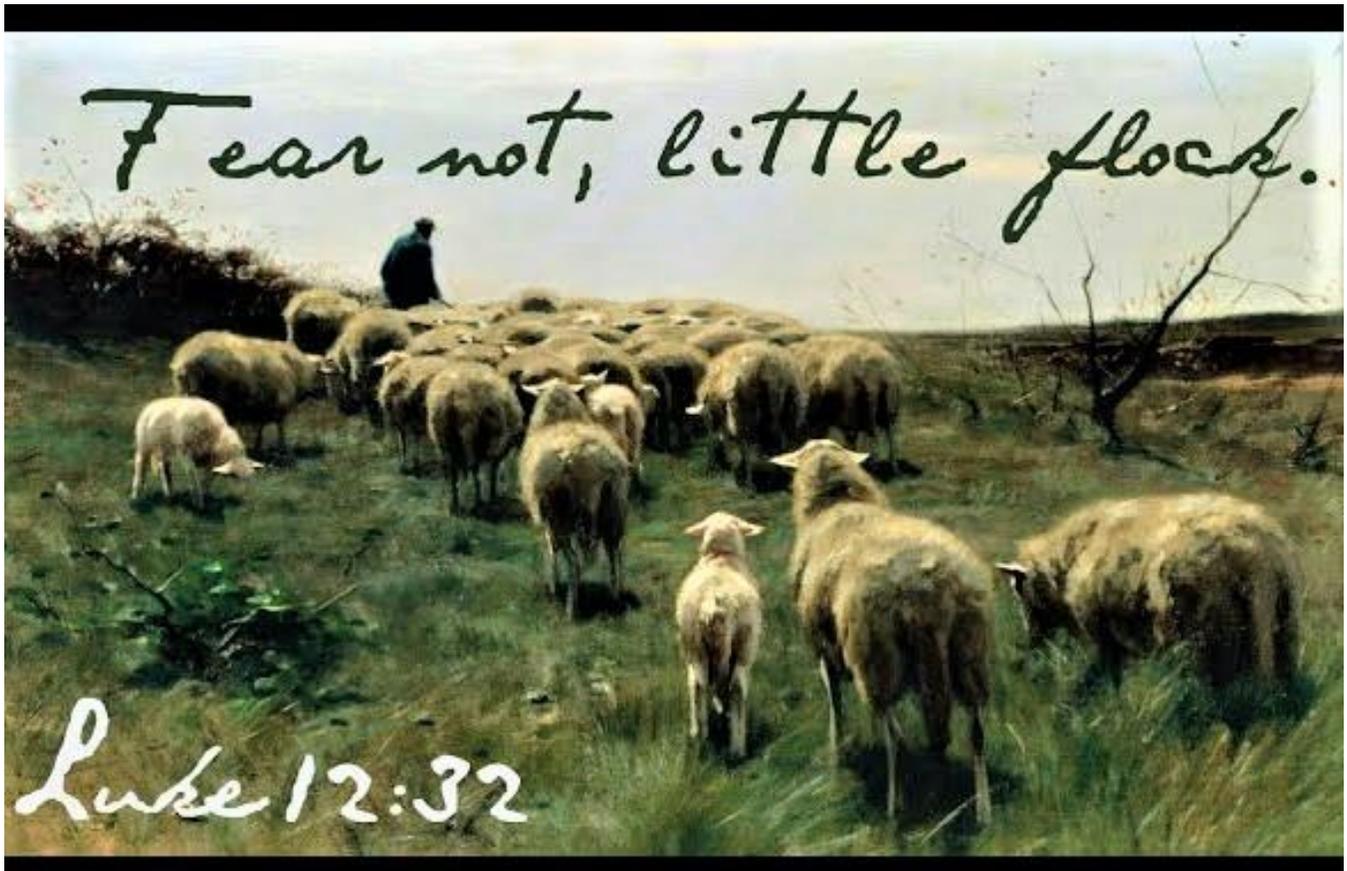


# Our Saviour

LUTHERAN CHURCH



## Service of Word & Music

7 August 2022

The 9<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Lectionary 19, Year C

Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Setting 4

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## GATHERING

*The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.*

### WELCOME TO OUR HYMN SING

*Throughout the service, the worship leader will ask for requests of songs to be sung from the red ELW hymnal.*

### GATHERING SONG

### *When Morning Gilds the Skies*

ELW 853

- 1 **When morning gilds the skies,  
my heart awaking cries:  
may Jesus Christ be praised!  
When evening shadows fall,  
this rings my curfew call:  
may Jesus Christ be praised!**
- 2 **When mirth for music longs,  
this is my song of songs:  
may Jesus Christ be praised!  
God's holy house of prayer  
has none that can compare  
with "Jesus Christ be praised!"**
- 3 **No lovelier antiphon  
in all high heav'n is known  
than "Jesus Christ be praised!"  
There to the eternal Word  
the eternal psalm is heard:  
oh, Jesus Christ be praised!**
- 4 **Let all of humankind  
in this their concord find:  
may Jesus Christ be praised!  
Let all the earth around  
ring joyous with the sound:  
may Jesus Christ be praised!**

5 **Sing, sun and stars of space,  
sing, all who see his face,  
sing, "Jesus Christ be praised!"  
God's whole creation o'er,  
today and evermore  
shall Jesus Christ be praised!**

Text: German hymn, 19th cent.; tr. Robert Bridges, 1844-1930, alt.

