

THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SERVICE OF THE WORD

OPENING HYMN

#406

406 This Is the Threefold Truth



1 This is the three - fold truth on which our
2 Made sa - cred by long use, new - mint - ed
3 On this we fix our minds as, kneel - ing
4 By this we are up - held when doubt or
5 This is the three - fold truth which, if we



faith de - pends; And with this joy - ful
for our time, Our lit - ur - gies sum
side by side, We take the bread and
grief as - sails Our Chris - tian faith and
hold it fast, Chang - es the world and



cry wor - ship be - gins and ends:
up the hope we have in him:
wine, take him, the Cru - ci - fied:
love, and on - ly grace a - vails:
us and brings us home at last:

Refrain



Christ has died! Christ is ris - en! Christ will come a - gain!

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INVOCATION

- M: The grace of our Lord (+) Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.
- C: **And also with you.**

CONFESSION OF SINS

- M: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.
- C: **Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.**
- M: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.
- C: **Amen.**

PRAYER AND PRAISE

M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

OH, TASTE AND SEE

C: Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Bless - ed are
they who take ref - uge in him. Your Word, O Lord, is e -
ter - nal; it stands firm in the heav -
ens. Your faith - ful - ness con - tin - ues for -
ev - er. Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good.
Bless - ed are they who take ref - uge in him.

The musical score is written on a single staff in treble clef, with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a time signature of 4/4. The melody consists of six lines of music. The lyrics are placed below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

The minister says the Prayer of the Day.

C: A - men.

The musical score is written on a single staff in treble clef, with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a time signature of 4/4. The melody consists of a single line of music: a quarter note G4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note B4, and a quarter note C5. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

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The Word

THE FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 56:1, 6-8

¹This is what the LORD says.

Protect justice, and carry out righteousness,

because my salvation is coming very soon.

My righteousness is ready to be revealed.

⁶Then the foreigners who join themselves to the LORD,

to minister to him and to love the name of the LORD

and to become his servants,

every one of them who keeps the Sabbath and does not profane it,

those who take hold of my covenant—

⁷I will bring them to my holy mountain,

and I will make them glad in my house of prayer.

Their whole burnt offerings and their sacrifices will be

acceptable on my altar.

For my house will be called a house of prayer for all the peoples

of the world.

⁸This is the declaration of God the LORD,

who gathers Israel's dispersed people:

"I will gather still more people to my house besides

the ones already gathered."

*Refrain*

How good and pleasant it is*
when brothers live together in nity!

For there the LORD bestows his blssing,*
even life foreermore.

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Praise the LORD, all you servants of the LORD*
who minister in the house of the LORD.

Lift up your hands in the sanctuary*
and praise the LORD.

May the LORD, the maker of heaven and earth,*
bless you from Zion.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son*
and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning,*
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Refrain

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THE SECOND LESSON

Romans 11:13-15, 28-32

¹³I am speaking to you Gentiles. For as long as I am an apostle to the Gentiles, I am going to speak highly of my ministry. ¹⁴Perhaps I may make my own people jealous, and so save some of them. ¹⁵For if their rejection meant the reconciliation of the world, what does their acceptance mean other than the dead coming to life?

²⁸In regard to the gospel, they are enemies for your sake. But, in regard to election, they are especially dear for the sake of the patriarchs, ²⁹because God’s gracious gifts and call are not regretted. ³⁰For just as you were once disobedient to God, but now have been shown mercy due to their disobedience, ³¹so also now they have become disobedient, so that by the mercy shown to you they may be shown mercy too. ³²For God imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may show mercy to all.

VERSE OF THE DAY

C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

These words are writ - ten that we may be - lieve that

Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

PLEASE STAND, IF YOU ARE ABLE

THE GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 15:21-28

M: The Gospel according to Matthew 15:21-28

²¹Jesus left that place and withdrew into the region of Tyre and Sidon. ²²There a Canaanite woman from that territory came and kept crying out, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David! A demon is severely tormenting my daughter!"

²³But he did not answer her a word.

His disciples came and pleaded, "Send her away, because she keeps crying out after us."

²⁴He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel."

²⁵But she came and knelt in front of him, saying, "Lord, help me."

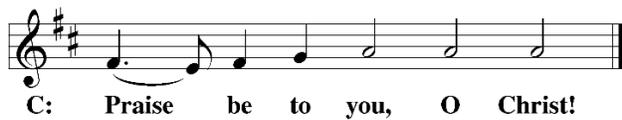
²⁶He answered her, "It is not good to take the children's bread and throw it to their little dogs."

²⁷"Yes, Lord," she said, "yet their little dogs also eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table."

