

# SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sat. Sept. 24, 2022, 6:00 p.m. & Sun. Sept. 25, 2022, 8:30 a.m.

Order of Worship

\* indicates congregation stands

**We welcome all people in the Name of Jesus Christ!**  
**John 3:16-17**

We invite you to fill out the Member/Guest Connection Card.  
You may place it in the offering plate as you leave today.

Prelude

How Lovely is Thy Dwelling Place *J. Brahms*

Welcome

Opening Hymn

Rejoice, O Pilgrim Throng *LSB 813*



1 Re - joice, O pil - grim throng! Re - joice, give  
2 With voice as full and strong As o - cean's  
3 With all the an - gel choirs, With all the  
5 Still lift your stan - dard high, Still march in



thanks, and sing; Your fes - tal ban - ner  
surg - ing praise, Send forth the stur - dy  
saints on earth Pour out the strains of  
firm ar - ray, As pil - grims through the



wave on high, The cross of Christ your king.  
hymns of old, The psalms of an - cient days.  
joy and bliss, True rap - ture, no - blest mirth.  
dark - ness wend Till dawns the gold - en day.

*Refrain*



Re - joice! Re - joice! Re - joice, give thanks, and sing!

## \* Invocation

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

**All: Amen**

## \* Opening Sentences

*Psalm 90:1, 12; 86:11-12; 119:159-160*

Leader: Lord, You have been our dwelling place in all generations.

**All: Teach us to number our days that we may get a heart of wisdom.**

Leader: Consider how I love Your precepts! Give me life according to Your steadfast love.

**All: The sum of Your word is truth, and every one of Your just and righteous decrees endures forever.**

Leader: Teach me Your way, O LORD, that I may walk in Your truth; unite my heart to fear Your name.

**All: I give thanks to You, O Lord my God, with my whole heart, and I will glorify Your name forever.**

## \* Confession and Absolution

Leader: It is good and right that we should make confession of our sins. The section on "Confession" in the Small Catechism by Dr. Martin Luther instructs us with these words:

**All: Confession has two parts. First, that we confess our sins, and second, that we receive absolution, that is, forgiveness, from the pastor as from God Himself, not doubting, but firmly believing that by it our sins are forgiven before God in heaven.**

Leader: Humble yourselves then before God, confess your sins to Him, and implore His forgiveness.

**All: O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a troubled and penitent sinner, confess to You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your present and eternal punishment. By nature, I am a sinful creature. By thought, word, and deed I have continually transgressed Your law. For the sake of the sufferings and death of Your Son, Jesus Christ, be gracious and merciful to me, a penitent and contrite being. Forgive me all my sins and grant me the power of Your Holy Spirit that I may amend my sinful life.**

Leader: God be gracious to you and strengthen your faith.

**All: Amen.**

Leader: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our ✠ Lord Jesus Christ.

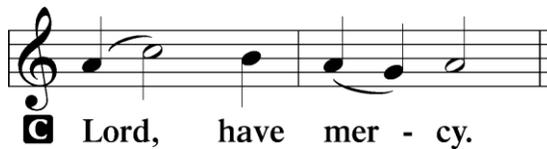
**All: Amen.**

### \* Kyrie

Leader: In peace let us pray to the Lord.



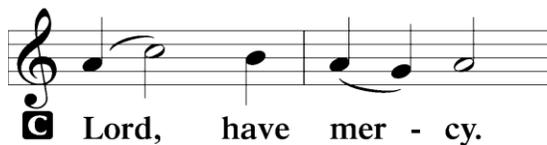
Leader: For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



Leader: 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.



Leader: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



Leader: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



\* Hymn of Praise

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven LSB 793



1 Praise, my soul, the King of heav - en; To His feet your  
4 An - gels, help us to a - dore Him; You be - hold Him



trib - ute bring; Ran - somed, healed, re - stored, for - giv - en,  
face to face; Sun and moon, bow down be - fore Him,



Ev - er - more His prais - es sing; Al - le - lu - ia,  
All who dwell in time and space. Al - le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia! Praise the ev - er - last - ing King.  
al - le - lu - ia! Praise with us the God of grace.

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\* Prayer of the Day

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray. O God, You are the strength of all who trust in You, and without Your aid we can do no good thing. Grant us the help of Your grace that we may please You in both will and deed; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**All: Amen.**

Making a Difference

Jon Dhuse/Paul Beyer

Old Testament Reading

Amos 6:1-7 NIV

***God's people are warned by the prophet.***

Lector: The Old Testament Reading is from the 6<sup>th</sup> chapter of Amos.

Woe to you who are complacent in Zion,  
and to you who feel secure on Mount Samaria,

you notable men of the foremost nation,  
to whom the people of Israel come!  
Go to Kalneh and look at it;  
go from there to great Hamath,  
and then go down to Gath in Philistia.  
Are they better off than your two kingdoms?  
Is their land larger than yours?  
You put off the day of disaster  
and bring near a reign of terror.  
You lie on beds adorned with ivory  
and lounge on your couches.  
You dine on choice lambs  
and fattened calves.  
You strum away on your harps like David  
and improvise on musical instruments.  
You drink wine by the bowlful  
and use the finest lotions,  
but you do not grieve over the ruin of Joseph.  
Therefore you will be among the first to go into exile;  
your feasting and lounging will end.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## Epistle

I Timothy 3:1–13 NIV

### ***The qualities needed in an overseer and deacon.***

Lector: The Epistle is from the 3<sup>rd</sup> chapter of 1 Timothy.

