

# Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

MORNING WORSHIP – 10:00 A.M.

WATCHWORD FOR THE WEEK: *The steadfast love of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting on those who fear him.* Psalm 103:17

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS .....The Rev. Ginny Hege Tobiassen

PRELUDE: *Morning Prayer*.....Jerry McCrory (1942-2009)

CALL TO WORSHIP

## BAPTISM

### *For the Baptism of Children and Adults*

(Standing)

(A hymn of baptism or faith may be sung.)

In grace God called and chose the people of Israel and established with them a covenant: I will be your God and you will be my people. In that relationship they were to be freed from sin and become a blessing to all. Then God came to us in Jesus Christ and fulfilled that covenant for all people. Through Christ's life, death, and resurrection, God made for us a new covenant of grace.

**We come before you with joy, O God, to claim the promises of your covenant.**

Our Lord Jesus Christ instituted baptism as the visible means of entry into the new covenant. Baptism is a gift of God. In this sacrament, through grace and the power of the Holy Spirit, we are united with Christ, are cleansed by his saving work, enter into the fellowship of the church, and are called to a life of faith and willing obedience.

Those of you baptized into Christ Jesus, how were you baptized?

**Into his death. We were buried with him through baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead through the glorious power of God Almighty, we too might be raised to live a new life.**

(When only adults are baptized, the following sentence is omitted.)

In baptism children also share in the benefits of our Lord's redeeming work through God's grace and the faith of parents, and of the church,

**For God's promise is to us and to our children.**

(The minister addresses the candidates, parents, and sponsors.)

As you present *yourselves* before God and this congregation, we call upon you to profess your faith.

Do you believe in God as your Creator and loving heavenly Father, in Jesus Christ as your Savior and Lord, and in the Holy Spirit as your Comforter and Sustainer, according to the Holy Scriptures?

**I do.**

(Candidates, parents, and sponsors may profess their faith by means of the Apostles' Creed, the baptismal profession of the early church. The congregation may be invited to join in the Creed as an affirmation of their own baptism.)

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Lord, make us one with all your children as we profess our faith, saying:

**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 to the dead.  
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 Christian\* church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

\*Ancient text reads "catholic," which means "universal."

(The minister addresses the candidates, parents, and sponsors.)

Do you in this faith turn away from sin, evil, and selfishness in your thoughts, words, and actions; and do you intend to participate actively in Christ's church, serving God all the days of your life?

**I do.**

(When only adults are baptized, the following question for parents and sponsors is omitted.)

Relying on the power of the Holy Spirit, do you promise to lead your *children* by prayer, instruction, and example toward that time when *they* can by grace confirm *their* faith in the Lord Jesus Christ and commit *themselves* to the life and work of the church?

**I do.**

(The minister addresses the congregation.)

Do you receive and affirm *these children* of God as *members* of this congregation, and accept your obligation to love and nurture *them* in Christ?

**We do.**

(Sitting. One of the following hymns is sung.)

## EISENACH (90 A)

An in-fant we pre-sent to thee as thy re-deem-ed prop-er-ty,  
and thee most fer-vent-ly en-treat thy-self this child to con-se-crate  
by bap-tism, and its soul to bless, out of the full-ness of thy grace.

— OR —

## CHRISTE SANCTORUM

Come, Ho-ly Spir-it, come in vis-i-ta-tion; you are the  
truth, our hope, and our sal-va-tion. Bap-tize with joy and pow'r;  
give, O Dove de-scent-ing, life nev-er end-ing.

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TUNE: Harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958), alt. From the *English Hymnal* (1906), by permission of Oxford University Press.

## BAPTISM

(Water may be poured into the font or bowl.)

We thank you, gracious God, for the gift of water, which you have created and given to us as a sign of life. We recall with gratitude how you led your people from slavery to freedom through the waters of the sea. We rejoice in the gift of the Holy Spirit at the baptism of your Son in the waters of the Jordan, and we praise you for opening to us the way of eternal life through his death and resurrection. Now send your Spirit upon \_\_\_\_\_ who *receive(s)* the water of baptism today, so that *they* may become *(a)* living, growing and active *member(s)* of your church, rise to new life, be led and nourished by your word and sacraments, and share in your eternal blessings.

**Amen.**

(When only adults are baptized, the following is omitted.)

Give to *these parents and sponsors* your wisdom and strength, that with love and understanding *they* may guide to Christian maturity the young *lives* entrusted to *their* care.

**Amen.**

(The minister baptizes each candidate with a threefold application of water, saying:)

\_\_\_\_\_, into the death of Jesus I baptize you, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

(Each newly baptized person receives the laying on of hands, symbolizing the pouring out of the Holy Spirit. Parents and sponsors of young children join with the minister in the laying on of hands.)