²⁸Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, your faith is great! It will be done for you, just as you desire." And her daughter was healed at that very hour.

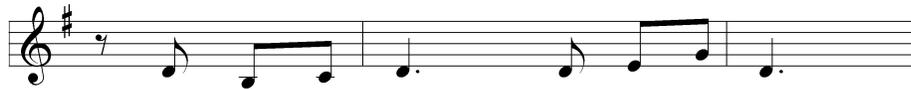
M: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

After the Gospel, the congregation sings:



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756 We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight



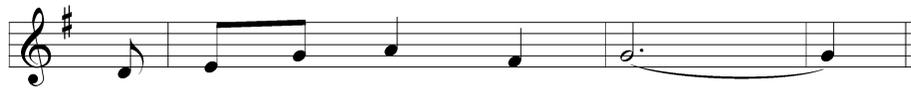
1 We walk by faith and not by sight;
 2 We may not touch his hands and side
 3 Help then, O Lord, our un - be - lief,
 4 For you, O res - sur - rec - ted Lord,
 5 Lord, when our life of faith is done,



No gra - cious words we hear
 Nor fol - low where he trod,
 And may our faith a - bound
 Are found in means di - vine:
 In realms of clear - er light,



From him who spoke as none e'er spoke,
 But in his prom - ise we re - jice
 To call on you when you are near
 Be - neath the wa - ter and the Word,
 We may be - hold you as you are



But we be - lieve him near.
 And cry, "My Lord and God!"
 And seek where you are found.
 Be - neath the bread and wine.
 With full and end - less sight.

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APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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 into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER

C: 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.

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404 Faith Is a Living Power from Heaven



1 Faith is a liv - ing pow'r from heav'n
 2 Faith finds in Christ what - e'er we need
 3 Faith in the Sav - ior brings us peace
 4 We thank you, then, O God of heav'n,
 5 As you have prom - ised, grant each soul



That grasps the prom - ise God has giv'n,
 To save or strength - en us in - deed,
 And bids the mourn - er's weep - ing cease;
 That you to us this faith have giv'n
 Its ho - ly faith's true end and goal:



A trust that can - not be o'er - thrown,
 Re - ceiv - ing grace from heav - en's throne
 By faith the chil - dren's place we claim
 Through might - y Word and sac - ra - ment
 The bless - ed - ness no foes de - stroy,



Fixed heart - i - ly on Christ a - lone.
 And hum - bly shar - ing cross and crown.
 And give all hon - or to one name.
 To trust the one whom you have sent.
 E - ter - nal love and light and joy.

Text: Petrus Herbert, d. 1571, abr.; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827-78, alt.
 Tune: HERR JESU CHRIST, MEINS (LM) As *hymnodus sacer*, Leipzig, 1625, alt.

PLEASE STAND, IF YOU ARE ABLE

CLOSING PRAYER

M: Almighty God, we thank you for teaching us the things you want us to believe and do. Help us by your Holy Spirit to keep your Word in pure hearts that we may be strengthened in faith, guided in holiness, and comforted in life and in death, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.



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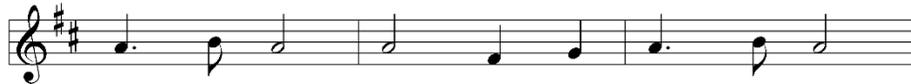
My Faith Looks Up to Thee



1 My faith looks up to thee, Thou Lamb of
 2 May thy rich grace im-part Strength to my
 3 While life's dark maze I tread And griefs a -
 4 When ends life's tran-sient dream, When death's cold,



Cal - va - ry, Sav - ior di - vine. Now hear me
 faint - ing heart; My zeal in - spire! As thou hast
 round me spread, Be thou my guide. Bid dark - ness
 sul - len stream Shall o'er me roll, Blest Sav - ior,



while I pray; Take all my guilt a - way;
 died for me, Oh, may my love to thee
 turn to day, Wipe sor - row's tears a - way,
 then, in love, Fear and dis - trust re - move;



Oh, let me from this day Be whol - ly thine!
 Pure, warm, and change - less be, A liv - ing fire!
 Nor let me ev - er stray From thee a - side.
 Oh, bear me safe a - bove, A ran - somed soul!

Text: Ray Palmer, 1808-87.

Tune: OLIVET (664 6664) Lowell Mason, 1792-1872, alt.

SERVING IN WORSHIP

Liturgy..... Pastor Natsis
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Organist Ann Hoeft
Deacons.....(Thursday) Dave Frey and Duane Mason
..... (Sunday - 8:30) Dave Boswell and Ed Wheeler
.....(Sunday – 11:00) Robert Niethammer and Brian Zahn
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