Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost Divine Service, Setting Four September 18, 2022

Regarding the Lord's Supper – Today as we celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Communion we will receive the body and blood of our Savior. We receive the forgiveness of our sins and the strengthening of our faith. Mindful of the Scriptural teaching concerning Church fellowship (Acts 2:42; 1 Cor. 10:17; 1 Cor. 11:26; Rom. 16:17), we practice closed communion. Communicant members of this congregation, or another congregation of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod, are encouraged to commune this morning. Guests desiring to receive the sacrament are encouraged to speak with the pastor.

Prelude

Words of Welcome

Stand

BY GRACE I'M SAVED

LSB 566

By grace I'm saved, grace free and boundless;
My soul, believe and doubt it not.
Why stagger at this word of promise?
Has Scripture ever falsehood taught?
No! Then this word must true remain:
By grace you too will life obtain.

- 2 By grace! None dare lay claim to merit;
 Our works and conduct have no worth.
 God in His love sent our Redeemer,
 Christ Jesus, to this sinful earth;
 His death did for our sins atone,
 And we are saved by grace alone.
- By grace God's Son, our only Savior,
 Came down to earth to bear our sin.
 Was it because of your own merit
 That Jesus died your soul to win?
 No, it was grace, and grace alone,
 That brought Him from His heav'nly throne.
- By grace! This ground of faith is certain; As long as God is true, it stands. What saints have penned by inspiration, What in His Word our God commands, Our faith in what our God has done Depends on grace—grace through His Son.
- By grace to timid hearts that tremble,
 In tribulation's furnace tried,
 By grace, in spite of fear and trouble,
 The Father's heart is open wide.
 Where could I help and strength secure
 If grace were not my anchor sure?
- By grace! On this I'll rest when dying; In Jesus' promise I rejoice; For though I know my heart's condition,

I also know my Savior's voice. My heart is glad, all grief has flown Since I am saved by grace alone.

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The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their baptism.

INVOCATION LSB 203

In the name of the Father and of the

Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

EXHORTATION

LSB 203

- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- who made heaven and earth.
- If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.
- P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of

Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

CONFESSION OF SINS

LSB 203

Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

PRAYER FOR FORGIVENESS

- Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C Amen.

INTROIT Ps. 119:137–140, 142; antiphon: Ps. 119:144

- Your testimonies are righteous forever; give me understanding that I may live.
- Righteous are you, O LORD, and right are your just decrees.
- P You have appointed your testimonies in righteousness and in all faithfulness.
- My zeal consumes me, because my foes forget your words.
- P Your promise is well tried, and your servant loves it.
- Your righteousness is righteous forever, and your law is true.
- Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

P Your testimonies are righteous forever; give me understanding that I may live.

KYRIE LSB 204

Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

LSB 204

And peace to all the earth;
Goodwill from God in heaven
Proclaimed at Jesus' birth!
We praise and bless You, Father;
Your holy name we sing—
Our thanks for Your great glory,
Lord God, our heav'nly King.

To You, O sole-begotten,
The Father's Son, we pray;
O Lamb of God, our Savior,
You take our sins away.
Have mercy on us, Jesus;
Receive our heartfelt cry,
Where You in pow'r are seated
At God's right hand on high—

For You alone are holy, You only are the Lord. Forever and forever, Be worshiped and adored; You with the Holy Spirit Alone are Lord Most High, In God the Father's glory. "Amen!" our glad reply.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- P Let us pray.
- O Lord, keep Your Church in Your perpetual mercy; and because without You we cannot but fall, preserve us from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Sit

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Amos 8:4-7

⁴Hear this, you who trample on the needy and bring the poor of the land to an end, ⁵saying, "When will the new moon be over, that we may sell grain?

And the Sabbath,

that we may offer wheat for sale,

that we may make the ephah small and the shekel great and deal deceitfully with false balances,

⁶that we may buy the poor for silver and the needy for a pair of sandals

and sell the chaff of the wheat?"

⁷The LORD has sworn by the pride of Jacob:

"Surely I will never forget any of their deeds."

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE

¹First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, ²for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way. ³This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, ⁴who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. ⁵For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, ⁶who gave himself as a ransom for all, which is the testimony given at the proper time. ⁷For this I was appointed a preacher and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

1 Timothy 2:1-15

⁸I desire then that in every place the men should pray, lifting holy hands without anger or quarreling; ⁹likewise also that women should adorn themselves in respectable apparel, with modesty and self-control, not with braided hair and gold or pearls or costly attire, ¹⁰but with what is proper for women who profess godliness—with good works. ¹¹Let a woman learn quietly with all submissiveness. ¹²I do not permit a woman to teach or to exercise authority over a man; rather, she is to remain quiet. ¹³For Adam was formed first, then Eve; ¹⁴and Adam was not deceived, but the woman was deceived and became a transgressor. ¹⁵Yet she will be

saved through childbearing—if they continue in faith and love and holiness, with self-control.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Stand

ALLELUIA AND VERSE

LSB 205

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 16:1-15

- The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the sixteenth chapter.
- **G** Glory to You, O Lord.

