

# THE TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

*August 20/ 23, 2020*

### **WELCOME TO WORSHIP**

**THANK YOU** for joining us in God's house today! We cordially ask that our Guests sign one of the guestbooks located at either the front or back entryways, or fill out a "Let's Get Acquainted" card located in the hymnal pew rack and place it in the collection plate.

**THANK OFFERING:** Members of Trinity give their offering as an expression of love and thankfulness to the Lord and to help support the Lord's work in our community and around the world. Visitors need not feel obligated to participate in this offering which supports our ministry.

**RESTROOMS** are located at the back of the upper level (the annex), and in the basement (down the back stairs of the sanctuary or annex). Handicap access is available, please ask an usher for assistance.

**YOUNG FAMILIES / TODDLER BAGS** – We are **GLAD YOU BROUGHT YOUR CHILDREN** to our worship service. Jesus said: *"Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these."* We know that having little children in church can be a challenge, but **DO NOT WORRY** about it. Many of your fellow worshippers have been in your shoes and are just happy you brought your children with you. For your convenience, we have reserved the back rows of seating for parents with small children. These areas provide more flexibility for your family, as well as, easy access to move downstairs if necessary. A closed-circuit TV system allows families to continue participating in the service while downstairs. Pre-school **toddler bags** and **children's bulletins** are available for their enjoyment. Ask an usher for one to use during the service and please return the toddler bag afterwards.

## **THE COMMON SERVICE**

**(Christian Worship, page 15)**

THE OPENING HYMN

CW #416 (vv. 1, 3, & 4)

## How Firm a Foundation



1 How firm a foun - da - tion, O saints of the Lord,  
 2 In ev - 'ry con - di - tion, in sick - ness, in health,  
 3 "Fear not, I am with you. Oh, be not dis - mayed,  
 4 "When through the deep wa - ters I call you to go,  
 5 "Through-out all their life - time my peo - ple shall prove



Is laid for your faith in his ex - cel - lent Word!  
 In pov - er - ty's vale, or a - bound - ing in wealth,  
 For I am your God and will still give you aid;  
 The riv - ers of sor - row shall not o - ver - flow,  
 My sov - 'reign, e - ter - nal, un - change - a - ble love,



What more can he say than to you he has said  
 At home and a - broad, on the land, on the sea—  
 I'll strength - en you, help you, and cause you to stand,  
 For I will be with you your trou - bles to bless  
 And then, when gray hair shall their tem - ples a - dorn,



Who un - to the Sav - ior for ref - uge have fled?  
 The Lord, the Al - might - y, your strength e'er shall be.  
 Up - held by my right - eous, om - nip - o - tent hand.  
 And sanc - ti - fy to you your deep - est dis - tress."  
 Like lambs they shall still on my shoul - ders be borne."

## INVOCATION

*Please stand.*

M: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.



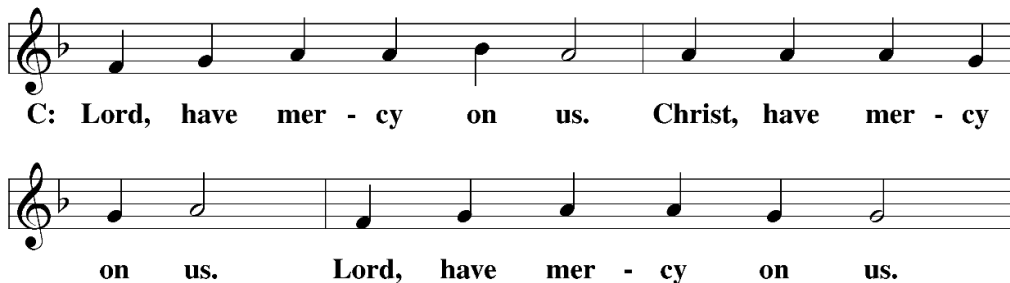
## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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

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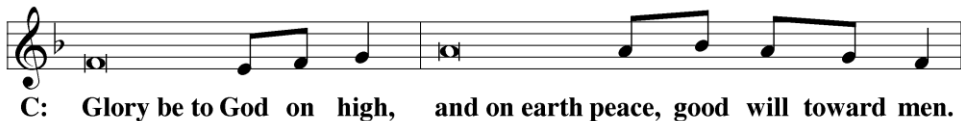


M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.



## PRAYER AND PRAISE

M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.





## PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: The Lord be with you.



M: Let us pray.

*The minister says the Prayer of the Day.*



*BE SEATED*

## *The Word*

### THE FIRST LESSON

I Kings 19:9-18

<sup>9</sup>He came to a cave and spent the night there.

Then the word of the LORD suddenly came to him, saying, “Why are you here, Elijah?”