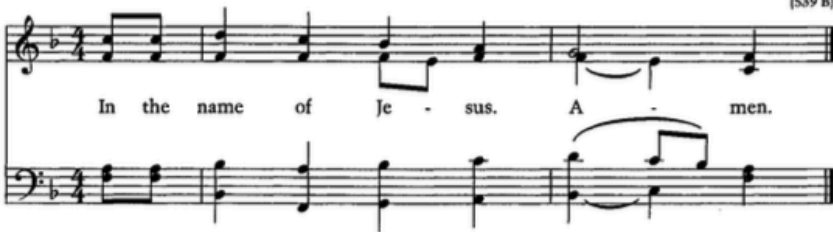
Now through God's grace and the pouring out of the Holy Spirit, you have been brought into the covenant; therefore live, yet not you alone, but Christ live in you; and the life which you live now, live by faith in the Son of God, who loved you and gave his life for you.

(The minister pronounces a text of Scripture for the newly baptized adult.)

The Lord bless you and keep you;  
The Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious unto you;  
The Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace;

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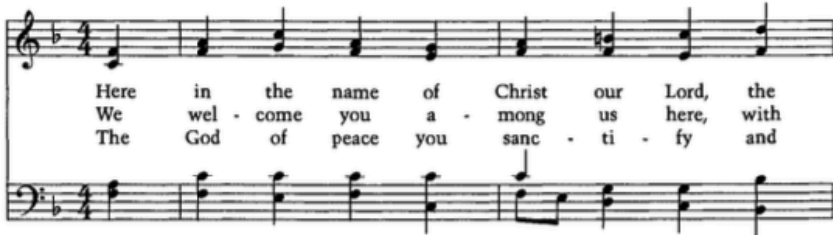
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In the name of Je - sus. A - men.

(If there are no Affirmations of Baptism through Confirmation, Reaffirmation of Faith, or Transfer of Membership, the following hymn is sung here.)

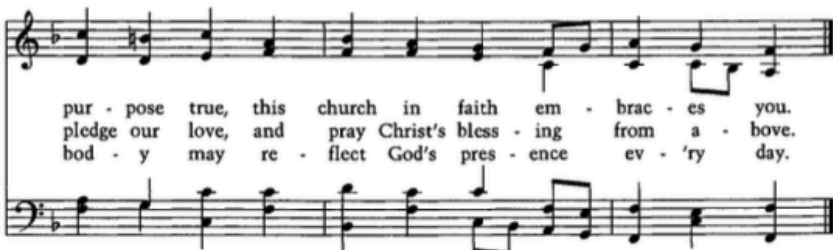
HUS (22 F)



Here in the name of Christ our Lord, the  
We wel - come you a - mong us here, with  
The God of peace you sanc - ti - fy and



church's Head by all a - dored, with Chris - tian love and  
joy that God has brought you near. With heart and hand we  
bless you rich - ly from on high, that spir - it, soul, and



pur - pose true, this church in faith em - brac - es you.  
pledge our love, and pray Christ's bless - ing from a - bove.  
bod - y may re - flect God's pres - ence ev - 'ry day.

SCRIPTURE:

Isaiah 58:9b-14

Psalm 103:1-8

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name.

**Bless the Lord, O my soul, and do not forget all his benefits—**

who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases,

**who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,**

who satisfies you with good as long as you live so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

**The Lord works vindication and justice for all who are oppressed.** He made known his ways to Moses, his acts to the people of Israel.

**The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**

Hebrews 12:18-29

*During the singing of the next hymn, children aged 3 and up are welcome to follow Godly Play leaders to continue their worship in CE-106.*

REPENTANCE AND CONFESSION

761      **Out of the Depths I Cry to You**

The musical score is written for a four-part setting (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in 4/4 time. The key signature has one sharp (F#), indicating D major or B minor. The melody is primarily in the Soprano and Alto parts, with the Tenor and Bass parts providing harmonic support. The lyrics are arranged in four systems, each corresponding to a line of music. The lyrics are in English and are a translation of the Latin text 'De Profundis'.

1 Out of the depths I cry to you, O Fa - ther, hear me  
2 All things you send are full of grace; you crown our lives with  
3 It is in God that we shall hope, and not in our own  
4 My soul is wait - ing for the Lord as one who longs for

call - ing. In - cline your ear to my dis - tress in spite of my re -  
fa - vor. All our good works are done in vain with - out our Lord and  
mer - it. We rest our fears in his good word and trust his Ho - ly  
morn - ing, no watch - er waits with great - er hope than I for his re -

bel - ling. Do not re - gard my sin - ful deeds. Send  
Sav - ior. We praise the God who gives us faith and  
Spir - it. His prom - ise keeps us strong and sure; we  
turn - ing. I hope as Is - rael in the Lord, he

me the grace my spir - it needs, with - out it I am noth - ing.  
saves us from the grip of death, our lives are in his keep - ing.  
trust the ho - ly sig - na - ture in - scribed up - on our tem - ples.  
sends re - demp - tion through his word. We praise him for his mer - cy.

