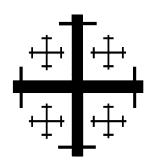
Pentecost XIII

7 September 2025

9:30 am





The Liturgy at Calvary

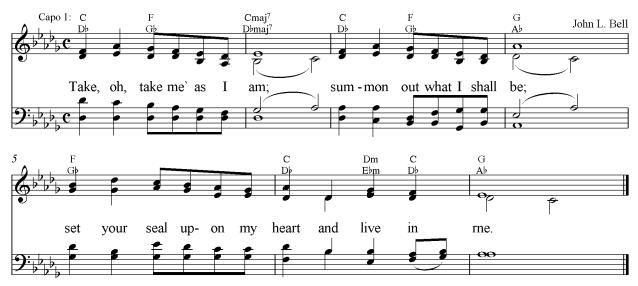
Called to contemplate the cost of discipleship, we might be helped by translating Paul's request to Philemon into our prayer of the day: Refresh my heart in Christ. Strengthened by the company and

forgiveness of Christ in holy communion and recalling God's grace in remembrance of baptism, we can be strengthened in this hour to "choose life"—to choose life in God as our own.

Prelude Allegro in D Ann Bon (1738-1767) Edited by Charles Callahan (1951-2023)

Please stand & face the Baptismal font & turn to face the cross in procession

Penitential Rite Take, Oh Take Me As I Am (ELW 814)



Text & Music: John L Bell b. 1949, © 1995 Wild Goose Resource Center, Iona Peace Institute: GIA Publications, Inc.

Thus says the Lord, "See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the LORD your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live..."

(Deuteronomy 30: 15-16). Let us confess our sin that we might choose life this day.

Silence is kept for confession and reflection

- L The Lord sets before us today life and death, blessings and curses.
- C This day I choose life and pledge to love the LORD my God in obedience and devotion (Deuteronomy 30: 19).
- L Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked, or take the path that sinners tread, or sit in the seat of scoffers; but their delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law they meditate day and night. They are like trees planted by streams of water, which yield their fruit in its season, and their leaves do not wither.

Reprise Take, Oh Take Me As I Am

Apostolic Greeting

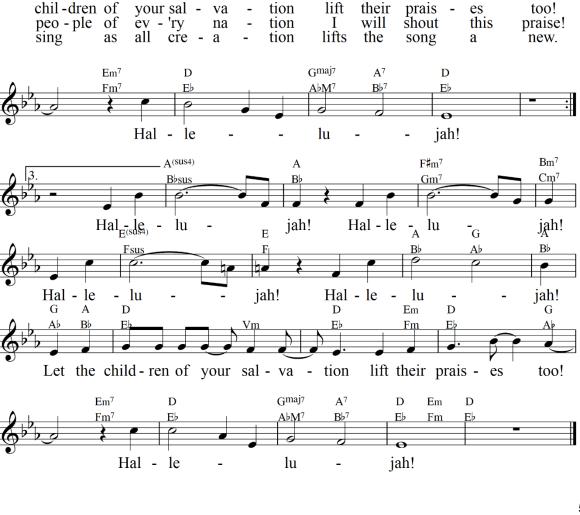
- P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,

 the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C And also with you.

Kyrie Eleison [Greek, Lord, Have Mercy]



Hymn Of Praise Capo fret 1 D D D Em Em EmFщ Εb Fm Fm tion and will ex -I will stand in the con - gre - ga the con - gre - ga a con - gre - ga Ι will stand I will in tion and join We will tion and we will ex as D Em D A Fm will alt. I the con - gre - ga you. stand in praise name; I will stand in the con - gre - ga your We will join as a con - gre - ga alt. you. G D EmD Em Aþ Fm Fm tion and I will ex alt_ you. Let the Ī tion and will praise your name: With your tion and we will ex - alt. you. We will D Em D D G EmΕb Εþ Αþ Fṃ Fm lift chil-dren of your sal - va tion their prais es peo - ple of ev - 'ry tion will shout this na all cre - a tion lifts the sing as song a Gmaj7 D A^7 D Em⁷ Fm⁷ Bb7 Hal - le jah! lu A(SUS4) $F^{\sharp}m^{7}$ A Bbsus Gm^7



 A^7

Prayer Of The Day

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Let us pray... 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.

