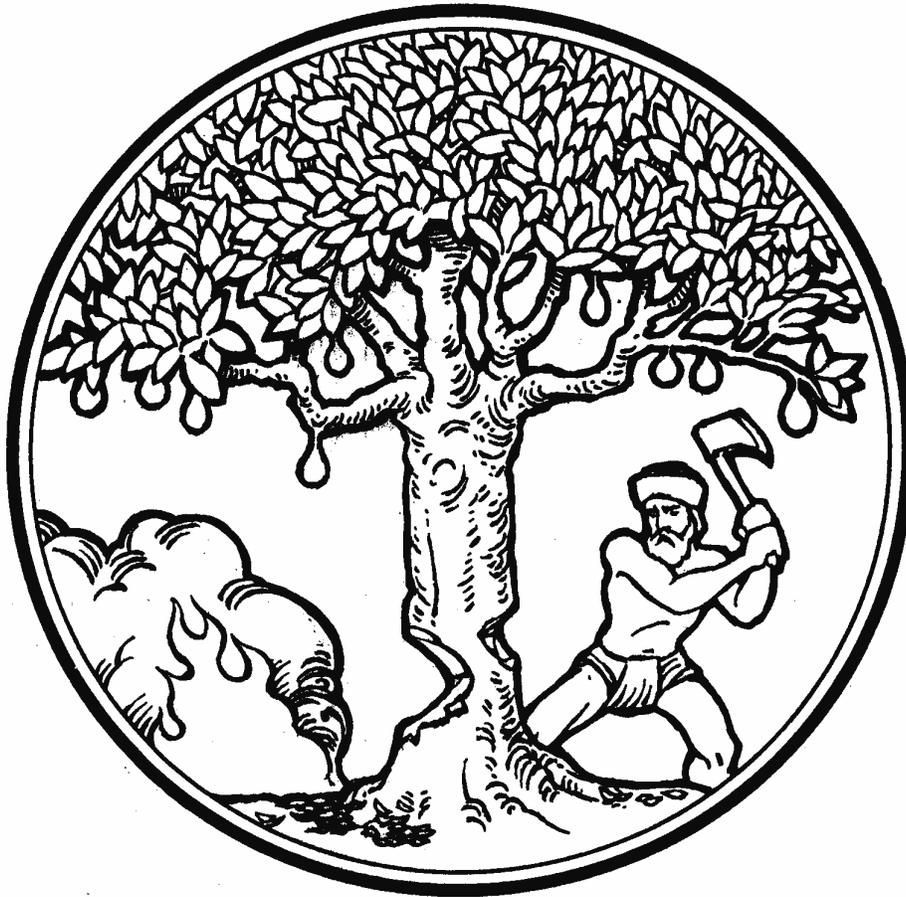


**DIVINE SERVICE FOR  
THE EIGHTH SUNDAY  
AFTER TRINITY**



LEBANON LUTHERAN CHURCH  
Lebanon Church, VA

August 2, 2020

# WELCOME

*Prelude followed by the bells.*

## In Christ There Is No East or West

*Hymn of Invocation*



1 In Christ there is no east or west,  
2 With God there is no tribe or race;  
3 So, brothers, sisters, praise His name  
4 Join hands, disciplines of the faith,  
5 In Christ now meet both east and west;



In Him no south or north, But one great fel - low -  
In Him we all are one. He loves us as His  
Who died to set us free From sin, di - vi - sion,  
What - e'er your race may be; Who serves my Fa - ther  
In Him meet south and north. All Chris - tian souls are



ship of love Through-out the whole wide earth.  
chil - dren through Our faith in His dear Son.  
hate, and shame, From spite and en - mi - ty!  
as His child Is sure - ly kin to me.  
one in Him Through-out the whole wide earth.

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## PREPARATORY OFFICE

### Invocation

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

### Exhortation

**P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**C** But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

### Confession of Sins

**P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**C** Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not

loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

#### Declaration of Grace

**P** In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**C** Amen.

## SERVICE OF THE WORD

#### Apostolic Greeting

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

**C** And also with you.

#### Gloria in Excelsis

**A** Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to His peo-ple on earth.

**C** Lord God, heav - en - ly king, al - might - y God and

Fa - ther: We wor - ship You, we give You thanks, we

praise You for Your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly

Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God: You

take a-way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on

us. You are seat - ed at the right hand of the  
 Fa-ther; re - ceive our prayer. For You a-lone are the  
 Ho - ly One, You a-lone are the Lord, You a-  
 lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,  
 in the glo - ry of God the Fa-ther. A - men.

**Collect of the Day**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Let us pray.

Grant to us, Lord, the Spirit to think and do always such things as are right, that we, who cannot do anything that is good without You, may be enabled by You to live according to Your will; 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**

*Jeremiah 23:16–29*

<sup>16</sup>Thus says the LORD of hosts: “Do not listen to the words of the prophets who prophesy to you, filling you with vain hopes. They speak visions of their own minds, not from the mouth of the LORD. <sup>17</sup>They say continually to those who despise the word of the LORD, ‘It shall be well with you’; and to everyone who stubbornly follows his own heart, they say, ‘No disaster shall come upon you.’”

