

Sunday, September 5, 2021 — Time After Pentecost

# University Lutheran Church Lutheran Campus Ministry

10:30 AM Worship Service



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# SUNDAY WORSHIP

**PRELUDE**

Aiko Yamada Mancini

**WELCOME**

Bennett Henrikson, Guest Pastor

## **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

*All may make the sign of the cross in remembrance of baptism as the presiding minister begins.*

**P** Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, whose teaching is life, whose presence is sure, and whose love is endless.

**C** **Amen.**

**P** Let us confess our sins to the one who welcomes us with an open heart.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

**P** God, our comforter:

**C** **like lost sheep, we have gone astray. We gaze upon abundance and see scarcity. We turn our faces away from injustice and oppression. We exploit the earth with our apathy and greed. Free us from our sin, gracious God. Listen when we call out to you for help. Lead us by your love to love our neighbors as ourselves. Amen.**

**P** All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. By the gift of grace in + Christ Jesus, God makes you righteous. Receive with glad hearts the forgiveness of all your sins.

**C** **Amen.**

# OPENING HYMN

# BENEATH THE TREE OF LIFE



\*[Come and gath - er] be - neath the tree of



life. [Come and gath - er] be -



neath the tree of life; Root of



wis - dom, branch of peace, fruit of heal - ing and re -



lease. [Come and gath - er] be -



neath the tree of life.



1. Here we raise the sav - ing cross of Je - sus, \_\_\_\_\_

3. Come and drink the wa - ters of sal - va - tion, \_\_\_\_\_

5. Root - ed in the rich earth of your Gos - pel, \_\_\_\_\_



— Sing - ing praise to him - who leads us on - from

— come and die to sin, - rise up to life - with -

— may we bear the fruits your Word has plant - ed



death in - to new life. \_\_\_\_\_

in the Reign of God. \_\_\_\_\_

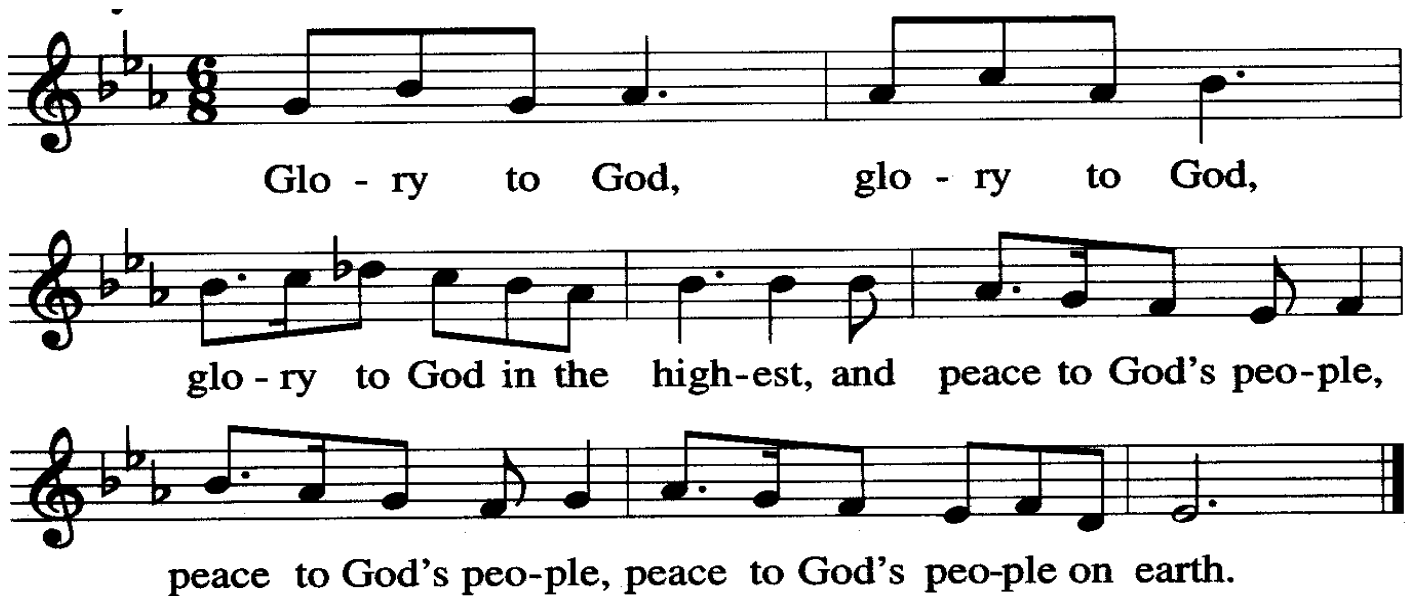
deep with - in our hearts. \_\_\_\_\_

## GREETING

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

**C** And also with you.

## CANTICLE OF PRAISE



Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God,  
glo - ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple,  
peace to God's peo-ple, peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**A** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**A** Gracious God, throughout the ages you transform sickness into health and death into life. Open us to the power of your presence, and make us a people ready to proclaim your promises to the whole world, through Jesus Christ, our healer and Lord.

