

## **Worship Resource for Pentecost 9 (Sunday, July 25, 2021)**

Thanks for joining us in worship today! If you are worshipping online, be sure to fill out the digital connection card.

### **Sunday School this Week**

Our Adult Sunday School class will focus on that theme. The course is titled "The Well: Thinking, Speaking and Living Like Jesus." The class will run for seven weeks, concluding on August 29.

Pastor Tom has selected an optional book to supplement the course. It is titled "Christian Worldview: A Student's Guide" (by Philip Graham Ryken). The church has purchased 30 copies of this book. You can buy one for \$10 starting Sunday, July 4.

### **Getting Reading for Worship**

As you get ready for worship, you will want to have:

1. Your Bible. We will be reading these passages: 2 Kings 4:42-44, Ephesians 3:14-21 and John 6:1-21.
2. A Lutheran Book of Worship (LBW). We will sing hymn #415 ("God of Grace, and God of Glory"). A With One Voice (WOV) hymn #754 ("Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ.")
3. The elements for Holy Communion. We encourage you to strive for a bread product and something in the "fruit of the vine" category.
4. The worship service will be broadcast on YouTube. You will find links to both on the home page of the Grace website ([www.grace-nalc.org](http://www.grace-nalc.org)).

**Prelude:**     *Bread of the World in Mercy Broken*             *Juliet Calkins*  
                  *O How He Loves You and Me*                     *Kurt Kaiser*  
                  *How Deep the Father's Love for Us*             *Stuart Townend, arr. Marianne Kim*

### **Opening Hymn: God of Grace, and God of Glory (LBW #415)**

1. God of grace and God of glory,  
On your people pour your power;  
Crown your ancient Church's story  
Bring its bud to glorious flower.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage  
For the facing of this hour,  
For the facing of this hour.
2. Lo! The hosts of evil round us  
Scorn the Christ, as-sail his ways!  
From the fears that long have bound us  
Free our hearts to faith praise.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage  
For the living of these days,  
For the living of these days.
3. Cure your children's warring madness;  
Bend our pride to your control;  
Shame our wanton, selfish gladness,  
Rich in things and poor in soul.

Grant us wisdom, grant us courage.  
Lest we miss your kingdom's goal,  
Lest we miss your kingdom's goal.

4. Save us from weak resting nation  
To the evils we deplore;  
Let the gift of your salvation  
Be our glory evermore.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
Serving you whom we adore,  
Serving you whom we adore.

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### **Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness**

Have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### **Kyrie**

P: Kyrie eleison      C: Lord, have mercy.  
P: Christe eleison    C: Christ, have mercy.  
P: Kyrie eleison      C: Lord, have mercy.

### **Hymn of Praise**

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest.  
Glory to God, glory to God, and peace to God's people on earth.  
    Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father,  
    We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.  
Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest.  
Glory to God, glory to God, and peace to God's people on earth.  
    Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father  
    Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us;  
    You are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.  
Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest.  
Glory to God, glory to God, and peace to God's people on earth.  
    For you alone are the holy one, you alone are the Lord,  
    You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
    In the glory of God the Father, Amen.  
Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest.  
Glory to God, glory to God, and peace to God's people on earth.  
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### **Holy Scripture: 2 Kings 4:42-44**

<sup>42</sup> A man came from Baal Shalishah, bringing the man of God twenty loaves of barley bread baked from the first ripe grain, along with some heads of new grain. "Give it to the people to eat," Elisha said.

<sup>43</sup> "How can I set this before a hundred men?" his servant asked. But Elisha answered, "Give it to the people to eat. For this is what the Lord says: 'They will eat and have some left over.'" <sup>44</sup> Then he set it before them, and they ate and had some left

over, according to the word of the Lord.

### **Holy Scripture: Ephesians 3:14-21**

<sup>14</sup>For this reason I kneel before the Father, <sup>15</sup>from whom every family in heaven and on earth derives its name. <sup>16</sup>I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, <sup>17</sup>so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, <sup>18</sup>may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, <sup>19</sup>and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.

<sup>20</sup>Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, <sup>21</sup>to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.

### **\*Holy Gospel: John 6:1-21**

Some time after this, Jesus crossed to the far shore of the Sea of Galilee (that is, the Sea of Tiberias), <sup>2</sup>and a great crowd of people followed him because they saw the signs he had performed by healing the sick. <sup>3</sup>Then Jesus went up on a mountainside and sat down with his disciples. <sup>4</sup>The Jewish Passover Festival was near.

