SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21 - 15TH PENTECOST

**Prelude - "Jesus, Lead Thou On" (Paul Manz)** 

#### Welcome

Pastor: Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly...

Congregation: teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to the Lord. (Colossians 3.16)

Resurrection Choir - Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling (Will L. Thompson, arr. Gilbert Martin)

### **Confession & Forgiveness**

Pastor: We gather in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the + Holy Spirit.

**Congregation: Amen** 

Pastor: Before God and in the company of one another, let us confess our sins and our need for the Holy Spirit in our lives.

~ silence is kept for reflection ~

Pastor: Most Gracious God,

Congregation: We confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. We have thought better of ourselves than others. We have not loved one another as you have commanded. We have allowed fear to take hold within us, when faith was required. In your mercy, O God, forgive us, cleanse us, and heal us, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen

Pastor: If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; everything has become new! In Christ, your sins are taken away. Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another as God in Christ has forgiven you. (Ephesians 4.32)

**Congregation: Amen** 

Gathering Song - "Lord, Speak To Us, That We May Speak" (ELW #676)

#### Greeting

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the Communion of the Holy Spirit be with you always.

Congregation: And also with you.

Kyrie (ELW #157)

### Prayer of the Day

Pastor: God among us, we gather in the name of your Son to learn love for one another. Keep our feet from evil paths. Turn our minds to your wisdom and our hearts to the grace revealed in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Congregation: Amen** 

### Children's Message

First Reading - 1 Timothy 2:1-7

Gospel Acclamation - "Spirit of Gentleness" (ELW #396; refrain only)

Gospel - Luke 16:1-13

Message - Pastor Nate Montover

Hymn of the Day - "Take My Life, That I May Be" (ELW #685, v. 1-4)

#### Apostles' Creed | Prayers of the People

Pastor: Lord in your mercy... Congregation: Hear our prayer.

Sharing the Peace | Gratitude for Offerings

### Holy Communion | Words of Institution | Lord's Prayer

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

#### **Post Communion Blessing**

Pastor: Now may the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, strengthen you now and for life everlasting.

**Congregation: Amen** 

Canticle - "On Eagle's Wings" (ELW #787; v. 1 and refrain)

**Benediction | Announcements** 

Sending Song - "Lift High the Cross" (ELW #660, v. 1-3)

Dismissal

Pastor: The worship is over!

Congregation: Let the service begin!

**Postlude** - "How Excellent Is Thy Name" (Dick Tunney; arr. Mark Hayes)

## THANKS TO THOSE SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY!

Worship Team: Pastor Jeff Frohner, Pastor Nate Montover Cantor: Karen Proffitt | Organ & Piano: Tracy Qian Greeters: Jen Horton, Gloria Hoth | Ushers: Mike Dryden, Jim Dettbarn Tech Team: Les & Evelyn Beck, Ralph Kendrick | Nursery: Jennifer McGowan Café Hosts: Mary Jo & Roger Carlson | Donut Runner: Brett & Brynn Merck Counters: Alan Garlow, Luann Byerly, Joan Collins, Evelyn Beck

# WORSHIP GUIDE

# Gathering Song "LORD SPEAK TO US THAT WE MAY SPEAK"

Lord, speak to us, that we may speak in living echoes of your tone; as you have sought, so let us seek your straying children, lost and lone.

Oh, lead us, Lord, that we may lead the wand'ring and the wav'ring feet; oh, feed us, Lord, that we may feed your hung'ring ones with manna sweet.

Oh, teach us, Lord, that we may teach the precious truths which you impart; and wing our words, that they may reach the hidden depths of many a heart.

Oh, fill us with your fullness, Lord, until our very hearts o'erflow in kindling thought and glowing word, your love to tell, your praise to show.

### "KYRIE"

Cantor: In peace, in peace, let us pray to the Lord Congregation: Lord, have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy.

Cantor: For the reign of God, and for peace throughout the world, for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Congregation: Lord, have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy.

Cantor: For your people here who have come to give you praise, for the strength to live your word, let us pray to the Lord.

Congregation: Lord, have mercy.
Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy.
Cantor: Help, save, and defend us, O God.
Amen.

Gospel Acclamation "Spirit of Gentleness"

chorus:

Spirit, Spirit of gentleness, blow through the wilderness calling and free; Spirit, Spirit of restlessness stir me from placidness, wind, wind on the sea.

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# Hymn of the Day "TAKE MY LIFE THAT I MAY BE"

Take my life, that I may be consecrated, Lord, to thee; take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands and let them move at the impulse of thy love; take my feet and let them be swift and beautiful for thee.

Take my voice and let me sing always, only, for my King; take my lips and let them be filled with messages from thee.

Take my silver and my gold, not a mite would I withhold; take my intellect, and use ev'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose.

# Canticle "On EAGLE'S WINGS"

You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord, who abide in his shadow for life, say to the Lord: "My refuge, my rock in whom I trust!"

And he will raise you up on eagle's wings, bear you on the breath of dawn, make you to shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of his hand.

# Sending Song "LIFT HIGH THE CROSS"

chorus:
Lift high the cross,
the love of Christ proclaim
'til all the world
adore his sacred name.

Come, Christians, follow where our captain trod, our King victorious, Christ the Son of God.

#### ~ chorus ~

All newborn servants of the Crucified bear on their brows the seal of him who died.

#### ~ chorus ~

O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree, as thou hast promised, draw us all to thee.

~ chorus ~