

TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
AUGUST 14, 2022  
9:00 A.M.



*We Gather in Jesus' Name*

**Prelude**

**Announcements**

**Confession and Forgiveness**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God,  
whose steadfast love endures forever.

**Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Merciful God,  
**we confess that we have not followed your path  
but have chosen our own way.  
Instead of putting others before ourselves,  
we long to take the best seats at the table.  
When met by those in need,  
we have too often passed by on the other side.  
Set us again on the path of life.  
Save us from ourselves  
and free us to love our neighbors.  
Amen.**

Hear the good news!  
God does not deal with us according to our sins  
but delights in granting pardon and mercy.  
In the name of ✝ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.  
You are free to love as God loves. **Amen.**

### **Gathering Song: "Branches"**

1. I'm here separated apart and torn away  
Broken branches in need of Your grace  
There is no life apart from You  
You're here in my failing  
Your word makes me pure in my weakness  
Your strength is secure  
All of my life is found in You

#### Chorus

You are the vine  
We are the branches  
I am nothing without You  
It's all for Your glory  
All for Your purpose  
Less of me and more of You

2. I'm here fully grafted inside of Your love  
In ev'ry season Your grace is enough  
You are in me as I'm in You  
I'm called and appointed showing Your life  
I am chosen  
A co-heir with Christ  
Your word inside me now bearing Your fruit

#### Chorus

You are the vine  
We are the branches  
I am nothing without You  
It's all for Your glory  
All for Your purpose  
Less of me and more of You

### **Greeting**

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**

O God, judge eternal, you love justice and hate oppression, and you call us to share your zeal for truth. Give us courage to take our stand with all victims of bloodshed and greed, and, following your servants and prophets, to look to the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

## ***The Reading of God's Word***

### **First Reading: Jeremiah 23:23-29**

<sup>23</sup>Am I a God near by, says the LORD, and not a God far off? <sup>24</sup>Who can hide in secret places so that I cannot see them? says the LORD. Do I not fill heaven and earth? says the LORD. <sup>25</sup>I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, "I have dreamed, I have dreamed!" <sup>26</sup>How long? Will the hearts of the prophets ever turn back—those who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart? <sup>27</sup>They plan to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, just as their ancestors forgot my name for Baal. <sup>28</sup>Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let the one who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? says the LORD. <sup>29</sup>Is not my word like fire, says the LORD, and like a hammer that breaks a rock in pieces?

Word of God, Word of Life

**Thanks be to God**

### **Psalm: Psalm 82**

<sup>1</sup>God stands to charge the divine council assembled, giving judgment in the midst of the gods:

<sup>2</sup>**"How long will you judge unjustly,  
and show favor to the wicked?"**

<sup>3</sup>Save the weak and the orphan;  
defend the humble and needy;

<sup>4</sup>**rescue the weak and the poor;  
deliver them from the power of the wicked.**

<sup>5</sup>They do not know, neither do they understand; they wander about in darkness;  
all the foundations of the earth are shaken.

<sup>6</sup>**Now I say to you, 'You are gods,  
and all of you children of the Most High;**

<sup>7</sup>nevertheless, you shall die like mortals,  
and fall like any prince.'"

<sup>8</sup>**Arise, O God, and rule the earth,  
for you shall take all nations for your own.**

### **Second Reading: Hebrews 11:29--12:2**

<sup>29</sup>By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. <sup>30</sup>By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. <sup>31</sup>By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace.

<sup>32</sup>And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets—<sup>33</sup>who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, <sup>34</sup>quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. <sup>35</sup>Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. <sup>36</sup>Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. <sup>37</sup>They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented—<sup>38</sup>of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground.

<sup>39</sup>Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, <sup>40</sup>since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect.

<sup>12:1</sup>Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, <sup>2</sup>looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

Word of God, Word of Life

**Thanks be to God**

**Gospel: Luke 12:49-56**

**P:** The Holy Gospel according to Luke the 12th chapter.

**C: Glory to You, O Lord.**

[Jesus said:] <sup>49</sup>“I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! <sup>50</sup>I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! <sup>51</sup>Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! <sup>52</sup>From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; <sup>53</sup>they will be divided: father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.”

<sup>54</sup>He also said to the crowds, “When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, ‘It is going to rain’; and so it happens. <sup>55</sup>And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, ‘There will be scorching heat’; and it happens. <sup>56</sup>You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?”

**P:** The Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ**

**Sermon**

**Hymn of the Day: “Faith of Our Fathers” LBW #500**

1. Faith of our fathers, living still,  
In spite of dungeon, fire, and sword;  
Oh, how our hearts beat high with joy  
Whene’er we hear that glorious word.  
  
Faith of our fathers, holy faith,  
We will be true to thee till death!
2. Faith of our fathers, we will strive  
To win all nations unto thee,  
And thru the truth that comes from God,  
Mankind shall then be truly free.  
  
