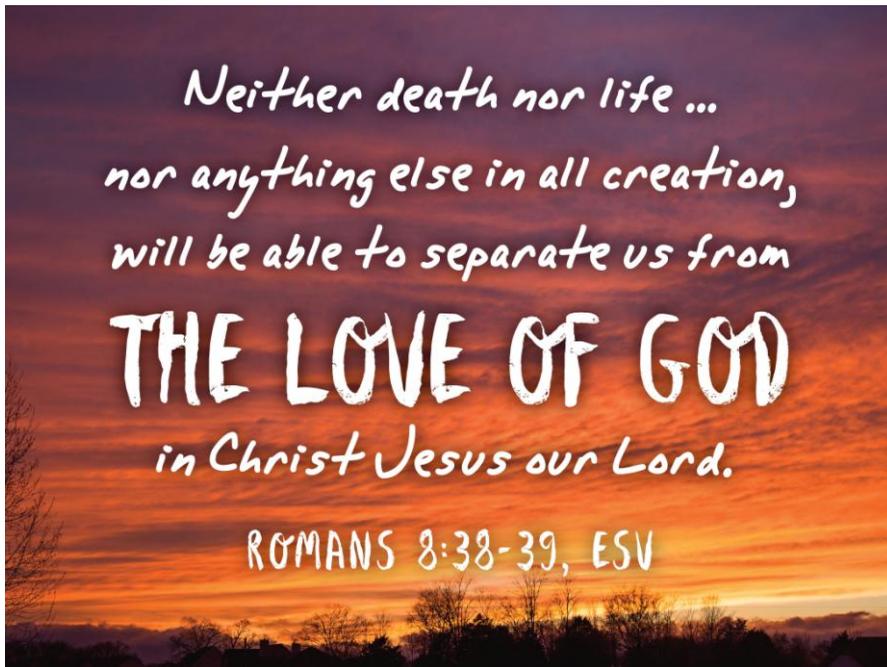


# THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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## Worship Focus

**The Christian Faith, One Word at a Time: Inseparable**



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Order of Service for

**ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

✠ **Gathering** ✠

**OPENING HYMN**

395 - Seek Where You May to Find a Way



1 Seek where you may To find a way  
2 Seek whom you may To be your stay;  
3 Seek him a - lone, Who did a - tone,  
4 My heart's de - light, My crown most bright,



That leads to your sal - va - tion. My heart is  
None can re - deem his broth - er. All help - ers  
Who did your souls de - liv - er; Oh, seek him  
Je - sus, you are for - ev - er. Not wealth or



stilled; On Christ I build— He is the  
failed; This man pre - vailed, The God - Man,  
first, All you who thirst For grace that  
pride Or aught be - side Our bond of



one foun - da - tion. His Word is sure; His  
and none oth - er. The Ser - vant - Lord Our  
fails you nev - er. In ev - 'ry need Seek  
love shall sev - er. You are my Lord; Your



works en - dure. He will o'er - throw My  
 life re - stored. We're jus - ti - fied, For  
 him in - deed; To ev - 'ry heart He  
 pre - cious Word Shall be my guide What -



ev - 'ry foe; Through him I more than con - quer.  
 he has died, The guilt - less for the guilt - y.  
 will im - part His bless - ings with - out mea - sure.  
 e'er be - tide. Oh, teach me, Lord, to trust you!

Text: Georg Weissel, 1590–1635, abr.; tr. Arthur P. Voss, 1899–1955, alt.  
 Tune: SUCH, WER DA WILL (447 447 44 447) Johann Stobäus, 1580–1646, alt.

## INVOCATION

**Minister** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Congregation** Amen.

**M** Beloved in the Lord: Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

**C** **Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve Your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord have mercy on me a sinner.**

## LORD HAVE MERCY (*Kyrie*)



**C** Lord, have mer - cy on us. Christ, have mer - cy



on us. Lord, have mer - cy on us. A - men.

## ABSOLUTION

**M** God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given His only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen.**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**M** Let us pray. O God, you reveal your mighty power chiefly in showing mercy and kindness. Grant us the full measure of your grace that we may obtain your promises and become partakers of your heavenly glory; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C Amen.**

## ✠ The Word ✠

### FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 55:1-5

*Grace supports the invitation of God to quench our spiritual thirst and satisfy our spiritual hunger.*

ISAIAH 55:1 “Come, all you who are thirsty, come to the waters;  
and you who have no money, come, buy and eat!  
Come, buy wine and milk without money and without cost.

