

**Children's Message:** *Pastor Eric Hanson*

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**Hymn of the Day & Offering:** *"We Walk By Faith"* #635

*Offerings will be collected during the hymn of the day. Thank you also to those who give online. If you'd like to sign up for online giving please visit <http://www.stlukegoodhue.org/online-giving.html>. Children's coin offering will go toward ELCA Good Gifts serving communities in need around the world.*

**Vs 1: We walk by faith, and not by sight; with gracious words draw near;  
O Christ, who spoke as none e'er spoke: "My peace be with you here."**

**Vs 2: We may not touch your hands and side, nor follow where you trod,  
but in your promise we rejoice, and cry, "My Lord and God!"**

**Vs 3: Help then, O Lord, our unbelief, and may our faith abound  
to call on you when you are near, and seek where you are found:**

**Vs 4: For you, O resurrected Lord, are found in means divine:  
beneath the water and the word, beneath the bread and wine.**

**Vs 5: And when your life of faith is done, in realms of clearer light  
may we behold you as you are, with full and endless sight.**

**Offertory Response:** *"We Give Thee But Thine Own"*

**Vs. 1: We give thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be;  
all that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.**

**Offertory Prayer:**

P: Let us pray.

**C: Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts:  
ourselves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world  
with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**Blessing of New Members:**

*We welcome the new members of our faith community and are blessed to join our gifts together in service and witness. Welcome Trudy Engelby, Jolene Mann, Melody Kurtti, Kodee O'Reilly, Abby Doerhoffer, Jacob Mulholland, Keisha, Tyler & Bryson Anderson, Joe Wananda, Kristina Dicke, Joe O'Reilly, Peter, Sheila, Brooks, Thomas, & Hilan Burfeind, and Jared, Jessica, Shae & Kash Brinkman.*

P: Dear friends, we give thanks for the gift of baptism and for our new members, one with us in the body of Christ, whom we welcome into the life and ministry of this congregation

P: With the whole church, let us confess our faith,

**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.**

P: In baptism, we are welcomed into the body of Christ and sent to share in the mission of God. We are called to live among God's faithful people, to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper, to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed, to serve all people following the example of Jesus, and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth.

P: Sisters and brothers in Christ, do you intend to continue in the covenant of your baptism among God's people in this place?

**New Members: I do and I ask God to help and guide me.**

P: People of God, do you promise to support and pray for our new members in their life in Christ?

**C: We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.**

P: Let us welcome our new partners in God's mission at St. Luke Lutheran Church,

**C: We rejoice with you in the life of baptism! Together we will serve God, our neighbors, and each other in Christian love.**

**The Prayers:** *(call and response)*

We pray for your holy church in every place and for those who serve following the example of Christ. Help them to live by faith and walk by the light of your gospel. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

For parts of the world ravaged by natural disaster, relieve those affected by floods, wildfires, droughts, earthquakes, tornadoes, and hurricanes. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

For every nation and for those entrusted with authority: grant our leaders self-discipline in all things, and inspire them with love for your people. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

For victims of violence, abuse, and neglect: heal those who have been harmed and protect those who are vulnerable. Watch over our college students and those in the military. For all who are sick especially: Keith Brown, Dolly Mensink, Sara Nolte, Judy Carpenter, Donald & Nancy Nord, Larry Reese, Jan Benidt, Neil Stehr, Dave (Pud) Gnotke, Jen Berg, and Kellie Peterson. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

For this and every congregation: rekindle your gifts within your people, and inspire councils, committees, and individuals to plan and work together that all may know your love. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

In thanksgiving that you have abolished death, and for the saints who have died. Bring us all to eternal life with you. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

God of community, we give you thanks for our new members; Trudy Engelby, Jolene Mann, Melody Kurtti, Kodee O'Reilly, Abby Doerhoffer, Jacob Mulholland, Keisha, Tyler & Bryson Anderson, Joe Wananda, Kristina Dicke, Joe O'Reilly, Peter, Sheila, Brooks, Thomas, & Hilan Burfeind, and Jared, Jessica, Shae & Kash Brinkman. Keep us close together in your Spirit and in the breaking of bread and service to others. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Gathered together in the sweet communion of the Holy Spirit, gracious God, we offer these and all our prayers to you; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. **Amen.**

**Sharing the Peace:**

P: The peace of Christ be with you always, C: **And also with you.**

**The Great Thanksgiving:**

P: The Lord be with you C: **And also with you**

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

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. C: **It is right to give Him thanks & praise.**

**The Words of Institution**

**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.**

**Meal and Hymns:** *"My Faith Looks Up To Thee"* #759

**Vs 1: My faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Calvary, Savior divine! Now hear me while I pray,  
take all my guilt away, oh, let me from this day be wholly thine!**

**Vs 2: May thy rich grace impart strength to my fainting heart, my zeal inspire;  
as thou hast died for me, oh, may my love to thee pure, warm, and changeless be, a living fire!**

