

**St. Luke's Lutheran Church—Sacramento/Elk Grove**  
**Holy Communion—August 9, 2020**  
**Tenth Sunday After Pentecost**

*We will be celebrating Holy Communion today. You are invited to have a small piece of bread and a small glass of wine or grape juice ready. If you won't be receiving the elements today, you will receive a blessing.*

**Prelude**

Jane Fanucci, Organist/Pianist  
Ralph Zbrog, Acolyte

**Invocation**

Rev. Carl Hoppman, Presiding Minister

*(Congregational responses are in bold print.)*

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

**Confession and Forgiveness**

Let us pray. If you were to keep watch over sins, O Lord, who could stand? Yet with you is forgiveness and so we confess.

*Silence is kept for reflection and self-examination.*

Gracious God, have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned away from you, knowingly and unknowingly. We have wandered from your resurrection life. We have strayed from your love for all people. Turn us back to you, O God. Give us new hearts and right spirits, that we may find what is pleasing to you and dwell in your house forever. Amen.

God turns to you in love. "I will put my Spirit in you, and you shall live" says the Lord. All your sins are forgiven in the name of Jesus Christ, who is the free and abounding gift of God's grace for you. **Amen.**

**Gathering Hymn**

**"Amazing Grace"**

ELW #779

**Amazing grace, How sweet the sound  
That saved a wretch like me.  
I once was lost, but now I am found,  
Was blind, but now I see.**

**'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,  
And grace my fears relieved.  
How precious did that grace appear  
The hour I first believed.**

**Through many dangers, toils and snares  
I have already come,  
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far  
And grace will lead me home.**

The Lord has promised good to me  
His word my hope secures;  
He will my shield and portion be,  
As long as life endures.

When we've been there ten thousand years,  
Bright shining as the sun,  
We've no less days to sing  
God's praise than when we'd first begun

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

### **Prayer of the Day**

Let us pray. O God our defender, storms rage around and within us and cause us to be afraid. Rescue your people from despair, deliver your sons and daughters from fear, and preserve us in the faith of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

## **Word**

### **First Reading**

**Merle Zbrog** , Reader  
1 Kings 19:9-18

The word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

### **Second Reading**

Romans 10:5-15

The word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

### **Children's Time**

### **Sermon**

"Beyond Doubting God"  
**Gospel:** Matthew 14:22-33

### **Hymn of the Day**

**"What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine"**

ELW #774

1 What a fellowship, what a joy divine,  
leaning on the everlasting arms;  
what a blessedness, what a peace is mine,  
leaning on the everlasting arms.

**Refrain:**

*Leaning, leaning,  
safe and secure from all alarms;  
leaning, leaning,  
leaning on the everlasting arms.*

**2** O how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way,  
leaning on the everlasting arms;  
**0** how bright the path grows from day to day,  
leaning on the everlasting arms. *[Refrain]*

**3** What have I to dread, what have I to fear,  
leaning on the everlasting arms?  
I have blessed peace with my Lord so near,  
leaning on the everlasting arms. *[Refrain]*

**Prayers of Intercession****Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

**Meal**

*You are invited to make an offering in support of the mission of St. Luke's to "Spread the Good News, Serve those in need, and Share the victory of Jesus throughout the world."  
Options for giving are available on our website, [www.slelca.org](http://www.slelca.org). Thank you.*

**Special Music**

"Daystar"

Mark Silver

**Offering Prayer**

Let us pray. Holy and generous host, you set a table where we feast as friends. Prepare us to witness to your goodness with every gift you have given us to share, that all people may know your peace through Jesus Christ, now and forever. **Amen.**

**Great Thanksgiving**

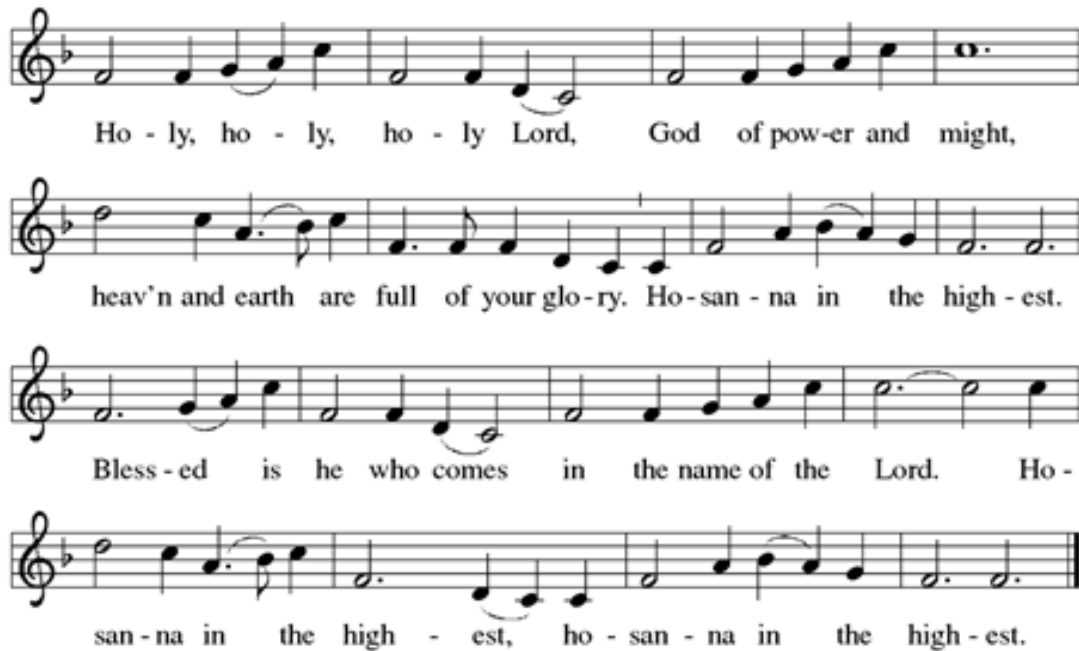
The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ who on this day overcame death and the grave and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth. In mercy for our fallen world you gave your only Son, that all those who believe in him should not perish but have eternal life. We give thanks to you for the salvation you have accomplished for us through Jesus Christ. Send now your Holy Spirit into our hearts, that we may receive our Lord with a living faith as he comes to us in his holy supper. **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

## Words of Institution

## Lord's Prayer

## Communion

## Post-Communion Prayer

Let us pray. God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## Sending

### Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

**Amen**

### Sending Hymn

"Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me"

ELW #767

**Lord, take my hand and lead me  
Upon life's way;  
Direct, protect and feed me  
From day to day.  
Without your grace and favour  
I go astray;  
So take my hand, O Savior,  
And lead the way.**

**Lord, when the tempest rages,  
I need not fear;  
For you, the Rock of Ages,  
Are always near.  
Close by your side abiding,  
I fear no foe,  
For when your hand is guiding,  
In peace I go.**

**Lord, when the shadows lengthen  
And night has come,  
I know that you will strengthen  
My steps toward home,  
And nothing can impede me,  
O blessed Friend!  
So take my hand and lead me  
Unto the end.**

### Dismissal

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**