FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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

→ Preparation →

Welcome and Connection Cards

Opening Hymn - "God Himself is Present"

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.
- 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.
- 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.

- 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 119: 137 – 140, 142; antiphon: 144*

P Your testimonies are righteous forever; give me understanding that I may live. Righteous are you, O LORD,

and right are your just decrees.

You have appointed your testimonies in righteousness and in all faithfulness.

My zeal consumes me, because my foes forget your words.

Your promise is well tried, and your servant loves it.

Your righteousness is righteous forever, and your law is true.

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 Your testimonies are righteous forever; give me understanding that I may live.

A In peace let us pray to the LORD.

C LORD, have mercy.

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

C LORD, have mercy.

A 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 mercy.

A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the LORD.

C LORD, have mercy.

A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious LORD.

C Amen.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The LORD be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

O LORD, keep Your Church in Your perpetual mercy; and because without You we cannot but fall, preserve us from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our LORD, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Amos 8: 4 − 7

After the reading:

L This is the Word of the LORD.

C Thanks be to God.

Praise the LORD!

Praise, O servants of the LORD, praise the Name of the LORD!

²Blessèd be the Name of the LORD from this time forth and forevermore!

³From the rising of the sun to its setting, the Name of the LORD is to be praised!

⁴The LORD is high above all nations, and his glory above the heavens!

⁵Who is like the LORD our God, who is seated on high,

⁶who looks far down on the heavens and the earth?

⁷He raises the poor from the dust and lifts the needy from the ash heap,

⁸to make them sit with princes, with the princes of his people.

⁹He gives the barren woman a home, making her the joyous mother of children. Praise the LORD!

Epistle

1Timothy 2: 1 - 5

After the reading:

L This is the Word of the LORD.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Verse of the Day

1 Timothy 2: 5 − 6a

All: Alleluia! For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave himself as a ransom for all. Alleluia!

Holy Gospel

Luke 16: 1 - 15

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

Glory 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 - Blue 5 - "Ancient Words"

Sermon "The Merciful Master" Luke 16: 1 – 15

MEMORY VERSE: "No servant can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money." Luke 16:13

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 + 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 Prayer

Benediction LSB 183

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

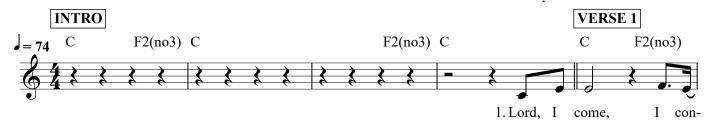
Children are invited to come forward and assist in leading the Closing Song with percussion instruments

Closing Hymn - Handout - "This Is Amazing Grace"

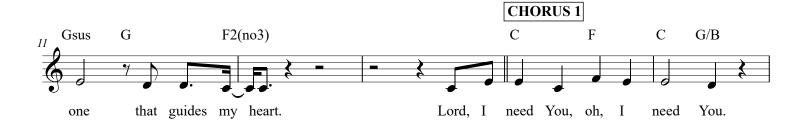
Lord I Need You

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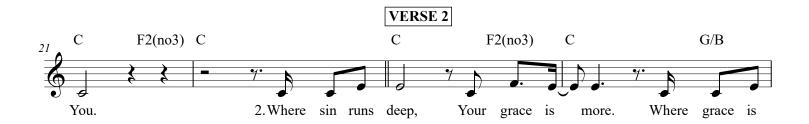
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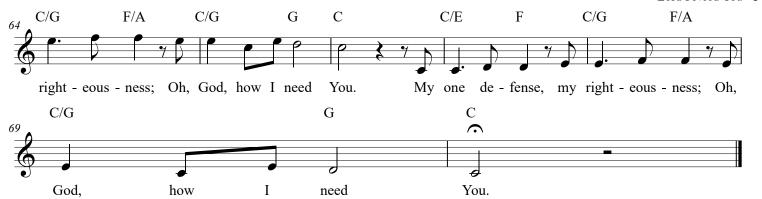






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