

**Order of Worship  
for  
The Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost  
August 20, 2023**

**SONG  
“How Good and Pleasant”**

**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!**

**HYMN OF PRAISE**  
*(from the ELW, pages 140-141)*  
**This is the feast of victory for our God.  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**Worthy is Christ the Lamb, who was slain,  
whose blood set us free to be people of God.  
This is the feast of victory for our God.  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**Power, riches, wisdom and strength,  
and honor and blessing and glory are His.  
This is the feast of victory for our God.  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**Sing with all the people of God,  
and join in the hymn of all creation.  
Blessing, honor, glory, and might  
be to God and the Lamb forever, Amen.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God.  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**For the Lamb who was slain  
has begun His reign, alleluia.  
This is the feast of victory for our God.  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

#### **PRAYER**

*Let us pray:*

*God of all peoples, your arms reach out to embrace all those who call upon you.  
Teach us as disciples of your Son to love the world with compassion and  
constancy, that your name may be known throughout the earth, through Jesus  
Christ, our Savior and Lord.  
Amen.*

#### **SONG**

**“Oh How Good It Is”**

#### **READING**

Romans 11:1-2 & 28-32

**The lesson is from the letter of Paul to the Romans,  
chapter eleven, verses one through two  
and verses twenty-eight through thirty-two.**

**Paul writes:**

*<sup>1</sup> I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a  
descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. <sup>2</sup> God has not  
rejected His people whom He foreknew. Do you not know what the scripture says  
of Elijah, how he pleads with God against Israel?*

*<sup>29</sup> For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. <sup>30</sup> Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, <sup>31</sup> so also they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they also may now receive mercy. <sup>32</sup> For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that He may be merciful to all.*

## **GOSPEL**

Matthew 15: 10-28

**The Gospel reading is from Matthew,  
chapter fifteen, verses ten through twenty-eight.**

**Matthew writes:**

*<sup>10</sup> Then He called the crowd to Him and said to them, "Listen and understand: <sup>11</sup> it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but it is what comes out of the mouth that defiles." <sup>12</sup> Then the disciples approached and said to Him, "Do you know that the Pharisees took offense when they heard what You said?" <sup>13</sup> He answered, "Every plant that My heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted. <sup>14</sup> Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind. And if one blind person guides another, both will fall into a pit." <sup>15</sup> But Peter said to Him, "Explain this parable to us." <sup>16</sup> Then He said, "Are you also still without understanding? <sup>17</sup> Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth enters the stomach and goes out into the sewer? <sup>18</sup> But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this is what defiles. <sup>19</sup> For out of the heart come evil intentions, murder, adultery, sexual immorality, theft, false witness, slander. <sup>20</sup> These are what defile a person, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile."*

*<sup>21</sup> Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. <sup>22</sup> Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." <sup>23</sup> But He did not answer her at all. And His disciples came and urged Him, saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us." <sup>24</sup> He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." <sup>25</sup> But she came and knelt before Him, saying, "Lord, help me." <sup>26</sup> He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." <sup>27</sup> She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." <sup>28</sup> Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed from that moment.*

## **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

Rev. David Moscrip

## **MESSAGE**

“Traditions and Calloused Hearts”

Rev. David Moscrip

## **SONG**

“People Need the Lord”

## **OFFERING**

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## **HYMN**

“We Are an Offering”

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## **AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

### **THE NICENE CREED**

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**

**“Abide with Me”**

**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**

**“They’ll Know We Are Christians”**

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