

# Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

## Holy Communion at Resurrection Lutheran Church

### August 15, 2021

*The assembly gathers in seating in the nave, maintaining appropriate physical distance and wearing face masks.*

**OPENING VOLUNTARY** Meditation on “Rustington”, Hugh S. Livingston, Jr.

#### **GATHERING HYMN:**

“Come and Seek the Ways of Wisdom” (ACS 971)

### Come and Seek the Ways of Wisdom



1 Come and seek the ways of Wis-dom, she who danced when  
2 Lis - ten to the voice of Wis-dom, cry - ing in the  
3 Sis - ter Wis - dom, come, as - sist us; nur - ture all who



earth was new. Fol - low close - ly what she teach - es,  
mar - ket - place. Hear the Word made flesh a - mong us,  
seek re - birth. Spir - it - guide and close com - pan - ion,



for her words are right and true. Wis - dom clears the  
full of glo - ry, truth, and grace. When the word takes  
bring to light our sa - cred worth. Free us to be -



path to jus - tice, show - ing us what love must do.  
root and rip - ens, peace and righ - teous - ness em - brace.  
come your peo - ple, ho - ly friends of God and earth.

Text: Ruth Duck, b. 1947

Music: MADELEINE, Donna Kasbohm, b. 1933

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## *Greeting and Prayer of the Day*

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.**

Let us pray.

*A brief silence is kept before the prayer.*

Ever-loving God, your Son gives himself as living bread for the life of the world.  
Fill us with such a knowledge of his presence that we may be strengthened and  
sustained by his risen life to serve you continually, through Jesus Christ, our Savior  
and Lord.  
**Amen.**

## *First Reading: Proverbs 9:1-6*

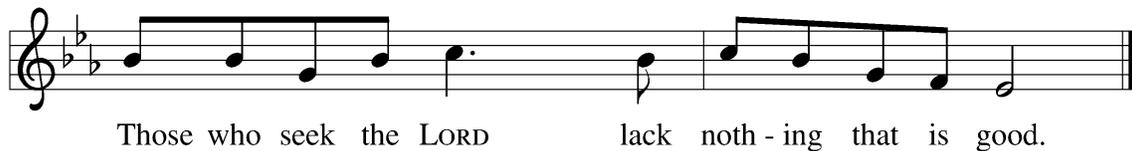
A reading from Proverbs.

- <sup>1</sup>Wisdom has built her house,  
she has hewn her seven pillars.  
<sup>2</sup>She has slaughtered her animals, she has mixed her wine,  
she has also set her table.  
<sup>3</sup>She has sent out her servant women, she calls  
from the highest places in the town,  
<sup>4</sup>“You that are simple, turn in here!”  
To those without sense she says,  
<sup>5</sup>“Come, eat of my bread  
and drink of the wine I have mixed.  
<sup>6</sup>Lay aside immaturity,  
and live, and walk in the way of insight.”

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM: Psalm 34:9-14 (ELW Tone 4)**



Psalm 34:10

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<sup>9</sup>Fear the LORD, you saints | of the LORD,  
for those who fear the | LORD lack nothing.

<sup>10</sup>**The lions are in want and | suffer hunger,  
but those who seek the LORD lack nothing | that is good. R**

<sup>11</sup>Come, children, and lis- | ten to me;  
I will teach you reverence | for the LORD.

<sup>12</sup>**Who among you takes plea- | sure in life  
and desires long life to en- | joy prosperity?**

<sup>13</sup>Keep your | tongue from evil  
and your lips from | lying words.

<sup>14</sup>**Turn from evil | and do good;  
seek peace | and pursue it. R**

**Second Reading:** Ephesians 5:15-20

A reading from Ephesians.

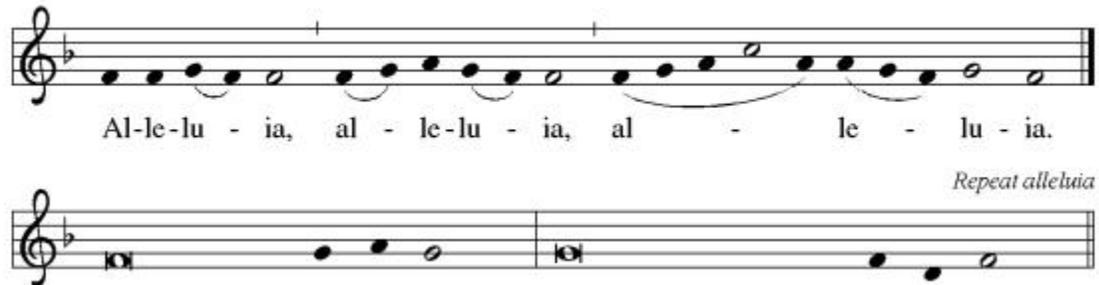
<sup>15</sup>Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, <sup>16</sup>making the most of the time, because the days are evil. <sup>17</sup>So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. <sup>18</sup>Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, <sup>19</sup>as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, <sup>20</sup>giving thanks to God, the Father, at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

## *Gospel Acclamation*

*Alleluia sung by the assembly. Verse sung by the cantor.*



Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood a- | bide in me,\* and I a- | bide in them.

