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810 Fairfax Street Stephens City, VA **PRELUDE** Praise to the Lord, the Almighty Johann Gottfried Walther (1684-1748)

GATHERING SONG Praise to the Lord, the Almighty ELW 858

6 the Lord, the Al - might - y, King of cre - a 1 Praise to the tion! the Lord, who o'er all things is 2 Praise to won-drous-ly reign ing 3 Praise to the Lord, who will pros - per your work and de - fend you; 4 Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me a - dore him! is your health and sal - va soul, praise him, for 0 my he tion! and, as wings of gle, up - lift - ing, sus - tain on an ea ing. mer - cy shall dai - ly sure - ly his good - ness and at - tend you. and breath, come now with prais - es be - fore life him! All that has Let all who hear now to his tem ple draw near, -Have you all not seen that is need _ ful has been Pon - der a new what the Al - might -У can do Let the sound from his ple a - gain. a - men peo join ing in glad ad tion! 0 ra ing? sent by his gra cious dain or _ with if his love he be friend you. -Glad - ly for ev dore him!

Text: Joachim Neander, 1650-1680; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827-1878, alt. Music: LOBE DEN HERREN, Ernewerten Gesangbuch, Part II, Stralsund, 1665

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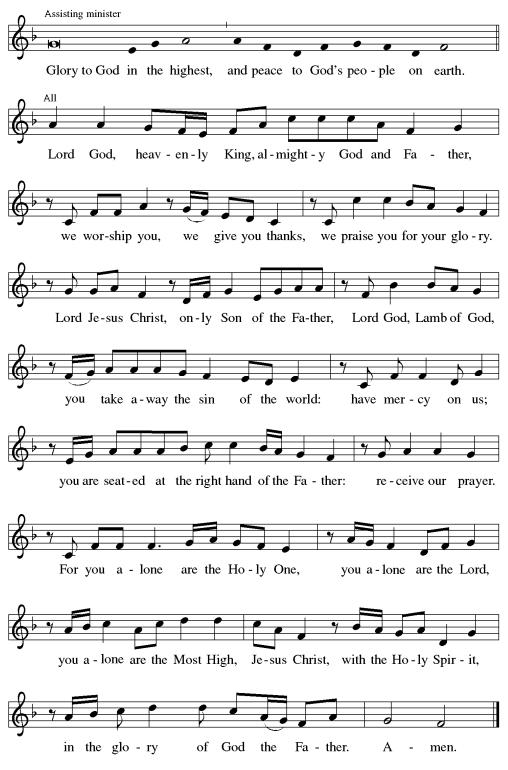
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GREETING

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.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE



PRAYER OF THE DAY

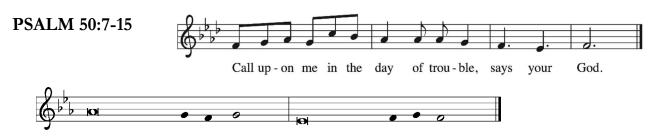
Let us pray.

O God, you are the source of life and the ground of our being. By the power of your Spirit bring healing to this wounded world, and raise us to the new life of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Susan Scheulen

FIRST READING: Hosea 5:15--6:6

A reading from Hosea. ¹⁵I will return again to my place until they acknowledge their guilt and seek my face. In their distress they will beg my favor: ^{6:1}"Come, let us return to the LORD; for it is he who has torn, and he will heal us; he has struck down, and he will bind us up. ²After two days he will revive us; on the third day he will raise us up, that we may live before him. ³Let us know, let us press on to know the LORD; his appearing is as sure as the dawn; he will come to us like the showers, like the spring rains that water the earth." ⁴What shall I do with you, O Ephraim? What shall I do with you, O Judah? Your love is like a morning cloud, like the dew that goes away early. ⁵Therefore I have hewn them by the prophets, I have killed them by the words of my mouth, and my judgment goes forth as the light. ⁶For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice, the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings. Word of God, word of life. Thanks be to God.



- ⁷"Listen, my people, and I will speak: Israel, I will bear wit- [|] ness against you; for I am [|] God, your God.
- ⁸I do not accuse you because | of your sacrifices; your burnt offerings are al- | ways before me.
- ⁹I will not accept a calf | from your stalls, nor goats | from your pens;
- ¹⁰for all the wild animals of the for- | est are mine, the cattle on a | thousand hills. R
- ¹¹I know every bird | of the mountains, and the creatures of the | fields are mine.
- ¹²If I were hungry, I | would not tell you,
 for the whole world is mine and all | that is in it.
 ¹³Do you think I get the | flesh of bulls
- ¹³Do you think I eat the ¹ flesh of bulls, or drink the ¹ blood of goats?

¹⁴Offer to God a sacrifice [|] of thanksgiving and make good your vows to [|] the Most High.
¹⁵Call upon me in the [|] day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall [|] honor me. **R**

SECOND READING: Romans 4:13-25

A reading from Romans.

