

**Order of Worship  
for  
The Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost  
September 3, 2023**

**SONG**  
**"The Solid Rock"**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*On this Sunday we gather for worship in the name of the Father, and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.*

**Amen!**

*The peace of the Lord be with you always!*

**And also with you!**

**KYRIE**  
**"This is the Feast of Victory"**

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**PRAYER**

*Let us pray:*

*O God, we thank you for your Son, who chose the path of suffering for the sake of  
the world. Humble us by his example, point us to the path of obedience, and give  
us strength to follow your commands, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.*

*Amen.*

**SONG**  
**“Psalm 9”**

**READING**

Romans 12:9-21

**The lesson is from the letter of Paul to the Romans,  
chapter twelve, verses nine through twenty-one.**

**Paul writes:**

*<sup>9</sup> Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; <sup>10</sup> love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honour. <sup>11</sup> Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord.<sup>[a]</sup> <sup>12</sup> Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. <sup>13</sup> Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.*

*<sup>14</sup> Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. <sup>15</sup> Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. <sup>16</sup> Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly;<sup>[b]</sup> do not claim to be wiser than you are. <sup>17</sup> Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. <sup>18</sup> If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. <sup>19</sup> Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God;<sup>[c]</sup> for it is written, ‘Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.’  
<sup>20</sup> No, ‘if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads.’  
<sup>21</sup> Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.*

## **GOSPEL**

Matthew 16:21-28

**Our Gospel reading is from Matthew,  
chapter sixteen, verses twenty-one through twenty-eight.**

**Matthew writes:**

*<sup>21</sup> From that time on, Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of 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, "God forbid it, Lord! This must 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 setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."*

*<sup>24</sup> Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any wish to come after me, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. <sup>25</sup> For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. <sup>26</sup> For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life?"*

*<sup>27</sup> "For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. <sup>28</sup> Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."*

## **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

Reverend Jim Lichtenberger

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## **SONG**

**"Beneath the Cross of Jesus"**

## OFFERING

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## HYMN

**“We Are an Offering”**

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## AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
Of all that is, seen and unseen.  
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through Him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation,  
He came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and virgin Mary  
and became truly human.  
For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
He suffered death and was buried.

On the third day He rose again  
in accordance with the scriptures;  
He ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and His kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come.  
Amen.

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

*During this time, we pray for all those who need God's blessings, and praise Him  
for the blessings He has bestowed upon us.*

*During the prayers, there will be a time of silence, when we offer our personal  
prayers to God.*

#### **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

*We prepare to receive the sacraments of Holy Communion, by remembering the  
words and actions of Jesus during the Last Supper.*

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

## HOLY COMMUNION

***For those worshipping in-house,  
we invite you to come forward if you wish.  
If you prefer to take communion at your seat,  
you may do so.***

***For those joining us online,  
if you are able,  
we invite you to take communion where you are,  
using any kind of bread and either wine or grape juice  
so that you may receive the body and blood of our Lord and Savior,  
Jesus the Christ.***

## POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

***Now, may the body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ, keep you in His grace and  
peace, now and forever. Amen!***

**SONG**  
**“Refiners Fire”**

**BENEDICTION**

*May the Lord bless you and keep you; May the Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; May the Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you God’s peace; in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.  
Amen.*

**SONG**  
**“Glory”**

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