***Gospel:*** John 6:51-58

The holy gospel according to John.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus said,<sup>51</sup>“I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.”

<sup>52</sup>The Judeans then disputed among themselves, saying, “How can this man give us his flesh to eat?” <sup>53</sup>So Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son-of-Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. <sup>54</sup>Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; <sup>55</sup>for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. <sup>56</sup>Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. <sup>57</sup>Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. <sup>58</sup>This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever.”

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Sermon*

*Hymn of the Day: “We Who Once Were Dead” ELW 495*

We Who Once Were Dead



1 We who once were dead now live, ful - ly know - ing Je - sus  
2 We were lost in night, but you sought and found us. Give us  
3 He be - came our bread; Je - sus died to save us. On him  
4 Let us share the pain you en - dured in dy - ing; we shall



as our head. Life is o - ver - flow - ing when he breaks the bread.  
strength to fight; death is all a - round us. Je - sus, be our light.  
we are fed, eat - ing what he gave us, ris - ing from the dead.  
then re - main liv - ing; death de - fy - ing, we shall rise a - gain.

5 Jesus, you were dead,  
but you rose and, living,  
made yourself our bread,  
in your goodness giving  
life though we were dead.

6 This is your design;  
in this meal we meet you.  
Be our bread and wine,  
Jesus, we entreat you.  
This shall be our sign.

Text: Muus Jacobse, 1909–1972; tr. composite

Music: MIDDEN IN DE DOOD, Rik Veelenturf, b. 1936

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## *Prayers of Intercession*

On this day of the commemoration of Mary the mother of our Lord, we offer our prayers to God, responding to each petition with words from the song of Mary, “We magnify your name.”

*A brief silence.*

God our Savior, we pray for the church around the world. Inspire all the baptized to proclaim your greatness in word and deed. Bless church musicians for their weekly ministry. Make your churches places of welcome for all who suffer rejection.

*A brief silence.*

Remember your mercy, O God:  
**we magnify your name.**

We pray for the earth. Lessen the devastation of climate change. Extinguish wildfires throughout the world. Protect the bees and all endangered animals. By the strength of your arm, save your creation.

*A brief silence.*

Remember your mercy, O God:  
**we magnify your name.**

We pray for the nations of the world. Inspire elected officials to look with mercy on those in need. Strengthen democracies, and cast down from their thrones all those who are unworthy of the people’s trust.

*A brief silence.*

Remember your mercy, O God:  
**we magnify your name.**

On this day that commemorates the end of World War II, we pray for world peace. Bless the people of Germany and Japan. Defend the children of Afghanistan, Ethiopia, and other places filled with violence. Give to every nation the resolve to be done with the horrors of warfare.

*A brief silence.*

Remember your mercy, O God:  
**we magnify your name.**

We pray for those who are poor or oppressed. Help us feed the hungry and raise up the lowly. We pray for pregnant women, both those who are glad and those who are distressed by their condition. Accompany them throughout their labor.

Comfort all parents who mourn the death of their children. We ask you to come to the aid of the sick and suffering and those we name here:

1. Sandy Lindamood
2. Judy Frank
3. Joana Plerpa
4. Jeanne Broyhill
5. Effie Stallsmith
6. Maggie Mount
7. Lee Hanson
8. Malcolm Stark
9. Norm Olsen
10. Barb Jensen
11. Charlotte Boeck
12. Lynn Kiewel
13. Phillip Swingler
14. Maria Liwski
15. Tucker Dean
16. Irene Belcher
17. Jacoby
18. Carol Clements
19. Ellie Barnes
20. Brian Carr
21. Tommy Mazzoli
22. Sharon Kravetz
23. Dipankar Ghosh and the family of Debbi Pierce
24. Fairfax County Fire Department and its Urban Search and Rescue team

*A brief silence.*

Remember your mercy, O God:  
**we magnify your name.**

We pray for ourselves. Grant each of us wisdom, lead us in the way of insight, and graciously receive our personal petitions.

*A longer period of silence.*

Remember your mercy, O God:  
**we magnify your name.**

We praise you, Mighty One, for the mercy shown to our ancestors, to Mary the mother of our Lord, and to all you have brought to yourself. Gather us with all the blessed to live in your presence forever.

