

THE 9th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST AUGUST 11 & 12, 2019

Welcome to Worship! “Do not be anxious. Do not be worried. Fear not.” Those words are easy to say, not so easy to do! Yet Jesus reminds us that the God who provides for the most insignificant (to us) like birds and flowers, provided even more for His greatest creation. What a great message of hope to hear. And from that hope springs our opportunity to care for others.

First time guests: Please stop by the Welcome Center for a travel mug and other gifts!

A Staffed Nursery is available at **9:00 A.M.** below the entrance on Walnut St. and a Comfort Room is in the Atrium.

Bible Classes and Sunday School are recessed for the Summer. Adult Class meets in 202.

Cell Phones: *Please remember to silence cell phones and electronics during worship.*

Holy Communion will be offered at **9:00 A.M. and 7:00 P.M.** If you are not a confirmed member of the Lutheran church, please contact an Elder or Pastor before Communing. Gluten free wafers are available. The Common Cup will be served to those who have not taken an individual cup. Wine with alcohol removed is in the center of the tray.

Large Print bulletins and Hearing devices are available from an usher.

+ DIVINE SERVICE I, Page 151 +

THE PRELUDE: “Oh, that I had a Thousand Voices” -Burkhardt

THE OPENING HYMN: “Rejoice, O Pilgrim Throng” Hymn 813

THE CONFESSION, ABSOLUTION, AND KYRIE: Pages 151-153

THE HYMN OF PRAISE: “This is the Feast of Victory!” Page 155

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY (We pray together)

Almighty and merciful God, it is by Your grace that we live as Your people who offer acceptable service. Grant that we may walk by faith, and not by sight, in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

THE WORD OF THE MONTH: (We speak together) Jesus said to them, “Take care, and be on your guard against all covetousness, for one's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions.” Luke 12:15

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING: Genesis 15:1-6 (page 10)

After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision: “Fear not, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.” But Abram said, “O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?” And

Abram said, “Behold, you have given me no offspring, and a member of my household will be my heir.” And behold, the word of the LORD came to him: “This man shall not be your heir; your very own son shall be your heir.” And he brought him outside and said, “Look toward heaven, and number the stars, if you are able to number them.” Then he said to him, “So shall your offspring be.” And he believed the LORD, and he counted it to him as righteousness.

L: This is the Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God!**

THE EPISTLE READING: Hebrews 11:1-16 (page 1007)

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. For by it the people of old received their commendation. By faith we understand that the universe was created by the word of God, so that what is seen was not made out of things that are visible. By faith Abel offered to God a more acceptable sacrifice than Cain, through which he was commended as righteous, God commending him by accepting his gifts. And through his faith, though he died, he still speaks. By faith Enoch was taken up so that he should not see death, and he was not found, because God had taken him. Now before he was taken he was commended as having pleased God. And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him. By faith Noah, being warned by God concerning events as yet unseen, in reverent fear constructed an ark for the saving of his household. By this he condemned the world and became an heir of the righteousness that comes by faith. By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he went to live in the land of promise, as in a foreign land, living in tents with Isaac and Jacob, heirs with him of the same promise. For he was looking forward to the city that has foundations, whose designer and builder is God. By faith Sarah herself received power to conceive, even when she was past the age, since she considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one man, and him as good as dead, were born descendants as many as the stars of heaven and as many as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore. These all died in faith, not having received the things promised, but having seen them and greeted them from afar, and having acknowledged that they were strangers and exiles on the earth. For people who speak thus make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of that land from which they had gone out, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared for them a city.

L: This is the Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God!**

THE ALLELUIA and VERSE: Page 156

THE GOSPEL: Luke 12:22-34 (Page 871) **C: (Sing) Glory to You, O Lord.**

And He said to His disciples, “Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat, nor about your body, what you will put on. For life is more than food, and the

body more than clothing. Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds! And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? If then you are not able to do as small a thing as that, why are you anxious about the rest? Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass, which is alive in the field today, and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you, O you of little faith! And do not seek what you are to eat and what you are to drink, nor be worried. For all the nations of the world seek after these things, and your Father knows that you need them. Instead, seek His kingdom, and these things will be added to you. “Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give to the needy. Provide yourselves with moneybags that do not grow old, with a treasure in the heavens that does not fail, where no thief approaches and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

L: This is the Gospel of the Lord. C: (Sing) Praise to You, O Christ!

THE HYMN: “Have No Fear, Little Flock” **Hymn 735**

THE SERMON: “Faith Overcomes Fear”

THE CREED: 9:00/7:00 NICENE, (page 158); 11:15 APOSTLES’ (page 159)

THE OFFERING: (Please register Attendance and Communion)

THE MUSICAL OFFERING: “Trio II” -Rheinberger

+++ 9:00 THE WELCOME OF TEACHER KELLEY WHITSON

THE DEDICATION AND BLESSING OF TEACHERS

THE PRAYERS

+++ 9:00/7:00 HOLY COMMUNION: Pages 160-166; Hymns: 744, 636, 801, 733, 694

THE CLOSING HYMN: “Great Is Thy Faithfulness” **Hymn 809**

Please take time after the closing hymn to greet and introduce yourself to those around you.

THE POSTLUDE: “Allegro Maestoso” -Mendelssohn

A Pastor will be available after the service in the chapel to take prayer requests or notes for care.

Preacher: Pastor Rodriguez **Liturgists:** Pastor Bloch and Pastor Blomenberg

Lector: Vicar Ronchetto **Organist:** Paul Scheiderer **Special Music:** Carmyn Wilson

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