**Vs. 3: While life's dark maze I tread and griefs around me spread, be thou my guide;  
bid darkness turn to day, wipe sorrow's tears away, nor let me ever stray from thee aside.**

**Vs. 4: When ends life's transient dream, when death's cold, sullen stream shall o'er me roll;  
blest Savior, then, in love fear and distrust remove; oh, bear me safe above, a ransomed soul!**

*"O Master Let Me Walk With Thee"* #818

**Vs 1: O Master, let me walk to you in lowly paths of service true;  
tell me your secret; help me to bear the strain of toil, the fret of care.**

**Vs 2: Help me the slow of heart to move by some clear, winning word of love;  
teach me the wayward feet to stay, and guide them in the homeward way.**

**Vs 3: Teach me your patience, share with me a closer, dearer company,  
in work that keeps faith sweet and strong, in trust that triumphs over wrong.**

**Vs 4: In hope that sends a shining ray far down the future's broad'ning way;  
in peace that only you can give, with you, O Master, let me live.**

**Communion Prayer:** *(please stand as you are able)*

P: Let us pray.

C: **O God, our life, our strength, our food, we give you thanks for sustaining us with the body and blood of your Son. By your Holy Spirit, enliven us to be his body in the world, that more and more we will give you praise and serve your earth and its many peoples, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**Blessing:**

P: God, who gives life to all things and frees us from despair, bless you with truth and peace. And may the holy Trinity, + one God, guide you always in faith, hope, and love. **Amen.**

**Sending Hymn:** *"What A Fellowship, What A Joy Divine"* #774

Vs 1: **What A Fellowship, What A Joy Divine, Leaning On The Everlasting Arms;  
What A Blessedness, What A Peace Is Mine, Leaning On The Everlasting Arms.**

**Refrain:** **Leaning, leaning, safe & secure from all alarms; Leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.**

Vs 2: **O How Sweet To Walk In This Pilgrim Way, Leaning On The Everlasting Arms;  
O How Bright The Path Grows From Day To Day, Leaning On The Everlasting Arms. [Refrain]**

Vs 3: **What Have I To Dread, What Have I To Fear, Leaning On The Everlasting Arms?  
I Have Blessed Peace With My Lord So Near, Leaning On The Everlasting Arms. [Refrain]**

**Dismissal:**

P: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God!**

**Postlude** *Pianist, Debbi St. John*

## Blessing of New Members

**St. Luke Lutheran Church • Pastor Eric Hanson**  
**9:30AM • October 2, 2022**

**Prelude:** *Pianist, Debbi St. John*

**Welcome & Announcements**

**Greeting:** *(please stand as you are able)*

P: The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God

C: **Come Holy Spirit, Come!**

**Confession and Forgiveness:**

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who is eager to forgive and who loves us beyond our days. **Amen.**

P: Dear friends, together let us acknowledge our failure to love this world as Jesus does.  
*(Silence is kept for reflection.)* God of mercy and forgiveness,

C: **we confess that sin still has a hold on us. We have harmed your good creation. We have failed to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you. Turn us in a new direction. Show us the path that leads to life. Be our refuge & strength on the journey, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer & friend. Amen.**

P: Beloved of God: your sins are forgiven + and you are made whole. God points the way to new life in Christ, who meets us on the road. Journey now in God's abiding love through the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

**Gathering Hymn:** *"Spirit, Open My Heart"* *(please stand as you are able)*

**Refrain:** **Spirit, open my heart to the joy and pain of living.  
As you love may I love, in receiving and in giving. Spirit, open my heart.**

Vs 1: **God, replace my stony heart with a heart that's kind and tender.  
All my coldness and fear to your grace I now surrender. [Refrain]**

Vs 2: **Write your love upon my heart as my law, my goal, my story.  
In each thought, word, and deed, may my living bring you glory. [Refrain]**

Vs 3: **May I weep with those who weep; share the joy of friend and neighbor.  
As I live from day to day, love will be my finest labor. [Refrain]**

**Prayer of the Day:** P: Let us pray together

C: **Benevolent, merciful God: When we are empty, fill us. When we are weak in faith, strengthen us. When we are cold in love, warm us, that with fervor we may love our neighbors and serve them for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**Gospel Acclamation:** *"Alleluia"* *(stand as you are able)* **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. 2X**

**Gospel Reading:** **Luke 17:5-10**

<sup>5</sup>The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" <sup>6</sup>He replied, "If you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it will obey you." <sup>7</sup>"Suppose one of you has a servant plowing or looking after the sheep. Will he say to the servant when he comes in from the field, 'Come along now and sit down to eat'? <sup>8</sup>Won't he rather say, 'Prepare my supper, get yourself ready and wait on me while I eat and drink; after that you may eat and drink'? <sup>9</sup>Will he thank the servant because he did what he was told to do? <sup>10</sup>So you also, when you have done everything you were told to do, should say, 'We are unworthy servants; we have only done our duty.'"

P: This is the Word of the Lord. C: **Thanks be to God.**

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