**APOSTOLIC GREETING**

**(2 CORINTHIANS 13:14)**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

**DIALOG**

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, king of the universe,

**for in your wisdom, you have formed us.**

You feed the hungry and clothe the naked.

**We bless you and praise your name forever.**

You set free those who are bound.

**We bless you and praise your name forever.**

You raise up those whose courage falters.

**We bless you and praise your name forever.**

You provide for our every need.

**Accept our grateful praises.**

You have called us from all peoples.

**We rejoice and bless your name forever.**

You bless your people with peace.

**We bless you and praise your loving grace.**

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, king of the universe,

**for in your wisdom, you have formed us.**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

*The presiding minister leads the prayer of the day.*

Let us pray. *[A brief silence is kept before the prayer.]*

Almighty God, you sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your church. Open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may be ready to receive you wherever you appear, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

## WORD

*God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching and song.*

*The assembly is seated.*

### FIRST READING:     **GENESIS 15:1-6**

<sup>1</sup>After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, “Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.” <sup>2</sup>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?” <sup>3</sup>And Abram said, “You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir.” <sup>4</sup>But the word of the LORD came to him, “This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir.” <sup>5</sup>He brought him outside and said, “Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them.” Then he said to him, “So shall your descendants be.” <sup>6</sup>And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness.

*The reading concludes:*

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### PSALM:               **Ps. 33:12-22**

<sup>12</sup>Happy is the nation whose God is the LORD!  
Happy the people chosen to be God’s heritage!

<sup>13</sup>**The LORD looks down from heaven,  
and sees all humankind.**

<sup>14</sup>God sits firmly enthroned and watches  
all who dwell on the earth.

<sup>15</sup>**God fashions all their hearts  
and observes all their deeds.**

<sup>16</sup>A king is not saved by the size of the army,  
nor are warriors rescued by their great strength.

<sup>17</sup>**The horse gives vain hope for victory;  
despite its great strength it cannot save.**

<sup>18</sup>Truly, your eye is upon those who fear you, O LORD,  
upon those who wait for your steadfast love,

<sup>19</sup>**to deliver their lives from death,  
and to keep them alive in time of famine.**

<sup>20</sup>Our innermost being waits for you, O LORD,  
our helper and our shield.

<sup>21</sup>**Surely, our heart rejoices in you,  
for in your holy name we put our trust.**

<sup>22</sup>Let your lovingkindness, O LORD, be upon us,  
even as we place our hope in you.

#### **SECOND READING: HEBREWS 11:1-3, 8-16**

<sup>1</sup>Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. <sup>2</sup>Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. <sup>3</sup>By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.

<sup>8</sup>By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. <sup>9</sup>By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. <sup>10</sup>For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. <sup>11</sup>By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old—and Sarah herself was barren—because he considered him faithful who had promised. <sup>12</sup>Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, “as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore.”

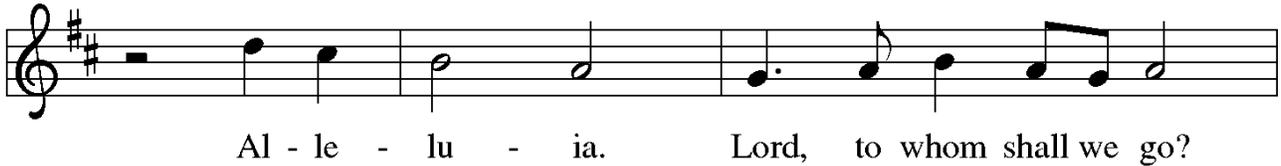
<sup>13</sup>All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, <sup>14</sup>for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. <sup>15</sup>If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. <sup>16</sup>But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

*The reading concludes:*

The word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

### **Gospel Acclamation**

*The assembly stands to welcome the gospel.*



### **GOSPEL: LUKE 12: 32-40**

The holy gospel according to St. Luke.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus said:] <sup>32</sup>“Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom. <sup>33</sup>Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. <sup>34</sup>For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

<sup>35</sup>“Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; <sup>36</sup>be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. <sup>37</sup>Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. <sup>38</sup>If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

<sup>39</sup>“But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. <sup>40</sup>You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.”

