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# **Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost**

## **August 22, 2021**



# **God Speaks to Elijah**

## **HOLY COMMUNION**

**IS CELEBRATED AT OUR 5:30PM SATURDAY AND 9:00AM SUNDAY SERVICE**

Oneness at communion presupposes oneness in doctrine. For this reason we practice close communion, and ask guests desiring to commune to speak with the pastor before the service. To those communicants with dietary needs we offer gluten free wafers.

### **AS WE GATHER**

What is your favorite family tradition? Perhaps it is an annual celebration such as Halloween, Thanksgiving, or Christmas. Perhaps it is a more common tradition—an old family recipe or a favorite game. Traditions are passed down from generation to generation. They are often wonderful and meaningful. But sometimes we pass down traditions that are not good for us or the world. The Israelites had passed down traditions related to divorce and giving that were not what God had intended. Jesus rightly criticizes such traditions. Today we consider the most trustworthy tradition that we continually pass from generation to generation: Jesus.

### **SERVICE OF PRAYER AND PREACHING**

<b>WORDS OF WELCOME</b>		Elder of the Day
<b>OPENING HYMN</b> ( <i>Sat. Only</i> )	<b><i>“Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now”</i></b>	LSB 902
<b>BAPTISMAL HYMN</b> ( <i>Sun. Only</i> )	<b><i>“See This Wonder in the Making”</i></b>	LSB 593 vs. 1-3
<b>ORDER OF HOLY BAPTISM FOR</b>	<b><i>Jackson Richard Alberts</i></b>	LSB page 268
<b>BAPTISMAL HYMN</b> ( <i>Sat. Only</i> )	<b><i>“See This Wonder in the Making”</i></b>	LSB 593 vs. 4
<b>OPENING VERSICLES</b> [Common]		LSB page 260
<b>O.T. CANTICLE</b>	<b><i>“Tell Out, My Soul, the Greatness of the Lord”</i></b>	LSB 935

### **✠ READINGS FROM HOLY SCRIPTURE ✠**

**OLD TESTAMENT READING** *1 Kings 19: 9-18*

There he came to a cave and lodged in it. And behold, the word of the LORD came to him, and he said to him, “What are you doing here, Elijah?” He said, “I have been very jealous for the LORD, the God of hosts. For the people of Israel have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword, and I, even I only, am left, and they seek my life, to take it away.” And he said, “Go out and stand on the mount before the LORD.” And behold, the LORD passed by, and a great and strong wind tore the mountains and broke in pieces the rocks before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind. And after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake. And after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire. And after the fire the sound of a low whisper. And when Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his cloak and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. And behold, there

came a voice to him and said, “What are you doing here, Elijah?” He said, “I have been very jealous for the LORD, the God of hosts. For the people of Israel have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword, and I, even I only, am left, and they seek my life, to take it away.” And the LORD said to him, “Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus. And when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael to be king over Syria. And Jehu the son of Nimshi you shall anoint to be king over Israel, and Elisha the son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah you shall anoint to be prophet in your place. And the one who escapes from the sword of Hazael shall Jehu put to death, and the one who escapes from the sword of Jehu shall Elisha put to death. Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him.”

**Leader:** This is the Word of the Lord.

**People:** **Thanks be to God.**

**EPISTLE READING***(Sat. Only)*

*Ephesians 5:22-33*

Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord. For the husband is the head of the wife even as Christ is the head of the church, his body, and is himself its Savior. Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit in everything to their husbands.

Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, so that he might present the church to himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish. In the same way husbands should love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as Christ does the church, because we are members of his body. “Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.” This mystery is profound, and I am saying that it refers to Christ and the church. However, let each one of you love his wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband.

**EPISTLE READING***(Sun. Only)*

*Revelations 3:14-22*

“And to the angel of the church in Laodicea write: ‘The words of the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the beginning of God's creation.

“I know your works: you are neither cold nor hot. Would that you were either cold or hot! So, because you are lukewarm, and neither hot nor cold, I will spit you out of my mouth. For you say, I am rich, I have prospered, and I need nothing, not realizing that

you are wretched, pitiable, poor, blind, and naked. I counsel you to buy from me gold refined by fire, so that you may be rich, and white garments so that you may clothe yourself and the shame of your nakedness may not be seen, and salve to anoint your eyes, so that you may see. Those whom I love, I reprove and discipline, so be zealous and repent. Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and eat with him, and he with me. The one who conquers, I will grant him to sit with me on my throne, as I also conquered and sat down with my Father on his throne. He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches.”

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

Leader: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 10<sup>th</sup> chapter.

