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**Trinity  
Lutheran Church**



**September 18, 2022  
15th Sunday of Pentecost**

# GATHERING HYMN:

## Take My Life, That I May Be (ELW 583)

*Refrain/Estribillo*



To - ma, oh Dios, mi vo - lun - tad, y haz - la tu - ya, na -  
Take my life, that I may be con - se - crat - ed, Lord,



da más; to - ma, sí, mi co - ra - zón  
to thee; take my mo - ments and my days;

*To stanzas* | *Last time*



y tu tro - no en él ten - drás. ten - drás.  
let them flow in cease - less praise. less praise.



1 Que mi vi - da en - te - ra es - té  
2 Take my hands and let them move  
3 Take my sil - ver and my gold,  
4 Take my voice and let me sing  
5 Take my will and make it thine;



con - sa - gra - da, a ti, Se - ñor;  
at the im - pulse of thy love;  
not a mite would I with - hold;  
al - ways, on - ly for my King;  
it shall be no lon - ger mine;



que a mis ma - nos pue - da guiar el im -  
take my feet and let them be swift and  
take my in - tel - lect and use ev - 'ry  
take my lips and let them be filled with  
take my heart, it is thine own; it shall

*Refrain/Estribillo*



pul - so de tu a - mor.  
beau - ti - ful for thee.  
pow'r as thou shalt choose.  
mes - sag - es from thee.  
be thy roy - al throne.

Wondering how to lead?  
Leading without hope?  
Hoping something will change?  
Changing without a plan?

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## Excellence in Leadership - It is for YOU!

REGISTRATION DEADLINE EXTENDED TO SEPTEMBER 25

Another year of programming is beginning for our congregations across the Rocky Mountain Synod. As the tasks and commitments mount and schedules fill up, you might be thinking, "I don't have time for one more thing to add to my already busy schedule". We are overcommitted, we are tired, we are frazzled and we are in many ways spiritually spent. So, in light of that, Excellence in Leadership may feel like "just another thing that I don't have time for".

However, we would like to offer an alternative perspective. As a people and as individuals who feel scattered and dis-membered, Excellence in Leadership does not just provide tools and lectures, it provides a deep spiritual experience to build up in each of us resilience to persevere and safe spaces for hard conversations. It provides spiritual practices to help ground us when we are frazzled. It helps us to re-member who we are - individually and communally.

Theological Conference 2022: **RESILIENCE**

September 19-22  
 Park City, UT

Those needing our prayers:  
*All Attendees*



look at you  
 still standing  
 after being  
 knocked down  
 and thrown out.

look at you  
 still growing  
 after being  
 picked and  
 plucked  
 and prodded out  
 of your home

look at you  
 still dancing  
 and singing  
 after being  
 defeated and  
 disassembled.

look at you, love.  
 still here and  
 hopeful  
 after it all.

—Alex Elle

**Confirmation  
 Orientation**

Wednesday  
 Oct 5 @ 6:30pm  
 in the Gruver Rm

Interested?  
 Please talk to  
 Pastor Nate today!

Who in your life is struggling?  
 Family member? Friend? Neighbor? Colleague? ...Yourself?

Prayers and Squares would like to knot  
 prayers into a quilt for that person!  
 Please contact Cathy Hemsher at  
 (307) 760-2512 about *anyone*.

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the minister begins.*

In the name of the Father,  
 and of the ✝ Son,  
 and of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**  
 With humble and trusting hearts,  
 let us confess our sins before God and one another.

Merciful God,  
**we confess that we have been distracted with many things  
 and have not loved you with our whole heart and strength.  
 We have not paid attention to your Word.  
 We have allowed the poor to be neglected  
 and the weak to be oppressed.  
 We have been impatient in worship  
 and insincere in our dealings with others.  
 We have ignored signs of injustice  
 and disregarded warnings of judgment.  
 Forgive us, we pray, and teach us repentance.  
 Free us from our habits of pride, and make us steadfast in faith,  
 that we may live as those who are reconciled with you  
 in Jesus Christ our Lord, with whom we pray. Amen.**

Though we were once estranged,  
 in Jesus Christ we have been reconciled with God.  
 Baptized, forgiven, and freed,  
 we are one with the Lord and with each other.  
**Thanks be to God! Amen.**

**GREETING**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
 and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

# KYRIE

In peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,

and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,

let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. A - men.



