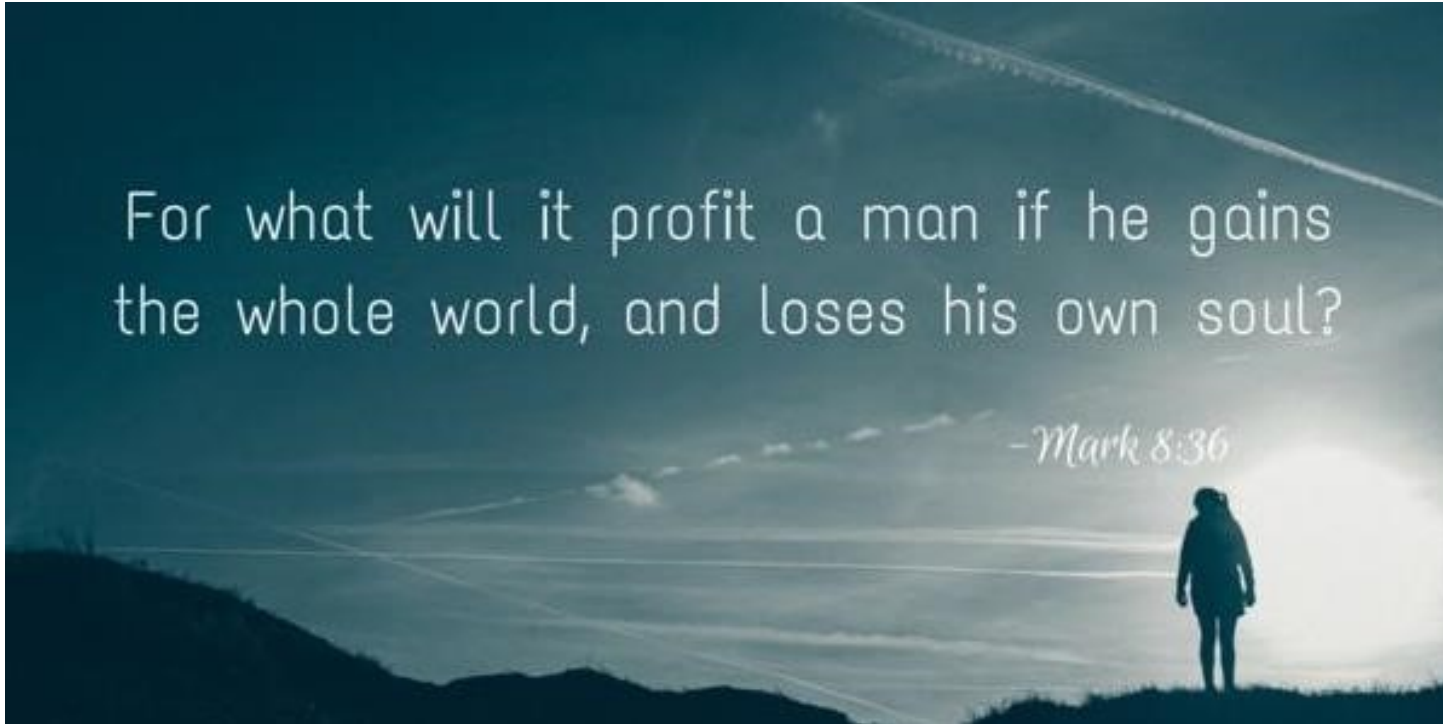


# THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

A photograph of a person standing on a dark silhouette of a hill, looking out over a vast, hazy landscape. The sky is a mix of dark and light blue, with wispy clouds and a bright light source on the right side, creating a silhouette effect. The overall mood is contemplative and serene.

For what will it profit a man if he gains  
the whole world, and loses his own soul?