<sup>2</sup> Why spend money on what is not bread,  
and your labor on what does not satisfy?  
Listen, listen to me, and eat what is good,  
and your soul will delight in the richest of fare.

<sup>3</sup> Give ear and come to me;  
hear me, that your soul may live.  
I will make an everlasting covenant with you,  
my faithful love promised to David.

<sup>4</sup> See, I have made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander of the peoples.

<sup>5</sup> Surely you will summon nations you know not,  
and nations that do not know you will hasten to you,  
because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel,  
for he has endowed you with splendor.”

### SECOND LESSON

Romans 8:35-39

*God's grace supplies us with the confidence to face any of the challenges of this life.*

ROMANS 8:35 Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword? <sup>36</sup> As it is written:

“For your sake we face death all day long; we are considered as sheep to be slaughtered.”

<sup>37</sup> No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. <sup>38</sup> For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, <sup>39</sup> neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*After the announcement of the Gospel the congregation responds:*



Glo-ry be to you, O Lord! Glo-ry be to you, O Lord!

## GOSPEL

Matthew 14:13-21

*God's grace supplies 5,000 or more people with their daily bread.*

MATTHEW 14:13 When Jesus heard what had happened, he withdrew by boat privately to a solitary place. Hearing of this, the crowds followed him on foot from the towns. <sup>14</sup> When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them and healed their sick.

<sup>15</sup> As evening approached, the disciples came to him and said, “This is a remote place, and it’s already getting late. Send the crowds away, so they can go to the villages and buy themselves some food.”

<sup>16</sup> Jesus replied, “They do not need to go away. You give them something to eat.”

<sup>17</sup> “We have here only five loaves of bread and two fish,” they answered.

<sup>18</sup> “Bring them here to me,” he said. <sup>19</sup> And he directed the people to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, he gave thanks and broke the loaves. Then he gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the people. <sup>20</sup> They all ate and were satisfied, and the disciples picked up twelve basketfuls of broken pieces that were left over. <sup>21</sup> The number of those who ate was about five thousand men, besides women and children.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*After the reading of the Gospel the congregation responds:*



**C** Praise be to you, O Christ! Praise be to you, O Christ!

## CONFESSION OF FAITH

The Nicene Creed

**C We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one being with the Father.**

**Through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary,  
and became fully human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.**

**He suffered death and was buried,**

**On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.**

**He ascended into heaven**

**and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**



**"My sheep hear my voice.  
I know them, and  
they follow me."**

**- John 10:27**

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

**338 - I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say**



1 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Come un - to  
 2 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Be - hold, I  
 3 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "I am this



me and rest; Lay down, O wea - ry one, lay down Your  
 free - ly give The liv - ing wa - ter, thirst - y one; Stoop  
 dark world's light. Look un - to me; your morn shall rise And



head up - on my breast." I came to Je - sus as I  
 down and drink and live." I came to Je - sus, and I  
 all your day be bright." I looked to Je - sus, and I



was, Wea - ry and worn and sad; I found in  
 drank Of that life - giv - ing stream; My thirst was  
 found In him my star, my sun; And in that



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

Text: Horatius Bonar, 1808-89.  
 Tune: VOX DILECTI (CM D) John B. Dykes, 1823-76.

✠ Sermon ✠

Romans 8:31-39

God is For You

✠ Praise and Prayers ✠



C Cre - ate in me a pure heart, O God, and re -  
 new a right spir - it with - in me.  
 Do not cast me a - way from your pres - ence or  
 take your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re -  
 store to me the joy of your sal - va - tion, and up -  
 hold, up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

## OFFERING ANNOUNCEMENT and MUSICAL OFFERTORY

### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Let us pray to the Lord for all that we need and on behalf of all people, that He may bestow upon us the riches of His grace and that we may receive His gifts with faith and thanksgiving in our hearts.