¹[Jesus] also said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was wasting his possessions. ²And he called him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Turn in the account of your management, for you can no longer be manager.' ³And the manager said to himself, 'What shall I do, since my master is taking the management away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. ⁴I have decided what to do, so that when I am removed from management, people may receive me into their houses.' ⁵So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he said to the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' ⁶He

said, 'A hundred measures of oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, and sit down quickly and write fifty.' ⁷Then he said to another, 'And how much do you owe?' He said, 'A hundred measures of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, and write eighty.' ⁸The master commended the dishonest manager for his shrewdness. For the sons of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than the sons of light. ⁹And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of unrighteous wealth, so that when it fails they may receive you into the eternal dwellings.

¹⁰"One who is faithful in a very little is also faithful in much, and one who is dishonest in a very little is also dishonest in much. ¹¹If then you have not been faithful in the unrighteous wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? ¹²And if you have not been faithful in that which is another's, who will give you that which is your own? ¹³No servant can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money."

¹⁴The Pharisees, who were lovers of money, heard all these things, and they ridiculed him. ¹⁵And he said to them, "You are those who justify yourselves before men, but God knows your hearts. For what is exalted among men is an abomination in the sight of God.

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to You, O Christ.

APOSTLES' CREED

LSB 207

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.

Sit

WORD OF GOD, COME DOWN ON EARTH

1 Word of God, come down on earth,
Living rain from heav'n descending;
Touch our hearts and bring to birth
Faith and hope and love unending.
Word almighty, we revere You;
Word made flesh, we long to hear You.

Word eternal, throned on high,
Word that brought to life creation,
Word that came from heav'n to die,
Crucified for our salvation,
Saving Word, the world restoring,
Speak to us, Your love outpouring.

Word that caused blind eyes to see,
Speak and heal our mortal blindness;
Deaf we are: our healer be;
Loose our tongues to tell Your kindness.
Be our Word in pity spoken,
Heal the world, by sin now broken.

Word that speaks God's tender love,
One with God beyond all telling,
Word that sends us from above,
God the Spirit, with us dwelling,
Word of truth, to all truth lead us;
Word of life, with one bread feed us.

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SERMON

Stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Sit

OFFERING

Stand

PREFACE LSB 208

- P The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.

- P Lift up your hearts.
- We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
- It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS LSB 208

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored; Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.

Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord;

Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-

begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

LORD'S PRAYER

LSB 209

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 WORDS OF OUR LORD

- P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My
 → body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."
- In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My

 → blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

PAX DOMINI LSB 209

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.

AGNUS DEI LSB 210

O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away; O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.

> O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away; Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ, And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

Sit

DISTRIBUTION

YOUR T	ABLE I APPROACH	LSB 628
1	Your table I approach; Dear Savior, hear my prayer. Let not an unrepentant heart Prove hurtful to me there.	LOD 020
2	Lord, I confess my sins And mourn their wretched bands; A contrite heart is sure to find Forgiveness at Your hands.	
3	Your body and Your blood, Once slain and shed for me, Are taken at Your table, Lord, In blest reality.	
4	Search not how this takes place, This wondrous mystery; God can accomplish vastly more Than what we think could be.	
5	O grant, most blessèd Lord, That earth and hell combined May not about this sacrament Raise doubt within my mind.	
6	Oh. mav I never fail	

To thank You day and night

For Your true body and true blood,

O God, my peace and light.

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WHAT IS THE WORLD TO ME

LSB 730

- What is the world to me
 With all its vaunted pleasure
 When You, and You alone,
 Lord Jesus, are my treasure!
 You only, dearest Lord,
 My soul's delight shall be;
 You are my peace, my rest.
 What is the world to me!
- 2 The world seeks to be praised
 And honored by the mighty
 Yet never once reflects
 That they are frail and flighty.
 But what I truly prize
 Above all things is He,
 My Jesus, He alone.
 What is the world to me!
- The world seeks after wealth
 And all that mammon offers
 Yet never is content
 Though gold should fill its coffers.
 I have a higher good,
 Content with it I'll be:
 My Jesus is my wealth.
 What is the world to me!

What is the world to me!
My Jesus is my treasure,
My life, my health, my wealth,
My friend, my love, my pleasure,
My joy, my crown, my all,
My bliss eternally.
Once more, then, I declare:
What is the world to me!