<sup>10</sup>He said, “I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of Armies, but the people of Israel have abandoned your covenant. They have torn down your altars and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking to take my life.”

<sup>11</sup>Then the LORD said, “Go out and stand on the mountain in the presence of the LORD, for the LORD is passing by.” Then a great and powerful wind tore the mountains and shattered rocks before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind.

After the wind came an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake.

<sup>12</sup>After the earthquake there was a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire.

After the fire there was a soft, whispering voice.

<sup>13</sup>When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his cloak, and he went out and stood at the entrance to the cave. Then a voice came to him and said, “Why are you here, Elijah?”

<sup>14</sup>He said, “I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of Armies, but the people of Israel have abandoned your covenant. They have torn down your altars and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking to take my life.”

<sup>15</sup>Then the LORD said to him, “Go back the way you came and go to the Wilderness of Damascus. When you get there, you are to anoint Hazael as king over Aram. <sup>16</sup>You will also anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel and Elisha son of Shaphat from Abel Meholah as prophet in your place. <sup>17</sup>Whoever escapes the sword of Hazael, Jehu will kill, and whoever escapes the sword of Jehu, Elisha will kill. <sup>18</sup>But I have preserved in Israel seven thousand whose knees have not bent to Baal and whose lips have not kissed him.”

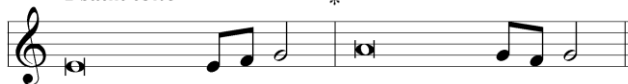
## PSALM OF THE DAY

## PSALM 73

### *Refrain*



### *Psalms tone*



### *Refrain*

I am always with you, O LORD;\*  
you hold me by my right hand.  
You guide me with your counsel,\*  
and afterward you will take me into glory.  
Whom have I in heaven but you?\*  
And earth has nothing I desire besides you.  
My flesh and my heart may fail,\*  
but God is the strength of my heart  
and my portion forever.  
**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.**  
*Refrain*

## THE SECOND LESSON

**Romans 9:1-5**

I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying—my conscience testifies with me in the Holy Spirit <sup>2</sup>that I have great sorrow and continuous pain in my heart. <sup>3</sup>For I almost wish that I myself could be cursed and separated from Christ in place of my brothers, my relatives according to the flesh, <sup>4</sup>those who are Israelites. Theirs are the adoption as sons, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises. <sup>5</sup>Theirs are the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, came the Christ, who is God over all, eternally blessed. Amen.

## VERSE OF THE DAY





## THE GOSPEL LESSON

## MATTHEW 14:22-33

M: The Gospel according to St. Matthew chapter 14:22-33



<sup>22</sup>Immediately Jesus urged the disciples to get into the boat and to go ahead of him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowd. <sup>23</sup>After he had dismissed the crowd, he went up onto the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone. <sup>24</sup>By then the boat was quite a distance from shore, being pounded by the waves because the wind was against it. <sup>25</sup>In the fourth watch of the night, Jesus came toward them, walking on the sea. <sup>26</sup>When the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified and cried out in fear, "It's a ghost!" <sup>27</sup>But Jesus spoke to them at once, saying, "Take heart! It is I! Do not be afraid."

<sup>28</sup>Peter answered him and said, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water."

<sup>29</sup>Jesus said, "Come!"

Peter stepped down from the boat, walked on the water, and went toward Jesus. <sup>30</sup>But when he saw the strong wind, he was afraid. As he began to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!"

<sup>31</sup>Immediately Jesus stretched out his hand, took hold of him, and said to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" <sup>32</sup>When they got into the boat, the wind stopped. <sup>33</sup>Those who were in the boat worshipped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God!"

M: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

*After the Gospel, the congregation sings:*



## THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.

I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.

From there 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.

*BE SEATED*

SERMON HYMN

CW #405 (vv. 1, 3, 5, & 6)

405

# Oh, for a Faith that Will Not Shrink



1 Oh, for a faith that will not shrink Though  
 2 That will not mur - mur nor com - plain Be -  
 3 A faith that shines more bright and clear When  
 4 That bears un - moved the world's dread frown Nor  
 5 A faith that keeps the nar - row way Till



pressed by man - y a foe, That will not trem - ble  
 neath the chas - t'ning rod, But in the hour of  
 tem - pests rage with - out, That, when in dan - ger,  
 heeds its scorn - ful smile, That sin's wild o - cean  
 life's last spark is fled And with a pure and



on the brink Of pov - er - ty or woe,  
 grief or pain Can lean up - on its God,  
 knows no fear, In dark - ness feels no doubt,  
 can - not drown Nor Sa - tan's arts be - guile,  
 heav'n - ly ray Lights up the dy - ing bed.