*The gospel concludes:*

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **Reflection on the Hurley Mission Trip**

### **HYMN SING**

### **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

*An assisting minister leads the prayers.*

Trusting in God's extraordinary love, let us come near to the Holy One in prayer.

*A brief silence.*

Rooted and built up in Christ, we pray for the church. Embolden church leaders to take risks for the sake of the gospel, and equip the baptized to proclaim your extravagant love for the whole world. Bless Robert, our bishop; Terri and Michael, our pastors; and all leaders of the Virginia Synod and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. Merciful God,

**receive our prayer.**

Rejoicing in the works of your hands, we pray for the natural world. Make rivers and lakes, oceans and all waterways, sparkle with your radiance. Protect water sources (*local water sources may be named*) and strengthen those who defend them. Merciful God,

**receive our prayer.**

Interceding on behalf of the vulnerable, we pray for the peoples of the world. Inspire all rulers and governing authorities with your justice. Guide the work of legislators and public officials, that they advocate for the well-being of those they serve. Merciful God,

**receive our prayer.**

Abounding in thanksgiving, we pray for this congregation. Bless the prayer and fellowship ministries in this place. We pray for the newly formed Compassion and Connect Ministry. Call us together in times of praise and blessing, trouble and sorrow, in your holy name. Merciful God,

**receive our prayer.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

Persistent in prayer, we pray for our neighbors in need, especially those in Hurley, VA, and across Buchanan County. To all who have hunger, give daily bread. To all who have bread, give hunger for justice. Open us to the cries of those who suffer (*especially those on our prayer list*). Merciful God,

**receive our prayer.**

Buried with Christ in baptism and raised with him to new life, we give thanks for your saints who rest in your eternal presence (*especially*). Join our voices with theirs as we sing of your great glory. Merciful God,

**receive our prayer.**

Receive the prayers of your children, merciful God, and hold us forever in your steadfast love; through Jesus Christ, our holy Wisdom.

**Amen.**

**PEACE**

*(John 20:19, 21, 26)*

*The presiding minister and assembly greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ.*

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.*

*The assembly is seated.*

**OFFERING**

Let us offer back to God what God has first given us: our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of God's gracious love.

*An offering is gathered for the mission of the church. During this time, the table is set.*

## DOXOLOGY

*As the offering is presented, we stand and sing. (Old Hundredth)*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;

praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

A - men.

## OFFERING PRAYER

*The assisting minister offers this or a similar prayer.*

Let us pray. *[A brief silence]*

Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

## LORD'S PRAYER

*The presiding minister may introduce the Lord's Prayer.*

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as our Savior taught us.

**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.**

## SENDING

*God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## BLESSING

*The presiding minister proclaims God's blessing.*

The Lord bless us and keep us. The Lord make his face shine on us and be gracious to us. The Lord look upon us with favor and give us peace.

**Amen.**

## SENDING SONG

*We All Are One in Mission*

ELW 576

- 1 We all are one in mission;  
we all are one in call,  
our varied gifts united  
by Christ, the Lord of all.  
A single great commission  
compels us from above  
to plan and work together  
that all may know Christ's love.**
- 2 We all are called for service,  
to witness in God's name.  
Our ministries are diff'rent;  
our purpose is the same:**

to touch the lives of others  
with God's surprising grace,  
so ev'ry folk and nation  
may feel God's warm embrace.

- 3 Now let us be united,  
and let our song be heard.  
Now let us be a vessel  
for God's redeeming Word.  
We all are one in mission;  
we all are one in call,  
our varied gifts united  
by Christ, the Lord of all.

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## DISMISSAL

*The assisting minister sends the assembly into mission.*

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE

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# Bible Readings

## for Daily Prayer

These may be read by themselves or  
as part of the Matins and Vespers services.

### **Monday**

Psalm 89:1-18  
2 Chronicles 33:1-17  
Hebrews 11:1-7

### **Tuesday**

Psalm 89:1-18  
2 Chronicles 34:22-33  
Hebrews 11:17-28

### **Wednesday**

Psalm 89:1-18  
Jeremiah 33:14-26  
Luke 12:41-48

### **Thursday**

Psalm 82  
Joshua 7:1, 10-26  
Hebrews 10:26-31

### **Friday**

Psalm 82  
1 Samuel 5:1-12  
Hebrews 10:32-39

### **Saturday**

Psalm 82  
1 Samuel 6:1-16  
Matthew 24:15-27

### **Sunday –**

### **Lectionary 20**

Jeremiah 23:23-29  
Psalm 82  
Hebrews 11:29–12:2  
Luke 12:49-56



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