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

### **GOSPEL READING**

*Luke 10: 38-42*

Now as they went on their way, Jesus entered a village. And a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house. And she had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to his teaching. But Martha was distracted with much serving. And she went up to him and said, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Tell her then to help me." But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things, but one thing is necessary. Mary has chosen the good portion, which will not be taken away from her."

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**People: Praise to You, O Christ.**

**RESPONSORY** [Common]

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**CATECHISM REVIEW | THE LORD'S PRAYER**

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### **The Sixth Petition**

Pastor: And lead us not into temptation.

**All: Lead us not into temptation.**

Pastor: What does this mean?

**All: God tempts no one. We pray in this petition that God would guard and keep us so that the devil, the world, and our sinful nature may not deceive us or mislead us into false belief, despair, and other great shame and vice. Although we are attacked by these things, we pray that we may finally overcome them and win the victory.**

## CREED

## LORD'S PRAYER

## SERMON HYMN

*"Be Still, My Soul"*

LSB 752

## SERMON(Sat. Only)

*"The Spiritually Blessed Marriage"*

*Ephesians 5:22-33*

## SERMON(Sun. Only)

*"A Still, Small Voice"*

*1 Kings 19:9-18*

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Hear us, Father, when we pray,

**People: for needed help from day to day.**

Pastor: Heavenly Father, give us courage to speak to those family members and friends who have ceased to follow You or who have never followed You.

**People: Strengthen us for hard conversations so that we pass on the most important thing we have ever been given: Jesus Christ.**

Pastor: Heavenly Father, You sent Your Spirit and Your Son to be our comfort in times of mourning and grief. Bring comfort to all those who are suffering at the death of loved ones.

**People: Point them to the hope of the resurrection and eternal life.**

Pastor: Heavenly Father, remember all those who struggle with infertility. Comfort them in their mourning.

**People: Protect them from foolish commentary and judgment. Lead them where You would want them to go.**

Pastor: Heavenly Father, we pray for all families, for husbands and wives, for children and grandchildren, for brothers and sisters, and every relationship.

**People: Help our earthly families to reflect the love, honor, and sacrifice of our eternal family to come.**

Pastor: Heavenly Father, look with favor upon all who are sick, injured, and recovering, [*especially . . .*]. Have mercy upon them and heal them according to Your good and gracious will. Hear us, Father, when we pray,

**People: for needed help from day to day.**

Pastor: (*Special petitions that end in, "Lord, in Your mercy"*).

**People: Hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Heavenly Father, we commend all these prayers into Your loving hands, for You live and reign with the Spirit and the Son, one God, now and forever.

**People: Amen.**

## OFFERING

‡ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ‡

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS:

HYMN

***“Change My Heart, O God”***

CCS 87

Change my heart, O God, make it ever true;  
Change my heart, O God, may I be like You.  
You are the Potter, I am the clay;  
Mold me and Make me,  
this is what I pray.  
Change my heart, O God, make it ever true;  
Change my heart, O God, may I be like You.

HYMN

***“There is a Redeemer”***

CCS 37

*Melody Green — Classic Praise & Worship*

1. There is a redeemer, Jesus, God’s own Son.  
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One.

**Chorus: Thank You, oh my Father, for giving us Your Son,  
And leaving Your Spirit till the work on earth is done.**

2. Jesus, my redeemer, Name above all names.  
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Oh, for sinners slain. **(Chorus)**
3. When I stand in glory, I will see His face,  
And there I’ll serve my King forever, In that holy place. **(Chorus)**
4. There is a redeemer, Jesus, God’s own Son  
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One. **(Chorus)**

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HYMN

***“Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence”***

LSB 621

**COLLECT FOR GRACE**

LSB 228

Pastor: Let us pray.

**People: Almighty and merciful God, defend Your Church from all false teaching and error that Your faithful people may confess You to be the only true God and rejoice in Your good gifts of life and salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

**COLLECT FOR THE WORD**

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**LUTHER’S PRAYER**

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**NEW TESTAMENT CANTICLE “On My Heart Imprint Your Image”**

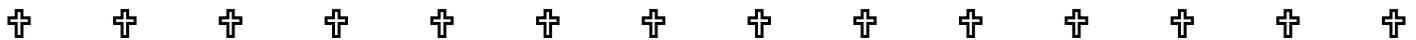
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**BLESSING**

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**CLOSING HYMN “God Moves in a Mysterious Way”**

LSB 765



**OUR WORSHIP ASSISTANTS**

**5:30PM SATURDAY**

**Alan Carlson**  
Elder  
**Sarah Peterson**  
Organist

**9:00AM SUNDAY**

**Brian Ternus**  
Elder  
**Carter Holmes**  
**Alexander Noonan**  
Acolytes  
**Sarah Peterson**  
Organist

**Mike Beyer**  
Congregational Chairman  
**Rick Melius**  
Head Elder