*-Mark 8:36*

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# THE WORD OF GOD

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken

Austria

*Descant*

4 Blest in - hab - it - ants of Zi - on, washed in the Re -

1 Glo - rious things of thee are spo - ken, Zi - on, ci - ty  
 2 See! the streams of liv - ing wa - ters, spring - ing from e -  
 3 Round each ha - bi - ta - tion hov - ering, see the cloud and  
 4 Blest in - hab - it - ants of Zi - on, washed in the Re -

deem - er's blood! Whom their souls re -

of our God; he whose word can - not be  
 ter - nal love, well sup - ply thy sons and  
 fire ap - pear for a glo - ry and a  
 deem - er's blood! Je - sus, whom their souls re -

ly on, makes them kings and priests to God.

bro - ken formed thee for his own a - bode;  
 daugh - ters and all fear of want re - move.  
 cov - ering, show - ing that the Lord is near.  
 ly on, makes them kings and priests to God.

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'Tis his love his peo - ple raise o - ver

on the Rock of A - ges found - ed, what can shake thy  
Who can faint, when such a riv - er ev - er will their  
Thus de - riv - ing from their ban - ner, light by night, and  
'Tis his love his peo - ple rais - es o - ver self to

self to reign and as priests, his

sure re - pose? With sal - va - tion's walls sur -  
thirst as - suage? Grace which, like the Lord, the  
shade by day, safe they feed up - on the  
reign as kings: and as priests, his sol - emn

sol - emn prais - es each an of - fering brings.

round - ed, thou may'st smile at all thy foes.  
giv - er nev - er fails from age to age.  
man - na which he gives them when they pray.  
prais - es each for a thank - of - fering brings.

#### OPENING ACCLAMATION

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, son, and Holy Spirit.

*People* And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

#### COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

## GLORY TO GOD

Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:

have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.  
For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

## THE LESSONS

*The people sit.*

### FIRST READING

Proverbs 1:20-33

*Reader* A Reading from the book of Proverbs.

Wisdom cries out in the street;  
in the squares she raises her voice.  
At the busiest corner she cries out;  
at the entrance of the city gates she speaks:  
“How long, O simple ones, will you love being simple?  
How long will scoffers delight in their scoffing  
and fools hate knowledge?  
Give heed to my reproof;  
I will pour out my thoughts to you;  
I will make my words known to you.  
Because I have called and you refused,  
have stretched out my hand and no one heeded,  
and because you have ignored all my counsel  
and would have none of my reproof,  
I also will laugh at your calamity;  
I will mock when panic strikes you,  
when panic strikes you like a storm,  
and your calamity comes like a whirlwind,  
when distress and anguish come upon you.  
Then they will call upon me, but I will not answer;  
they will seek me diligently, but will not find me.

Because they hated knowledge  
and did not choose the fear of the Lord,  
would have none of my counsel,  
and despised all my reproof,  
therefore they shall eat the fruit of their way  
and be sated with their own devices.  
For waywardness kills the simple,  
and the complacency of fools destroys them;  
but those who listen to me will be secure  
and will live at ease, without dread of disaster.”

*Reader*     The Word of the Lord.

*People*     Thanks be to God.

## THE PSALM

Psalm 19

*Caeli enarrant*

### *Remain seated*

- <sup>1</sup> The heavens declare the glory of God, \*  
and the firmament shows his handiwork.
- <sup>2</sup> One day tells its tale to another, \*  
and one night imparts knowledge to another.
- <sup>3</sup> Although they have no words or language, \*  
and their voices are not heard,
- <sup>4</sup> Their sound has gone out into all lands, \*  
and their message to the ends of the world.
- <sup>5</sup> In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun; \*  
it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber;  
it rejoices like a champion to run its course.
- <sup>6</sup> It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens and runs about to the end of it again; \*  
nothing is hidden from its burning heat.
- <sup>7</sup> The law of the Lord is perfect and revives the soul; \*  
the testimony of the Lord is sure and gives wisdom to the innocent.
- <sup>8</sup> The statutes of the Lord are just and rejoice the heart; \*  
the commandment of the Lord is clear and gives light to the eyes.
- <sup>9</sup> The fear of the Lord is clean and endures for ever; \*  
the judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.
- <sup>10</sup> More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold, \*  
sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.
- <sup>11</sup> By them also is your servant enlightened, \*  
and in keeping them there is great reward.
- <sup>12</sup> Who can tell how often he offends? \*  
cleanse me from my secret faults.
- <sup>13</sup> Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion over me; \*  
then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.
- <sup>14</sup> Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, \*  
O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.