C Amen

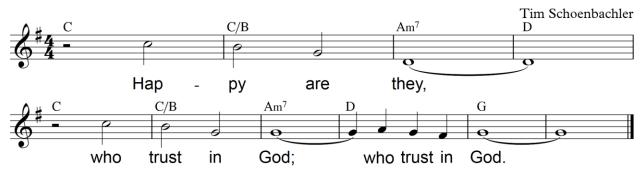
Please sit for today's scripture readings.

First Reading Deuteronomy 30:15-20

¹⁵See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. ¹⁶If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the LORD your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. ¹⁷But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, ¹⁸I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. ¹⁹I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, ²⁰loving the LORD your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the LORD swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.

- L The Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Psalm 1



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1. Happy are the people of God: they walk not in sinners' ways. They delight in God's Word. In God's word they find joy.

Refrain

- 2. They are like the tree near rich earth, yielding fruit in the proper time and whose leaves never fade. All their work yield in due time. **Refrain**
- 3. Wicked hearts the Lord turns away like the leaves in the autumn wind. For the Lord cares for the just: wicked hearts walk to their death.

 Refrain

Second Reading Philemon 1-21

¹Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother, To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, ²to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellow soldier, and to the church in your house:

³Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

⁴When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God ⁵because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith toward the Lord Jesus. ⁶I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. ⁷I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother.

⁸For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, 9yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love—and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. 10I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. ¹¹Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. ¹²I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. ¹³I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; 14but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. ¹⁵Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back forever, ¹⁶no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a beloved brother—especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

¹⁷So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. ¹⁸If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. ¹⁹I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. ²⁰Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. ²¹Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

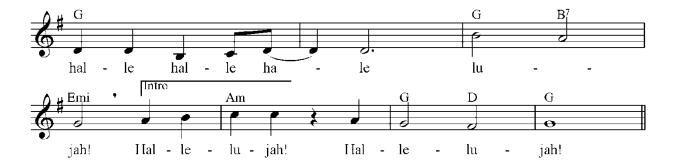
L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the Holy Gospel

Alleluia Verse/Gospel Acclamations





P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the 14th chapter
 C Glory to you, O Lord

²⁵Now large crowds were traveling with [Jesus;] and he turned and said to them, ²⁶ Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. ²⁷Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. ²⁸For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? ²⁹Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, ³⁰saying, 'This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.' 31Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? 32If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. ³³So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions."

P The Gospel of Our Lord

C Praise to you, O Christ!

Sermon Pastor Kyle

Silent Reflection

Hymn of The Day God's Work, Our Hands (ACS 1000)



Text: Wayne L. Wold, b. 1954

Music: EARTH AND ALL STARS, David N. Johnson, 1922–1987 Text © 2019 Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, admin. Augsburg Fortress Music © 1968 Augsburg Publishing House, admin. Augsburg Fortress

Creed

A Let us profess the faith in which we are Baptized.

All I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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.

Prayers of Intercession

A Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.



after each petition

A Lord in your mercy, **C Hear our prayer.** *concluding with*

P Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord C Amen.

Peace

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C And also with you.

Please greet one another in the name of the Lord

Offertory

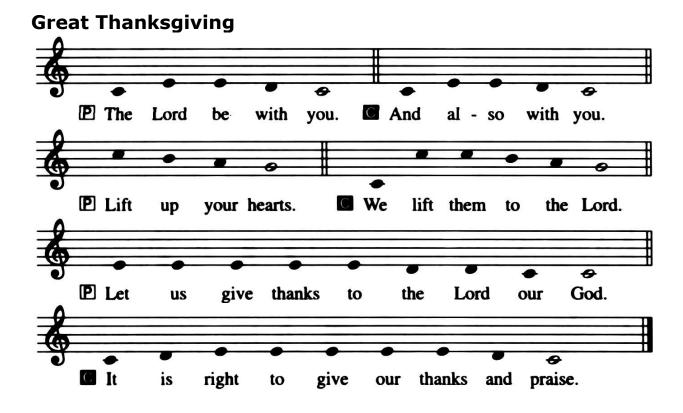
10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord) Jona Myrin and Matt Redman, c. 2011 David Johnson, Baritone



Please stand as our gifts of bread and wine are brought to the altar.



