8:45 A.M. ORDER OF WORSHIP September 25, 2022 16TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

We are grateful for the worship leadership of Pastor Jimmy Collins today. As Pastor Jimmy Collins is not an ordained Minister of Word and Sacrament in the ELCA or in one of the ELCA's full-communion partner denominations, he has received temporary authorization from Bishop Bill Gafkjen of the IN-KY Synod to preside at Holy Communion.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE: "Adagio from <u>Fantasie in C</u> – C. Franck

- P. We prepare our hearts and minds for worship, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C. Amen.

BRIEF ORDER OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS:

You may either stand or kneel.

- P: God of resurrection life, we come before you today as those who would die to sin and rise to newness of life.
- C: Lower into the grave all selfishness, greed, and envy, all harmful desires and unworthy ambitions.
- P: Raise from death the good that is in us -- and gift us with the good that is not in us.
- C: Help us to love neighbors, strangers, and those we do not even like.
- P: We have failed you.
- C: We have failed our world.
- P: Give us the skill and the desire to bring healing into this world.
- C: Forgive us the sins we can name and the sins we cannot name.

(Silence to ponder our wrongs.)

- P: Lord, make us channels of blessing for the impoverished and injured souls of this world.
- C: In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS:

- P: As the Apostle Paul teaches us in Romans chapter 5: If in Adam and Eve all have died—so now--in Jesus Christ--all are made alive. Let us rejoice in the lifegiving power of God's unconditional love. Our sins are forgiven for Jesus' sake.
- C: Amen.



GATHERING HYMN: "We Praise You, O God"



APOSTOLIC 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.

HYMN OF PRAISE:



PRAYER OF THE DAY:

- P. The Lord be with you
- C. And also with you.
- P. Let us pray

Loving God, help us to celebrate your Good News as the priceless treasure it is. Allow your mercy to shape the decisions we make in regard to politics and our relationships. We pray in your mercy. Amen.

READINGS FOR TODAY

FIRST LESSON: Amos 6:1a, 4-7

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PSALM 146 - Spoken responsively, the congregation speaks the lines in **bold** print.

¹Hallelujah!

Praise the LORD, O my soul!

²I will praise the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

³Put not your trust in rulers, in mortals in whom there is no help.

⁴When they breathe their last, they return to earth, and in that day their thoughts perish.

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

⁶who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them; who keeps promises forever;

⁷who gives justice to those who are oppressed, and food to those who hunger. The LORD sets the captive free.

⁸The LORD opens the eyes of the blind; the LORD lifts up those who are bowed down; the LORD loves the righteous.

The LORD cares for the stranger;

the LORD sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way of the wicked.

¹⁰The LORD shall reign forever, your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Hallelujah!

SECOND READING: 1 Timothy 6:6-19

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GOSPEL: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke 16:19-31

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C. Glory to you, O Lord.

After the reading of the Gospel:

P. The Gospel of the Lord"

C. Praise to you O Christ.

SERMON:

Pastor Jimmy Collins

HYMN OF THE DAY: "The Church of Christ, in Every Age"



APOSTLES' CREED:

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again 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

CHOIR ANTHEM: "O Lord! Shout for Joy!

An American Spiritual, arranged by Alan Bullard

Oh Lord! Shout for Joy! Early in the morning, late in the evening, Feel like shouting, feel like praying, O Lord! Shout for Joy!

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH:

(At the end of each petition, the leader will say "Lord, in your mercy." Feel free to respond with "Hear our prayer.")

P. Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

THE BLESSING OF THE QUILTS

P: We send these Quilts as a sign of God's love and blessing for each person who receives one, trusting that their Quilt will be a source of comfort and hope in the midst of disaster and fear, a symbol of Christ's love to those who suffer, a reminder that each recipient is a beloved child of God. We pray that these Quilts will serve a useful purpose in the life of the recipient; that they will bring warmth in the cold, shelter from the sun and heat, a wall for a home, or a carrier for a few precious belongings. May it be a step in recovering one's life and a message of care from someone they may never meet.

C: Amen

PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING:



OFFERTORY PRAYER:

- P. Merciful Father,
- C. we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

COMMUNION LITURGY

P. In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

THE LORD'S PRAYER:

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.

HOLY COMMUNION:

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion. We trust and teach the "real presence" of Jesus, in, with, and under the elements of bread and wine.

As you approach the altar rail, please keep a good space between yourself and others.



POST COMMUNION PRAYER:

P. Let us pray. 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, our Lord.

C: Amen

BENEDICTION:

- P. Now may God, who has loved us with a love beyond all telling, send us forth to care for the world around us and to share the good news of that love, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C. Amen.



Text: John Henry Hopkins Jr., 1820–1891 Music: Johann Schop, 1600–1665; arr. Johann Sebastian Bach, 1685–1750 WERDE MUNTER 8787 D

DISMISSAL:

- P. Go in peace! Serve the Lord!
- C. Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: "Come with Us, O Blessed Jesus" – J. G. Walther

Today's altar flowers are given by Ken & Beverly McDermott in honor of Beverly's birthday, and by Ed & Terri DeVoe in honor of September birthdays of family and friends.