

Liturgy for the Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Rally Day

September 11 and 12, 2021

5:00 p.m. Sanctuary ~

8:00 a.m. Pavilion ~ 10:00 a.m. Sanctuary live streaming

Christ Lutheran Church ~ Orland Park, Illinois

We are all one in Christ Jesus. We welcome you in His name.

Worshippers are invited to complete the Welcome Sheet and return it in the offering plate. A "Parent / Child" area is located in the Fireside Room Annex by the TV.

(Δ = stand)

PRELUDE

Sat. Theme and Variations on "Jesus Loves Me," J. W. Kerr

Sun. "River Flows in You," Yiruma Piano: Colton Sterling

CARILLON BELLS and WELCOME

Δ OPENING HYMN 605, "Father Welcomes"

Refrain: **FATHER WELCOMES ALL HIS CHILDREN
TO HIS FAMILY THROUGH HIS SON.
FATHER GIVING HIS SALVATION,
LIFE FOREVER HAS BEEN WON.**

**LITTLE CHILDREN, COME TO ME,
FOR MY KINGDOM IS OF THESE.
LIFE AND LOVE I HAVE TO GIVE,
MERCY FOR YOUR SIN. Refrain**

**IN THE WATER, IN THE WORD,
IN HIS PROMISE, BE ASSURED:
THOSE WHO ARE BAPTIZED AND BELIEVE,
SHALL BE BORN AGAIN. Refrain**

**LET US DAILY DIE TO SIN;
LET US DAILY RISE WITH HIM
WALK IN THE LOVE OF CHRIST OUR LORD,
LIVE IN THE PEACE OF GOD. Refrain**

10:00 **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

Δ INVOCATION C: AMEN.

Δ CONFESSION (Adapted from Martin Luther, RR+)

**ALL: GOD OF GRACE, WE REPENT OUR SIN AND SEEK
YOUR MERCY THROUGH YOUR SON AND OUR SAVIOR.
LORD JESUS, YOU ARE MY RIGHTEOUSNESS; I AM YOUR SIN.
YOU TOOK ON YOURSELF WHAT WAS MINE;
YET SET ON ME WHAT WAS YOURS.
YOU BECAME WHAT YOU WERE NOT,
THAT I MIGHT BECOME WHAT I WAS NOT.
LORD, HAVE MERCY. CHRIST, HAVE MERCY. LORD HAVE
MERCY. AMEN.**

Δ ABSOLUTION C: AMEN.

Δ Sat./8:00 PRAYER OF THE DAY

**ALL: BLESSED LORD, YOU SPEAK TO US THROUGH THE HOLY
SCRIPTURES. GRANT THAT WE MAY HEAR, READ, RESPECT
LEARN, AND MAKE THEM OUR OWN IN SUCH A WAY THAT
THE ENDURING BENEFIT AND COMFORT OF THE WORD WILL
HELP US GRASP AND HOLD THE BLESSED HOPE OF
EVERLASTING LIFE, GIVEN US THROUGH OUR SAVIOR JESUS
CHRIST. AMEN.**

Δ 10:00 ECHO PRAYER

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Isaiah 50: 4-10

⁴ The Sovereign LORD has given me a well-instructed tongue, to know the word that sustains the weary. He wakens me morning by morning, wakens my ear to listen like one being instructed. ⁵ The Sovereign LORD has opened my ears; I have not been rebellious, I have not turned away. ⁶ I offered my back to those who beat me, my cheeks to those who pulled out my beard; I did not hide my face from mocking and spitting. ⁷ Because the Sovereign LORD helps me, I will not be disgraced. Therefore have I set my face like flint, and I know I will not be put to shame. ⁸ He who vindicates me is near. Who then will bring charges against me? Let us face each other! Who is my accuser? Let him confront me! ⁹ It is the Sovereign LORD who helps me. Who will condemn me? They will all wear out like a garment; the moths will eat them up. ¹⁰ Who among you fears the LORD and obeys the word of his servant? Let the one who walks in the dark, who has no light, trust in the name of the LORD and rely on their God.

L: The Word of the Lord;

C: THANKS BE TO GOD.

EPISTLE LESSON James 3: 1-12

¹ Not many of you should become teachers, my fellow believers, because you know that we who teach will be judged more strictly. ² We all stumble in many ways. Anyone who is never at fault in what they say is perfect, able to keep their whole body in check. ³ When we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we can turn the whole animal. ⁴ Or take ships as an example. Although they are so large and are driven by strong winds, they are steered by a very small rudder wherever the pilot wants to go. ⁵ Likewise, the tongue is a small part of the body, but it makes great boasts. Consider what a great forest is set on fire by a small spark. ⁶ The tongue also is a fire, a world of evil among the parts of the body. It corrupts the whole body, sets the whole course of one's life on fire, and is itself set on fire by hell. ⁷ All kinds of animals, birds, reptiles and sea creatures are being tamed and have been tamed by mankind, ⁸ but no human being can tame the tongue. It is a restless evil, full of deadly poison. ⁹ With the tongue we praise our Lord and Father, and with it we curse human beings, who have been made in God's likeness. ¹⁰ Out of the same mouth come praise and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this should not be. ¹¹ Can both fresh water and salt water flow from the same spring? ¹² My brothers and sisters, can a fig tree bear olives, or a grapevine bear figs? Neither can a salt spring produce fresh water.

L: The Word of the Lord;

C: THANKS BE TO GOD.

Δ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION "Celtic Alleluia"

Refrain: **ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA!**
ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA!