## Trinity Happenings:

- |                             |                |  |
|-----------------------------|----------------|--|
| <b>Sun, Sep 18:</b>         | <b>9:00am</b>  | <b>Worship Service</b>                               |
|                             | <b>10:15am</b> | <b>Fellowship in Gruver Rm</b>                       |
| Mon, Sep 19-<br>Thu, Sep 22 |                | Pastor Nate at RMS Conference                        |
| <b>Wed, Sep 20:</b>         | <b>10:00am</b> | <b>NO Women's Bible Study</b>                        |
| Thu, Sep 21:                | 11:30am        | NO MUGG Campus Meeting                               |
| <b>Sun Sep 25:</b>          | <b>9:00am</b>  | <b>Worship</b>                                       |
|                             | <b>10:15am</b> | <b>Fellowship in Gruver Rm</b>                       |
| Wed Oct 5                   | 6:30pm         | Save the date: Confirmation Orientation in Gruver Rm |

## BLESSING

Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

Amen.

## SENDING HYMN: *Rise Up, O Saints of God!* (ELW 669)

1 Rise up, O saints of God! From vain am - bi - tions turn;  
2 Speak out, O saints of God! De - spair en - gulf's earth's frame;  
3 Rise up, O saints of God! The king - dom's task em - brace;  
4 Give heed, O saints of God! Cre - a - tion cries in pain;  
5 Com - mit your hearts to seek the paths which Christ has trod;

Christ rose tri - um - phant that your hearts with no - bler zeal might burn.  
as heirs of God's bap - tis - mal grace, the word of hope pro - claim.  
re - dress sin's cru - el con - se - quence; give jus - tice larg - er place.  
stretch forth your hand of heal - ing now, with love the weak sus - tain.  
and, quick - ened by the Spir - it's pow'r, rise up, O saints of God!

## DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

## Serving in Worship

**TODAY — Sep 18, 2022**

**Altar:** Margot Birkholz

**Reader:** Stephen Boss

**Communion Assistant:**

Stephen Boss

**Fellowship:** Kris and Larry Oolman

**NEXT SUNDAY — Sep 25, 2022**

**Altar:** Margot Birkholz

**Reader:** OPEN

**Communion Assistant:**

OPEN

**Fellowship:** Karen & Leroy Dockter

## CANTICLE OF PRAISE

*Refrain*  
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb

who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

*Refrain*  
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and

strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

*Refrain*  
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of

God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,

glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

*Refrain*

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,  
 al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 4 For the Lamb who was  
 slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

*Final refrain*

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.  
 And also with you.

Let us pray together.

**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.  
 Amen.**

## COMMUNION HYMN: Be Thou My Vision (ELW 793)

1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;  
 2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;  
 3 Rich - es I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise,  
 4 Light of my soul, af - ter vic - to - ry won,

naught be all else to me, save that thou art:  
 I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord.  
 thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways:  
 may I reach heav - en's joys, O heav - en's Sun!

thou my best thought both by day and by night,  
 Thou my soul's shel - ter, and thou my high tow'r,  
 thou and thou on - ly, the first in my heart,  
 Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,

wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.  
 raise thou me heav'n - ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.  
 great God of heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.  
 still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