Reader A Reading from the letter of James.

Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits.

How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, but no one can tame the tongue~ a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

## GRADUAL HYMN

## Many and Great, O God, Are Thy Works

## Dakota Indian Chant

1 Man - y and great, O God, are thy works, mak - er of  
2 Grant un - to us com - mun - ion with thee, thou star - a -

earth and sky; thy hands have set the hea - vens with stars;  
bid - ing one; come un - to us and dwell with us;

thy fin - gers spread the moun - tains and plains. Lo, at thy  
with thee are found the gifts of life. Bless us with

word the wa - ters were formed; deep seas o - bey thy voice.  
life that has no end, e - ter - nal life with thee.

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*Celebrant* The Holy Gospel of Our Savior Jesus Christ according to Mark.

*People* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" And they answered him, "John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets." He asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Messiah." And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him.

Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

*Celebrant* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

## THE SERMON

Mother Mindy Valentine Davis

## THE NICENE CREED

*Said in unison.*

We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.  
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius  
Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living  
and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.  
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver  
of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped  
and glorified.  
He has spoken through the Prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic  
Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the  
forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*All remain standing.*

Almighty God, you spoke, and your words brought endless worlds into existence.

Remind us that our words and our lives matter. May our words and actions partner with each other in your holy purpose. Lord, in Your mercy: *hear our prayer.*

Empower the body of Christ to speak your truth to the world. Let our words and our actions be both simple and powerful, kind, and gentle. Bless our leadership with language to encourage your people to deepen their relationship with you. Lord, in Your mercy: *hear our prayer.*

Speak peace to the hearts of the world's leaders. Let their words and actions be those of integrity. Bless the children of all ages and all nations with a future that reflects your justice and loving-kindness. Give your people the courage to speak up for those who have no voice in this world. Lord, in Your mercy: *hear our prayer.*

Whisper words of hope and healing to the hearts of those who are ill or anxious and struggle with themselves or with their families. We pray for wholeness for \_\_\_\_\_ (*add your petitions silently or aloud*). Lord, in Your mercy: *hear our prayer.*

We pray for those who have recently been called home and pray for those who mourn their loss. When words fall short, let our presence reflect your love for them in their grief. Lord, in Your mercy: *hear our prayer.*

May the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts always be acceptable to you O Lord, our strength and our redeemer. Amen.

## CONCLUDING COLLECT

*Celebrant* O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. *Amen.*

## CONFESSION OF SIN

*Celebrant* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Minister and People*

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 are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

*The Priest stands and says*

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

## THE PEACE

*All stand.*

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

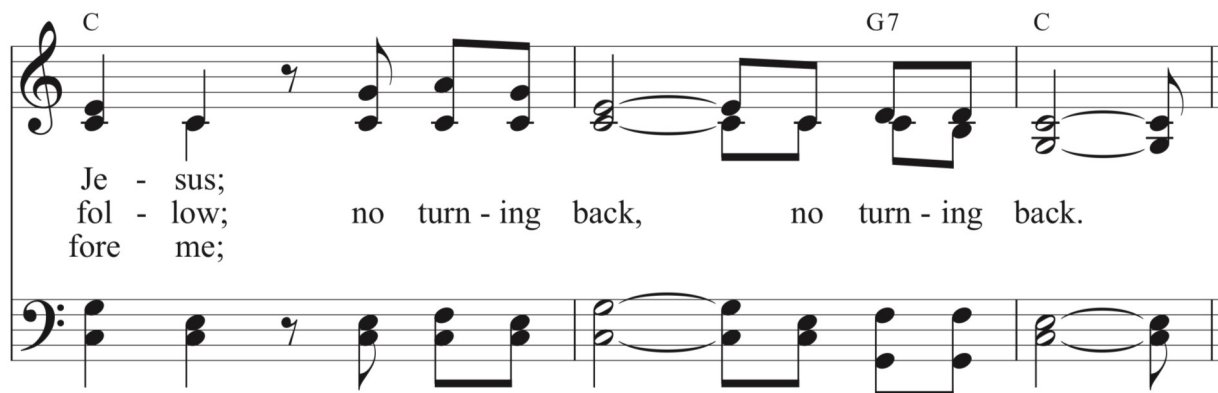
### OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

