

everyone who sees it will ridicule you,³⁰ saying, ‘This person began to build and wasn’t able to finish.’³¹ “Or suppose a king is about to go to war against another king. Won’t he first sit down and consider whether he is able with ten thousand men to oppose the one coming against him with twenty thousand?³² If he is not able, he will send a delegation while the other is still a long way off and will ask for terms of peace.³³ In the same way, those of you who do not give up everything you have cannot be my disciples.

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

Children’s Message: *Pastor Eric Hanson*

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Hymn of the Day & Offering: *“Will You Come And Follow Me” #798*

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: Will you come and follow me if I but call you name? Will you go where you don’t know and never be the same? Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known, will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?

Vs 2: Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name? Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same? Will you risk the hostile stare, should your life attract or scare? Will you let me answer pray’r in you and you in me?

Vs 3: Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name? Will you set the pris’ners free and never be the same? Will you kiss the leper clean, and do such as this unseen, and admit to what I mean in you and you in me?

Vs 4: Will you love the you you hide if I but call your name? Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same? Will you use the faith you’ve found to reshape the world around, through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?

Vs 5: Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name. Let me turn and follow you and never be the same. In your company I’ll go where your love and footsteps show. Thus I’ll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

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: Gracious God, in your great love you richly provide for our needs. Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing, and make us ready to share with all in need; through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all. 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.* We pray for the church around the world and for the mission of the gospel. Refresh the hearts of your people, deepen our understanding of every good thing we share, and strengthen our partnerships in the faith. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

For the well-being of the earth and all its creatures: for trees and forests, for all that will yield fruit this season, and for streams and other bodies of water. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

For the nations and those in authority: for the elected leaders of our towns, states, and country, and for international organizations. Grant wisdom to those who govern and raise up citizens who make decisions in the best interest of their neighbors. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

For all in need: for those who suffer from disease, who struggle with homelessness or food insecurity, for those whose family life is difficult, and for all in this community who need your care 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.**

For this community of faith: for all our labors – begun, continued, and ended in you – that they glorify your holy name. Bless your people with the strength to live into their many vocations for the sake of the world. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

We give thanks for the saints who now rest from their labors. Give us faith, like them, to love you with all our hearts, and by your mercy, bring us to everlasting life. 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: *“Christ Be Our Light” #715*

**Vs 1: Longing for light, we wait in darkness. Longing for truth, we turn to you.
Make us your own, your holy people, light for the world to see.**

**Refrain: Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gathered today.**

**Vs 2: Longing for peace, our world is troubled. Longing for hope, many despair.
Your word alone has pow’r to save us. Make us your living voice. [Refrain]**

**Vs 3: Longing for food, many are hungry. Longing for water, many still thirst.
Make us your bread, broken for others, shared until all are fed. [Refrain]**

**Vs 4: Longing for shelter, many are homeless. Longing for warmth, many are cold.
Make us your building, sheltering others, walls made of living stone. [Refrain]**

**Vs 5: Many the gifts, many the people, many the hearts that yearn to belong.
Let us be servants to one another, signs of your kingdom come. [Refrain]**

“Have Thine Own Way, Lord”

**Vs 1: Have thine own way, Lord, have thine own way. Thou art the potter, I am the clay.
Mold me and make me after thy will, while I am waiting, yielded and still.**

**Vs 2: Have thine own way, Lord, have thine own way. Search me and try me, Master, today.
Purer than snow, Lord, wash me just now, as in thy presence humbly I bow.**

**Vs 3: Have thine own way, Lord, have thine own way. Wounded and weary, help me, I pray.
Power, all power surely is thine. Touch me and heal me, Savior divine.**

**Vs 4: Have thine own way, Lord, have thine own way. Hold o’er my being absolute sway.
Fill with thy Spirit till all shall see Christ only, always, living in me.**

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

P: O God,

C: God of the abundant table, you have refreshed our hearts in this meal with bread for the journey. Give us your grace on the road that we might serve our neighbors with joy; for the sake of Jesus Christ, our 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: “*Joyous Light Of Heavenly Glory*” #561

Vs 1: Joyous light of heav’nly glory, loving glow of God’s own face, you who sing creation’s story,
shine on ev’ry land and race. Now as evening falls around us, we shall raise our songs to you.
God of daybreak, God of shadows, come and light our hearts anew.

Vs 2: In the stars that grace the darkness, in the blazing sun of dawn, in the light of peace and wisdom,
we can hear your quiet song. Love that fills the night with wonder, love that warms the weary soul,
love that bursts all chains asunder, set us free and make us whole.

Vs 3: You who made the heaven’s splendor, ev’ry dancing star of night, make us shine with gentle justice,
let us each reflect your light. Mighty God of all creation, gentle Christ who lights our way,
loving Spirit of salvation, lead us on to endless day.

Dismissal:

P: Go in peace to love and serve Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

Postlude *Pianist, Debbi St. John*



St. Luke Lutheran Church
13th Sunday after Pentecost

Pastor Eric Hanson
9:30AM • September 4, 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: We confess our sins together, in the name of the Father, and of the Son +, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: God of all Mercy, come to our aid. When we hide brokenness and only show you wholeness, forgive us. When we cover shame and guilt with pride and pretense, forgive us. When we point out the speck in our neighbor’s eye but ignore the log in our own eye, forgive us. When we choose old, harmful ways of living over new, life-giving ways, forgive us. Transform us by the power of your Spirit, Lord God, and make us New.

P: Children of God, God loved us even when we were dead in sin, and makes us new through Jesus Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Live as people set free. **Amen.**

Gathering Hymn: “*Lift High The Cross*” #660 *(please stand as you are able)*

Refrain: Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim till all the world adore his sacred name.

Vs 1: Come, Christians, follow where our captain trod, our king victorious, Christ, the Son of God. [Refrain]

Vs 2: All newborn servants of the Crucified bear on their brows the seal of him who died. [Refrain]

Vs 3: O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree, as thou hast promised, draw us all to thee. [Refrain]

Vs 4: So shall our song of triumph ever be: praise to the Crucified for victory! [Refrain]

Prayer of the Day: Direct us, O Lord God, in all our doings with your continual help, that in all our works, begun, continued, and ended in you, we may glorify your holy name; and finally, by your mercy, bring us to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

The First Reading: Deuteronomy 30:15-20 ¹⁵See, I set before you today life and prosperity, death and destruction. ¹⁶For I command you today to love the Lord your God, to walk in obedience to him, and to keep his commands, decrees and laws; then you will live and increase, and the Lord your God will bless you in the land you are entering to possess. ¹⁷But if your heart turns away and you are not obedient, and if you are drawn away to bow down to other gods and worship them, ¹⁸I declare to you this day that you will certainly be destroyed. You will not live long in the land you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. ¹⁹This day I call the heavens and the earth as witnesses against you that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Now choose life, so that you and your children may live ²⁰and that you may love the Lord your God, listen to his voice, and hold fast to him. For the Lord is your life, and he will give you many years in the land he swore to give to your fathers, Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.

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

Gospel Reading: Luke 14:25-33 ²⁵Large crowds were traveling with Jesus, and turning to them he said: ²⁶“If anyone comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters—yes, even their own life—such a person cannot be my disciple. ²⁷And whoever does not carry their cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. ²⁸“Suppose one of you wants to build a tower. Won’t you first sit down and estimate the cost to see if you have enough money to complete it? ²⁹For if you lay the foundation and are not able to finish it,

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