Here is a trustworthy saying: Whoever aspires to be an overseer desires a noble task. Now the overseer is to be above reproach, faithful to his wife, temperate, self-controlled, respectable, hospitable, able to teach, not given to drunkenness, not violent but gentle, not quarrelsome, not a lover of money. He must manage his own family well and see that his children obey him, and he must do so in a manner worthy of full respect. (If anyone does not know how to manage his own family, how can he take care of God's church?) He must not be a recent convert, or he may become conceited and fall under the same judgment as the devil. He must also have a good reputation with outsiders, so that he will not fall into disgrace and into the devil's trap.

In the same way, deacons are to be worthy of respect, sincere, not indulging in much wine, and not pursuing dishonest gain. They must keep hold of the deep truths of the faith with a clear conscience. They must first be tested; and then if there is nothing against them, let them serve as deacons.

In the same way, the women are to be worthy of respect, not malicious talkers but temperate and trustworthy in everything.

A deacon must be faithful to his wife and must manage his children and his household well. Those who have served well gain an excellent standing and great assurance in their faith in Christ Jesus.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## Choir Anthem

He, Watching Over Israel *Felix Mendelssohn*

He, watching over Israel, slumbers not, nor sleeps.  
Shouldst thou, walking in grief, languish,  
He will quicken thee.  
He, watching over Israel, slumbers not, nor sleeps.

***Please stand to sing the Alleluia and Verse.***

## \* Alleluia and Verse

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 16:19–31 *NIV*

***The story of the rich man and poor Lazarus.***

Leader: The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 16<sup>th</sup> chapter.

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

“There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and lived in luxury every day. At his gate was laid a beggar named Lazarus, covered with sores and longing to eat what fell from the rich man’s table. Even the dogs came and licked his sores.

“The time came when the beggar died and the angels carried him to Abraham’s side. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was in torment, he looked up and saw Abraham far away, with Lazarus by his side. So he called to him, ‘Father Abraham, have pity on me and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, because I am in agony in this fire.’

“But Abraham replied, ‘Son, remember that in your lifetime you received your good things, while Lazarus received bad things, but now he is comforted here and you are in agony. And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been set in place, so that those who want to go from here to you cannot, nor can anyone cross over from there to us.’

“He answered, ‘Then I beg you, father, send Lazarus to my family, for I have five brothers. Let him warn them, so that they will not also come to this place of torment.’

“Abraham replied, ‘They have Moses and the Prophets; let them listen to them.’

“‘No, father Abraham,’ he said, ‘but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent.’

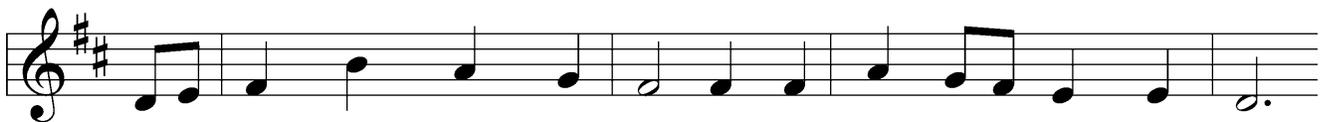
“He said to him, ‘If they do not listen to Moses and the Prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.’”

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**All: Praise to You. O Christ.**

## Hymn of the Day

O Word of God Incarnate *LSB 523*



1 O Word of God in - car-nate, O Wis - dom from on high,  
2 The Church from You, dear Mas-ter, Re-ceived the gift di - vine;  
3 O make Your Church, dear Sav-ior, A lamp of bur - nished gold



O Truth un - changed, un - chang - ing, O Light of our dark sky:  
 And still that light is lift - ed O'er all the earth to shine.  
 To bear be - fore the na - tions Your true light as of old!



We praise You for the ra - diance That from the hal - lowed page,  
 It is the chart and com - pass That, all life's voy - age through,  
 O teach Your wan - d'ring pil - grims By this their path to trace



A lan - tern to our foot - steps, Shines on from age to age.  
 Mid mists and rocks and quick - sands Still guides, O Christ, to You.  
 Till, clouds and dark - ness end - ed, They see You face to face!

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Sermon

Rev. Mark Rossington

**\* 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

Offerings will be received at the end of the service  
as you exit the Sanctuary.

\* Offertory

“Create In Me”



Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -  
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -  
way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it  
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -  
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

Reception of New Members

\* Prayer of the Church

Leader: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ  
Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

**After each prayer, the Leader will say, “Lord, in your mercy.”  
The congregation responds, “Hear our prayer.”**

Leader: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we  
pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ,  
our Lord.

**All: Amen.**

\* Lord's Prayer

**All: 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**

\* Benediction

Leader: 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.

**All: Amen.**

Closing Hymn

Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones *LSB 670*



1 Ye watch - ers and ye ho - ly ones, Bright  
 2 O high - er than the cher - u - bim, More  
 4 O friends, in glad - ness let us sing, Su -



ser - apts, cher - u - bim, and thrones, Raise the glad strain:  
 glo - rious than the ser - a - phim, Lead their prais - es:  
 per - nal an - thems ech - o - ing: "Al - le - lu - ia,



"Al - le - lu - ia!" Cry out, do - min - ions, prince - doms,  
 "Al - le - lu - ia!" Thou bear - er of the e - ter - nal  
 al - le - lu - ia!" To God the Fa - ther, God the



pow'rs, Vir - tues, arch - an - gels, an - gels'  
 Word, Most gra - cious, mag - ni - fy the  
 Son, And God the Spir - it, Three in



choirs: "Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -  
 Lord: "Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -  
 One: "Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -



lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!"  
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!"  
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!"

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## Postlude

## Suite Gothique Allegro L. Boellmann

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