

Divine Service Setting Four (LSB 203-212)
The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost
August 23rd, 2020

As We Gather: Acknowledging Jesus as the Christ is central to our confession of faith as individual Christians and vital in our worship as the gathered people of God. In our use of that divine title, we echo the words of the angel who spoke to the shepherds in the field outside of Bethlehem with the Gospel message, “For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord” (Luke 2:11). We are blessed in knowing that Jesus, the Christ, is not only God in person in human form but that He is God for us. St. Patrick poetically spoke his confession with the words “Christ with me, Christ before me, Christ behind me, Christ in me.” As we confess Jesus as the Christ this day, we are joining with saints and angels as well as with the sisters and brothers that surround us gathered for worship! **TO GOD ALONE BE GLORY!**

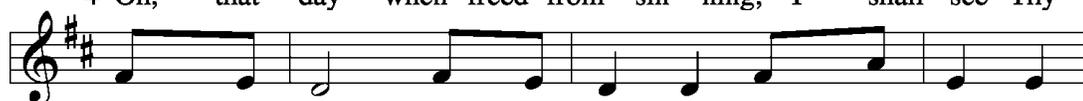
+ CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION +

Hymn of Invocation: Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

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1 Come, Thou Fount of ev - 'ry bless - ing, Tune my heart to
 2 Here I raise my Eb - en - e - zer, Hith - er by Thy
 3 Oh, to grace how great a debt - or Dai - ly I'm con -
 4 Oh, that day when freed from sin - ning, I shall see Thy



sing Thy grace; Streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing,
 help I've come; And I hope, by Thy good plea - sure,
 strained to be; Let that grace now like a fet - ter
 love - ly face; Clothed then in the blood - washed lin - en,



Call for songs of loud - est praise. While the hope of end - less
 Safe - ly to ar - rive at home. Je - sus sought me when a
 Bind my wan - d'ring heart to Thee: Prone to wan - der, Lord, I
 How I'll sing Thy won - drous grace! Come, my Lord, no long - er



glo - ry Fills my heart with joy and love, Teach me
 strang - er, Wan - d'ring from the fold of God; He, to
 feel it; Prone to leave the God I love. Here's my
 tar - ry; Take my ran - som'd soul a - way; Send Thine



ev - er to a - dore Thee; May I still Thy good - ness prove.
res - cue me from dan - ger, In - ter - posed His pre - cious blood.
heart, O take and seal it, Seal it for Thy courts a - bove.
an - gels soon to car - ry Me to realms of end - less day.

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

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

C Amen.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C 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.

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

P 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.

+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +

Introit

Ps. 2:6–7; Ps. 117; antiphon: Ps. 115:18

P But we will bless the LORD

C from this time forth and forevermore. Praise the LORD!

P As for me, I have set my King

C on Zion, my holy hill.

P I will tell of the decree:

C The LORD said to me, "You are my Son; today I have begotten you."

P Praise the LORD, all nations!

C Extol him, all peoples!

P For great is his steadfast love toward us,

C and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever. Praise the LORD!
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 But we will bless the LORD

C from this time forth and forevermore. Praise the LORD!

Kyrie



C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

Gloria in Excelsis



C 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;
2 To You, O sole-be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro- claimed at Je - sus' birth!
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor - shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King.
Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—
In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray. Almighty God, whom to know is everlasting life, grant us to know Your Son, Jesus, to be the way, the truth, and the life that we may boldly confess Him to be the Christ and steadfastly walk in the way that leads to life eternal; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 51:1–6

“Listen to me, you who pursue righteousness, you who seek the LORD: look to the rock from which you were hewn, and to the quarry from which you were dug. Look to Abraham your father and to Sarah who bore you; for he was but one when I called him, that I might bless him and multiply him. For the LORD comforts Zion; he comforts all her waste places and makes her wilderness like Eden, her desert like the garden of the LORD; joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the voice of song.

“Give attention to me, my people, and give ear to me, my nation; for a law will go out from me, and I will set my justice for a light to the peoples. My righteousness draws near, my salvation has gone out, and my arms will judge the peoples; the coastlands hope for me, and for my arm they wait. Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look at the earth beneath; for the heavens vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment, and they who dwell in it will die in like manner; but my salvation will be forever, and my righteousness will never be dismayed.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Psalm

Psalm 138

P I give you thanks, O LORD, with my whole heart;

C before the gods I sing your praise;

P I bow down toward your holy temple and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness,

C for you have exalted above all things your name and your word.