### OFFERTORY HYMN

I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

1 I have de - cid - ed to fol - low Je - sus; I have de -  
2 Though none go with me, still I will fol - low; though none go  
3 The world be - hind me, the cross be - fore me; the world be -  
cid - ed to fol - low Je - sus; I have de - cid - ed to fol - low  
with me, still I will fol - low; though none go with me, still I will  
hind me, the cross be - fore me, the world be - hind me, the cross be -



## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

## Eucharistic Prayer 2

### SURSUM CORDA

*The People remain standing.*

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

*People* We lift them to the Lord.

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* It is right to give him thanks and praise.

### PROPER PREFACE

*Celebrant*

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God,  
source of life abundant.

From before time you made ready the creation.

Your Spirit moved over the deep  
and brought all things into being:

sun, moon, and stars;

earth, winds, and waters;

and every living thing.

You made us in your image,  
and taught us to walk in your ways.

But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away;  
and yet, as a mother cares for her children,  
you would not forget us.

Time and again you called us  
to live in the fullness of your love.

And so this day we join with Saints and Angels  
in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity,  
lifting our voices to magnify you as we say:

## SANCTUS

### *Celebrant and People*

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

### *The Celebrant continues*

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God.

To deliver us from the power of sin and death

and to reveal the riches of your grace,

you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant,

that she might conceive and bear a son,

Jesus the holy child of God.

Living among us, Jesus loved us.

He broke bread with outcasts and sinners,

healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor.

He yearned to draw all the world to himself

yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love.

Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross

the sacrifice of his life,

and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us,

Jesus was at table with his friends.

He took bread, gave thanks to you,

broke it, and gave it to them, and said:

“Take, eat:

This is my Body, which is given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.”

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine.

Again, he gave thanks to you,

gave it to them, and said:

“Drink this, all of you:

This is my Blood of the new Covenant,

which is poured out for you and for all

for the forgiveness of sins.

Whenever you drink it,

do this for the remembrance of me.”

## EPICLESIS

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation,  
and remembering Christ, crucified and risen,  
who was and is and is to come,  
we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine,  
and ourselves, a living sacrifice.  
Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts  
that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ.  
Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth  
and make us your new creation,  
the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.  
In the fullness of time bring us,  
with all your saints,  
from every tribe and language and people and nation,  
to feast at the banquet prepared  
from the foundation of the world.  
Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
to you be honor, glory, and praise,  
for ever and ever. AMEN

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,  
*People and Celebrant*

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 BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*A period of silence is kept*

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.  
*People* Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

# FRACTION ANTHEM (SUNG BY CANTOR)

*Cantor or Choir*

My flesh is food in - deed, and my blood is drink in -

deed, says the Lord. My Lord. Those who eat my

flesh and drink my blood dwell in me and I in them. My

flesh is food in - deed, and my blood is drink in - deed, says the Lord.

Setting: Ray W. Urwin (b. 1950)

*Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation*

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*The Bread is given to communicants with these words:*

The Body of our Lord Jesus Christ keep you in everlasting life. Amen.

## COMMUNION HYMN

## Strengthen For Service

Malabar

1 Strength - en for ser - vice, Lord, the hands that ho - ly

2 Lord, may the tongues which "Ho - ly" sang, keep free from

3 The feet that tread thy hal - lowed courts from light do

things have tak - en; let ears that now have

all de - ceiv - ing; the eyes which saw thy

thou not ban - ish; the bo - dies by thy

heard thy songs to clam - or nev - er wak - en.

love be bright, thy bless - ed hope per - ceiv - ing.

Bo - dy fed with thy new life re - ple - nish.

Words: Syriac Liturgy of Malabar; tr. Charles W. Humphreys (1840-1921); alt. Percy Dearmer (1867-1936)  
Music: David McKinley Williams (1887-1978)

## POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

Almighty and everliving God,  
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food  
of the most precious Body and Blood  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;  
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries  
that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom.  
And now, Father, send us out  
to do the work you have given us to do,  
to love and serve you  
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.  
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

## BLESSING

### DISMISSAL

*Officiant* Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

*People* Thanks be to God.