<sup>18</sup>For who among them has stood in the council of the LORD to see and to hear his word, or who has paid attention to his word and listened?

<sup>19</sup>Behold, the storm of the LORD!

Wrath has gone forth,  
 a whirling tempest;  
 it will burst upon the head of the wicked.

<sup>20</sup>The anger of the LORD will not turn back  
until he has executed and accomplished  
the intents of his heart.

In the latter days you will understand it clearly.

<sup>21</sup>"I did not send the prophets,  
yet they ran;  
I did not speak to them,  
yet they prophesied.

<sup>22</sup>But if they had stood in my council,  
then they would have proclaimed my words to my people,  
and they would have turned them from their evil way,  
and from the evil of their deeds.

<sup>23</sup>"Am I a God at hand, declares the LORD, and not a God afar off? <sup>24</sup>Can a man hide himself in secret places so that I cannot see him? declares the LORD. Do I not fill heaven and earth? declares the LORD. <sup>25</sup>I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, 'I have dreamed, I have dreamed!' <sup>26</sup>How long shall there be lies in the heart of the prophets who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart, <sup>27</sup>who think to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, even as their fathers forgot my name for Baal? <sup>28</sup>Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let him who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? declares the LORD. <sup>29</sup>Is not my word like fire, declares the LORD, and like a hammer that breaks the rock in pieces?"

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Psalm

*Psalm 26; antiphon: v. 12*

<sup>1</sup>Vindicate me, O LORD,  
for I have walked in my in- | tegrity,\*  
and I have trusted in the LORD without | wavering.

<sup>2</sup>Prove me, O LORD, and | try me;\*  
test my heart | and my mind.

<sup>3</sup>For your steadfast love is be- | fore my eyes,\*  
and I walk in your | faithfulness.

<sup>4</sup>I do not sit with men of | falsehood,\*  
nor do I consort with | hypocrites.

<sup>5</sup>I hate the assembly of evil- | doers,\*  
and I will not sit with the | wicked.

<sup>6</sup>I wash my hands in | innocence\*  
 and go around your altar, | O LORD,  
<sup>7</sup>proclaiming thanksgiving | aloud,\*  
 and telling all your | wondrous deeds.

<sup>8</sup>O LORD, I love the habitation | of your house\*  
 and the place where your | glory dwells.

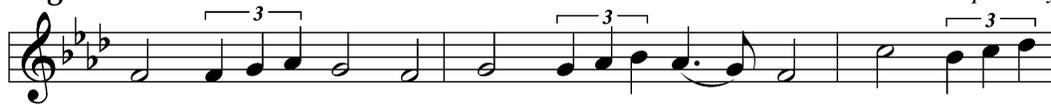
<sup>9</sup>Do not sweep my soul away with | sinners,\*  
 nor my life with blood- | thirsty men,  
<sup>10</sup>in whose hands are evil de- | vices,\*  
 and whose right hands are | full of bribes.

<sup>11</sup>But as for me, I shall walk in my in- | tegrity;\*  
 redeem me, and be gra- | cious to me.

<sup>12</sup>My foot stands on | level ground,\*  
 in the great assembly I will | bless the LORD.

**Thy Strong Word**

*Responsory*



1 Thy strong word did cleave the dark - ness; At Thy  
 2 Lo, on those who dwelt in dark - ness, Dark as  
 3 Thy strong Word be - speaks us righ - teous; Bright with  
 4 From the cross Thy wis - dom shin - ing Break - eth



speak - ing it was done. For cre - at - ed  
 night and deep as death, Broke the light of  
 Thine own ho - li - ness, Glo - rious now, we  
 forth in con - qu'ring might; From the cross for -



light we thank Thee, While Thine or - dered sea - sons run.  
 Thy sal - va - tion, Breathed Thine own life - breath - ing breath.  
 press toward glo - ry, And our lives our hopes con - fess.  
 ev - er beam - eth All Thy bright re - deem - ing light.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to

Thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,  
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al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!  
 al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!  
 al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!  
 al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!

5 Give us lips to sing Thy glory,  
 Tongues Thy mercy to proclaim,  
 Throats that shout the hope that fills us,  
 Mouths to speak Thy holy name.  
 Alleluia, alleluia!  
 May the light which Thou dost send  
 Fill our songs with alleluias,  
 Alleluias without end!

△ 6 God the Father, light-creator,  
 To Thee laud and honor be.  
 To Thee, Light of Light begotten,  
 Praise be sung eternally.  
 Holy Spirit, light-revealer,  
 Glory, glory be to Thee.  
 Mortals, angels, now and ever  
 Praise the holy Trinity!

