

# Full Service Bulletin

## PRAISE SERVICE

AUGUST 27, 2023

## THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

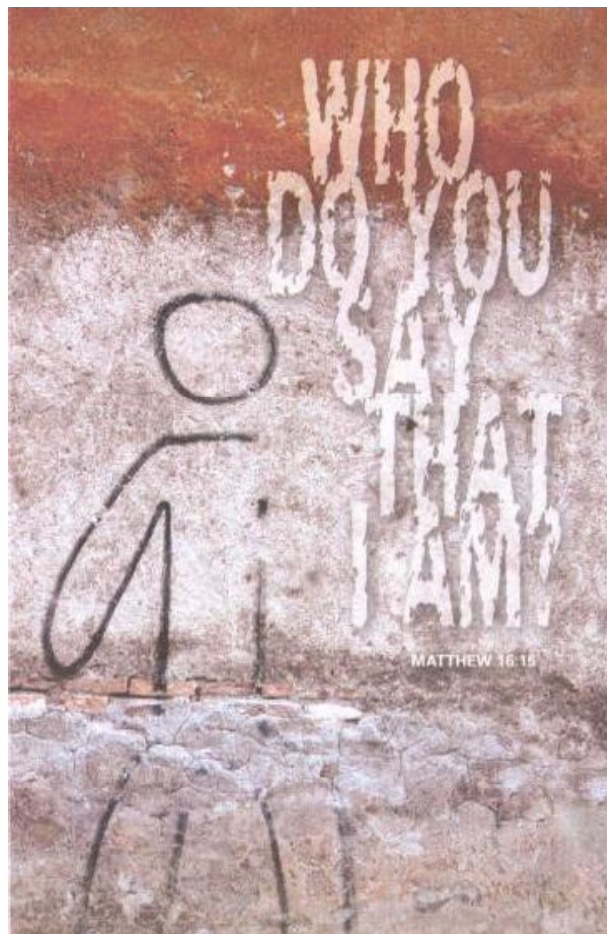
### WE GATHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE

*I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the LORD." (Psalm 122:1)*

### PRELUDE AND PREPARATION

*Prepare your heart for worship: read the introduction, look up the Scripture readings and pray. You may pray:*

**God of grace, You have given us minds to know You, hearts to love You, and voices to sing Your praise. Fill us with Your Spirit, that we may celebrate Your glory and worship You in spirit and truth, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. AMEN.**



### CHILDREN

*We welcome children of all ages. The Children's Library is available if a child needs a break during the service.*

### INTRODUCTION

*Jesus declares that the church will be built on the rock of Peter's bold confession of faith. God's word of reconciliation and mercy are keys to the church's mission. Paul urges us to not be conformed to this world, but to offer our bodies as a living sacrifice, using our individual gifts to build up the body of Christ. From our Lord's Day gathering we go forth into the world to offer our spiritual worship through word and deed.*

### PRELUDE "Redemption Day"

*(by Sheryl Crow with Johnny Cash - cd)*

### WELCOME AND MEDITATION

### GATHERING SONG *(Please rise.)*

*"Worn" (by Tenth Avenue North - Youth Request cd 1 track # 14)*

**I'm Tired I'm worn  
My heart is heavy  
From the work it takes  
To keep on breathing  
I've made mistakes  
I've let my hope fail  
My soul feels crushed  
By the weight of this world**

**And I know that you can give me rest  
So I cry out with all that I have left**

*Refrain:* **Let me see redemption win  
Let me know the struggle ends  
That you can mend a heart  
That's frail and torn  
I wanna know a song can rise  
From the ashes of a broken life  
And all that's dead inside can be reborn  
Cause I'm worn**

**I know I need to lift my eyes up  
But I'm too weak Life just won't let up  
And I know that you can give me rest  
So I cry out with all that I have left *Refrain***

**My prayers are wearing thin Yeah, I'm worn  
Even before the day begins Yeah, I'm worn  
I've lost my will to fight I'm worn  
So, heaven come and flood my eyes**

*Final Refrain:* **Let me see redemption win  
Let me know the struggle ends  
That you can mend a heart  
That's frail and torn  
I wanna know a song can rise  
From the ashes of a broken life  
And all that's dead inside can be reborn  
Cause all that's dead inside will be reborn  
Though I'm worn Yeah I'm worn**

## **INVOCATION** ( = *All may make the sign of the cross.*)

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, Who forgives all our sin,  
Whose mercy endures forever.

**C: AMEN.**

## **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P: In the presence of God, Who sees our hearts and our minds, let  
us confess our sin.

