

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

Gospel Reading: John 1:35-51

³⁵ The next day John was there again with two of his disciples. ³⁶ When he saw Jesus passing by, he said, “Look, the Lamb of God!” ³⁷ When the two disciples heard him say this, they followed Jesus. ³⁸ Turning around, Jesus saw them following and asked, “What do you want?” They said, “Rabbi” (which means “Teacher”), “where are you staying?” ³⁹ “Come,” he replied, “and you will see.” So they went and saw where he was staying, and they spent that day with him. It was about four in the afternoon. ⁴⁰ Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother, was one of the two who heard what John had said and who had followed Jesus. ⁴¹ The first thing Andrew did was to find his brother Simon and tell him, “We have found the Messiah” (that is, the Christ). ⁴² And he brought him to Jesus. Jesus looked at him and said, “You are Simon son of John. You will be called Cephas” (which, when translated, is Peter). ⁴³ The next day Jesus decided to leave for Galilee. Finding Philip, he said to him, “Follow me.” ⁴⁴ Philip, like Andrew and Peter, was from the town of Bethsaida. ⁴⁵ Philip found Nathanael and told him, “We have found the one Moses wrote about in the Law, and about whom the prophets also wrote—Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph.” ⁴⁶ “Nazareth! Can anything good come from there?” Nathanael asked. “Come and see,” said Philip. ⁴⁷ When Jesus saw Nathanael approaching, he said of him, “Here truly is an Israelite in whom there is no deceit.” ⁴⁸ “How do you know me?” Nathanael asked. Jesus answered, “I saw you while you were still under the fig tree before Philip called you.” ⁴⁹ Then Nathanael declared, “Rabbi, you are the Son of God; you are the king of Israel.” ⁵⁰ Jesus said, “You believe because I told you I saw you under the fig tree. You will see greater things than that.” ⁵¹ He then added, “Very truly I tell you, you will see ‘heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending on’ the Son of Man.”

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Children’s Message: Pastor Eric Hanson

Bible Blessing: 3yr Old Preschoolers, 3rd graders, and 7th graders

Sermon: Who do you do faith and life with? Pastor Eric Hanson

Hymn of the Day & Offering: “Bind Us Together Lord”

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.

**Chorus: Bind Us Together, Lord Bind Us Together With Cords That Cannot Be Broken
Bind Us Together, Lord Bind Us Together Bind Us Together In Love**

**Vs 1: There Is Only One God, There Is Only One King
There Is Only One Body, That Is Why We Sing. [Chorus]**

**Vs. 2: You Are The Family Of God, You Are The Promise Divine;
You Are God’s Chosen Desire, You Are The Glorious New Wine. [Chorus]**

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.

Apostles’ Creed: (please stand as you are able)

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, & 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, & he will come to judge the living & 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, & the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers: (call and response)

As scattered grains of wheat are gathered together into one bread, so let us gather our prayers for the church, those in need, and all of God’s good creation. *A brief silence.* God our Savior, you keep your church in faith and truth. Accompany those preparing for baptism or affirmation of baptism. Enlighten preachers, teachers, seminarians, and all those who share your good news with the world. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Divine teacher, you instruct your children to be responsible stewards of your creation. Show us how best to care for the earth and its resources, and guide those who work to develop sustainable practices. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Ruler of the nations, you direct those in authority. Give leaders wisdom and compassion so that all may live in peace. Inspire public servants to follow the example of courageous leaders and safeguard the dignity of each person. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Helper of the needy, you lift up those who are oppressed. Breathe justice into economic and social systems that perpetuate poverty and hunger. Sustain food ministries, clothing banks, and emergency shelters. Provide for those who need your healing especially; Keith Brown, Dolly Mensink, Sara Nolte, Judy Carpenter, Donald & Nancy Nord, Larry Reese, Matt Ludwig, Jan Benidt, Neil Stehr, Dave (Pud) Gnotke, Jen Berg, Kellie Peterson, and the family of Evan Burkel. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Sustainer and giver of life, you bless this congregation with abundance. Instruct us in the proper and faithful use of wealth and resources, that we share generously. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

God of glory, you gather your saints around your throne. Keep us thankful for the witness of those who have gone before us, and bring us with them to the heavenly feast that has no end. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

God of our journeys, please edify and strengthen small group leaders within our church. From those who lead bible studies and retreats to those who lead Sunday school and youth group, we thank you for all who carve out holy spaces for us to reflect on our life with you and each other. Guide us all to find relationships in which we are drawn more deeply into you. God of grace, **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: “Make Me A Servant” 2X

Make me a servant, humble and meek,

Lord, let me lift up those who are weak. And may the pray’r of my heart always be;

Make me a servant, make me a servant, make me a servant today.