TEXT: Martin Luther [1523], Tr. Gracia Grindal [b. 1943]. ©1978 by Lutheran Book of Worship  
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TUNE: Johann Walther (1524), C. Gregor Choralbuch (1784) 8.7.8.7.8.8.7. Iambic DE PROFUNDIS [132 E]



GOSPEL: Luke 13:10-17

SERMON: *Sabbath*

HYMN 513 - *I Love Your Kingdom, Lord* .....T. St. Thomas

**I Love Your Kingdom, Lord                      513**

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'I Love Your Kingdom, Lord'. It consists of two systems of music, each with a treble and bass staff. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are written below the staves. The first system contains the first four lines of the hymn, and the second system contains the next four lines. The music is written in a simple, hymn-like style with block chords and moving lines.

1 I love your king-dom, Lord, the place of your a - bode,  
2 I love your church, O God! Her walls be - fore you stand,  
3 For her my tears shall fall, for her my prayers as - cend;  
4 Be - yond my high - est joy I prize her heav'n - ly ways,  
  
the church our blessed Re - deem - er saved with his own pre - cious blood.  
dear as the ap - ple of your eye, and grav - en on your hand.  
to her my cares and toils be giv'n, till toils and cares shall end.  
her sweet com - mun - ion, sol - emn vows, her hymns of love and praise.

5 Sure as your truth shall last,  
to Zion shall be given  
the brightest glories earth can yield  
and brighter bliss of heaven.

## PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*The offertory provides an opportunity to reflect on the many ways that we can express our gratitude in response to God: with time, treasure, talents, and testimony. For financial giving online: Use the Moravian Ministries Foundation giving portal at <https://mmfa.info/giving-portal/>. Click the DONATE tab on any page of the Home Church website. For more information, go to [homemoravian.org/donate](http://homemoravian.org/donate). You can make one-time or recurring gifts. Text HOME to 73256 on your phone.*

OFFERTORY INVITATION .....Rev.Tobiassen

ANTHEM: *If Ye Love Me, Keep My Commandments* .....John Mochnick (2016)

Men's Chorus

John 14: 15-17

*If ye love me, keep my commandments, and I will pray to the Father, and I will give you another comforter, and he will abide with you forever. This is the spirit of truth. Amen*

DOXOLOGY

OFFERTORY PRAYER

PRAYERS FOR THE CHURCH AND THE WORLD.....Rev. Dr. Atwood

ADORATION AND PRAISE

**Now Thank We All Our God 533**

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in 4/4 time, with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is primarily in the Soprano and Alto parts, with the Tenor and Bass parts providing harmonic support. The lyrics are arranged in four systems, each corresponding to a line of music. The first system contains three lines of lyrics, while the subsequent three systems each contain two lines. The lyrics are: 1 Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices, 2 O may this gracious God through all our life be near us, 3 All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given, who wondrous things has done, in whom his world rejoices, with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us, the Son and Spirit blessed, who reign in highest heaven - who, from our mother's arms, has blessed us on our way and keep us in his grace, and guide us when perplexed, the one eternal God, whom heaven and earth adore; with countless gifts of love, and still is ours to day. and free us from all ills in this world and the next. for thus it was, is now, and shall be ever more.

1 Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices,  
2 O may this gra-cious God through all our life be near us,  
3 All praise and thanks to God the Fa-ther now be giv-en,  
who won-drous things has done, in whom his world re-joic-es;  
with ev-er joy-ful hearts and bless-ed peace to cheer us,  
the Son and Spir-it blessed, who reign in high-est heav-en-  
who, from our moth-er's arms, has blessed us on our way  
and keep us in his grace, and guide us when per-plexed,  
the one e-ter-nal God, whom heav'n and earth a-dore;  
with count-less gifts of love, and still is ours to-day.  
and free us from all ills in this world and the next.  
for thus it was, is now, and shall be ev-er-more.

## BENEDICTION

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: Hymn 832, *The Grace of Our Lord*

*While singing, we extend the right hand of fellowship.  
We invite you to continue your fellowship as you exit during the postlude.*

### SERVICE MUSIC

## 832 The Grace of Our Lord

The grace of our Lord Je - sus Christ, and the love of  
God, and the com - mu - nion of the Ho - ly Spir - it,  
be with us all, be with us all. A - men.