P On the day I called, you answered me;

C my strength of soul you increased.

P All the kings of the earth shall give you thanks, O LORD,

C for they have heard the words of your mouth,

P and they shall sing of the ways of the LORD,

C for great is the glory of the LORD.

P For though the LORD is high, he regards the lowly,

C but the haughty he knows from afar.

P Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you preserve my life;

**C you stretch out your hand against the wrath of my enemies,
and your right hand delivers me.**

P The LORD will fulfill his purpose for me;

C your steadfast love, O LORD, endures forever. Do not forsake the work of your hands.

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.

Epistle

Romans 11:33—12:8

Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways! “For who has known the mind of the Lord, or who has been his counselor? “Or who has given a gift to him that he might be repaid?” For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen.

I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and the members do not all have the same function, so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another. Having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, in proportion to our faith; if service, in our serving; the one who teaches, in his teaching; the one who exhorts, in his exhortation; the one who contributes, in generosity; the one who leads, with zeal; the one who does acts of mercy, with cheerfulness.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



These things are writ - ten that you may be - lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



Holy Gospel

Matthew 16:13–20

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

C Glory to You, O Lord.

Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that the Son of Man is?” And they said, “Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” Simon Peter replied, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.” And Jesus answered him, “Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.” Then he strictly charged the disciples to tell no one that he was the Christ.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

C I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Children's Message

Hymn of the Day: "Built on the Rock"

LSB 645



1 Built on the Rock the Church shall stand E - ven when
 2 Sure - ly in tem - ples made with hands God, the Most
 3 We are God's house of liv - ing stones, Built for His
 4 Here stands the font be - fore our eyes, Tell - ing how



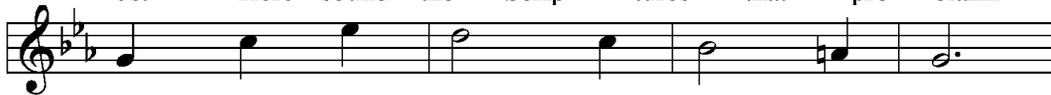
stee - ples are fall - ing. Crum - bled have spires in
 High, is not dwell - ing; High a - bove earth His
 own hab - i - ta - tion. He through bap - tis - mal
 God has re - ceived us. The al - tar re - calls Christ's



ev - 'ry land; Bells still are chim - ing and call -
 tem - ple stands, All earth - ly tem - ples ex - cel -
 grace us owns Heirs of His won - drous sal - va -
 sac - ri - fice And what His Sup - per here gives



ing, Call - ing the young and old to rest,
 ling, Yet He who dwells in heav'n a - bove
 tion. Were we but two His name to tell,
 us. Here sound the Scrip - tures that pro - claim



But a - bove all the souls dis - tressed,
 Choos - es to live with us in love,
 Yet He would deign with us to dwell
 Christ yes - ter - day, to - day, the same,



Long - ing for rest ev - er - last - ing.
 Mak - ing our bod - ies His tem - ple.
 With all His grace and His fa - vor.
 And ev - er - more, our Re - deem - er.

5 Grant, then, O God, Your will be done,
 That, when the church bells are ringing,
 Many in saving faith may come where Christ His message is bringing:
 "I know My own; My own know Me. You, not the world, My face shall
 see.

My peace I leave with you. Amen."

Sermon

Prayer of the Church

Those we remember in our Prayers: Louis & Eyvonne, Georgia, Beth, Donna, Lavonne, Eric, Robin, Cynthia, Lillian, Edward, Brennen, Charles, Ed, William, Kathy, Frank, Fred, Erin, Charlie, Maddie, Bill & Jim, Billy, Walt and Doris, George, Wendy Jo, Andrea, Dennis, Don Johnson, a friend of Thurau's, and Pamela Yates, a co-worker of Kirby Timm, having surgery later in the month.