## RECESSIONAL HYMN

God of Grace and God of glory

*Cwm Rhondda*

1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, on thy peo - ple pour thy power;  
2 Lo! the hosts of e - vil round us scorn thy Christ, as - sail his ways!  
3 Cure thy chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness, bend our pride to thy con - trol;  
4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils we de - plore;

crown thine an - cient Church's sto - ry; bring her bud to glo - rious flower.  
From the fears that long have bound us free our hearts to faith and praise:  
shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness, rich in things and poor in soul.  
let the gift of thy sal - va - tion be our glo - ry ev - er - more.



Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, for the fac - ing of this  
 grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, for the liv - ing of these  
 Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, lest we miss thy king-dom's  
 Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, serv - ing thee whom we a -

hour,  
 days,  
 goal,  
 dore,

for the fac - ing of this hour.  
 for the liv - ing of these days.  
 lest we miss thy king-dom's goal.  
 serv - ing thee whom we a - dore.

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*Our worship has concluded. Your Service Begins.*

The flowers on the altar today are given to the glory of God and in loving remembrance of Mel Valentine by the Valentine Davis family.

## PRAYERS

**Parishioner Cycle of prayer:** Jerry and Nancy Swanson

**Ministry Rotation of Prayer:** Evangelism Committee

**Happy Anniversary:** Breck and Laurie McHenry

**Happy Birthday:** Fiona Walls

**For those who are sick:** Kitty, Bob, Jerry, Jack, Gary, Vickie, Joleen, Christine, Obi, Charlie, Cynthia.

### ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

#### Monday, September 13–Friday September 17

8:00 AM–Morning Prayer in the Gathering Room

#### September 19

10:00 AM Sunday In-Person Eucharist and Virtual Service

12:00 PM Outdoor Service in the Peace Garden (Masks Optional)

5:00 PM Evening Prayer Premieres on YouTube

### The Bible Tells Me So

Pastor Amy from Trinity Lutheran church is offering a class this Fall using the book “*The Bible Tells Me So*” by Peter Enns. St. Peter’s parishioners are welcome to attend. Here is the description and dates:

“Have you ever started reading the Bible and wondered, ‘Why is it full of violence?’ ‘Why would God do/say that?’ How do we reconcile what is *in the Bible* with *what it means for us today*?

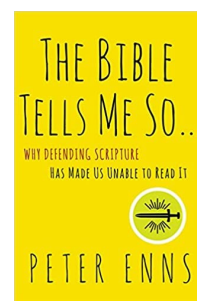
In our 7 sessions, we will use the book and video series from author and theologian Pete Enns. “*The Bible Tells Me So* chronicles Enns’s spiritual odyssey, how he came to see beyond restrictive doctrine and learned to embrace God’s Word as it is actually written.”

Sign up now to join Pastor Amy on Mondays at 11:30 (in person) or 6:30 (online) for *The Bible Tells Me So*. Classes will be 60-90 minutes long.

**Dates:** September 13, September 20, October 4, October 11, October 18, October 25, November 1

**In Person:** gather in the sanctuary at 11:30 am for the video. We will adjourn to the large group classroom for conversation. Feel free to bring your lunch!”

**Note:** There is a link to the registration form on Trinity Lutheran’s website, and also the link will be included in our weekly email.



### Hurricane Ida

On Sunday, August 29, sixteen years after Hurricane Katrina hit the Gulf Coast, Hurricane Ida made landfall in the same region. This Category 4 storm brought flooding and damaging winds that caused a loss of water to hundreds of thousands and a loss of electricity to over 1 million people. Episcopal Relief & Development is working closely with the Diocese of Louisiana and other regional partners in what will be a long-term response. Your generous gift will help alleviate suffering for the most vulnerable residents impacted by Hurricane Ida. Please visit [episcopalrelief.org/hurricane-relief](https://episcopalrelief.org/hurricane-relief) to make a gift today.