*A brief silence.*

Remember your mercy, O God:  
**we magnify your name.**

We glorify your name, O God, Holy One, Word of salvation, Power of the Most High. Receive our prayers for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.  
**Amen.**

### *Peace*

The peace of Christ be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

*The assembly greets each other with Christ's Peace by bowing to each other, waving, or offering another appropriate gesture. For continued safety, please refrain from handshakes and hugs.*

### **MUSICAL OFFERING**

*Agnus Dei, Kenneth Meek*

### *Offering and Setting the Table*

*While the table is set for Holy Communion, members of the assembly may prepare to bring their offering forward when ushers invite them to come to the chancel where baskets are available to receive your gift. Communion ministers will sanitize and cleanse their hands prior to handling the gifts of bread and wine.*

### *Offering Prayer*

Let us pray. Jesus, Bread of life,  
you have set this table with your very self,  
and called us to the feast of plenty.  
Gather what has been sown among us,  
and strengthen us in this meal.  
Make us to be what we receive here,  
your body for the life of the world. **Amen.**

## *Dialogue and Preface*

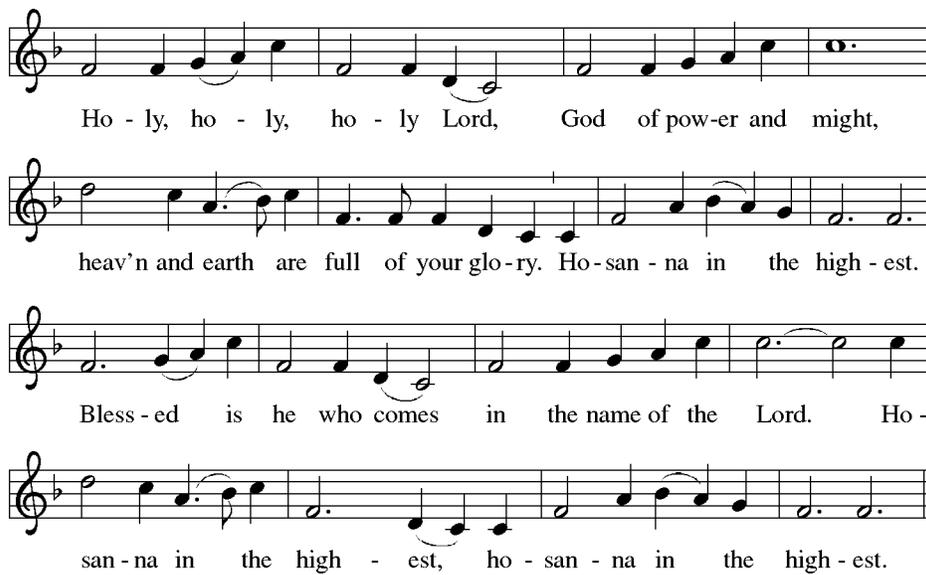
The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,  
that we should at all times and in all places  
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,  
through our Savior Jesus Christ;  
who on this day overcame death and the grave,  
and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.  
And so, with all the choirs of angels,  
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,  
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## *Holy, Holy, Holy* ELW Setting Ten



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,  
heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

### *Thanksgiving at the Table*

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son,  
who reached out to heal the sick and suffering,  
who preached good news to the poor,  
and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

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.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension,  
we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord,  
and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food,  
the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord;  
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,  
be all honor and glory, now and forever.

**Amen.**

### *Lord's Prayer*

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

**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.**

### *Breaking of Bread and Invitation to Communion*

Christ has set the table with more than enough for all.  
Come!

*At the direction of ushers, baptized and communing members of the assembly wishing to commune will proceed to the front of the nave in a continuous line, maintaining appropriate physical distance. Others may also come forward for a blessing. To receive the bread, place your hands palms up and level so that the presiding minister is able to drop the bread onto your uplifted hands without touching you. Using a receptacle, such as a small juice glass which you have brought from home, hold it firmly that the assisting minister is able to pour wine from the common cup into your individual glass. For health safety reasons, you may **not** dip the bread into the wine in the chalice. You may also elect to commune by receiving the bread only. You may, of course, remove your mask to commune. Gluten free hosts are available to those who need that option. Once you have received the bread and wine, return to your places by the side aisles, while maintaining appropriate physical distance from your neighbors.*

*Lamb of God: ELW Setting Ten, S 208*



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;  
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;  
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.  
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.  
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

*Prayer after Communion*

Let us pray. Jesus, Bread of life,  
we have received from your table  
more than we could ever ask.  
As you have nourished us in this meal,  
now strengthen us to love the world with your own life.  
In your name we pray. **Amen.**

*Blessing*

The blessing of God,  
who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us,  
the Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit  
be upon you now and forever.  
**Amen.**

*Hymn: "On Our Way Rejoicing" ELW 537*

## On Our Way Rejoicing

1 On our way re - joic - ing glad - ly let us go.  
 2 Un - to God the Fa - ther joy - ful songs we sing;

Christ our Lord has con - quered; van - quished is the foe.  
 un - to God the Sav - ior thank - ful hearts we bring;

Christ with - out, our safe - ty; Christ with - in, our joy;  
 un - to God the Spir - it bow we and a - dore,

who, if we be faith - ful, can our hope de - stroy?  
 on our way re - joic - ing now and ev - er - more.

*Refrain*

On our way re - joic - ing; as we for - ward move,

hear - ken to our prais - es, O blest God of love!

Text: John S. B. Monsell, 1811-1875, alt.  
 Music: HERMAS, Frances R. Havergal, 1836-1879

*Dismissal*

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.  
**Thanks be to God.**

*Closing Voluntary*

*Allegro assai vivace from Sonata #1 in F Minor, Felix Mendelssohn*

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