"I Am the Church, You are the Church"

Refrain: I am the church, you are the church! We are the church together.
All who follow Jesus, all around the world! Yes we're the church together.

Vs 1: The church is not a building. The church is not a steeple;
the church is not a resting place. The church is the people! (refrain)

Vs 2: We're many kinds of people, with many kinds of faces,
all colors and all ages, too. From all times and places. (refrain)

Vs 3: And when the people gather, there's singing and there's praying,
there's laughing and there's crying sometimes; all of it saying. (refrain)

Vs 4: At Pentecost some people received the Holy Spirit
And told the Good News through the world to all who would hear it. (refrain)

"Here Is Bread" #483

Vs 1: Here is bread, here is wine, Christ is with us, He is with us.
Break the bread, taste the wine, Christ is with us here.

Refrain: In this bread there is healing, in this cup is life forever.
In this moment, by the Spirit, Christ is with us here.

Vs 2: Here is grace, here is peace, Christ is with us, he is with us.
Know his grace, find his peace, feast on Jesus here. [Refrain]

Vs 3: Here we are, joined in one, Christ is with us, he is with us.
We'll proclaim till he comes Jesus crucified. [Refrain]

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: *"They Will Know We Are Christians By Our Love"*

Verse 1: We are one in the Spirit We are one in the Lord. We are one in the Spirit We are one in the Lord
And we pray that all unity May one day be restored

Chorus: And they'll know we are Christians By our love by our love
Yes they'll know we are Christians By our love

Verse 2: We will walk with each other We will walk hand in hand. We will walk with each other
We will walk hand in hand. And together we'll spread the news That God is in our land [Chorus]

Verse 3: We will work with each other We will work side by side. We will work with each other
We will work side by side And we'll guard each man's dignity And save each man's pride [Chorus]

Verse 4: All praise to the Father From whom all things come. And all praise to Christ Jesus His only Son
And all praise to the Spirit Who makes us one [Chorus]

Dismissal:

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

C: Thanks be to God!

Postlude *Pianist, Debbi St. John*

Who Do YOU Do Faith & Life With?

St. Luke Lutheran Church • Pastor Eric Hanson
9:30AM • September 18, 2022

Prelude: *Pianist, Debbi St. John*

Welcome & Announcements

Temple Talk: *How has being part of a small group impacted your faith life?* Kristina Dicke

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: *"God We Gather As Your People"* *(please stand as you are able)*

Vs 1: God, we gather as your people to raise our song above, & we dare to claim the promise of your love.
Though the day may not yet be here, we trust it soon will be, when your children will be free.

Refrain: Oh, may our hearts and minds be opened, fling the church doors open wide.
May there be room enough for ev'ryone inside. For in God there is a welcome, in God we all belong.
May that welcome be our song.

Vs 2: Oh, we sing for all the children, that one day they be free; and we sing for generations yet to be,
that they never have a reason to doubt that they are blest. May they, in your love, find rest. [Refrain]

Vs 3: Oh, we pray for all the young lives cut short by fear & shame, so afraid of who they are & whom they love.
May the message now be banished that your love is for the few; may their faith in you renew. [Refrain]

Vs 4: God, we're working for the future when children far & wide can live their lives with dignity & pride.
As they grow in strength & stature, may they join us hand in hand, as against all hate we stand. [Refrain]

Prayer of the Day: P: Let us pray together

C: Triune God, you call us to relationship. We thank you for the expressions of holy relationship alive in our homes and in our community. Guide us to live in Christian community with our church and neighbors. May we pray together, serve together, and learn together, so that we might grow together in faith toward you and in fervent love toward our neighbors. In Jesus name we pray, Amen.

The First Reading: Matthew 4:18-21

¹⁸ As Jesus was walking beside the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon called Peter and his brother Andrew. They were casting a net into the lake, for they were fishermen. ¹⁹ "Come, follow me," Jesus said, "and I will send you out to fish for people." ²⁰ At once they left their nets and followed him. ²¹ Going on from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John. They were in a boat with their father Zebedee, preparing their nets. Jesus called them,