**C** Amen.

## FIRST READING

Isaiah 35:4-7a

<sup>4</sup>Say to those who are of a fearful heart,

"Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God.

He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense.

He will come and save you."

<sup>5</sup>Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; <sup>6</sup>then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; <sup>7</sup>the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water.

## PSALM

Psalm 146

*The Psalm will be spoken in unison.*

<sup>1</sup>Hal- | lelujah! Praise the LORD, | O my soul!

<sup>2</sup>**I will praise the LORD as long | as I live; I will sing praises to my God  
while I | have my being.**

<sup>3</sup>Put not your | trust in rulers, in mortals in whom there | is no help.

<sup>4</sup>**When they breathe their last, they re- | turn to earth, and in that day |  
their thoughts perish.**

<sup>5</sup>Happy are they who have the God of Jacob | for their help, whose hope is in  
the | LORD their God;

<sup>6</sup>**who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that | is in them;  
who keeps promis- | es forever;**

<sup>7</sup>who gives justice to those who are oppressed, and food to | those who  
hunger. The LORD sets the | captive free.

<sup>8</sup>**The LORD opens the eyes of the blind; the LORD lifts up those who |  
are bowed down; the LORD | loves the righteous.**

<sup>9</sup>The LORD cares <sup>1</sup>for the stranger; the LORD sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way <sup>1</sup>of the wicked.

<sup>10</sup>The LORD shall <sup>1</sup>reign forever, your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. <sup>1</sup>Hallelujah!

## SECOND READING

James 2:1-10 [11-13] 14-17

<sup>1</sup>My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favoritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? <sup>2</sup>For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, <sup>3</sup>and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, "Have a seat here, please," while to the one who is poor you say, "Stand there," or, "Sit at my feet," <sup>4</sup>have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? <sup>5</sup>Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? <sup>6</sup>But you have dishonored the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? <sup>7</sup>Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you?

<sup>8</sup>You do well if you really fulfill the royal law according to the scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." <sup>9</sup>But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. <sup>10</sup>For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it.

[<sup>11</sup>For the one who said, "You shall not commit adultery," also said, "You shall not murder." Now if you do not commit adultery but if you murder, you have become a transgressor of the law. <sup>12</sup>So speak and so act as those who are to be judged by the law of liberty. <sup>13</sup>For judgment will be without mercy to anyone who has shown no mercy; mercy triumphs over judgment.]

<sup>14</sup>What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? <sup>15</sup>If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, <sup>16</sup>and one of you says to them, "Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill," and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? <sup>17</sup>So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia,  
 Al - le - lu - ia, Lord, to whom shall we go? For  
 you have the words, you have the words, the words of e -  
 ter - nal life, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia.

## GOSPEL

Mark 7:24-37

P The Holy Gospel according to Mark the seventh chapter.  
 C Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>24</sup>[Jesus] set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, <sup>25</sup>but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. <sup>26</sup>Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. <sup>27</sup>He said to her, "Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." <sup>28</sup>But she answered him, "Sir, even the dogs under the table



eat the children's crumbs." <sup>29</sup>Then he said to her, "For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter." <sup>30</sup>So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone.

<sup>31</sup>Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. <sup>32</sup>They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. <sup>33</sup>He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. <sup>34</sup>Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." <sup>35</sup>And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. <sup>36</sup>Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. <sup>37</sup>They were astounded beyond measure, saying, "He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

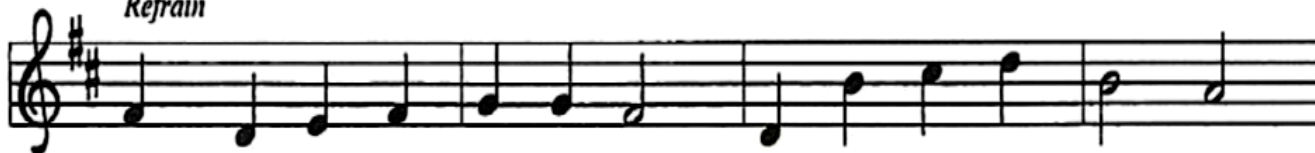
**HOMILY**

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# HYMN OF THE DAY

# HEALER OF OUR EVERY ILL

*Refrain*



Heal - er of our ev - 'ry ill, light of each to - mor - row,



give us peace be - yond our fear, and hope be - yond our sor - row.



