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ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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HOLY COMMUNION

TO OUR GUESTS AND MEMBERS: We receive the Lord's Supper, believing the Word of Jesus, that He gives into our mouths His true body and blood, miraculously united to the bread and wine, to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins, and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His Word, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love one another, even as He forgives and loves us.

God's Word teaches us that those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood in an unworthy manner do so to their great harm, and that this Holy Communion is a confession of the faith that is confessed in this church. Therefore any who are not yet instructed, who are in doubt, or are members of a congregation not in the fellowship of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, and yet desire to commune, are asked to kindly speak with the pastor ahead of time. (*Matt. 5:23f.; 10:32f.; 18:15-35; 26:26-28; 1 Cor. 10:16-21; 11:17-34*)

The Confessional Service with Holy Communion

+ Prelude

+ Hymn of Invocation - #245

"God Loved the World So that He Gave"

+ The Invocation – pg. 46ff (*stand*)

+ Versicles & Responses

+ INTROIT *Ps. 28:1–2, 6–7; antiphon: Ps. 28:8*

The LORD is the strength of his people;

he is the saving refuge of his anointed.

**To you, O LORD, I call; my rock, be not deaf to me,
lest, if you be silent to me, I become like those who go down to the
pit.**

*Hear the voice of my pleas for mercy, when I cry to you for help,
when I lift up my hands toward your most holy sanctuary.*

Blessèd be the LORD!

for he has heard the voice of my pleas for mercy.

*The LORD is my strength and my shield; in him my heart trusts, and I am
helped;*

my heart exults, and with my song I give thanks to him.

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he is the saving refuge of his anointed.**

+ The Confessional Address or Exhortation – pg. 47

+ The Corporate Confession of Sins and Absolution – pg. 47-48

+ The Collect for the Day

Almighty and everlasting Father, You give Your children many blessings even though we are undeserving. In every trial and temptation grant us steadfast confidence in Your loving-kindness and mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

+ Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 56:1, 6-8

- *See enclosed insert for the Readings*

+ The Epistle: Romans 11:1-2a, 13-15, 28-32

+ The Holy Gospel: Matthew 15:21-28

+ The Nicene Creed – pg. 22

+ Hymn - #367

“Hail, Thou Once Despised Jesus”

+ Sermon – “That He May Have Mercy on Them All”

Romans 11:32

- I. God confined them all in disobedience, so that He may have mercy on them all.
- II. This same truth applies to individuals; God wants to have mercy on them.
- III. Let us be instruments of God’s mercy.

- + **The Offertory – pg. 22** (*stand*)
 - *Offerings are collected (be seated)*
- + **The Prayer of the Church**
- + **The Preface ~ The Agnus Dei – pg. 24-28**
- + **Distribution Hymns**
 - #307 “Draw Nigh and Take the Body of the Lord”
 - #340 “Awake, My Soul to Joyful Lays”
 - #384 “Oh, How Great Is Thy Compassion”
- + **The Nunc Dimittis – pg. 29**
- + **The Thanksgiving – pg. 30**
- + **Post-Communion Collect – pg. 30**
- + **The Salutation & The Benedicamus – pg. 31**
- + **The Benediction – pg. 31**
- + **Closing Hymn - #384** (*7:00 p.m.*)
 - “Oh, How Great Is Thy Compassion”

+ SOLI DEO GLORIA +

DAILY READINGS

August 20: 2 Sam. 12:1–25; 1 Cor. 12:1–13; **21:** 1 Kings 1:1–4, 15–35; 1 Cor. 12:14–31; **22:** 1 Kings 2:1–27; 1 Cor. 13:1–13; **23:** 1 Kings 3:1–15; 2 Cor. 1:1–22; **24:** 1 Kings 5:1–18; 2 Cor. 1:23–2:17; **25:** 1 Kings 7:51–8:21; 2 Cor. 3:1–18; **26:** 1 Kings 8:22–30, 46–63; 2 Cor. 4:1–18.

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