helps me;

who will declare me guilty?

Behold, all of them will wear out like a garment;

the moth will eat them up.

¹⁰Who among you fears the LORD

and obeys the voice of his servant?

Let him who walks in darkness

and has no light

trust in the name of the LORD

and rely on his God.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle: James 3:1-12

¹Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. ²For we all stumble in many ways, and if anyone does not stumble in what he says, he is a perfect man, able also to bridle his whole body. ³If we put bits into the mouths of horses so that they obey us, we guide their whole bodies as well. ⁴Look at the ships also: though they are so large and are driven by strong winds, they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. ⁵So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great things.

How great a forest is set ablaze by such a small fire! ⁶And the tongue is a fire, a world of unrighteousness. The tongue is set among our members, staining the whole body, setting on fire the entire course of life, and set on fire by hell. ⁷For every kind of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by mankind, ⁸but no human being can tame the tongue. It is a restless evil, full of deadly poison. ⁹With it we bless our Lord and Father, and with it we curse people who are made in the likeness of God. ¹⁰From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers, these things ought not to be so. ¹¹Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and salt water? ¹²Can a fig tree, my brothers, bear olives, or a grapevine produce figs? Neither can a salt pond yield fresh water.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

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: Mark 9:14-29

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the ninth chapter.

C Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

¹⁴ When they came to the disciples, they saw a great crowd around them, and scribes arguing with them. ¹⁵ And immediately all the crowd, when they saw him, were greatly amazed and ran up to [Jesus] and greeted him.

¹⁶ And he asked them, ***“What are you arguing about with them?”*** ¹⁷ And someone from the crowd answered him, *“Teacher, I brought my son to you, for he has a spirit that makes him mute. ¹⁸ And whenever it seizes him, it throws him down, and he foams and grinds his teeth and becomes rigid. So I asked your disciples to cast it out, and they were not able.”* ¹⁹ And he answered them, ***“O faithless generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him to me.”*** ²⁰ And they brought the boy to him. And when the spirit saw him, immediately it convulsed the boy, and he fell on the ground and rolled about, foaming at the mouth. ²¹ And Jesus asked his father, ***“How long has this been happening to him?”*** And he said, *“From childhood. ²² And it has often cast him into fire and into water, to destroy him. But if you can do anything, have compassion on us and help us.”* ²³ And Jesus said to him, ***“If you can! All things are possible for one who believes.”*** ²⁴ Immediately the father of the child cried out and said, *“I believe; help my unbelief!”* ²⁵ And when Jesus saw that a crowd came running together, he rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, ***“You mute and deaf spirit, I command you, come out of him and never enter him again.”*** ²⁶ And after crying out and convulsing him terribly, it came out, and the boy was like a corpse, so that most of them said, *“He is dead.”* ²⁷ But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose. ²⁸ And when he had entered the house, his disciples asked him privately, *“Why could we not cast it out?”* ²⁹ And he said to them, ***“This kind cannot be driven out by anything but prayer.”***

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



G Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

Hymn # 850:1,2,4 “God of Grace and God of Glory”

1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, On Your peo - ple
 2 Lo, the hosts of e - vil round us Scorn the Christ, as -
 4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion To the e - vils

pour Your pow'r; Crown Your an - cient Church's sto - ry;
 sail His ways! From the fears that long have bound us
 we de - plore; Let the gift of Your sal - va - tion

Bring its bud to glo - rious flow'r. Grant us wis - dom,
 Free our hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wis - dom,
 Be our glo - ry ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom,

grant us cour - age For the fac - ing of this
 grant us cour - age For the liv - ing of these
 grant us cour - age, Serv - ing You whom we a -

hour, For the fac - ing of this hour.
 days, For the liv - ing of these days.
 dore, Serv - ing You whom we a - dore.

Sermon Isaiah 50:4-10 “The Prayers of Jesus”

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.

Hymn # 965 “God Bless Our Native Land”

1 God bless our na - tive land; Firm may she ev - er stand
2 So shall our prayers a - rise To God a - bove the skies;

Through storm and night. When the wild tem-pests rave, Rul - er of
On Him we wait. Thou who art ev - er nigh, Guard-ing with

wind and wave, Do Thou our coun - try save By Thy great might.
watch-ful eye, To Thee a - loud we cry: God save the state!

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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, risen,
ascended, glorious, interceding for us, and teaching us to pray,

Lord's Prayer

LSB 162 Matthew 6:9-13

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

Numbers 6:24–26 LSB 202

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and \dagger give you peace.



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

Hymn # 516 Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying



1 "Wake, a - wake, for night is fly - ing," The watch-men on the
2 Zi - on hears the watch-men sing - ing, And all her heart with
3 Now let all the heav'ns a - dore Thee, Let saints and an - gels



heights are cry - ing; "A - wake, Je - ru - sa - lem, a - rise!"
joy is spring - ing; She wakes, she ris - es from her gloom.
sing be - fore Thee With harp and cym-bals' clear - est tone.



Mid - night hears the wel-come voic - es And at the thrill-ing
For her Lord comes down all - glo - rious, The strong in grace, in
Of one pearl each shin-ing por - tal, Where, join-ing with the



cry re - joic - es: "Oh, where are ye, ye vir - gins wise?
truth vic - to - rious; Her star is ris'n, her light is come.
choir im - mor - tal, We gath - er round Thy ra - diant throne.



The Bride - groom comes, a-wake! Your lamps with glad - ness take!
Now come, Thou Bless - ed One, Lord Je - sus, God's own Son,
No eye has seen the light, No ear has heard the might



Al - le - lu - ia! With brid - al care Your-selves pre - pare
Hail! Ho - san - na! We en - ter all The wed - ding hall
Of Thy glo - ry; There - fore will we E - ter - nal - ly



To meet the Bride-groom, who is near."
To eat the Sup - per at Thy call.
Sing hymns of praise and joy to Thee!

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