



Sunday, September 4, 2022 - Lectionary 23, Year C

RINGING OF BELL

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

SERVICE OF BEGINNING FOR INTERN KRIS (excerpt)

L: In the coming year, members of the congregation and the supervising pastor, are asked to accept this intern as a partner in ministry: welcoming her into their homes, sharing in her learning and growth, and encouraging, supporting and praying for her. Now I ask you, will you receive Intern Kris as a partner in ministry and uphold and support her in every way?

**C: Yes, by God's help.**

P: Let us pray: Almighty God, by whose call we are at work:

**C: bless us and sustain us in our labors together, make us faithful to your word, empower us to show one another and all creation your justice and love, and bring all at last to your heavenly home, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

CALL TO WORSHIP: PSALM 1

L: Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked,  
nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful!

**C: Their delight is in the law of the LORD,  
and they meditate on God's teaching day and night.**

L: They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season,  
with leaves that do not wither; everything they do shall prosper.

**C: It is not so with the wicked;  
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.**

L: Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes,  
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.

**C: For the LORD knows the way of the righteous,  
but the way of the wicked shall be destroyed.**

HYMN: *Let Us Ever Walk With Jesus*

vss. 1,2,3

ELW #802

- 1 Let us ever walk with Jesus, follow his example pure,  
through a world that would deceive us and to sin our spirits lure.  
Onward in his footsteps treading, trav'lers here, our home above,  
full of faith and hope and love, let us do our Savior's bidding.  
Faithful Lord, with me abide; I shall follow where you guide.

- 2 **Let us suffer here with Jesus, and with patience bear our cross.  
Joy will follow all our sadness; where he is there is no loss.  
Though today we sow no laughter, we shall reap celestial joy:  
all discomforts that annoy shall give way to mirth hereafter.  
Jesus, here I share your woe; help me there your joy to know.**
  
- 3 **Let us gladly die with Jesus. Since by death he conquered death,  
he will free us from destruction, give to us immortal breath.  
Let us mortify all passion that would lead us into sin;  
and the grave that shuts us in shall but prove the gate of heaven.  
Jesus, here with you I die, there to live with you on high.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY *We pray together*

**Direct us, O Lord God, in all our doings with your continual help, that in all our works, begun, continued, and ended in you, we may glorify your holy name; and finally, by your mercy, bring us to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

A READING FROM: DEUTERONOMY 30:15-20

<sup>15</sup>See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. <sup>16</sup>If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the LORD your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. <sup>17</sup>But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, <sup>18</sup>I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. <sup>19</sup>I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, <sup>20</sup>loving the LORD your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the LORD swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.

WORD OF GOD, WORD OF LIFE. **THANKS BE TO GOD.**

THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO: LUKE 14:25-33

**C. Glory to you, O Lord**

<sup>25</sup>Now large crowds were traveling with [Jesus;] and he turned and said to them, <sup>26</sup>“Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. <sup>27</sup>Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. <sup>28</sup>For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? <sup>29</sup>Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, <sup>30</sup>saying, ‘This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.’ <sup>31</sup>Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? <sup>32</sup>If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. <sup>33</sup>So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions.”

P: THE GOSPEL OF OUR LORD. **C: PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST.**

SERMON: Pastor Julie Rogness

HYMN *Lord Jesus You Shall be My Song*

vss. 1,2,3

ELW #808

- 1 **Lord Jesus, you shall be my song as I journey;  
I'll tell ev'rybody about you wherever I go:  
you alone are our life and our peace and our love.  
Lord Jesus, you shall be my song as I journey.**

- 2 Lord Jesus, I'll praise you as long as I journey.  
May all of my joy be a faithful reflection of you.  
May the earth and the sea and the sky join my song.  
Lord Jesus, I'll praise you as long as I journey.
- 3 As long as I live, Jesus, make me your servant,  
to carry your cross and to share all your burdens and tears.  
For you saved me by giving your body and blood.  
As long as I live, Jesus, make me your servant.

APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS — SHARING THE PEACE

GENEROSITY IN ACTION: OFFERING—OFFERTORY —GLOBE OFFERING

*Children are invited to bring forward an offering to the globe in the front of the church. Globe offerings will go to one of our global mission partners to be decided by our youth.*

OFFERING PRAYER

P: God of all creation,  
C: **Bless our offering that it may reach those who hunger – who hurt - who seek new hope. With these gifts, we offer our whole lives to you, and pray that would renew us as we follow Christ seeking healing and wholeness for all creation.**

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS DIALOG

P: The table is set. God's banquet of blessing is ready.  
So if we come to this table angry,  
C: **Let this bread and wine be our peace.**  
P: If we come to this table broken,  
C: **Let this bread and wine be our grace.**  
P: If we come to the table betrayed,  
C: **Let this bread and wine be our wholeness.**  
P: If we come to the table in despair,  
C: **Let this bread and wine be our life.**  
P: For this is a holy table, with food to fill the hungry world and wine to quench thirsty hearts.  
C: **Thanks be to God.**

P: It is our duty and our joy that we give you thanks, and praise your name in this unending hymn:

LITURGY SONG: Holy, Holy

*from ELW Setting 4 – pg. 153*

**Holy, holy, holy Lord. Lord God of pow'r and might, heav'n and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION – LORD'S PRAYER – INVITATION TO COMMUNION

DISTRIBUTION —LAMB OF GOD & HYMN

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.**

COMMUNION HYMN: *As We Gather at Your Table*

vss-All

ELW #522

- 1 **As we gather at your table, as we listen to your word,  
Help us know, O God, your presence; let our hearts and minds be stirred.  
Nourish us with sacred story till we claim it as our own;  
Teach us through this holy banquet how to make Love's vict'ry known.**
- 2 **Turn our worship into witness in the sacrament of life;  
Send us forth to love and serve you, bringing peace where there is strife.  
Give us, Christ, your great compassion to forgive as your forgave;  
May we still behold your image in the world you died to save.**
- 3 **Gracious Spirit, help us summon other guests to share that feast  
Where triumphant Love will welcome those, who had been last and least.  
There no more will envy blind us nor will pride our peace destroy,  
As we join with saints and angels to repeat the sounding joy.**

TABLE BLESSING — PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION — BENEDICTION

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: **Amen.**

P: Let us pray.

C: **We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ out Lord. Amen.**

P: Almighty God, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

HYMN *Lift High the Cross*

vss.- All

ELW #660

REFRAIN: **Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim,  
till all the world adore his sacred name.**

- 1 **Come, Christians, follow where our captain trod,  
our king victorious, Christ, the Son of God. REFRAIN**
- 2 **All newborn servants of the Crucified  
bear on their brows the seal of him who died. REFRAIN**
- 3 **O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,  
as thou hast promised, draw us all to thee. REFRAIN**
- 4 **So shall our song of triumph ever be:  
praise to the Crucified for victory! REFRAIN**

*RINGING OF BELL*

DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

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## PARTICIPANTS

PASTOR—Julie Rogness      INTERN—Kris Kincaid      ASSISTANT—Heidi Haugen  
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## CALENDAR

Sun/Sept 4	9 AM	WORSHIP w/Communion – In Person & Live-Streamed
	7 PM	AA
Wed/Sept 7	6 PM	WEDNESDAY WORSHIP
Thu/Sept 8	1 PM	LOVE DAY
	6:30 PM	Stewardship
	7 PM	AA
Sun/Sept 11	9 AM	WORSHIP w/Communion – In Person & Live-Streamed
		<i>Rally Day &amp; Cradle Roll Bibles</i>
	10 AM	Sunday School
	10 AM	CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11 Please join us for a **Congregational Meeting following worship** to consider and vote on the upgrading of the North Basement Wall and new Windows Project.

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 18 10:30 am - Collaborative Worship, Meal & Service Projects at Holden Park, Bishop Hassanally preaching. See August Newsletter for more information.