



GRACE LUTHERAN  
CHURCH • SCHOOL



**THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**AUGUST 29, 2020 - 5:00 PM**  
**AUGUST 30, 2020 - 10:45 AM**

*(The \* indicates when the congregation is to stand.)*

## PRELUDE

## WELCOME

**\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN** “Lift High the Cross” (sts. 1, 4 & 5)

*Hymn 837*

### ***Refrain***

**Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim  
Till all the world adore His sacred name.**

**Come, Christians, follow where our Captain trod,  
Our king victorious, Christ, the Son of God. Refrain**

**O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,  
As Thou hast promised, draw us all to Thee. Refrain**

**Let ev’ry race and ev’ry language tell  
Of Him who saves our lives from death and hell. Refrain**

## **\*THE INVOCATION, CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

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**Pastor:** In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People:** Amen.

**Leader:** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**People:** **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

**Leader:** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father,

**People:** **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.

Leader: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a 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.

People: Amen.

**\*THE HYMN OF PRAISE**

"Gloria in Excelsis

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**A** Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His peo - ple on earth.



**C** Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa - ther:



We wor-ship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer.



For You a-lone are the Ho-ly One, You a-lone are the Lord,



hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. <sup>13</sup>Share with God's people who are in need. Practice hospitality. <sup>14</sup>Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse. <sup>15</sup>Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn. <sup>16</sup>Live in harmony with one another. Do not be proud, but be willing to associate with people of low position. Do not be conceited. <sup>17</sup>Do not repay anyone evil for evil. Be careful to do what is right in the eyes of everybody. <sup>18</sup>If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone. <sup>19</sup>Do not take revenge, my friends, but leave room for God's wrath, for it is written: "It is mine to avenge; I will repay," says the Lord. <sup>20</sup>On the contrary: "If your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink. In doing this, you will heap burning coals on his head." <sup>21</sup>Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

### **\*THE HOLY GOSPEL**

*Matthew 16:21-28*

Pastor: The Gospel according to St. Matthew, the sixteenth chapter.

**People: Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>21</sup>From that time Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. <sup>22</sup>And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "Far be it from you, Lord! This shall never happen to you." <sup>23</sup>But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a hindrance to me. For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man." <sup>24</sup>Then Jesus told his disciples, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. <sup>25</sup>For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. <sup>26</sup>For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his life? Or what shall a man give in return for his life? <sup>27</sup>For the Son of Man is going to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay each person according to what he has done. <sup>28</sup>Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death until they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**People: Praise to You, O Christ.**

## **[10:45]CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

### **\*SERMON HYMN**

**“Take Up Your Cross’ the Savior Said”**

*(sts. 1-3, tune: Winchester New)*

**“Take up your cross,” the Savior said, “If you would my disciple be;  
Forsake the past, and come this day, And humbly follow after me.”**

**Take up your cross; let not its weight Pervade your soul with vain alarm;  
His strength shall bear your spirit up, Sustain your heart, and nerve your arm.**

**Take up your cross, nor heed the shame, nor let your foolish heart rebel;  
For you the Lord endured the cross to save your soul from death and hell.**

**Take up your cross and follow Christ, Nor think till death to lay it down;  
For only those who bear the cross May hope to wear a golden crown.**

### **THE SERMON**

**“Take Up Your Cross”**

*Matthew 16:24*

### **\*CONFESSION OF FAITH - NICENE CREED**

**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.

### **\*PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

Pastor: Lord, in Your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

### **HOLY COMMUNION**

#### **\*WORDS OF PREPARATION**

#### **\*WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

#### **\*LORD'S PRAYER**

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.

*(Please be seated.)*

## **DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION**

### **MUSIC DURING THE DISTRIBUTION**

“The Old Rugged Cross”

*G. Bennard*

On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross,  
the emblem of suffering and shame;  
And I love that old cross, where the dearest and best  
for a world of lost sinners was slain.

#### **Chorus**

So I'll cherish the old rugged cross,  
till my trophies at last I lay down;  
I will cling to the old rugged cross,  
and exchange it someday for a crown.

O the old rugged cross, so despised by the world,  
has a wondrous attraction for me;  
For the dear Lamb of God left His glory above  
to bear it to dark Calvary. Chorus

**In the old rugged cross, stained with blood so divine,  
a wondrous beauty I see;  
For 'twas on that old cross Jesus suffered and died  
to pardon and sanctify me. Chorus**

**To the old rugged cross I will ever be true;  
its shame and reproach gladly bear.  
Then He'll call me someday to my home far away,  
where His glory forever I'll share. Chorus**

**"Drawn to the Cross, Which Thou Hast Blessed"**

*Hymn 560*

**Drawn to the cross, which Thou hast blessed  
With healing gifts for souls distressed,  
To find in Thee my life, my rest,  
Christ crucified, I come.**

**Thou knowest all my griefs and fears,  
Thy grace abused, my misspent years;  
Yet now to Thee with contrite tears,  
Christ crucified, I come.**

**Wash me and take away each stain;  
Let nothing of my sin remain.  
For cleansing, though it be through pain,  
Christ crucified, I come.**

**And then for work to do for Thee,  
Which shall so sweet a service be  
That angels well might envy me,  
Christ crucified, I come.**

*(Worshippers are self-dismissed to exit after communing.)*

## WORSHIP SERVICE LEADERS

### SATURDAY, 5:00 PM

The Pastor	The Rev. Charles T. Reich
The Organist	Wynn Bonner
The Communion Deacon	Jan Struck
The Lector	Roger Walker
The Usher/Greeter Team	Bill McComb, Bill Smith

### SUNDAY, 10:45 AM

The Preacher	The Rev. Charles T. Reich
The Liturgist	Vicar Michael Duffy
The Organist	Wynn Bonner
The Sound Technician	Rodney Steffen
The Elder on Duty	Jennifer Smith
The Lectors	Dr. Ken Rogers, Linda Aceto
The Communion Deacons	Fred Aceto, Lou Marinelli
The Welcome Team Greeter	Pat Beacham
At the Welcome Center	Georgia Fisher
The Welcome Team Ushers	Donna Enzor, Steve Griffith, Carl Rod, Larry Walker

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