TEXT: 2 Corinthians 13:13  
TUNE: Christian Gregor (1763)

Irregular  
(540 E)

POSTLUDE: *Praeludium* (Plein jeu pour orgue).....Mathias van den Gheyn  
(1721-1785)

## SUNDAY EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMING

**GODLY PLAY, CE-106**, 10:20 a.m. (ages 3 and up), *The Persistent Widow*

**BIBLE DISCUSSION**, 11:15 a.m., Club Room and Zoom

**YOUTH POWER HOUR**, 11:15 a.m., Lot 63

**NO CHILDREN'S POWER HOUR** (meetings resume on September 14)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**We extend a cordial welcome to all visitors** this morning and invite you to join us again whenever possible. Please take a moment to sign the Friendship Register, pass it both ways in your pew, and greet those near you. After the service, pick up a beverage in the serving room off the Sanctuary, and enjoy fellowship.

**The flowers** are placed in the Sanctuary today in loving memory of *Gail Morris* and *Mr. and Mrs. Lester Morris, Sr.* and in honor of *Nancy Perryman* by Lester Morris, Jr.

**Received today by sacrament of baptism:** River Grey Tolley, infant son of Alanna (m.n. Pfaff) and Christopher Tolley. The family's address is 2752 Bethel Court, Winston-Salem, NC 27127.

**Music@Home** and Music Carolina present "Summer Flute Serenade" on Tuesday, August 26 at 7:30 p.m. in the Saal, featuring Debra Reuter-Pivetta (flute); Federico Pivetta (piano); Sophie Anderson (violin), and Jessica Ronnevik (viola). Admission is free.

**Large print bulletins** are available. Please see an usher for assistance.

## CALENDAR

- Sunday - 9:30 a.m. - Nursery, CE-105  
10:00 a.m. - Morning Worship  
10:20 a.m. - *Godly Play*, CE-106  
11:00 a.m. - Coffee Fellowship, Lovefeast Serving Room  
Soup Group Meeting, Fellowship Hall  
11:15 a.m. - Bible Discussion, Club Room and Zoom  
Child, Youth, and Vulnerable Adult Protection  
Policy Training, CE-101  
Youth Power Hour, Lot 63  
6:00 p.m. - Youth Pizza and Games, CE Building  
Monday - 5:00 p.m. - Christian Formation Team Meeting, CE-101  
Tuesday - 10:00 a.m. - Mary Anne Fogle Service League, Candle  
Room 3:00 p.m. - Finance Committee, RB-225  
5:00 p.m. - Building and Grounds Committee, Club Room  
7:30 p.m. - Music@Home, Saal  
Wednesday - 7:00 a.m. - Breakfast, Cagney's Restaurant  
10:00 a.m. - Crop Walk Committee Meeting, Fellowship Hall  
Mary Anne Fogle Service League, Candle Room  
Thursday - 5:30 p.m. - Handbell Rehearsal, Bell Room  
6:30 p.m. - Choir Rehearsal, RB-5  
Friday - 10:00 a.m. - Candle Making, Candle Room  
Next Sunday - 9:30 a.m. - Nursery, CE-105  
10:00 a.m. - Morning Worship  
10:20 a.m. - *Godly Play*, CE-106  
11:00 a.m. - Coffee Fellowship, Lovefeast Serving Room  
11:15 a.m. - Bible Discussion, Club Room and Zoom  
Youth Power Hour, Lot 63

## ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

**The drive-through collection** was fabulous! The Home Missions Team collected an amazing amount of food for Sunnyside Ministry and school supplies for Diggs-Latham. We thank you for your generosity as the need is so great.

**The annual Stuff Sale** is planned for Saturday, October 4 in the Fellowship Hall. The World Missions Team is now receiving your valuable contributions. (Please, no clothes, heavy furniture, or bedding.) Moravian items sell quite well. All proceeds will be used to support the work of our Board of World Mission.

**It's time for a new church directory!** After worship today, stop by the Lovefeast Serving Room to learn more and to sign up for your photo shoot! Time slots are available from Wednesday, August 27, through Thursday, October 2. You can also use this link to sign up online: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F45ABAF29A2FEC34-57760135-directory>. Or, if you prefer, submit your own photo at [hmcphotographs2025@gmail.com](mailto:hmcphotographs2025@gmail.com). Call the church office if you have questions. We can't wait to see your best smile!

Virginia Hege Tobiassen, *Pastor*

Craig Atwood, *Associate Pastor*

Glenn Siebert, *Director of Music*

Jonathan Williams, *Organist*

Becky Hodges, *Director of Christian Formation*

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