Δ HOLY GOSPEL Mark 9: 14-29

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the ninth chapter.

C: GLORY TO YOU, O LORD.

¹⁴ When they came to the other disciples, they saw a large crowd around them and the teachers of the law arguing with them. ¹⁵ As soon as all the people saw Jesus, they were overwhelmed with wonder and ran to greet him. ¹⁶ "What are you arguing with them about?" he asked. ¹⁷ A man in the crowd answered, "Teacher, I brought you my son, who is possessed by a spirit that has robbed him of speech. ¹⁸ Whenever it seizes him, it throws him to the ground. He foams at the mouth, gnashes his teeth and becomes rigid. I asked your disciples to drive out the spirit, but they could not." ¹⁹ "You unbelieving generation," Jesus replied, "how long shall I stay with

you? How long shall I put up with you? Bring the boy to me.”²⁰ So they brought him. When the spirit saw Jesus, it immediately threw the boy into a convulsion. He fell to the ground and rolled around, foaming at the mouth.²¹ Jesus asked the boy’s father, “How long has he been like this?” “From childhood,” he answered.²² “It has often thrown him into fire or water to kill him. But if you can do anything, take pity on us and help us.”²³ “If you can?” said Jesus. “Everything is possible for one who believes.”²⁴ Immediately the boy’s father exclaimed, “I do believe; help me overcome my unbelief!”²⁵ When Jesus saw that a crowd was running to the scene, he rebuked the impure spirit. “You deaf and mute spirit,” he said, “I command you, come out of him and never enter him again.”²⁶ The spirit shrieked, convulsed him violently and came out. The boy looked so much like a corpse that many said, “He’s dead.”²⁷ But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him to his feet, and he stood up.²⁸ After Jesus had gone indoors, his disciples asked him privately, “Why couldn’t we drive it out?”²⁹ He replied, “This kind can come out only by prayer.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord;

C: PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST.

Δ **HYMN of the DAY** 411, “I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light”

Soloist: Kathi Sterling (Sun.)

Sun. Soloist: **I WANT TO WALK AS A CHILD OF THE LIGHT.**

I WANT TO FOLLOW JESUS.

GOD SET THE STARS TO GIVE LIGHT TO THE WORLD.

THE STAR OF MY LIFE IS JESUS. Refrain

Refrain: ***IN HIM THERE IS NO DARKNESS AT ALL.***

THE NIGHT AND THE DAY ARE BOTH ALIKE.

THE LAMB IS THE LIGHT OF THE CITY OF GOD.

SHINE IN MY HEART, LORD JESUS.

I WANT TO SEE THE BRIGHTNESS OF GOD.

I WANT TO LOOK AT JESUS.

CLEAR SUN OF RIGHTEOUSNESS, SHINE ON MY PATH,

AND SHOW ME THE WAY TO THE FATHER. Refrain

I’M LOOKING FOR THE COMING OF CHRIST.

I WANT TO BE WITH JESUS.

WHEN WE HAVE RUN WITH PATIENCE THE RACE,

WE SHALL KNOW THE JOY OF JESUS. Refrain

SERMON “Teaching the Fullness of Truth,” James 3: 1,2 and 7-10

Δ APOSTLES' CREED (confessed in unison)

**I BELIEVE IN GOD, THE FATHER ALMIGHTY,
MAKER 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 TO JUDGE THE LIVING AND THE
DEAD.**

**I BELIEVE IN THE HOLY SPIRIT,
THE HOLY CHRISTIAN CHURCH,
THE COMMUNION OF SAINTS,
THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS,
THE RESURRECTION OF THE BODY,
AND THE LIFE † EVERLASTING. AMEN.**

OFFERING

Sat. "Children of the Heavenly Father," arr. R. Hughes

Sun. "Hills and Valley," T. Wells

Soloist: Kathi Sterling, Pianist: Colton Sterling

10:00 **INSTALLATION of CHRISTIAN EDUCATION STAFF**

Δ PRAYERS of the FAITHFUL

Δ Sat./8:00 LORD'S PRAYER

† HOLY COMMUNION †

10:00

Δ EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Δ LORD'S PRAYER

Δ WORDS of OUR LORD

Δ AGNUS DEI “Lamb of God”

**O LAMB OF GOD, SWEET LAMB OF GOD,
I LOVE THE HOLY LAMB OF GOD!
O WASH ME IN HIS PRECIOUS BLOOD,
MY JESUS CHRIST, THE LAMB OF GOD.**

DISTRIBUTION

Δ POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

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Δ BENEDICTION

Δ CLOSING SONG 588, “Jesus Loves Me”

**JESUS LOVES ME! THIS I KNOW, FOR THE BIBLE TELLS ME SO.
LITTLE ONES TO HIM BELONG; THEY ARE WEAK, BUT HE IS STRONG
YES, JESUS LOVES ME! YES, JESUS LOVES ME!
YES, JESUS LOVES ME! THE BIBLE TELLS ME SO.**

**JESUS LOVE ME! HE WHO DIED HEAVEN’S GATES TO OPEN WIDE.
HE HAS WASHED AWAY MY SIN, LETS HIS LITTLE CHILD COME IN.
YES, JESUS LOVES ME! YES, JESUS LOVES ME!
YES, JESUS LOVES ME! THE BIBLE TELLS ME SO.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE

Sat. “Allegretto from Jesus Loves Me Variations” J. W. Kerr
Sun. CD music

† The worship is over. The service begins. †

