

The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost



September 11, 2022

Welcome to St. Mark's and St. John's

Name tags are available. We'd love to make one for you if you do not have one already. Just fill out a form in your pew. Help yourself to coffee in the "cafe" and feel free to bring it to your pew. We're casual. We invite children to make themselves at home at our children's table where there are weekly activity bulletins, crayons, etc...

Our live YouTube broadcast begins at 9:15am.

As always, the link to our YouTube channel is available on our website,

stmarksandstjohns.org

OPENING MUSIC

“Come, Now is the Time to Worship”

A musical score for a hymn, featuring five staves of music with lyrics. The key signature is G major (one sharp). The time signature is common time (indicated by '4'). The music consists of two parts: a verse and a chorus.

Part 1 (Verse):

- Staff 1: D (downbeat), followed by a series of eighth-note chords: D, Dsus, D.
- Lyrics: "Come, now is the time to wor - ship."

Staff 2:

- A (downbeat), followed by a series of eighth-note chords: A, Em7, G.
- Lyrics: "Come, now is the time to give your heart."

Staff 3:

- D (downbeat), followed by a series of eighth-note chords: D, Dsus, D.
- Lyrics: "Come, just as you are, to wor - ship."

Staff 4:

- A (downbeat), followed by a series of eighth-note chords: A, Em7, G.
- Lyrics: "Come, just as you are, be - fore your God."

Chorus:

- Staff 5: D (downbeat), followed by a series of eighth-note chords: D, Fine, G, D.
- Lyrics: "Come. One day ev - 'ry tongue will con-fess You are God,"

Second Part (Chorus):

- Staff 6: G (downbeat), followed by a series of eighth-note chords: G, D.
- Lyrics: "one day ev - 'ry knee will bow."

Final Chorus:

- Staff 7: Bm (downbeat), followed by a series of eighth-note chords: Bm, Em7, Asus, A.
- Lyrics: "Still, the great - est trea - sure re - mains

Bridge:

- Staff 8: Bm (downbeat), followed by a series of eighth-note chords: Bm, Em7, Asus, A, D.C. al Fine.
- Lyrics: "— for those who glad - ly choose You now.—"

WELCOME

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Creator, Redeemer, and Holy Spirit
People: **And blessed God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen**

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Deacon: The Lord be with you.
People: **And also with you.**
Deacon: Let us pray.

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

FIRST LESSON

Exodus 32:7-14

The Lord said to Moses, "Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded

them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it, and said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!'" The Lord said to Moses, "I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation."

But Moses implored the Lord his God, and said, "O Lord, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? Why should the Egyptians say, 'It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth'? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, 'I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever.'" And the Lord changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying

People: **Thanks be to God.**

**Have mercy on me, O God, according to your loving-kindness;
in your great compassion blot out my offenses.**

Wash me through and through from my wickedness
and cleanse me from my sin.

**For I know my transgressions,
and my sin is ever before me.**

Against you only have I sinned
and done what is evil in your sight.

**And so you are justified when you speak
and upright in your judgment.**

Indeed, I have been wicked from my birth,
a sinner from my mother's womb.

**For behold, you look for truth deep within me,
and will make me understand wisdom secretly.**

Purge me from my sin, and I shall be pure;
wash me, and I shall be clean indeed.

**Make me hear of joy and gladness,
that the body you have broken may rejoice.**

Hide your face from my sins
and blot out all my iniquities.

**Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.**

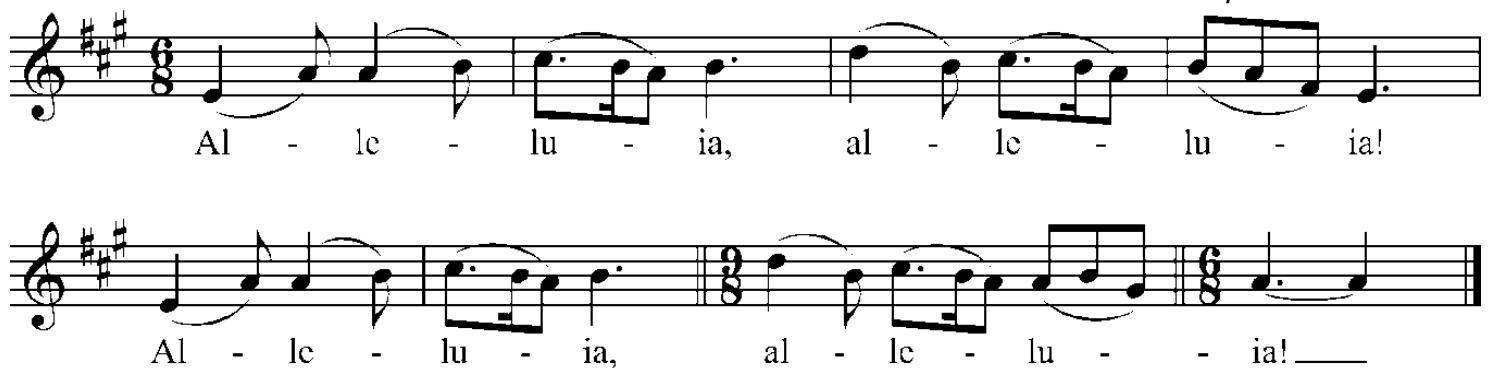
SECOND LESSON

1 Timothy 1:12-17

I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners-- of whom I am the foremost. But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