- A Let us pray. Merciful Father,
- C we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



P It is indeed right and good that we should everywhere and always offer thanks and praise to you, holy God, mighty and immortal, through Jesus Christ our Lord,

The day of your final Jubilee dawned in your Son, Jesus, your Anointed One who announced good news to the poor, bound up the broken-hearted, and set the captives free.

And so with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

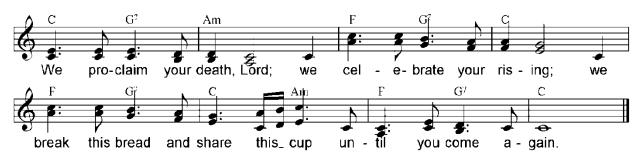
Sanctus & Benedictus [Latin, Holy & Blessed]



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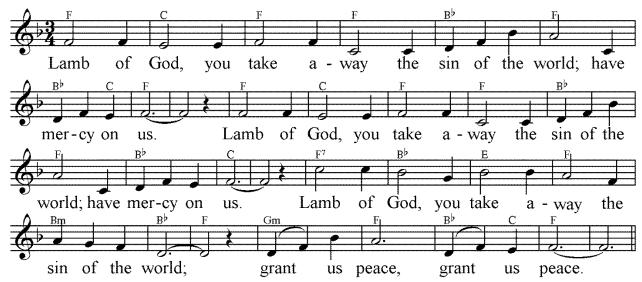
Eucharistic Prayer

Eucharistic Acclamation



- P Remember us in your kingdom, O Lord, and teach us to pray
- All 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
- P The body of Christ given for you. Blood of Christ shed for you.

Agnus Dei [Latin, Lamb of God]



HOLY COMMUNION



In-Person: We commune at the Altar. Ushers will guide you.

Online at Home: If you have elements at home, commune with those in attendance at the same time. We encourage you to communion each other and bless children who have not received First Communion. Consider giving this blessing: "Know that the promises of Jesus's love are for you."

Janet Thorp, Singing & Guitar

Oh Jesus I Have Promised (ELW 810)



Text: John E. Bode, 1816-1874, alt.

Music: MUNICH, Neuvermehrtes Gesangbuch, Meiningen, 1693

Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus (ELW 802)



Text: Sigismund von Birken, 1626–1681; tr. *Lutheran Book of Worship*, alt. Music: LASSET UNS MIT JESU ZIEHEN, Georg G. Boltze, 18th cent. Text © 1978 *Lutheran Book of Worship*, admin. Augsburg Fortress.

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace. **C Amen.**

Post Communion Canticle



Text: Nunc dimittis &. Music *Detroit Folk Mass*, Tillis Butler & James Harris © 1986 Fortress Press. admin. Augsburg Fort

A Let us pray...

O God, through this meal you have strengthened us and appointed us to be your servants. Send us to do good and to share our possessions with all in need. We ask this in Jesus' name.

C Amen

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and
♣ give you peace.

C Amen

Recessional Go to The World (ACS 991)



A Go in Peace. Serve the Lord!

C Thanks be to God!

Postlude O God Beyond All Praising

Tune: Thaxted, Gustav Holst (1874-1934)

Setting: David Cherwien (B. 1957)

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Jacob Groening, trumpet, vocals
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Christy Gibson, Pete Moxley, vocals
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UPCOMING COMMEMORATION

Peter Claver, priest, missionary to Colombia, died 1654 Tuesday, September 9, 2025

Born into Spanish nobility, Claver became a Jesuit missionary, and served in present-day Colombia. His ministry was focused on the enslaved people who arrived there. He gave them food and medicine, learned their dialects, and taught them Christianity.

John Chrysostom, Bishop of Constantinople, died 407 Saturday, September 13, 2025

John was a priest in Antioch and an outstanding preacher. His eloquence earned him the nickname "Chrysostom" ("golden mouth"). Appointed bishop of Constantinople, seat of the empire, he criticized corruption in the court. As a result, he was exiled by the empress.