6 Lord, give us such a faith as this,  
 And then, whate'er may come,  
 We'll taste e'en now the hallowed bliss  
 Of an eternal home.

## SERMON

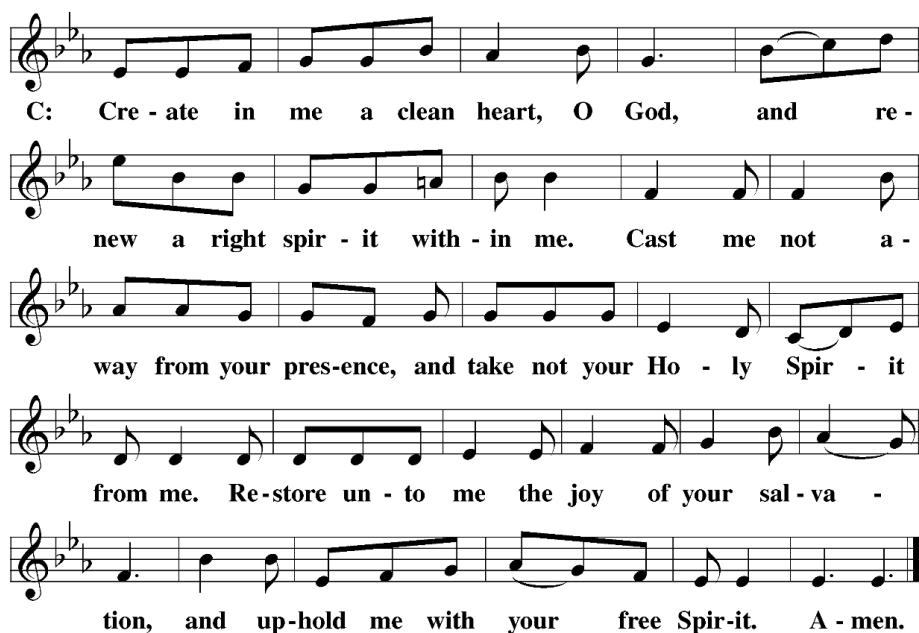
Matthew 14:22-33

### “Keep Your Eyes on Jesus”

STAND

*After the sermon, the congregation sings:*

## CREATE IN ME



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

BE SEATED

**OFFERING** (No offering will be taken at this time. If you have brought your offering, you can put it in the collection plate at each door entrance after the service. Thank you!)

*STAND*

## **PRAYER**

### **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.**

*BE SEATED*

**HYMN**

**CWS #439**

439

## Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me



1 Lord, take my hand and lead me Up - on life's way;  
 2 Lord, when the tem - pest ra - ges, I need not fear;  
 3 Lord, when the shad - ows length - en And night has come,



Di - rect, pro - tect, and feed me From day to day.  
 For you, the Rock of A - ges, Are al - ways near.  
 I know that you will strength - en My steps toward home,



With - out your grace and fa - vor I go a - stray;  
 Close by your side a - bid - ing, I fear no foe,  
 And noth - ing can im - pede me, O bless - ed Friend!



So take my hand, O Sav - ior, And lead the way.  
 For when your hand is guid - ing, In peace I go.  
 So take my hand and lead me Un - to the end.

STAND

**M:** Almighty God, grant to your Church the Holy Spirit and the wisdom that comes from above. Let nothing hinder your Word from being freely proclaimed to the joy and edifying of Christ's holy people, so that we may serve you in steadfast faith and confess your name as long as we live, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - - men.

**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.



BE SEATED

## CLOSING HYMN

CW #433

433

## Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me

1 Je - sus, Sav - ior, pi - lot me O - ver life's tem -  
2 As a moth - er stills her child, Thou canst hush the  
3 When at last I near the shore And the fear - ful

pes - tuous sea; Un - known waves be - fore me roll,  
o - cean wild. Bois - t'rous waves o - bey thy will  
break - ers roar 'Twixt me and the peace - ful rest,

Hid - ing rock and treach-'rous shoal. Chart and com - pass  
When thou say'st to them, "Be still!" Won-drous Sov - 'reign  
Then, while lean - ing on thy breast, May I hear thee

come from thee: Je - sus, Sav - ior, pi - lot me.  
of the sea, Je - sus, Sav - ior, pi - lot me.  
say to me, "Fear not! I will pi - lot thee."

**SERVING IN WORSHIP**

**Liturgy** ..... Pastor Smith  
**Preacher** ..... Pastor Smith  
**Organist** ..... Linda Smith  
**Deacons** ..... (Thursday) Dave Frey and Duane Mason  
..... (8:30) Dave Boswell and Ed Wheeler  
..... (11:00) Robert Niethammer and Brian Zahn  
**Altar Guild** ..... Scott and Marcia Ackling  
**Videographer** ..... Jacob Vershum

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