# Tenth Sunday after Pentecost July 28, 2024 9:30 AM

I pray that ... Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith,



as you are being rooted and grounded in love.

Ephesians 3:16-17, NRSV



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# **PRELUDE**

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# INVOCATION

P In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

 $\mathbf{C}$ Amen.

# **BRIEF ORDER OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P If we say we have no sin we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. Let us confess our sin to God who is faithful and just and who has promised to forgive our sin and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Kneel/ Remain Standing

P Most merciful God, C Have mercy on us.

We confess to you that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not trusted you with our whole heart; we have not loved one another in deed and in truth. In your compassion forgive our sin and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ our light and our truth. Amen.

P With joy, I proclaim to you that Almighty God, rich in mercy, abundant in love, forgives you all your sin and grants you newness of life in Jesus Christ.

# Thanks be to God!

Stand

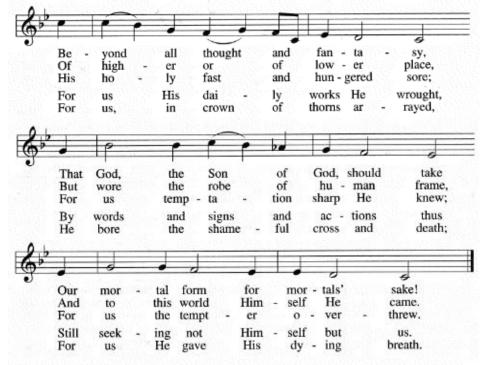
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### SHARING OF THE PEACE

Introduce yourself to those around you with the greeting of peace.

# SERVICE OF THE WORD

### "O Love, How Deep" how broad, how high, 10 how deep, love, our race. He sent no an gel to He bap - tized, for us bore us He prayed; taught; 4 For He for us 5 For wick ed ness be trayed, us



6 For us He rose from death again; For us He went on high to reign; For us He sent His Spirit here To guide, to strengthen, and to cheer.

△ 7 All glory to our Lord and God For love so deep, so high, so broad; The Trinity whom we adore Forever and forevermore.

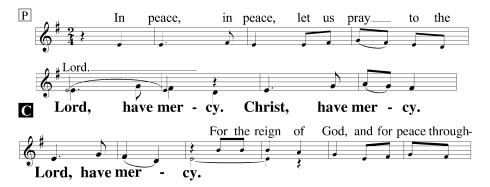
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Eph. 3:176-21; Phil. 2:6-9; Heb. 2:9-10, 14-18; John 1:14

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.







# SALUTATION AND PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P The Lord be with you. C And also with you.
- O God, your ears are open always to the prayers of your servants. Open our hearts and minds to you, that we may live in harmony with your will and receive the gifts of your Spirit; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Sit

# **SCRIPTURE LESSON** Ephesians 3:14-21

Paul prays for the Christians to whom he writes, asking that God will grant them inner strength and spiritual power as they continue to grow in their understanding of the love of Christ.

For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

# Al-le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e ter - nal life. Al-le-lu - ia! (Repeat, starting after intro.)

# **APOSTLES' CREED**

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

And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence 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.

Sit

MESSAGE "Rooted in Christ"





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Lam. 3:22-24; James 1:17; Gen. 8:20-22; Ps. 89:1-2

### **PRAYERS**

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

Other prayers are inserted here. Each petition ends with "Lord, in your mercy," to which the congregation responds, "hear our prayer." The prayers conclude:

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.

Sit

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# **SERVICE OF THE TABLE**

# **OFFERING**

You may contribute online using the QR code or place a gift in offering plate at the door along with the interest sheet.



Stand





P Let us pray. Gracious God,

we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—ourselves, 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.

# THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

san - na in the high - est, ho-san - na in the high-est!

P In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

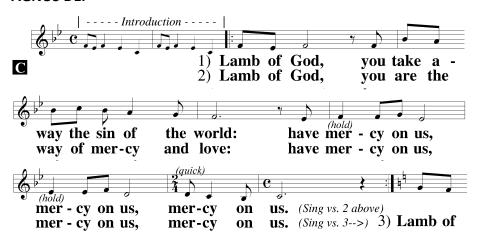
P Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

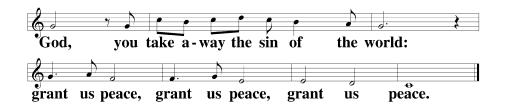
# LORD'S PRAYER

Recognizing that the church, and this congregation, are comprised of people from many cultures, languages, and backgrounds, please speak this prayer in the language or version closest to your heart.

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

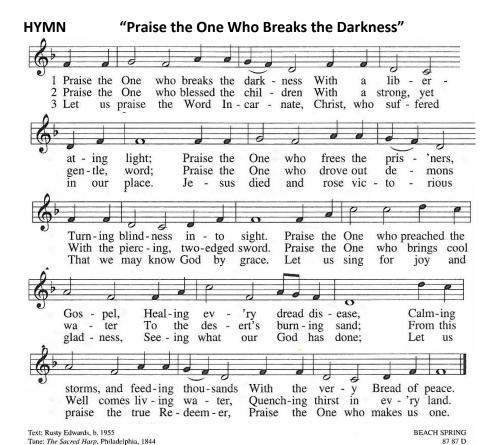
# **AGNUS DEI**





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**THE DISTRIBUTION** You are invited to approach the altar to receive the elements from the common loaf and an individual cup of wine or grape juice. Prepackaged gluten free options are also available.



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Luke 4:16-21; Mark 10:13-16; John 1:1, 14, 29; 4:5-14

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **C** Amen.





# **BENEDICTION**

- P The Lord bless you and keep you.
  The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
  The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.
- C Amen.
- P Go in peace; serve the Lord. **C** Thanks be to God.



## **POSTLUDE**

### Our Confession about Communion

- 1. Holy Communion is a divinely instituted act in which Jesus Christ gives His true (real) body and blood under the forms of bread and wine. We thus hold that the bread and wine are not mere symbols of Jesus' body and blood. When we receive the bread and wine we receive in fact the body and blood of Christ for the forgiveness of sins.
- 2. We believe that Communion is a celebration of this forgiveness which comes to us through faith as we eat and drink. In communion we remember our Lord's passion and death, His resurrection and ascension, and the promise of His coming again. Communion is truly the Gospel made visible, and is offered for those who "hunger and thirst after righteousness."
- 3. We believe that as we eat and drink this Supper we are strengthened in our faith in Jesus Christ and in our love for one another.

Therefore, we invite to the Lord's Table all who:

- a. have been instructed in the meaning of Communion; have been baptized in the name of the Triune God; have received Jesus Christ as their own personal and living Savior and Lord, and concur in our confession:
- b. are not living in open rebellion against the Word of God, and do not hold willful and persistent form of hatred, resentment or anger against any other person.

Those who have questions about communion are welcome to talk to one of the Pastors.

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