*Brief silence*

For true unity in the faith; for the preservation of pure doctrine; for harmony in the lives of our congregation, district and Synod; and for charitable hearts that put the best construction on what we see and hear, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For those outside the kingdom; for missionaries near and far; for the ministries and agencies of our Church whereby the Gospel is spoken to those who have not heard; and for those who hear, that they may be brought to faith, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For all families, for husbands and wives to live in faithfulness to each other, for all mothers with child, for all children, and for those who bring them to Baptism and nurture them in the faith, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For our president; the Congress; our governor; all elected and appointed leaders; all judges and magistrates; the members of the armed forces; and our police, firefighters and emergency medical personnel in their duties to protect and serve us, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For the healing of the sick, the relief of the suffering, the comfort of the grieving and the peace of the dying, [*especially \_\_\_\_\_,*] and for those who care for them in their afflictions, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For this holy assembly and for our communion upon the Lord's body and blood, and for us to bear in our lives the fruits of the Spirit and do the good works for which we were created, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For all honest work and occupations, for our good use of the fruits of our labors, for generosity for those in need, and for the tithes and offerings that accompany our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

Lord God, giver of all that is good, mercifully hear the prayers of Your people and grant us Your grace, that we may endure the changes and chances of this mortal life and be found worthy when our Savior comes to bring to completion all things; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**C 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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

## **✠ The Sacrament ✠**

## **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

**M** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, “Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

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

**C** Amen.

## DISTRIBUTION

*The Scriptures teach that the celebration of the Lord’s Supper connects us intimately with Christ and with one another as Christians who are united around a common confession of faith. Therefore, we ask that only those who are members of Calvary or churches within our fellowship come forward to receive the Lord’s Supper.*

## DISTRIBUTION HYMN

418 – My God Will Never Leave Me



1 My God will nev - er leave me, And I will  
2 When hu - man thought and ac - tion Shall un - a -  
3 God shall be my re - li - ance In sor - row's  
4 Oh, praise him for he nev - er For - gets our  
5 And when the world will per - ish With all its



not leave him; A light my God will give me In  
vail - ing prove; God grants me his pro - tec - tion And  
dark - est night; Its dread I bid de - fi - ance When  
dai - ly need; Oh, blest the hour when - ev - er To  
pride and pow'r, All that the world may cher - ish Will



path - ways dark and grim. He reach - es out his hand,  
 shows his pow'r and love. He helps in ev - 'ry need,  
 he is at my right. I un - to him com - mend  
 him our thoughts can speed, For all the time we spend  
 van - ish in that hour. But though in death they make



His might - y pow - er shar - ing, My bur - dens  
 From sin and shame re - deems me, From chains and  
 My bod - y, soul, and spir - it— They are his  
 With - out him is but wast - ed, Till we his  
 The deep - est grave our cov - er, When there our



ev - er bear - ing Wher - ev - er I may stand.  
 bonds re - claims me; From death I, too, am freed.  
 own by mer - it— All's well, then, at the end.  
 joy have tast - ed, The joy that has no end.  
 sleep is o - ver, Our God will us a - wake.

Text: Ludwig Helmbold, 1532–98, abr.; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, st. 1, 4-5, alt.; *The Lutheran Hymnal*, St. Louis, 1941, st. 2-3, alt.

Tune: VON GOTT WILL ICH NICHT LASSEN (76 76 67 76) *Recueil de plusieurs chansons*, Lyons, 1557, alt.

## ✠ Sending ✠

### PRAYER AND BLESSING

**M** O God the Father, source of all goodness, in your loving kindness you sent your Son to share our humanity. We thank you that through him you have given us pardon and peace in this sacrament. We also pray that you will not forsake us but will rule our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit so that we willingly serve you day after day, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

**M** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.

**C** Amen.

# CLOSING HYMN

# 761 – Christ Is With Me



1 We were bur - ied with him in - to death,  
 2 I have now been graft - ed to the vine,  
 3 I have now been cru - ci - fied with Christ.



That as he was raised by God's glo - ry,  
 Draw - ing life from roots rich in mer - cy,  
 I no long - er live; Christ lives in me.



We might walk in life made new by grace.  
 Bear - ing fruit as I a - bide in him:  
 Now I live by faith in God's own Son,

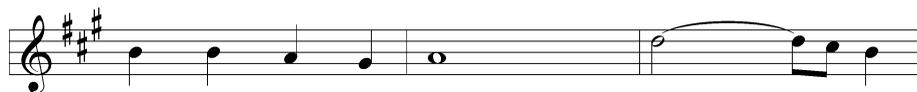


Hav - ing died with Christ, we shall live with  
 Fruit for - ev - er fresh, glo - ri - fy - ing  
 One who loved me so— gave him - self for



*Refrain*

him.  
 God. Christ is with me  
 me.



ev - 'ry - where I go. Nev - er to



leave me, this I know.

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