TRINITY EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH OF GLENDORA FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST September 21, 2025

851 Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us

- 1 Lord of glory, You have bought us, With Your lifeblood as the price, Never grudging for the lost ones, That tremendous sacrifice; And with that have freely given, Blessings countless as the sand To the unthankful and the evil, With Your own unsparing hand.
- 2 Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to give You, Gladly, freely of Your own. With the sunshine of Your goodness, Melt our thankless hearts of stone Till our cold and selfish natures, Warmed by You, at length believe That more happy and more blessed, 'Tis to give than to receive.
- Wondrous honor You have given, To our humblest charity
 In Your own mysterious sentence, "You have done it all to Me."
 Can it be, O gracious Master, That You deign for alms to sue,
 Saying by Your poor and needy, "Give as I have giv'n to you"?
- 4 Lord of glory, You have bought us, With Your lifeblood as the price, Never grudging for the lost ones, That tremendous sacrifice. Give us faith to trust You boldly, Hope, to stay our souls on You; But, oh, best of all Your graces, With Your love our love renew.

Confession and Absolution

- P In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- C who made heaven and earth.
- P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- C But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.
- P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.
- C Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.
- P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Service of the Word

Introit *Psalm* 119:137–140, 142; antiphon: v. 144

Your testimonies are righteous forever;

give me understanding that I may live.

Righteous are you, O LORD,

and right are your just decrees.

You have appointed your testimonies in righteousness

and in all faithfulness.

My zeal consumes me,

because my foes forget your words.

Your promise is well tried,

and your servant loves it.

Your righteousness is righteous forever,

and your law is true.

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.

Your testimonies are righteous forever;

give me understanding that I may live.

Kyrie



C Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.

Gloria in Excelsis

- C 1 To God on high be glory, And peace to all the earth; Goodwill from God in heaven Proclaimed at Jesus' birth! We praise and bless You, Father; Your holy name, we sing—Our thanks for Your great glory, Lord God, our heav'nly King.
 - 2 To You, O sole-begotten, The Father's Son, we pray; O Lamb of God, our Savior, You take our sins away. Have mercy on us, Jesus; Receive our heartfelt cry, Where You in pow'r are seated, At God's right hand on high—
 - 3 For You alone are holy; You only are the Lord. Forever and forever, Be worshiped and adored; You with the Holy Spirit, Alone are Lord Most High, In God the Father's glory. "Amen!" our glad reply.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

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

O Lord, keep Your Church in Your perpetual mercy; and because without You we cannot but fall, preserve us from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation;

through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Old Testament Reading Amos 8:4-7

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Gradual Psalm 34:9, 19, alt.

Fear the LORD, you his saints,

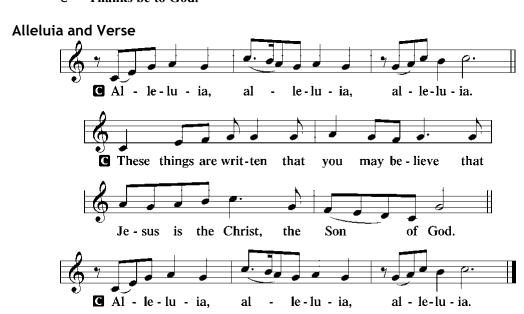
for those who fear him lack nothing!

Many are the afflictions of the righteous,

but the LORD delivers him out of them all.

Epistle 1 Timothy 2:1–15

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.



Holy Gospel Luke 16:1–15

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the sixteenth chapter.
- C Glory to You, O Lord.

(The gospel is read)

- P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to You, O Christ.

Children's Message

557 Seek Where You May to Find a Way



Sermon

Nicene Creed

C I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life T of the world to come. Amen.

Prayer of the Church

Offering

793 Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

- Praise, my soul, the King of heaven; To His feet your tribute bring; Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, Evermore His praises sing: Alleluia, alleluia! Praise the everlasting King.
- 2 Praise Him for His grace and favor, To His people in distress; Praise Him still the same as ever, Slow to chide and swift to bless: Alleluia, alleluia! Glorious in His faithfulness.
- 3 Fatherlike He tends and spares us; Well our feeble frame He knows; In His hand He gently bears us, Rescues us from all our foes. Alleluia, alleluia! Widely yet His mercy flows.
- 4 Angels, help us to adore Him; You behold Him face to face; Sun and moon, bow down before Him, All who dwell in time and space. Alleluia, alleluia! Praise with us the God of grace.

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

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 Him thanks and praise.
- It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored; Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name. Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord; Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

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.

The Words of Our Lord

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My T body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My T blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini

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

Agnus Dei

- C 1 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away; O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.
 - 2 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away; Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ, And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

561 The Tree of Life

- 1 The tree of life with ev'ry good, In Eden's holy orchard stood, And of its fruit so pure and sweet, God let the man and woman eat. Yet in this garden also grew, Another tree, of which they knew; Its lovely limbs with fruit adorned, Against whose eating God had warned.
- The stillness of that sacred grove, Was broken, as the serpent strove
 With tempting voice Eve to beguile, And Adam too by sin defile.
 O day of sadness when the breath, Of fear and darkness, doubt and death,
 Its awful poison first displayed, Within the world so newly made.
- What mercy God showed to our race, A plan of rescue by His grace: In sending One from woman's seed, The One to fill our greatest need— For on a tree uplifted high, His only Son for sin would die, Would drink the cup of scorn and dread, To crush the ancient serpent's head!
- 4 Now from that tree of Jesus' shame, Flows life eternal in His name; For all who trust and will believe, Salvation's living fruit receive. And of this fruit so pure and sweet, The Lord invites the world to eat, To find within this cross of wood, The tree of life with ev'ry good.

(Screen) When Peace Like a River (It is Well with My Soul)

770 What a Friend We Have in Jesus

- What a friend we have in Jesus, All our sins and griefs to bear!
 What a privilege to carry, Ev'rything to God in prayer!
 Oh, what peace we often forfeit; Oh, what needless pain we bear—All because we do not carry, Ev'rything to God in prayer!
- Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere?
 We should never be discouraged—Take it to the Lord in prayer.
 Can we find a friend so faithful, Who will all our sorrows share?
 Jesus knows our ev'ry weakness—Take it to the Lord in prayer.
- Are we weak and heavy laden, Cumbered with a load of care?
 Precious Savior, still our refuge—Take it to the Lord in prayer.
 Do thy friends despise, forsake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer.
 In His arms He'll take and shield thee; Thou wilt find a solace there.

Nunc Dimittis

- C 1 O Lord, now let Your servant, Depart in heav'nly peace, For I have seen the glory, Of Your redeeming grace: A light to lead the Gentiles, Unto Your holy hill, The glory of Your people, Your chosen Israel.
 - 2 All glory to the Father, All glory to the Son, All glory to the Spirit, Forever Three in One; For as in the beginning, Is now, shall ever be, God's triune name resounding, Through all eternity.

Post-Communion Collect

A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Benedicamus2

- A Let us bless the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

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 T give you peace.
- C Amen.

738 Lord of All Hopefulness

- Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy, Whose trust, ever childlike, no cares could destroy: Be there at our waking, and give us, we pray, Your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.
- 2 Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith, Whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe: Be there at our labors, and give us, we pray, Your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.
- 3 Lord of all kindliness, Lord of all grace, Your hands swift to welcome, Your arms to embrace: Be there at our homing, and give us, we pray, Your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.
- 4 Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm, Whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm: Be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray, Your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

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