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## Second Reading

*Acts 20:27–38*

<sup>27</sup>[Paul said:] “For I did not shrink from declaring to you the whole counsel of God. <sup>28</sup>Pay careful attention to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the church of God, which he obtained with his own blood. <sup>29</sup>I know that after my departure fierce wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock; <sup>30</sup>and from among your own selves will arise men speaking twisted things, to draw away the disciples after them. <sup>31</sup>Therefore be alert, remembering that for three years I did not cease night or day to admonish everyone with tears. <sup>32</sup>And now I commend you to God and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up and to give you the inheritance among all those who are sanctified. <sup>33</sup>I coveted no one’s silver or gold or apparel. <sup>34</sup>You yourselves know that these hands ministered to my necessities and to those who were with me. <sup>35</sup>In all

things I have shown you that by working hard in this way we must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he himself said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'"

<sup>36</sup>And when he had said these things, he knelt down and prayed with them all. <sup>37</sup>And there was much weeping on the part of all; they embraced Paul and kissed him, <sup>38</sup>being sorrowful most of all because of the word he had spoken, that they would not see his face again. And they accompanied him to the ship.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

#### Alleluia and Verse



The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff begins with a C-clef and a common time signature. The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes. Below the staff, the lyrics are: **C** Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? The second staff continues the melody with quarter and eighth notes, ending with a double bar line. Below the staff, the lyrics are: You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

#### Holy Gospel

*Matthew 7:15–23*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the seventh chapter.

**C** Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>15</sup>[Jesus said:] "Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep's clothing but inwardly are ravenous wolves. <sup>16</sup>You will recognize them by their fruits. Are grapes gathered from thornbushes, or figs from thistles? <sup>17</sup>So, every healthy tree bears good fruit, but the diseased tree bears bad fruit. <sup>18</sup>A healthy tree cannot bear bad fruit, nor can a diseased tree bear good fruit. <sup>19</sup>Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. <sup>20</sup>Thus you will recognize them by their fruits.

<sup>21</sup>"Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. <sup>22</sup>On that day many will say to me, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and cast out demons in your name, and do many mighty works in your name?' <sup>23</sup>And then will I declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from me, you workers of lawlessness.'"

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

#### Sermon

Jesus Loves Me

Hymn of the Day

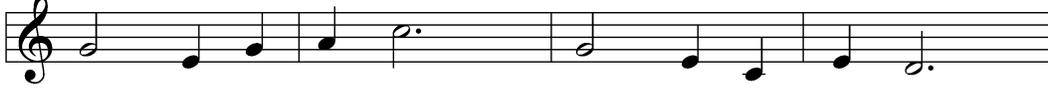


1 Je - sus loves me! This I know, For the Bi - ble tells me so.  
2 Je - sus loves me! He who died Heav-en's gates to o - pen wide.



Lit - tle ones to Him be-long; They are weak, but He is strong.  
He has washed a - way my sin, Lets His lit - tle child come in.

Refrain



Yes, Je - sus loves me! Yes, Je - sus loves me!



Yes, Je - sus loves me! The Bi - ble tells me so.

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Apostles' Creed

**C** 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,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayer of the Church

## 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.

## 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 ☩ give you peace.



**C** A - men.

## Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing

*Mission Hymn*



1 Lord, dis - miss us with Your bless - ing, Fill our hearts with  
2 Thanks we give and ad - o - ra - tion For Your Gos - pel's  
3 Sav - ior, when Your love shall call us From our strug - gling



joy and peace; Let us each, Your love pos - sess - ing,  
joy - ful sound. May the fruits of Your sal - va - tion  
pil - grim way, Let not fear of death ap - pall us,



Tri - umph in re - deem - ing grace. O re - fresh us;  
In our hearts and lives a - bound. Ev - er faith - ful,  
Glad Your sum - mons to o - bey. May we ev - er,



O re - fresh us, Trav - 'ling through this wil - der - ness.  
 ev - er faith - ful To Your truth may we be found.  
 may we ev - er Reign with You in end - less day.

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### Congregational Announcements

### Dismissal

## SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

### Preface



**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And al-so 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.

### Proper Preface

### Sanctus



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of



pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of Your

glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
 Bless - ed is He who comes in the name  
 of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

**The Words of Our Lord**

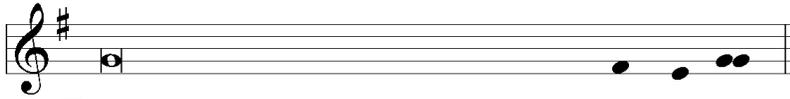
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 who trespass against us;  
 and lead us not into temptation,  
 but deliver us from evil.  
 For Thine is the kingdom  
 and the power and the glory  
 forever and ever. Amen.

**Post-Communion 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.

## Benediction and Dismissal



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**C** A - men.

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## GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

**The Flowers on the Altar** are given to the Glory of God and in honor of the congregation of Lebanon Lutheran by Steve and Shirley Foster.

**Mary Bates, from NALC Disaster Response**, will be present next Sunday, August 9, to make a presentation on the work of the Disaster Response Fund and Disaster Care Kits. She will also be collecting items for the kits. More information and a list of items can be found at <https://thenalc.org/nalc-disaster-response/>.

**The Church Council** will meet next Thursday, August 13, 7pm, in the fellowship hall.

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