Faith of our fathers, holy faith,  
We will be true to thee till death!

3. Faith of our fathers, we will love  
Both friend and foe in all our strife,  
And preach thee, too, as love knows how,  
By kindly words and virtuous life.

Faith of our fathers, holy faith,  
We will be true to thee till death!

### ***Apostles' Creed***

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

**He descended into hell.\***

**On the third day he rose again.**

**He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again to judge the living and the  
dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen**

### **Peace**

The Peace of the Lord be with you.

**And, also with you.**

Let us share the peace with one another.

### ***Prayers of Intercession (read by the worship assistant)***

Each prayer ends with . . . Merciful God, the congregation responds: **receive our prayer.**

***The Offering*** Please leave your offering on our website: [https://www.eservicepayments.com/cgi-bin/Vanco\\_ver3.vps?appver3=Dc8dzPGn4-LCajFevTkh9MYPCImH2sG-jdxWYJMFGW\\_IQfxkD4hBw8W0Q6UZLveQvLkSxosar2o939JWiAad87o7zqy-JU\\_UuLu19bUbJx2MmPFcXvWIUz6A7FDgkhUKk0PpduXvnt8gXUeZjQYbn9G3frHWC59Y\\_VCHQ6\\_VCoE=&ver=3](https://www.eservicepayments.com/cgi-bin/Vanco_ver3.vps?appver3=Dc8dzPGn4-LCajFevTkh9MYPCImH2sG-jdxWYJMFGW_IQfxkD4hBw8W0Q6UZLveQvLkSxosar2o939JWiAad87o7zqy-JU_UuLu19bUbJx2MmPFcXvWIUz6A7FDgkhUKk0PpduXvnt8gXUeZjQYbn9G3frHWC59Y_VCHQ6_VCoE=&ver=3)

### ***Offertory Prayer***

Let us pray... God of abundance:  
you have set before us a plentiful harvest.  
As we feast on your goodness,  
strengthen us to labor in your field,  
and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all,  
in the name of Jesus. **Amen.**

## **The 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.**

## **Words of Institution**

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son,  
who reached out to heal the sick and suffering,  
who preached good news to the poor,  
and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension,  
we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord,  
and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food,  
the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord;  
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,  
be all honor and glory, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## **Lord's Prayer**

**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.**

**Distribution**

The body of Christ, given to you.  
The blood of Christ, shed for you.

**Prayer after Communion**

Let us pray. . . Life-giving God,  
through this meal you have bandaged our wounds  
and fed us with your mercy.  
Now send us forth to live for others,  
both friend and stranger,  
that all may come to know your love.  
This we pray in the name of Jesus.

**Amen.**

**Blessing**

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.

**Sending Song: "10,000 Reasons" (Bless The Lord)**

## Chorus

Bless the Lord O my soul O my soul  
Worship His holy name  
Sing like never before O my soul  
I'll worship Your holy name

1. The sun comes up it's a new day dawning  
It's time to sing Your song again  
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me  
Let me be singing when the evening comes (Chorus)
2. You're rich in love and You're slow to anger  
Your name is great and Your heart is kind  
For all Your goodness I will keep on singing  
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find (Chorus)
3. And on that day when my strength is failing  
The end draws near and my time has come  
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending  
Ten thousand years and then forevermore (Chorus)

**Dismissal**

Go in peace. Love your neighbor.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Some content copyright by Augsburg Fortress and used by permission. SundaysandSeasons.com License SB151685.  
CCLI License: 2665540*

**OUR MISSION – FAITHFUL IN THE WORD**

- + To *gather* as God’s people and nurture one another
- + To *know* the Word of God
- + To *grow* in faith, love, and service
- + To *go* into the world with the Good News of Jesus Christ



**SERVING OUR LORD IN WORSHIP TODAY**

Pastor	The Rev. Matthew E Ollikainen
Music Director	Mike Dettra
Worship Assistants	Gail Oines

**GUEST REGISTER**

If you are visiting with us today, please sign our Guest Book in the narthex.

**ALTAR FLOWERS**

The Altar Flowers are presented by Cindy Frey in memory of her mother Lorraine Zimmerman and by Frederick & Jeanne Wagner in honor of their granddaughter’s 7<sup>th</sup> birthday.

**NUEVA CREACIÓN MISSION SUPPORT**

Support of Nueva Creación Lutheran Church in Philadelphia for this week is presented to the Glory of God.

**WORSHIP ATTENDANCE: SUNDAY, August 7, 2022**

9:00 a.m. **Total 31**

**SOCIAL MINISTRY**



Social Ministry During the summer months we will switch back to food donations. Since the children are no longer getting meals at school, families need support to prepare extra meals. All contributions are greatly appreciated.

Thank you for your continued support of our neighbors in need.