*(Please kneel. Silence is kept for reflection and personal confession.)*

P: God our strength,

**C: we confess that we are captive to the power of sin that dwells within us. We put ourselves first and others last. What we think will make us happy leaves us longing for more. Even when we want to do what is good, we find ourselves doing the opposite. Rescue us from death's grip on our lives, and raise us up day by day, that we may be alive to God in Christ Jesus. AMEN.**

P: Sisters and brothers, all have fallen short of the glory of God; therefore we are justified by God's grace as a gift. Nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus, in Whom we have forgiveness of sin, life, and salvation.

**C: AMEN.**

## **GREETING** (*Please rise.*)

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the life of the Spirit be with you all.

**C: And also with you.**

## **WE PRAISE GOD'S NAME**

*With one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.*

*"Let all the peoples praise him." (Romans 15:6,11)*

## **HYMN OF PRAISE**

*"How Great Thou Art" (Maj # 111 - favorite)*

1. O Lord my God, when I in awe - some won - der Con - sid - er  
 2. When thro' the woods and for - est glades I wan - der And hear the  
 3. And when I think that God, His Son not spar - ing, Sent Him to  
 4. When Christ shall come with shout of ac - cla - ma - tion And take me

all the worlds Thy hands have made, I see the stars, I hear the roll - ing  
 birds sing sweet - ly in the trees, When I look down from loft - y moun - tain  
 die, I scarce can take it in, That on the cross, my bur - den glad - ly  
 home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in hum - ble ad - o -

*Refrain*

thun - der, Thy pow'r thro' - out the u - ni - verse dis - played.  
 gran - deur, And hear the brook and feel the gen - tle breeze. Then sings my  
 bear - ing, He bled and died to take a - way my sin.  
 ra - tion, And there pro - claim, my God, how great Thou art.

soul, my Sav - ior God, to Thee; How great Thou art, how great Thou art! Then sings my

soul, my Sav - ior God, to Thee: How great Thou art, how great Thou art!

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: The Lord be with you.      **C: And also with you.**

L: Let us pray together:      **C: O God, with all Your faithful followers of every age, we praise You, the rock of our life. Be our strong foundation and form us into the body of Your Son, that we may gladly minister to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. AMEN.**

## RESPONSIVE READING....Psalm 138 (*congregation: indented*)

I will praise You, O LORD, with all my heart;

**before the “gods” I will sing Your praise.**

I will bow down toward Your holy temple

**and will praise Your name**

For Your love and Your faithfulness,

**for You have exalted above all things**

**Your name and Your word.**

When I called, You answered me;

**You made me bold and stouthearted.**

May all the kings of the earth praise You, O LORD,

**when they hear the words of Your mouth.**

May they sing of the ways of the LORD,

**for the glory of the LORD is great.**

Though the LORD is on high, He looks upon the lowly,

**but the proud He knows from afar.**

Though I walk in the midst of trouble, You preserve my life;

**You stretch out Your hand**

**against the anger of my foes,**

with Your right hand You save me.

**The LORD will fulfill His purpose for me;**

Your love, O LORD, endures forever—

**do not abandon the works of Your hands.**

## PRAISE SONG “Count Your Blessings”

(Maj # 82 - favorite - Text: Johnson Oatman, Jr.; Tune: Edwin O. Excell)



1. When up - on life's billows you are tempest toss'd, When you are discouraged,  
 2. Are you ev - er burdened with a load of care? Does the cross seem heavy  
 3. When you look at others with their lands and gold, Think that Christ has promised  
 4. So a - mid the conflict, whether great or small, Do not be discouraged,

thinking all is lost, Count your ma - ny blessings, name them one by one,  
 you are called to bear? Count your ma - ny blessings, ev - 'ry doubt will fly,  
 you his wealth un - told, Count your ma - ny blessings, mou - ey can - not buy  
 God is o - ver all; Count your ma - ny blessings, an - gels will at - tend,

CHORUS.

And it will surprise you, what the Lord hath done. Count your blessings, Name them  
 And you will besinging as the days go by. }  
 Your reward in heaven, nor your home on high. }  
 Help and comfort give you to your journey's end. Count your many blessings,

one by one, Count your blessings, See what God hath done; Count your  
 Name them one by one, Count your many blessings, See what God hath done; Count your many

blessings, Name them one by one, Count your many blessings, See what God hath done.



# WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

For everything was written to teach us, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope. (Romans 15:4)

## **CHILDREN'S CHAT** (8:30) Ruthann Kistler

**FIRST READING** ....Isaiah 51:1-6 .....Pew Bible p. 1141

P: Word of God, Word of Life.      **C: Thanks be to God.**

**SECOND READING** ....Romans 12:1-8...Pg..... 1763

P: Word of God, Word of Life.      **C: Thanks be to God.**

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** (*Please rise.*)

*"We Are an Offering"* (ELW # 692 - Dwight Liles)

The musical score is written for voice and piano in 4/4 time. It consists of five systems of music. Each system has a vocal line on a treble clef staff and a piano accompaniment on a bass clef staff. The lyrics are: "We lift our voices, we lift our hands, We lift our lives up to Lord, use our hands; Lord, use our lives, they are Yours; We are an offering. Lord, use our offering. All that we have, all that we are, All that we hope to be, we give to You, we give to You. We lift our voices, we lift our hands, We lift our lives up to You; We are an offering, we are an offering." The score includes various musical notations such as triplets, slurs, and dynamic markings.

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 16th Chapter.

**C: Glory to You, O Lord.**

**GOSPEL** ....Matthew 16:13-20.....Pg. 1524

P: The Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to You, O Christ.**

*(Please sit. See outline in Announcements insert.)*

**SERMON** "Jesus Reveals Himesel & His Mission"

### **WE RESPOND IN FAITH**

*May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing.  
(Romans 15:13)*

**HYMN OF THE DAY** *(Please rise.)*

*"Built on a Rock" (SBH # 151)*

KIRKEN. 8 8, 8 8, 8 8, 8.

LUDVIG M. LINDEMAN, 1812-87

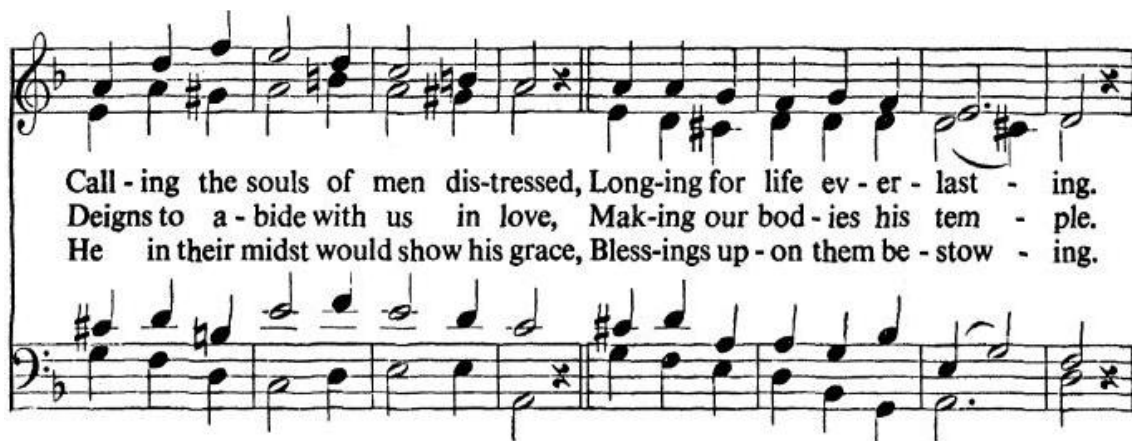
*With vigor*

1. Built on a rock the church doth stand, E - ven when stee - ples are  
2. Not in our tem - ples made with hands God, the al - might - y, is  
3. We are God's house of liv - ing stones, Built for his own hab - i -

fall - ing; Crum - bled have spires in ev - ery land, Bells still are  
dwell - ing; High in the heavens his tem - ple stands, All earth - ly  
ta - tion; He fills our hearts, his hum - ble thrones, Grant - ing us

chim - ing and call - ing; Call - ing the young and old to rest,  
tem - ples ex - cell - ing; Yet he who dwells in heaven a - bove  
life and sal - va - tion; Were two or three to seek his face,





4 Yet in this house, an earthly frame,  
 Jesus the children is blessing;  
 Hither we come to praise his Name,  
 Faith in our Saviour confessing;  
 Jesus to us his Spirit sent,  
 Making with us his covenant,  
 Granting his children the kingdom.

5 Through all the passing years, O Lord,  
 Grant that, when church bells are ringing,  
 Many may come to hear God's word  
 Where he this promise is bringing:  
 I know mine own, mine own know me,  
 Ye, not the world, my face shall see;  
 My peace I leave with you, amen.