“Celtic Alleluia” (2x) *Please stand*
Fintan O’Carroll and Christopher Walker



The musical notation consists of two staves of music. The top staff is in common time (indicated by '8') and the bottom staff is in 9/8 time. Both staves have a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics 'Al - le lu ia, al - le lu ia!' are written below the notes. The music features eighth and sixteenth note patterns, with some notes grouped by vertical bars. The first staff ends with a repeat sign and the second staff continues the melody.

GOSPEL

Luke 15:1-10

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

All the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

So he told them this parable: "Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

"Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

The Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you, Lord Christ

SERMON

Pastor Cindy Rasmussen

AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Our Father everlasting
the all creating One
God Almighty.

Through Your Holy Spirit
conceiving Christ the Son.
Jesus our Savior.

I believe in God our Parent
I believe in God in Christ the Son
I believe in the Holy Spirit
Our God is three in One.

“This I Believe”

Music & Lyrics by: Mat Crocher and Ben Fielding

I believe in the resurrection
that we will rise again.
For I believe in the name
of Jesus.

I believe in the Name of Jesus
I believe in You
I believe you rose again
I believe that Jesus Christ
is Lord.

SPECIAL MUSIC FOR PRAYER AND MEDITATION *Please be seated*

You're invited to light a candle at our prayer table and write your prayer intentions on one of the Prayer Boards during the music. The positivity Covid rate in Monroe County is currently above 7% so we ask you to wear masks and stay socially distant to keep everyone safe. Thank you.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lord, turn our praises into hands that clothe the naked, arms that comfort the afflicted, tables that host the stranger, and shoulders that support the weary so that your name may be praised by those who live and die.

We give you thanks and praise, O God of creation, for the grandeur of all that you have made, saying

We thank you, God.

We give you thanks and praise, O God of love, for the many blessings you have given us, saying

We thank you, God.

We thank you, O God of second chances, for the forgiveness you bestow on us during our darkest times, saying

We thank you, God.

We thank you, O God of companionship, for the relationships and partnerships you have blessed us with, saying

We thank you God.

We pray especially for...

We thank you for the lives of your saints, all of your children, and we commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom, saying

We thank you God.

Celebrant:

Gracious God, make us always thankful for your loving providence; and grant that we, remembering the account that we must one day give, may be faithful stewards of your good gifts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, forever and ever.

THE PEACE

Deacon: The peace of the Lord be with you always.
And also with you.

We resume the passing of the peace this morning. Masks are to be worn during the peace. Thank you for helping us keep everyone safe.

Celebrant: Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

Eucharistic Ministers bring the Communion elements to the altar during the music

GATHERING AROUND GOD'S TABLE

When in our Music God is Glorified

By F. Pratt Green and Charles Villiers Stanford

1 When in our mu - sic God is glo - ri - fied,
 2 How of - ten, mak - ing mu - sic, we have found
 3 So has the Church, in lit - ur - gy and song,
 4 And did not Je - sus sing a psalm that night
 5 Let ev - ery in - stru-ment be tuned for praise!

1 and a - dor - a - tion leaves no room for pride,
 2 a new di - men - sion in the world of sound,
 3 in faith and love, through cen - tu - ries of wrong,
 4 when ut - most e - vil strove a - gainst the Light?
 5 Let all re - joice who have a voice to raise!

1 it is as though the whole cre - a - tion cried
 2 as wor - ship moved us to a more pro - found
 3 borne wit - ness to the truth in ev - ery tongue,
 4 Then let us sing, for whom he won - the fight,
 5 And may God give us faith to sing al - ways

1-4 Final Ending

— Al - le - lu - ia! — Al - le - lu - ia! A - men.

OFFERTORY

“Crowded Table”

*by Brandie Carlile, Natalie Hemby, and Lori McKenna
Text adapted for worship*

Eucharistic Minister brings the offering forward

Refrain: I want a church with a crowded table

And a place at the altar for everyone

Let us take on the world while we're fed and able

And bring us back together when the day is done

Verse: If we want a garden we're gonna have to sow the seed

Plant a little happiness - let the roots run deep

If it's love that we give - then it's love that we reap

If we want a garden we're gonna have to sow the seed

HOLY EUCHARIST

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 God thanks and praise.

It is indeed right that we should praise you, God of love, our source and our fulfillment, for you create all things, and in you we live and move and have our being. Your wonder is manifest in

land and sea and sky. When the times had at last grown full and the earth had ripened in abundance, you made us in your image for yourself.

Even though we've turned from you, again and again you call us to yourself, and in every age, promise liberation. As a parent tenderly gathers her children, you embrace us as your own. From your own being you sent Jesus among us, incarnate of the Holy Spirit and born of Mary our sister and Joseph our brother.