¹³The promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. ¹⁴If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. ¹⁵For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

¹⁶For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, ¹⁷as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations")—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. ¹⁸Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So numerous shall your descendants be." ¹⁹He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. ²⁰No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, ²¹being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. ²²Therefore his faith "was reckoned to him as righteousness." ²³Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone, ²⁴but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, ²⁵who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification. Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God**.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL: Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

The holy gospel according to Matthew. Glory to you, O Lord.

⁹As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, "Follow me." And he got up and followed him.

¹⁰And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. ¹¹When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" ¹²But when he heard this, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. ¹³Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners."

¹⁸While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader of the synagogue came in and knelt before him, saying, "My daughter has just died; but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live." ¹⁹And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. ²⁰Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, ²¹for she said to herself, "If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well." ²²Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well." And instantly the woman was made well. ²³When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, ²⁴he said, "Go away; for the girl is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. ²⁵But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. ²⁶And the report of this spread throughout that district.

The gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

written by Bishop Bob Humphrey



WORDS: William Cowper, 1779 (Mk. 9:14-27; Mt. 9:20-22; Mk. 5:25-34; Lk. 8:43-48) GRÄFENBERG MUSIC: Johann Crüger, 1647 CM

CREED

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, 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, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come 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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Trusting in God's abundant mercy, let us offer our prayers for a world in need. We pray, O God, for the church. Unite us with any on the margins, that the whole world recognizes that your mercy is greater than our human capacity to restrict it. God, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We pray, O God, for creation. Tend forests and fields and safeguard all cattle, birds, and wild animals. Preserve lakes, rivers, and oceans and send rains to water the earth. Revive lands recovering from natural disasters. God, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We pray, O God, for the nations. Awaken in our leaders compassion for people who have too often felt forgotten or neglected, and inspire policy solutions that promote equity and inclusion. God, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We pray, O God, for all who are in need. Accompany anyone enduring chronic illness, any who suffer in secret, and those grieving a loved one's death especially the family and friends of Anne Vermillion. Send healing for all who plead for relief from sickness or pain especially Pauline, Shirley, Charlotte, Louise, Pat, Earl and others we name now (worshippers may add names silently or aloud). God, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We pray, O God, for the eradication of racial hatred. On this week when we commemorate the Emanuel Nine, we implore you to cast out the demons of white supremacy that make us believe lies about ourselves and our neighbors. God, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Other prayers may be offered now.

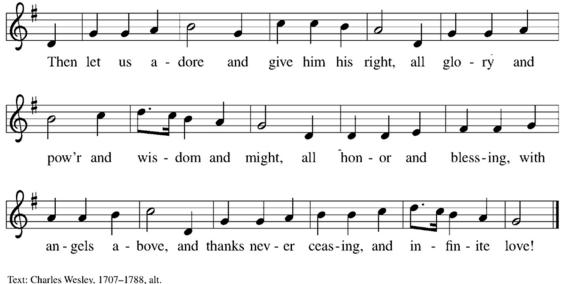
Receive our prayers and answer us, O God, in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.



OFFERING Help Me, Jesus Edward V. Bonnemere (1921-1966) Offering is an act of worship that shows our gratitude to God for all that we are and have in our lives. The offering today will provide support for the ministries of Trinity both locally and in the world around us. You may provide your offering in person, scan the QR code adjacent or send it by mail. We thank you for sharing not only your monetary gifts but also your gifts of time and talent to further

our mission to share Jesus' love in worship, fellowship, hospitality, and community, doing God's work with our hands.

OFFERING PRESENTATION



Music: LYONS, attr. Johann Michael Haydn, 1737–1806

THANKSGIVING FOR THE WORD

Let us pray.

O God of justice and love, we give thanks to you that you illumine our way through life with the words of your Son. Give us the light we need, awaken us to the needs of others, and at the end bring all the world to your feast; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,

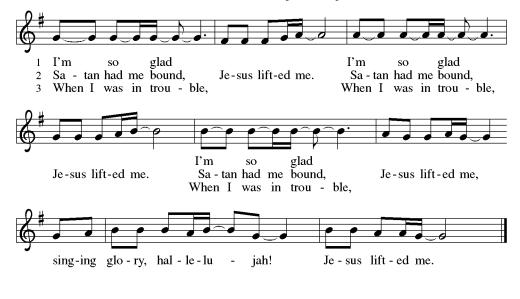
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. Amen.



Text: African American spiritual Music: JESUS LIFTED ME, African American spiritual

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Postlude

David Paxton

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Pastor JMe and Trinity's two lay voting members, Chuck and Marcie Stern, are in Salem VA this weekend at Roanoke College for the Virginia Synod Assembly. This is the business meeting of the statewide Synod of the ELCA. This year a new bishop is being elected as Bishop Bob Humphrey elected not to run for re-election at the end of his 6-year term.

The June Noisy Offering will benefit our neighbors down Mulberry St., I Can 2. Not everyone can attend college or a trade school. At I CAN 2 the primary focus is on the discovery and development of each individuals' creativity, strengths, and passion for a career they would love and enjoy. They educate people with disabilities in safety, production, and assembly of skill sets to produce quality, marketable products and services by exploring various avenues of creativity and providing a person-centered approach to work through the discovery of unique desires, abilities, and talents.

Brenda is out of the office Monday and Tuesday this week.

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