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Divine Service Setting III-Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Saturday, September 17, 2011
5:00 pm

Sunday, September 18, 2011
9:00 am

† **In this complex world** of mass communication we are bombarded with information. Video images flash nearly everywhere we look. Pulsating music blares at every turn. It seems there's nowhere we can go to escape the noise. **Well, here's your chance** to unplug, to step out of the world and its culture and participate in something mystical. Here we will *sing* with angels and archangels. Here we will *listen* to the voice of God through His ancient texts. Here the saints of God will *share* in the very body and blood of Christ given and shed for the forgiveness of sins. This is a holy place, a holy time, a thing that we do - or, rather, that God does in and for us through His Means of Grace. **So, turn off your cell phone**, tune out the cacophony of competing voices, and log in to this moment and the message God has for you today, for He is here to meet you as He has promised.

† **We ask that those desiring to commune** be members in good standing of Trinity or of a sister congregation of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. If you have questions regarding this, please speak with the pastor. **Assistive listening devices** are available. If interested, an usher will be happy to assist you.

PRELUDE (9:00)	Hymn Sing with Chimes	Chime Choir
OPENING HYMN	With the Lord Begin Your Task	LSB 869 (st. 1&4)
CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION		LSB 184

INTROIT

Ps. 116:12–13, 15–16; antiphon: Ps. 116:17

P I will offer to you the sacrifice of thanksgiving
and call on the name of the LORD.

C **What shall I render to the LORD
for all his benefits to me?**

P I will lift up the cup of salvation
and call on the name of the LORD,

C **Precious in the sight of the LORD
is the death of his saints.**

P O LORD, I am your servant;
I am your servant, the son of your maidservant. You have loosed my bonds.

**ALL: 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 I will offer to you the sacrifice of thanksgiving
and call on the name of the LORD.

KYRIE

LSB 186

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

LSB 187 & following

COLLECT OF THE DAY

P Lord God, heavenly Father, since we cannot stand before You relying on anything we have done, help us trust in Your abiding grace and live according to Your Word; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

G Amen

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 55:6–9

⁶“Seek the LORD while he may be found; call upon him while he is near; ⁷let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the LORD, that he may have compassion on him, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. ⁸For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, declares the LORD. ⁹For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.”

L This is the Word of the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL

Ps. 34:9, 19, alt.

P Fear the LORD, you his saints, for those who fear him lack nothing! Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the LORD delivers him out of them all.

EPISTLE

Philippians 1:12–14, 19–30

¹²I want you to know, brothers, that what has happened to me has really served to advance the gospel, ¹³so that it has become known throughout the whole imperial guard and to all the rest that my imprisonment is for Christ. ¹⁴And most of the brothers, having become confident in the Lord by my imprisonment, are much more bold to speak the word without fear. ¹⁹for I know that through your prayers and the help of the Spirit of Jesus Christ this will turn out for my deliverance, ²⁰as it is my eager expectation and hope that I will not be at all ashamed, but that with full courage now as always Christ will be honored in my body, whether by life or by death. ²¹For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. ²²If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me. Yet which I shall choose I cannot tell. ²³I am hard pressed between the two. My desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better. ²⁴But to remain in

the flesh is more necessary on your account. ²⁵Convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with you all, for your progress and joy in the faith, ²⁶so that in me you may have ample cause to glory in Christ Jesus, because of my coming to you again. ²⁷Only let your manner of life be worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or am absent, I may hear of you that you are standing firm in one spirit, with one mind striving side by side for the faith of the gospel, ²⁸and not frightened in anything by your opponents. This is a clear sign to them of their destruction, but of your salvation, and that from God. ²⁹For it has been granted to you that for the sake of Christ you should not only believe in him but also suffer for his sake, ³⁰engaged in the same conflict that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA

LSB 190

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 20:1–16

C Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

¹“For the kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. ²After agreeing with the laborers for a denarius a day, he sent them into his vineyard. ³And going out about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the marketplace, ⁴and to them he said, ‘You go into the vineyard too, and whatever is right I will give you.’ ⁵So they went. Going out again about the sixth hour and the ninth hour, he did the same. ⁶And about the eleventh hour he went out and found others standing. And he said to them, ‘Why do you stand here idle all day?’ ⁷They said to him, ‘Because no one has hired us.’ He said to them, ‘You go into the vineyard too.’ ⁸And when evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, ‘Call the laborers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last, up to the first.’ ⁹And when those hired about the eleventh hour came, each of them received a denarius. ¹⁰Now when those hired first came, they thought they would receive more, but each of them also received a denarius. ¹¹And on receiving it they grumbled at the master of the house, ¹²saying, ‘These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.’ ¹³But he replied to one of them, ‘Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Did you not agree with me for a denarius? ¹⁴Take what belongs to you and go. I choose to give to this last worker as I give to you. ¹⁵Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or do you begrudge my generosity?’ ¹⁶So the last will be first, and the first last.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

NICENE CREED		LSB 191
HYMN OF THE DAY	“Come, Follow Me,” the Savior Spake	LSB 688 (st. 1-3)
SERMON	“The Call of the Kingdom”	<i>Matthew 20:1-16</i>
OFFERTORY		LSB 192 & 193
OFFERING (9:00)	What A Friend We Have in Jesus	Chime Choir
PRAYER OF THE CHURCH		
	<i>After each Petition:</i>	
P	Lord, in Your mercy	-OR-
G	Hear our prayer	P Let us pray to the Lord
		G Lord, have mercy
	<i>After the final Petition:</i>	
Preigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.	
G	Amen	
SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT		LSB 194 & 195
LORD’S PRAYER		LSB 196
THE WORDS OF OUR LORD		LSB 197
PAX DOMINI		LSB 197
AGNUS DEI		LSB 198
DISTRIBUTION HYMNS		
	Crown Him with Many Crowns	LSB 525
	Drawn to the Cross, Which Thou Hast Blessed	LSB 560
	Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us	LSB 711
NUNC DIMITTIS		LSB 199-200
THANKSGIVING		LSB 200 & following
CLOSING HYMN	Hark, the Voice of Jesus Crying	LSB 826
POSTLUDE	Crown Him with Many Crowns	G. Young