Voluntary: "Andante" Felix Mendelssohn 1809-1847

From Organ Sonata No. 6 (1845)

+ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +

Holy Communion: We, the members of this church believe that in, with and under the bread and wine we receive the very body and blood of our Savior for the forgiveness of our sins, and the strengthening of our faith. Since it is the Lord's Supper, all those who have been baptized, taught, and call Him Lord are invited to His table, considering the warning given us in scripture by His servant Paul:

"Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty concerning the body and blood of the Lord. Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgement on himself."
1 Corinthians 11:27-29

Preface

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

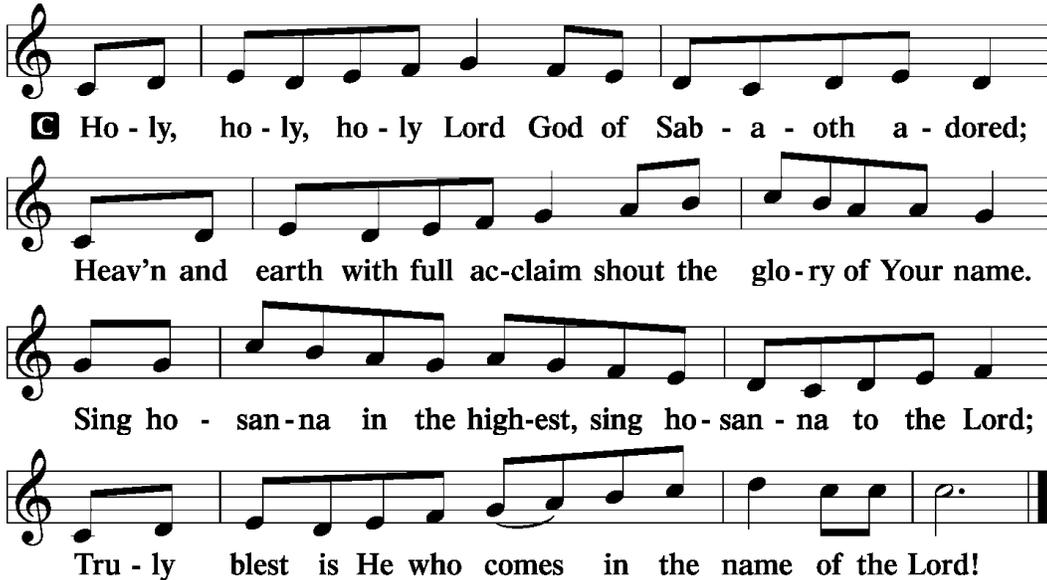
P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P 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



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;
Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.
Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho-san - na to the Lord;
Tru - ly 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

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.

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

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

Agnus Dei

1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world a - way;
You take the sin of the world a - way;
O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,
Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

Distribution

Distribution Hymns: "Thy Body, Given for Me, O Savior"

LSB 619

1 Thy bod - y, giv'n for me, O Sav - ior, Thy blood which Thou for
2 With Thee, Lord, I am now u - nit - ed; I live in Thee and
3 Who can con-demn me now? For sure - ly The Lord is nigh, who
4 Though death may threat-en with dis - as - ter, It can - not rob me
5 My heart has now be-come Thy dwell-ing, O bless - ed, ho - ly

me didst shed, Thou in me, jus - ti - fies. of my cheer; Trin - i - ty. These are my life and strength for - No sor - row fills my soul, de - No hell I fear, and thus se - For He who is of death the With an - gels I, Thy prais - es

ev - er, light - ed cure - ly mas - ter tell - ing, By them my hun - gry soul is fed. It finds its on - ly joy in Thee. With Je - sus I to heav - en rise. With aid and com - fort e'er is near. Shall live in joy e - ter - nal - ly.

Refrain

Lord, may Thy bod - y and Thy blood Be for my soul the high - est good!

“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”

LSB 802

1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,
3 To all life Thou giv - est— to both great and small—
4 Great Fa - ther of glo - ry, pure Fa - ther of light,

In light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
Nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, Thou rul - est in might;
In all life Thou liv - est, the true Life of all;
Thine an - gels a - dore Thee, all veil - ing their sight;

Most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
Thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove
We blos - som and flour - ish as leaves on the tree
All laud we would ren - der: O help us to see

Al - might - y, vic - to - rious, Thy great name we praise.
Thy clouds which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
And with - er and per - ish— but naught chang - es Thee.
'Tis on - ly the splen - dor of light that hides Thee.

Nunc Dimittis

1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -
 2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All
 part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the
 glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the
 glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:
 Spir - it, For - ev - er Three - in - One;
 A light to lead the the Gen - tiles Un -
 For as in the be - gin - ning, Is
 to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your
 now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -
 peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
 sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

Post-Communion Collect

P 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 and Benediction

P Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

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 Amen.