## POST COMMUNION BLESSING

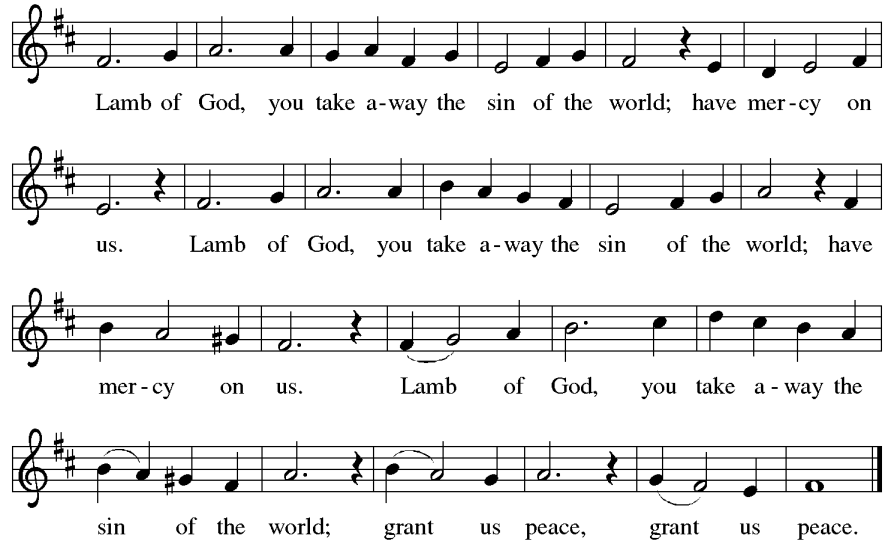
Now may the body and blood of our lord and savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.  
 Amen.

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray together.

**We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.  
 Amen.**

## LAMB OF GOD



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on  
us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

## COMMUNION

*White grape juice and gluten-free wafers are available.*

*When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say*

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

*and each person may respond*

Amen.

## DISTRIBUTION

## FIRST READING: Amos 8:4-7

<sup>4</sup>Hear this, you that trample on the needy,  
and bring to ruin the poor of the land,

<sup>5</sup>saying, “When will the new moon be over  
so that we may sell grain;  
and the sabbath,

so that we may offer wheat for sale?

We will make the ephah small and the shekel great,  
and practice deceit with false balances,

<sup>6</sup>buying the poor for silver  
and the needy for a pair of sandals,  
and selling the sweepings of the wheat.”

<sup>7</sup>The LORD has sworn by the pride of Jacob:  
Surely I will never forget any of their deeds.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM: Psalm 113

<sup>1</sup>Hallelujah! Give praise, you servants of the LORD;  
praise the name of the LORD.

<sup>2</sup>**Let the name of the LORD be blessed,  
from this time forth forevermore.**

<sup>3</sup>From the rising of the sun to its going down  
let the name of the LORD be praised.

<sup>4</sup>**The LORD is high above all nations;  
God’s glory above the heavens.**

<sup>5</sup>Who is like the LORD our God,  
who sits enthroned on high,

<sup>6</sup>**but stoops to behold  
the heavens and the earth?**

<sup>7</sup>The LORD takes up the weak out of the dust  
and lifts up the poor from the ashes,

<sup>8</sup>**enthroning them with the rulers,  
with the rulers of the people.**

<sup>9</sup>The LORD makes the woman of a childless house  
to be a joyful mother of children. Hallelujah!

## SECOND READING: 1 Timothy 2:1-7

<sup>1</sup>First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, <sup>2</sup>for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. <sup>3</sup>This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, <sup>4</sup>who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. <sup>5</sup>For

there is one God;

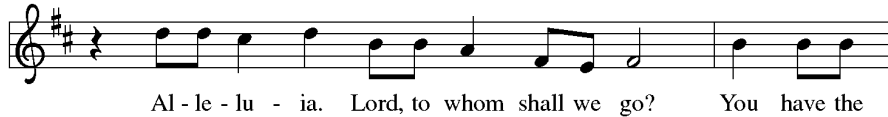
there is also one mediator between God and humankind,  
Christ Jesus, himself human,

<sup>6</sup>who gave himself a ransom for all  
—this was attested at the right time. <sup>7</sup>For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



## OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray together.

Merciful God, as grains of wheat scattered upon the hills were gathered together to become one bread, so let your church be gathered together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, for yours is the glory through Jesus Christ, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

### LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**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.**



## OFFERTORY HYMN: *We Are an Offering* (ELW 692)

Capo 5: C/D    D    G    Am<sup>7</sup>    G  
F/G    G    C    Dm<sup>7</sup>    C



We lift our voic - es, we lift our hands, we lift our

C    G    Am<sup>7</sup>    C    D    G    Am<sup>7</sup>  
F    C    Dm<sup>7</sup>    F    G    C    Dm<sup>7</sup>



lives up to you: we are an of-fer-ing. Lord, use our voic-es, Lord, use our

G    C    G    Am<sup>7</sup>    C/D D<sup>7</sup>  
C    F    C    Dm<sup>7</sup>    F/G G<sup>7</sup>



hands, Lord, use our lives, they are yours: we are an of-fer-ing.