Nancy Sclight

**GIVE US YOUR SMILE!**



Do you find that you have gotten used to ordering online and prefer that over endless shopping around for sales? If so, consider using Smile.Amazon.com for your shopping and shipping needs. This acts the same as an Amazon account, but Amazon Smile Foundation will donate .5% of your purchases to the charity of your choice. Simply indicate Advent Lutheran Church, Richboro as your charity and the church will benefit. No cost is added to you. Advent has received donations of \$516.24 as of June, 2022 from the Amazon Smile Foundation since 2016, when we signed up. If you need help setting up your account, call or text me (Gail Oines) at 215-534-8218.



## **COMFORT BAGS FOR KIDS PROJECT CONTINUES WITH YOUR HELP**

Children need our help! A special service project day to make "Comfort Bags for Kids" for the Lutheran Settlement House in Philadelphia was held at Advent on Saturday May 14, thirty two comfort bags were completed. We are asking your help to fill them.

Lutheran Settlement House takes care of children that are dealing with emergency placement due to domestic violence or sudden homelessness. The children often come to them with little to nothing of their own. LSH provides a "comfort bag" to each child; these bags are drawstring backpacks and are filled with things like coloring books and crayons, journals, stuffed animals, and small games to help the child cope with some of the big emotions they may be experiencing.

There is a table in the narthex displaying some suggested items. If you have items for the Comfort Bags that you or your friends would like to donate and the church is not open, just drive in and drop off under the seat of the bench outside the front door. You may still bring items into the church narthex during church and office hours. A list of the age appropriate items most needed is on the table

Any questions can be directed to Jennifer McQuiggan 267-825-3890

## **NEW MEMBER CLASS**



Advent will be having four New Member Class sessions after the 9:30 Sunday worship service on September 18<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> and on October 2<sup>nd</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>. The New Member Class will then be joined to the congregation through the Affirmation of Baptism in worship on Reformation Sunday, October 30<sup>th</sup>. If you are interested in becoming a new member please contact Pastor Matt or the church office.

## **SUNDAY SCHOOL IN SEPTEMBER**



Here's our plan: Sunday School students will meet in person in September! New students are welcome! Our Sunday School teachers will teach the Bible lessons based on the popular Holy Moly curriculum. The lessons are written in rhyme and the illustrations are in graphic novel style. Best of all, the creative short videos bring the Bible stories to life for students age 4 through grade 6 !

Let us know if you'd like to join us and we'll order student books and crafts for you!

Please contact the church office to sign-up - or with any questions:

office@adventrichboro.org or 215-355-2529. We'll see you in September!

Jeanne Gryszka, Sunday School Director

## **FELLOWSHIP TIME**



We need committees or individuals to sign up to provide refreshments after the 9:00 a.m. service. The sign-up sheet through August is on the fellowship table. Advent supplies hot beverages (i.e. coffee & tea) and all paper products.

## **STITCH CLUB**



If you would need anything **throughout the year** from the Stitch Club for babies or the elderly i.e. blankets, scarves, etc, please contact Hanna McCollum at 215-962-9032.

## **FILL A TRAY AT MEALTIME**



Look for aluminum trays on the tables in our narthex. Take some home to await any meal that has one serving left – or perhaps you've made extra food on purpose! Fill the 3 sections, add the foil cover, plus the label and bag that come with the tray. Voila! A meal for a shut-in or a person in need!



### **DRIVE in AND DROP off FOOD COLLECTION**

If you have food for the Warminster Food Pantry that you or your friends would like to donate and the church is not open, just drive in and drop off the food under the seat of the bench outside the front door. You may still bring food into the church narthex during church and office hours. A list of the pantry's most needed items is in the narthex or on the website [www.warminsterfoodbank.org](http://www.warminsterfoodbank.org). Thank you for helping our neighbors in need.



### **WE'RE KEEPING TABS**

Recycling can tabs for charity is a great idea! The tab collection program began at the Philadelphia Ronald McDonald House in 1997. <https://www.rmhcphilly.org/recycle/> If you **bring them in**, we'll drop them off . . . Look for marked containers in the narthex, located on the shelf above the coat rack. No cans, please – just tabs! Thank you.

### **THIS WEEK AT ADVENT**

#### **10<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST AUGUST 14**

- 9:00 a.m. Summer Worship Service with Holy Communion
- 10:00 a.m. Fellowship Time: Open
- 10:15 a.m. Church Council Meeting

#### **MONDAY, AUGUST 15**

- 7:30 p.m. A.A. Open Meeting

#### **FRIDAY, AUGUST 19**

- 7:30 p.m. A.A. Step Meeting

#### **11<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST AUGUST 21**

- 9:00 a.m. Summer Worship Service with Holy Communion
- 10:00 a.m. Fellowship Time: Open
- 10:15 a.m. Adult Bible Study