Closing Hymn: "Blessed Assurance" Words by Fanny Jane Crosby
 Music by Phoebe Palmer Knapp



1. Bless - ed as - sur - ance, Je - sus is mine! _____ O what a
 2. Per - fect sub - mis - sion, per - fect de - light! _____ Vi - sions of
 3. Per - fect sub - mis - sion— all is at rest, _____ I in my



fore - taste of glo - ry di - vine! _____ Heir of sal - va - tion, pur - chase of
 rap - ture now burst on my sight; _____ An - gels de - scend - ing, bring from a -
 Sav - ior am hap - py and blest; _____ Watch - ing and wait - ing, look - ing a -



God, _____ born of His Spir - it, washed in His blood. _____ This is my
 -bove _____ ech - oes of mer - cy, whis - pers of love. _____
 -bove, _____ filled with His good - ness, lost in His love. _____



sto - ry, this is my song, _____ prais - ing my Sav - ior all the day long; _____ This is my



sto - ry, this is my song, _____ prais - ing my Sav - ior all the day long.

Sending

P Go in peace to serve to Lord.

C Thanks be to God!

Soli Deo Gloria!

**YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE LORD'S WORK AT
 OUR SAVIOR FROM LAST WEEK: Envelope \$165.00,
 EFT \$100.00, Total \$265.00**

Attendance Last week: 19

NEWS & NOTES

TODAY'S VOLUNTARY is the Andante movement from Sonata No. 6 for the organ by Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847). Mendelssohn was one of the greatest composers of the 19th century and an accomplished organist. He wrote the tune for the famous Christmas carol, "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing." Sonata No. 6 is based on Martin Luther's hymn, "Our Father, Who From Heaven Above" (LSB 766). A *Sonata* is a musical piece usually in three or four sections called movements. The Andante (Italian, meaning "to go") is the final movement of this lovely composition.

Devotions this week: keep your bulletin from today and read and then pray as the Lord moves you. Monday: the Old Testament (or 1st reading), Tuesday: the Psalm, Wednesday: the Epistle (or Second Reading), Thursday: the Gospel Reading, Friday: the Prayer of the Day, and Saturday: The lessons for the coming Sunday Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost; Jer. 15:15-21, Psalm 26, Rom. 12:9-21, Matt. 16:21-28.

DAILY LECTIONARY

This outline is a devotional reading plan that covers the entire Sacred Scriptures each year. The selections are based on ancient models and are generally in harmony with the liturgical church year. The average reading is three chapters daily. A seasonal canticle is assigned for each month and is scheduled to replace the psalm on the first and last days of the month. All of the psalms are read twice a year.

August 23 1 Kings 3:1-15, 1 Kings 3:16-4:34, 2 Cor. 1:1-22
August 24 1 Kings 5:1-18, 1 Kings 6:1-7:50, 2 Cor. 1:23-2:17
August 25 1 Kings 7:51-8:21, 2 Cor.3:1-18
August 26 1 Kings 8:22-30, 46-63, 2 Cor. 4:1-18
August 27 1 Kings 9:1-9, 10:1-13, 2 Cor. 5:1-21
August 28 1 Kings 11:1-26, 2 Cor. 6:1-18
August 29 1 Kings 11:42-12:19, 2 Cor. 7:1-16

Those in His Service

Elder on Call: Mike Hare

Trustee on Call: Dale Price



FULFILLING OUR MISSION, here is our CONGREGATIONAL ACTION PLAN...

Guided by the Holy Spirit through Word and Sacrament, we will respond:

- **Spiritually**, by our study of Scripture and prayer as we participate in the work of the Lord.
- **Inwardly**, by inviting all our members to be faithful in worship.
- **Outwardly**, by sharing Christ with those who don't know the LORD and His mission or our Congregation.
- **Sacrificially**, by giving not only of our treasure, but also our time and talent, so that His light shines through us to draw His People to Him.



Pentecost

About the Cover: “You are the Christ!” This confession is the rock on which the Church is built. This Jesus is the Messiah, the Chosen One, who brings salvation. Every Sunday that we gather, we make this confession, because He has come to us with forgiveness. Life and salvation is found in no one else.