Bm<sup>7</sup>    E    Am<sup>7</sup>    D<sup>7</sup>    Bsus    B    Em  
Em<sup>7</sup>    A    Dm<sup>7</sup>    G<sup>7</sup>    Esus    E    Am



All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we

Am<sup>7</sup>    G<sup>2</sup>/B    F/G    Am<sup>7</sup>    C/D    D  
Dm<sup>7</sup>    C<sup>2</sup>/E    B/C    Dm<sup>7</sup>    F/G    G



give to you, we give to you. We lift our

G    Am<sup>7</sup>    G/B    C    G/B  
C    Dm<sup>7</sup>    C/E    F    C/E



voic - es, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you:

Am<sup>7</sup>    G  
Dm<sup>7</sup>    C



we are an of-fer-ing, we are an of-fer-ing.

## GOSPEL: Luke 16:1-13

The holy gospel according to Luke.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>Then Jesus said to the disciples, “There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. <sup>2</sup>So he summoned him and said to him, ‘What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.’ <sup>3</sup>Then the manager said to himself, ‘What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. <sup>4</sup>I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.’ <sup>5</sup>So, summoning his master’s debtors one by one, he asked the first, ‘How much do you owe my master?’ <sup>6</sup>He answered, ‘A hundred jugs of olive oil.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.’ <sup>7</sup>Then he asked another, ‘And how much do you owe?’ He replied, ‘A hundred containers of wheat.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill and make it eighty.’ <sup>8</sup>And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. <sup>9</sup>And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

<sup>10</sup>“Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. <sup>11</sup>If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? <sup>12</sup>And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? <sup>13</sup>No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.”

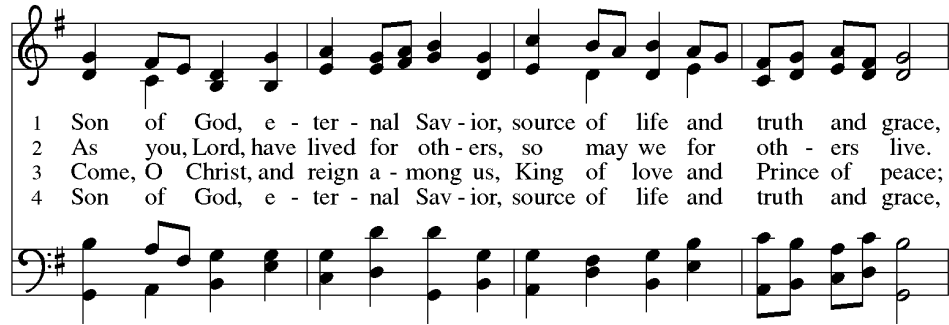
The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