<sup>5</sup>When Jesus looked up and saw a great crowd coming toward him, he said to Philip, "Where shall we buy bread for these people to eat?" <sup>6</sup>He asked this only to test him, for he already had in mind what he was going to do.

<sup>7</sup>Philip answered him, "It would take more than half a year's wages to buy enough bread for each one to have a bite!" <sup>8</sup>Another of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, spoke up, <sup>9</sup>"Here is a boy with five small barley loaves and two small fish, but how far will they go among so many?"

<sup>10</sup>Jesus said, "Have the people sit down." There was plenty of grass in that place, and they sat down (about five thousand men were there). <sup>11</sup>Jesus then took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed to those who were seated as much as they wanted. He did the same with the fish.

<sup>12</sup>When they had all had enough to eat, he said to his disciples, "Gather the pieces that are left over. Let nothing be wasted." <sup>13</sup>So they gathered them and filled twelve baskets with the pieces of the five barley loaves left over by those who had eaten.

<sup>14</sup>After the people saw the sign Jesus performed, they began to say, "Surely this is the Prophet who is to come into the world." <sup>15</sup>Jesus, knowing that they intended to come and make him king by force, withdrew again to a mountain by himself.

<sup>16</sup>When evening came, his disciples went down to the lake, <sup>17</sup>where they got into a boat and set off across the lake for Capernaum. By now it was dark, and Jesus had not yet joined them. <sup>18</sup>A strong wind was blowing and the waters grew rough. <sup>19</sup>When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus approaching the boat, walking on the water; and they were frightened. <sup>20</sup>But he said to them, "It is I; don't be afraid." <sup>21</sup>Then they were willing to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the shore where they were heading.

**Sermon:** Pastor Thomas Brodbeck

**Musical Offering:** *Rain Down*

Jamie Cortez, arr. John Carter

Sanctuary Choir

### **The 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 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, for the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

### **The Giving of Your Tithes and Offerings**

We encourage you to participate in the offering as you worship from your home. Have a designated basket where you place your offering, and include your children in the process. Let them serve as ushers, for example. Use this as a teaching time to talk about the importance of stewardship, and to pray for your church's financial situation during these abnormal times. Here are a few giving options for you to consider:

1. Your Grace offering envelope is also a mailing envelope. We recommend added an additional piece of tape to secure the tab.
2. Give through the Grace app. It's quick, simple and easy, and very secure. Connect through the "Give" option.
3. Use the "bill pay" option through your bank.
4. Arrange for automatic contributions through the Grace system (Vanco). Again this is very secure. There is a form to be filled out for this. Contact Church Administrator Darla Kalifoot (937-399-6257) to get this set up.

### **The Sacrament of Holy Communion**

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 our thanks and praise.

### **Holy, Holy, Holy Lord**

Holy, holy, holy Lord. God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

### **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

### **Lamb of God**

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

At the pastor's direction, share the communion elements with one another.

As you share the bread with one another, say "The body of Christ given for you."

As you share the cup with one another, say "The blood of Christ shed for you."

**Musical Offering:** *Near to the Heart of God*

Cleland B. McAfee

arr. Steven V. Taylor, David Hamilton

Kristin Cline, flutist

### **Hymn: *Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ (WOV #754)***

1. Let us talents and tongues employ,  
Reaching out with a shout of joy:  
Bread is broken, the wine is poured,  
Christ is spoken and seen and heard.  
Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again,  
Pass the Word around: loaves abound!
2. Christ is able to make us one,  
At the table he sets the tone,  
Teaching people to live to bless,  
Love in word and indeed express.  
Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again,  
Pass the Word around: loaves abound!
3. Jesus calls us in,  
Sends us out bearing fruit in a world of doubt,  
Gives us love to tell, bread to share:  
God (Immanuel) everywhere!  
Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again,  
Pass the Word around: loaves abound!

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**Postlude:** *Sing Forth Exultantly!*

Lani Smith

### **Other Notes:**

- Throughout the service, feel free to stand whenever doing so would enhance your worship experience.
- As you share the peace, consider sending a text of peace to someone who also may be sheltered in a different place. Stay connected!