

THE TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 16th, Anno Domini (The Year of Our
LORD) 2026

✠ Preparation ✠

Welcome and Connection Cards

Stand

**Opening Hymn - LSB 981 To Your Temple, Lord I
Come**

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

Invocation

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

[C] Amen.

[L]/[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.

[L]/[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.

Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 28:1–2 6-7; antiphon: v. 8

The Lord is the strength of his people;

he is the saving refuge of his anointed.

To you, O LORD, I call; my rock, be not deaf to
me, lest, if you be silent to me, I become like those
who go down to the pit. Hear the voice of my pleas
for mercy, when I cry to you for help, when I lift up
my hands toward your most holy sanctuary.

Blessed be the Lord!

For he has heard the voice of my pleas for mercy.

The Lord is my strength and my shield; in him my heart trusts, and I am helped;

my heart exults, and with my song I give thanks to him.

**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.

The LORD is the strength of this people;

He is the saving refuge of his anointed.

Kyrie

L/P In peace let us pray to the LORD.

C LORD, have mercy.

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

C LORD, have mercy.

L/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 mercy.

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

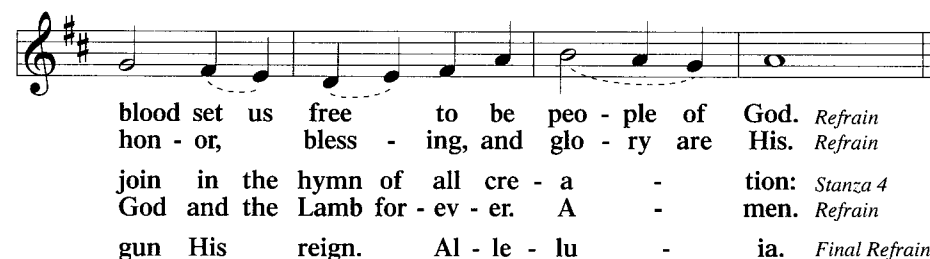
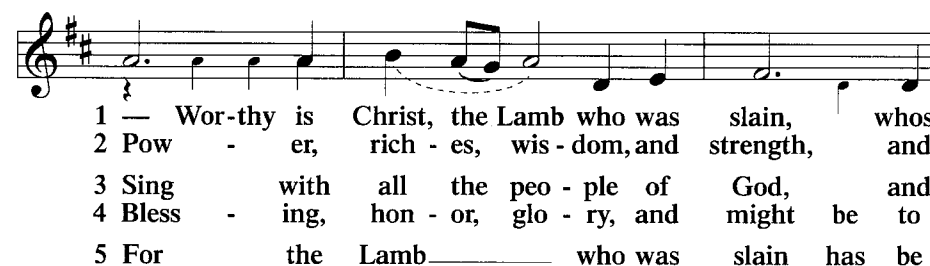
C LORD, have mercy.

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

C Amen.

This Is the Feast

LSB 155



Salutation and Collect of the Day

L P The LORD be with you.

C And also with you.

L P Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting Father, You give
Your Children many blessings even though we
are undeserving. In every trial and temptation
grant us steadfast confidence in Your loving-
kindness and mercy; 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 *Isaiah 56: 1, 6-8*

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Psalm

Psalm 67; antiphon: v. 5.

May God be gracious to us and bless us
and make his face to shine upon us,
that your way may be known on earth,
your saving power among all nations.
Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you!

Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
for you judge the peoples with equity
and guide the nations upon earth.
Let the peoples praise you, O God;

Let all the peoples praise you!

The earth had yielded its increase;

God, our God, shall bless us.

God shall bless us;

let all the ends of the earth fear him!

• Epistle Reading

Romans 11: 2a, 13-15, 28-32

L This is the Word of the LORD.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Verse of the Day

Psalm 147: 2-3

Alleluia! The Lord builds up Jerusalem; he gathers the
outcasts of Israel. He heals the brokenhearted and binds
up their wounds. Alleluia!

Holy Gospel

Matthew 15:21 - 28

L P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew,
the fifteenth chapter.

C Glory to You, O LORD.

L/P This is the Gospel of the LORD.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

Hymn of the Day - LSB 653 In Christ There Is No East or West

Sermon *“Pestering, Petitioning, Partaking” Matthew 15:21-28*

Stand

Nicene Creed

**All: I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one LORD Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came
down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the
virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius
Pilate.**

He suffered and was buried.

**And the third day He rose again according to
the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.**

**And He will come again with glory to judge both
the living and
the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the LORD and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is
worshiped and
glorified, who spoke by the prophets.**

**And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic
Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of
sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life ✝ of the world to come. Amen.**

Prayer of the Church

Pax Domini

P The peace of the LORD be with you always.
C Amen.

The congregation now greets 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

Connection Cards

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Offering and Offertory

Announcements *LSB 159*

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Closing Hymn - LSB 649 Blest Be the Tie That Binds



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



P 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 ✠ give you peace.



C A - men.

Sit