- 1 You who know our fears and sad - ness, grace us with your
- 2 In the pain and joy be - hold - ing how your grace is
- 3 Give us strength to love each oth - er, ev - 'ry sis - ter,
- 4 You who know each thought and feel - ing, teach us all your

*Refrain*



peace and glad - ness; Spir - it of all com - fort, fill our hearts.  
still un - fold - ing, give us all your vi - sion, God of love.  
ev - 'ry broth - er; Spir - it of all kind - ness, be our guide.  
way of heal - ing; Spir - it of com - pas - sion, fill each heart.

## AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

## APOSTLES' CREED

**C** 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 OF INTERCESSION

**A** Made children and heirs of God's promise, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

*A brief silence. After each portion of the prayers the Assistant will say:*

**A** Lord, in your mercy,

*The congregation will respond with:*

**C** **hear our prayer.**

*The prayers conclude:*

**A** Receive these prayers, O God, and those in our hearts known only to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C** **Amen.**

# THE PEACE IS SHARED

P The peace of Christ be with you all.

C And also with you.

## OFFERTORY

## FOR THE LIFE THAT YOU HAVE GIVEN



For the life that you have giv - en, for the love in Christ made known,  
with these fruits of time and la - bor, with these gifts that are your own:  
here we of - fer, Lord, our prais - es; heart and mind and strength we bring;  
give us grace to love and serve you, liv - ing what we pray and sing.

## OFFERING PRAYER

A God of abundance,  
C you cause streams to break forth in the desert and manna to rain from the heavens. Accept the gifts you have first given us. Unite them with the offering of our lives to nourish the world you love so dearly; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

*Thank you to all who continue to support our ministry through your prayers, your calls, emails, and texts. Thank you to all who continue to support our ministry with your financial gifts. We know some in our community have lost their jobs and others have had theirs significantly scaled back. We continue to have the same needs of financial support along with a few additional costs as we operate much differently during this time. You may contribute financially on line through our web site by clicking on the Give+ icon and*

*following instructions.*

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*University Lutheran Church,  
340 E. 15th Street, Tempe, AZ 85281*

*Thank you!*

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

**C** Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### BENEDICTION

**P** People of God, you are Christ's body, bringing new life to a suffering world. The holy Trinity, + one God, bless you now and forever.

**C** Amen.

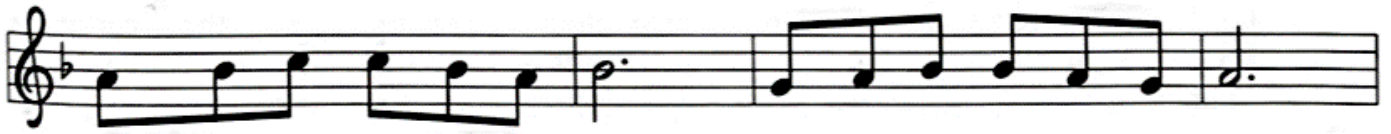
## CLOSING HYMN

### JESU, JESU, FILL US WITH YOUR LOVE

*Refrain*

Je - su, Je - su, fill us with your love, show

us how to serve the neigh-bors we have from you.



1 Kneels at the feet of his friends,      si - lent - ly wash - es their feet,  
2 Neigh - bors are wealth - y and poor,      var - ied in col - or and race,  
3 These are the ones we will serve,      these are the ones we will love;  
4 Kneel at the feet of our friends,      si - lent - ly wash - ing their feet:



mas - ter who acts as a slave      to them.  
neigh - bors are near - by and far      a - way.  
all these are neigh - bors to us      and you.  
this is the way we will live      with you.

## SENDING

A    Go in peace. The living Word dwells in you.

C    Thanks be to God.

## POSTLUDE

Aiko Yamada Mancini

## Participants in Worship

### **Guest Pastor**

*Bennett Henrickson*

### **Worship Assistant**

*Nils Peterson*

### **Lector**

*Sean Maseng*

### **Director of Music**

*Aiko Yamada Mancini*

### **Video and Audio Production**

*Terry Pochert*

*Brian Mancini*

*Aiko Mancini*

### **Musicians**

*Erin Crawford, voice*

*John Fillo, voice & bass*

*Aaron Griffith-VanderYacht, voice*

*Sophie Lott, voice*

*Nic Peters, voice & percussion*

*Nils Peterson, voice*

*Maddie Shaner, voice*

*Aiko Yamada Mancini, voice & piano,*