*Nikolai F. S. Grundtvig, 1783-1872; Tr. Carl Doving, 1867-1937  
 Revised, Fred C. M. Hansen, 1888-*

## APOSTLES' CREED

**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 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.**

## OFFERING

*We no longer pass the plate, but your offerings are needed more than ever. The plate is located at the back of the center aisle. Please place your offering there as you come in or go out. Thank You!*

*(Please sit.)*

**MISSION MOMENT (8:30) Priority One**

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH** *(Please kneel.)*

*(Response: L: Lord, in Your mercy, C: hear our prayer.)*

## **THE 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.**

## **WE ARE SENT INTO GOD'S WORLD**

*Come, let us walk in the light of the LORD! (Isaiah 2:5)*

*(Please sit. Students come forward wearing their backpacks.)*

## **BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS**

**P:** Lord, bless these backpacks and the students who will use them. We ask You to bless them with curiosity, understanding and respect. May their backpacks be a sign to them that they are loved by You and have everything they need to learn and grow in wisdom and maturity. Be ever-present with them in the classroom, on the school bus, on the playground, and at home, and may they feel Your loving care in all they do. All this we ask in the name of Jesus, who as a child in the temple showed His longing to learn about You, and as an adult taught by story and example Your great love for us.

**C: AMEN.**

## **BLESSING**

**P:** The God of all grace, Who has called you to eternal glory in Christ, restore, support, strengthen, and bless you by the power of the Holy Spirit now and forever.

**C: AMEN.**

## **SENDING HYMN** *(Please rise.)*

*"I Surrender All" (Maj # 404 - favorite)*

## **PASSING THE PEACE**

**L:** As we leave to serve the Risen Lord in the power of His Spirit, let us share with one another some of the blessings of peace we have received. The peace of the Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

## **POSTLUDE**

C F C G<sup>7</sup> Em G<sup>7</sup> C F C G<sup>7</sup> Em C

1. All to Je - sus I sur - ren - der, all to him I free - ly give;  
 2. All to Je - sus I sur - ren - der, hum - bly at his feet I bow,  
 3. All to Je - sus I sur - ren - der, make me, Sav - ior, whol - ly thine;  
 4. All to Je - sus I sur - ren - der, Lord, I give my - self to thee;

F C G<sup>7</sup> Em G<sup>7</sup> C F C G<sup>7</sup> Em C

may I ev - er love and trust him, in his pres - ence dai - ly live.  
 world - ly plea - sures all for - sak - en, take me, Je - sus, take me now.  
 may thy Ho - ly Spir - it fill me, may I know thy pow'r di - vine.  
 fill me with thy love and pow - er, let thy bless - ing fall on me.

REFRAIN  
 C F C G G G<sup>7</sup> C

I sur - ren - der all, I sur - ren - der all.  
 I sur - ren - der all, I sur - ren - der all.

F C F C/G G<sup>7</sup> C 7

All to thee, my bless - ed Sav - ior, I sur - ren - der all.

Judson W. VanDeVenter, 1896  
 Alt. 1990

SURRENDER 8.7.8.7.ref.  
 Winfield S. Weeden, 1896

## FELLOWSHIP AND REFRESHMENTS

*Everyone is invited to remain for fellowship and refreshments.  
 Snacks, coffee and hot water are available in the Gathering Place.  
 You can brew your own coffee/tea using the Keurig® in the Parlor.*



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**SERVANTS OF THE LORD THIS WEEK**

GREETERS: 8:30-Sarah Barlow / 10:45-Sharon Branigan  
SOUND SYSTEM: 8:30-Chris Chmela / 10:45-Jim Steiner  
LIVESTREAM: 8:30-Mike Zyskowski  
PROJECTOR: 8:30-Karen Brown / 10:45-VOLUNTEER NEEDED  
CHILDREN'S CHAT: Ruthann Kistler  
SONG LEADER: 8:30-Pastor David  
LITURGIST: 8:30-Patty Stein / 10:45-Marianne Sands  
LECTOR: 8:30-Jim Femister / 10:45-Kathy Ballek  
ALTAR GUILD: Irene Graham, Sharon Branigan  
PHONETREE: Jonathan Mosebach  
COUNTERS: Karen Brown, Jan Stryker  
HOSPITALITY: Holy Cross Social Ministry  
GRASS CUTTERS: Gary Moser, Mike Miller, Nick Wechsler  
PRAYER OF THE CHURCH: Mike Zyskowski  
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**SUNDAY SCHEDULE**

Worship - 8:30 & 10:45 AM † Sunday School - 9:45 AM  
(*Holy Communion 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays & Major Feasts*)

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