

# FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 14, Anno Domini (The Year of Our LORD)  
2025

## ✠ Preparation ✠

Welcome and Connection Cards

Opening Hymn - "The Wonderful Cross"

*Stand*

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

**[P]** In the Name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**[C] Amen.**

**[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.*

**[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.**

**[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.**

*Stand*

## ✠ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠

**Introit**

*Psalm 30: 2 - 5; antiphon: vv. 11a, 12b*

**[P]** You have turned for me my mourning into dancing;  
O LORD my God, I will give thanks to you forever!  
O LORD my God, I cried to you for help,  
and you have healed me.  
O LORD, you have brought up my soul from Sheol;  
you restored me to life from among those who go down to the pit.  
Sing praises to the LORD, O you his saints,  
and give thanks to his holy Name.  
For his anger is but for a moment, and his favor is for a lifetime.  
Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the morning.

**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.**

**[P]** You have turned for me my mourning into dancing;  
.O LORD my God, I will give thanks to you forever!.

## Kyrie (11 a.m. only)

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**A/P** In peace let us pray to the LORD.



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

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



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

**A/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.

**A/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.

**A/P** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious LORD.



## Salutation and Collect of the Day



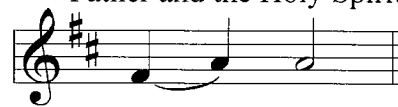
**P** The Lord be with you.



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

**P** Let us pray.

LORD Jesus, You are the Good Shepherd, without whom nothing is secure. Rescue and preserve us that we may not be lost forever but follow You, rejoicing in the way that leads to eternal life; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

*Sit*

## Old Testament Reading

*Ezekiel 34: 11 - 24*

*After the reading:*

**L** This is the Word of the LORD.

## **C** Thanks be to God.

### Psalm

*Psalm 119: 169 - 176; antiphon: v. 176*

ת TAW\*

\*ת 'Taw' (tau) is the twenty-second and last letter of the Hebrew alphabet. The letter is associated with the concept of a "mark" or "tally", similar to how we use a ✓ or an x. The original pictograph was in the form of a cross – interestingly it is the last letter in אמת (emet), meaning truth (Hebrew reads right to left). Psalm 119 is an acrostic poem where each line of each stanza begins with the same letter, and each stanza (letter) praises God for His law (Torah) and His word. The Psalm for today is the "T" section at the end of the psalm.

- <sup>169</sup>Let my cry come before you, O LORD;  
give me understanding according to your word!  
<sup>170</sup>Let my plea come before you;  
deliver me according to your word.  
<sup>171</sup>My lips will pour forth praise,  
for you teach me your statutes.  
<sup>172</sup>My tongue will sing of your word,  
for all your commandments are right.  
<sup>173</sup>Let your hand be ready to help me,  
for I have chosen your precepts.  
<sup>174</sup>I long for your salvation, O LORD,  
and your law is my delight.  
<sup>175</sup>Let my soul live and praise you,  
and let your just decrees help me.  
<sup>176</sup>I have gone astray like a lost sheep; seek your servant,  
for I do not forget your commandments.

### Epistle

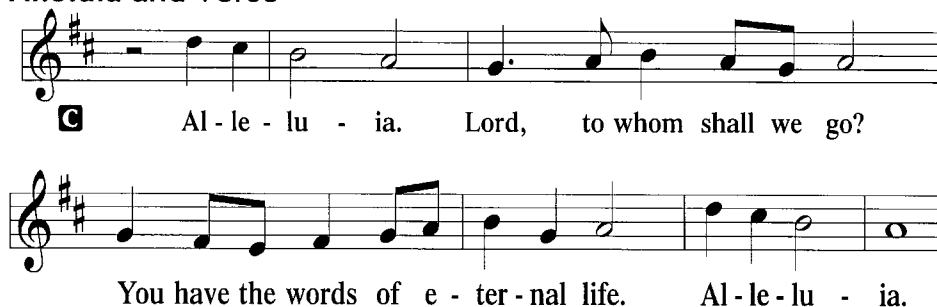
*1 Timothy 1: 5 - 17*

*After the reading:*

- L** This is the Word of the LORD.  
**C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

### Alleluia and Verse



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

### Holy Gospel

*Luke 15: 1 - 10*

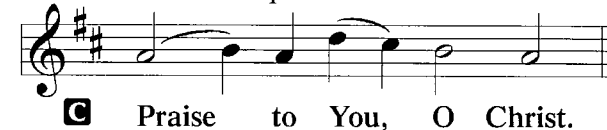
- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fifteenth chapter.



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

*After the reading:*

- P** This is the Gospel of the LORD.



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

*Sit*

### Hymn of the Day "Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

**Sermon:** "Lost and Found" *Luke 15: 1 - 10*

**MEMORY VERSE:** "There will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance." - Luke 15:7

Stand

### Apostles' Creed

**All:** 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  $\dagger$  everlasting. Amen.**

### Prayer of the Church

#### Pax Domini

**[A]** The peace of the LORD be with you always.

**[C]** Amen.

*Following the prayers, the people may greet one another in the  
Name of the LORD, saying, "Peace be with you," as a sign of  
reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace  
(Matt. 5:22–24; Eph. 4:1–3).*

Sit

### Offering

#### Offertory

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**[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.

**Benediction**

**A** 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 T give you  
peace.

**C** Amen.

*Sit*

**Announcements**

*Children are invited to come forward and assist in leading the  
Closing Song with percussion instruments*

**Closing Hymn - "May We Your Precepts LORD Fulfill"**