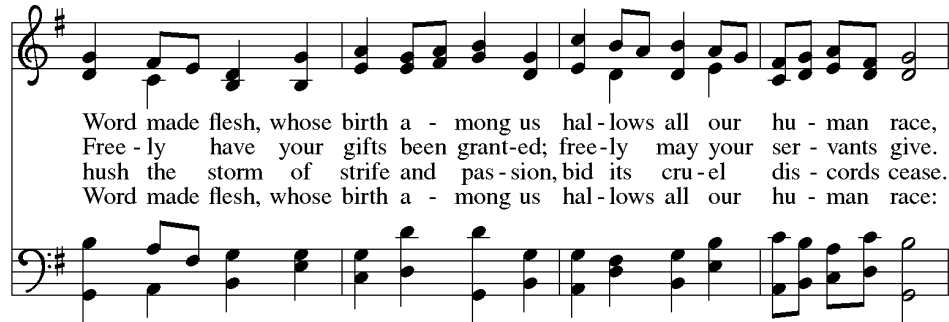
## SERMON

## HYMN OF THE DAY:

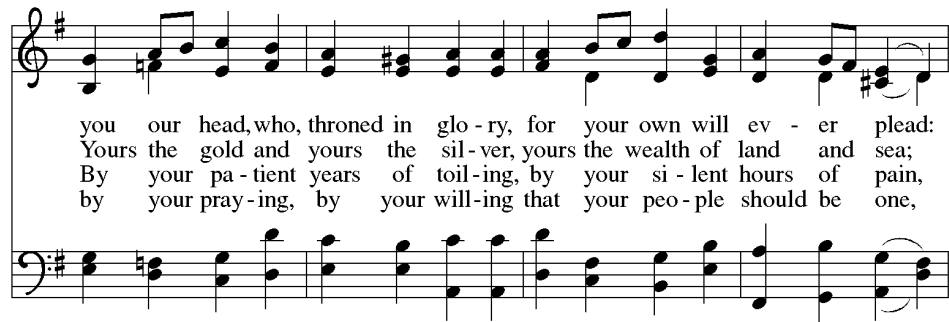
### *Son of God, Eternal Savior* (ELW 655)



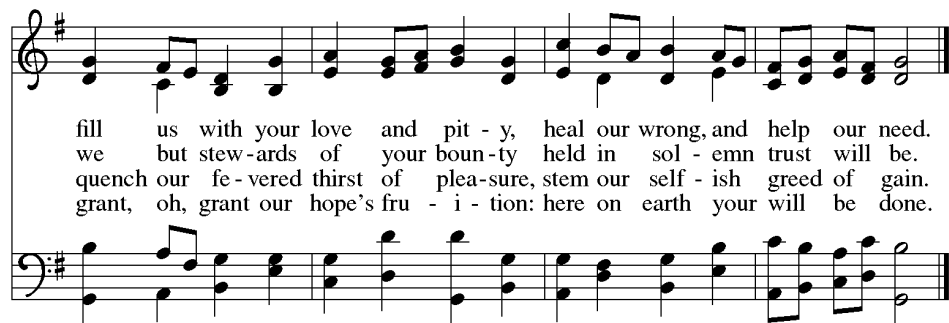
1 Son of God, e - ter - nal Sav - ior, source of life and truth and grace,  
2 As you, Lord, have lived for oth - ers, so may we for oth - ers live.  
3 Come, O Christ, and reign a - mong us, King of love and Prince of peace;  
4 Son of God, e - ter - nal Sav - ior, source of life and truth and grace,



Word made flesh, whose birth a - mong us hal - lows all our hu - man race,  
Free - ly have your gifts been grant - ed; free - ly may your ser - vants give.  
hush the storm of strife and pas - sion, bid its cru - el dis - cords cease.  
Word made flesh, whose birth a - mong us hal - lows all our hu - man race:



you our head, who, throned in glo - ry, for your own will ev - er plead:  
Yours the gold and yours the sil - ver, yours the wealth of land and sea;  
By your pa - tient years of toil - ing, by your si - lent hours of pain,  
by your pray - ing, by your will - ing that your peo - ple should be one,



fill us with your love and pit - y, heal our wrong, and help our need.  
we but stew - ards of your boun - ty held in sol - emn trust will be.  
quench our fe - vered thirst of plea - sure, stem our self - ish greed of gain.  
grant, oh, grant our hope's fru - i - tion: here on earth your will be done.

## APOSTLE'S CREED

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.\***

**On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come 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.**

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

As scattered grains of wheat are gathered together into one bread, so let us gather our prayers for the church, those in need, and all of God's good creation.

*As the lector closes each petition:*

God of grace,

*The people respond:*

**hear our prayer.**

Gathered together in the sweet communion of the Holy Spirit, gracious God, we offer these and all our prayers to you; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

**Amen.**

## PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### OFFERING

*Please place offering in one of the Bulletin Stand offering plates at the end of worship as you leave the church.*