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LORD OF ALL GOOD

LSB 786

- 1 Lord of all good, our gifts we bring You now; Use them Your holy purpose to fulfill. Tokens of love and pledges they shall be That our whole life is offered to Your will.
- We give our minds to understand Your ways; Hands, eyes, and voice to serve Your great design; Hearts with the flame of Your own love ablaze— Thus for Your glory all our pow'rs combine.
- 3 Father, whose bounty all creation shows; Christ, by whose willing sacrifice we live; Spirit, from whom all life in fullness flows: To You with grateful hearts ourselves we give.

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Stand

NUNC DIMITTIS

LSB 211

O Lord, now let Your servant Depart in heav'nly peace,

For I have seen the glory
Of Your redeeming grace:
A light to lead the Gentiles
Unto Your holy hill,
The glory of Your people,
Your chosen Israel.

All glory to the Father,
All glory to the Son,
All glory to the Spirit,
Forever Three in One;
For as in the beginning,
Is now, shall ever be,
God's triune name resounding
Through all eternity.

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 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.

BENEDICAMUS

LSB 212

- A Let us bless the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

BENEDICTION LSB 212

C Amen.

Sit

ALMIGHTY FATHER, BLESS THE WORD

LSB 923

- Almighty Father, bless the Word
 Which through Your grace we now have heard.
 Oh, may the precious seed take root,
 Spring up, and bear abundant fruit!
- We praise You for the means of grace
 As homeward now our steps we trace.
 Grant, Lord, that we who worshiped here
 May all at last in heav'n appear.
- Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
 Praise Him, all creatures here below;
 Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host:
 Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

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POSTLUDE

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<u>Announcements</u>

<u>Pastor at Conference</u> – Pastor Yoakum will be at the LCMS Florida-Georgia District Pastors Conference in Daytona this week. In case of emergency, please feel free to call, text, email, etc.

<u>Congregational Meeting</u> – There will be a regular congregational meeting next Sunday after the worship service. All members are invited to stay informed and help with the regular business of our congregation.

<u>Memory Verse Challenge of the Week:</u> Hebrews 12:1-2 – Let us run with endurance ... looking to Jesus, the founder and perfector of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

Scripture Readings for September 25, 2022:

Amos 6:1-7 – Woe to you, rich!

1 Timothy 3:1-13 – Character traits of an overseer and a deacon.

Luke 16:10-31 – The rich man and poor Lazarus.

<u>Prayer List</u> – Taylor, Bob, Joanne; Susan; Jerrold; Ruth; Kay; Donna Bussamus; David; Bonne; Robin; Kim; Kaitland; Robert; Bryant; Elmer; Christine; Brad; Jim and Noah; Mike; Loretta; Peggy; Lois; Christine; Judy; Lisa; Dave; Isabel; Roma. The family and friends of Sharon Puleo family.

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CHRIST FOR YOU this week on <u>KFUO.org</u>: Hear Rev. Brady Finnern as the new host of Concord Matters (formerly host of Thy Strong Word) beginning 9/24 at 10am CT, study Deuteronomy 27-28 on Sharper Iron's "The Law of God is Good and Wise" (weekdays at 8am CT), and study 1 Corinthians 6-7 on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11am CT).

Serving Today (9/18):

Elder – Dave B.
Ushers – Bob B. and Collin B.
Organist – Beth B.
Greeter – Schneider
Acolyte – Katie S.
Altar Guild – Kathy Y.

Serving Next Week (9/25):

Elder – Mike C.
Usher – Dave B. and John H.
Organist – Shelley R.
Greeter – Talbott
Acolyte – Michael B.
Altar Guild – Shelley R.

Camera – Angela F. Camera – Beth B.

Tellers – Walt B. and Jim L. Tellers – Melissa S. and Kathy Y.

Upcoming Calendar

9-18-22	9am	Sunday School and Bible Class
	10am	Divine Service
	11:30am	Youth Catechism Class
9/19-9/21	Pastor at Dis	strict Pastor's Conference
9-20-22	NO LIVESTF	REAMED BIBLE STUDY
9-21-22	NO WEDNE	SDAY BIBLE STUDY
9-25-22	9am	Sunday School and Bible Class
	10am	Divine Service
	11:30am	Congregational Meeting
	11:30am	Youth Catechism Class
	4pm	Chapel at Sun Towers
9-27-22	2pm	Livestreamed BOMBS Bible Study: Rev. 18
9-28-22	6:30pm	Wednesday Bible Study

Wednesday Bible Class Schedule

Dible Class Schedule
.NO CLASS
.A Biblical Response to Cults
.A Biblical Response to Liberal Christianity
.Movie: Silence
.Movie: Silence
.A Biblical Response to Witchcraft
."Law and Gospel"
." That's in the Bible!'
.Pastor's Mystery Topic!

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- every worship service
- a weekly Book of the Month Bible Study (BOMBS)

... and these can be found on live on our Facebook page. Afterwards these remain posted on Facebook ... and we also post these on YouTube ... and then they are also posted on our website: www.ctklcms.org