Now we join hands around your table, and with all creation we sing your hymn of unending love,

The musical score consists of five staves of music in common time, treble clef, and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are as follows:

- Staff 1: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly,
- Staff 2: ho - ly Lord God of hosts.
- Staff 3: Heav-en and earth are filled with your glo -
- Staff 4: ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
- Staff 5: Bless-ed is He who comes in the name

of the Lord, of the Lord.

Ho - san - na _____ in the high -

est, ho - san - na in the high - est

To you indeed be glory, almighty God, on the night before he died, your Son, Jesus Christ, took bread; when he had given you thanks, he broke it, gave it to his disciples, and said:

Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you; do this to remember me.

After supper he took the cup; when he had given you thanks, he gave it to them and said:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood poured out for you; do this as often as you drink it to remember me.

And so in this sacrament we celebrate and proclaim the mystery of our faith.

**Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come in glory.**

Therefore, loving God, recalling now Christ's life, death and resurrection, we ask you to send your Holy Spirit upon us and this celebration, that we may be fed with the body and blood of your Son and be filled with your life and goodness. Strengthen us to do your work, and to be your resurrected body offering hope to the world.

Unite us in Christ and give us your peace. Through your Holy Spirit, burning as a flame, gentle as a dove, may we who receive these gifts live lives of justice, love, and prayer.

**Blessing, honor and glory be yours, here and everywhere,
now and forever. Amen**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

**Our Father in Heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

**Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

We who are many are one body, for we share in this one bread.
The feast of life has been prepared for you -
partake and be filled with the goodness of God.

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the people of God take them in remembrance of Christ's life, death, and resurrection and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

WELCOME TO THE TABLE

ALL are welcome to receive communion.

Please be seated. Our Eucharistic Ministers will come to you. As they approach, please stand if you are able. Gluten-free wafers and grape juice are available. If you would like to receive a blessing instead of communion, simply cross your arms in front of you.

COMMUNION MUSIC

"Christ Be Our Light"

The musical notation consists of a single staff in G major, 3/4 time. The melody is simple, featuring quarter notes and eighth notes. The lyrics are aligned with the notes, starting with "Long-ing for light," and continuing through five lines of text.

1 Long-ing for light, we wait in dark-ness. Long-ing for
2 Long-ing for peace, our world is trou-bled. Long-ing for
3 Long-ing for food, man - y are hun - gry. Long-ing for
4 Long-ing for shel-ter, man - y are home-less. Long-ing for
5 Man - y the gifts, man - y the peo - ple, man - y the

truth, we turn to you. Make us your own,
 hope, man - y de - spair. Your word a - lone
 wa - ter, man - y still thirst. Make us your bread,
 warmth, man - y are cold. Make us your build - ing,
 hearts that yearn to be - long. Let us be ser - vants

your ho - ly peo - ple, light for the world to see.
 has pow'r to save us. Make us your liv - ing voice.
 bro - ken for oth - ers, shared un - til all are fed.
 shel - ter - ing oth - ers, walls made of liv - ing stone.
 to one an - oth - er, signs of your king - dom come.

Refrain

Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the

dark - ness. Christ, be our light! Shine in your

church gath - ered to - day.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of life to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to your Son's resurrection that we may show your glory to all the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

"THE BLESSING" (Aotearoa)

adapted for SMSJ liturgy - original music and words by
Chris Brown, Cody Carnes, Kari Jobe, Steven Furtick

The Lord bless you and keep you,

Make Her face shine upon you and be gracious to you.

The Lord turn Her face toward you and give you peace.

Amen, amen, amen.

Amen, amen, amen.

The Lord bless you and keep you,

Make Her face shine upon you and be gracious to you.

The Lord turn Her face toward you and give you peace.

Amen, amen, amen.

Amen, amen, amen.

May Her favor be upon you and a thousand generations

And your family and your children and their children,
and their children.

May Her presence go before you and behind you and beside you

All around you and within you,

She is with you.

She is with you.

In the morning, in the evening, in your coming and

in your going, in your weeping and rejoicing,

She is for you. She is for you.

Amen, amen, amen.

Amen, amen, amen.

Deacon: Alleluia. Alleluia. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

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

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SMSJ WEEKLY CALENDAR (9/12/22-9/18/22)

Monday

6 pm **1199 Culver Rd Garden (Melanie & Judy)**

Tuesday

9:00 am Food Shelf Prep & Foodlink Delivery
(Bob Valeri)

1:00 pm Food bagging
(Bornemann Family)

5:00 pm **Merchants Garden (Deb)**

5:00 pm **Parsells Garden (Deacon Mike)**

Wednesday

9 am **Church Garden (Mary Ellen & Mary)**

10:30-12pm Food Shelf (*Bob Valeri*)

12pm Healing Service

Thursday

3:30pm Partners for Places Weekly Meeting

Sunday

9:15am Eucharist w/ Music

ADD'L Community Garden Times

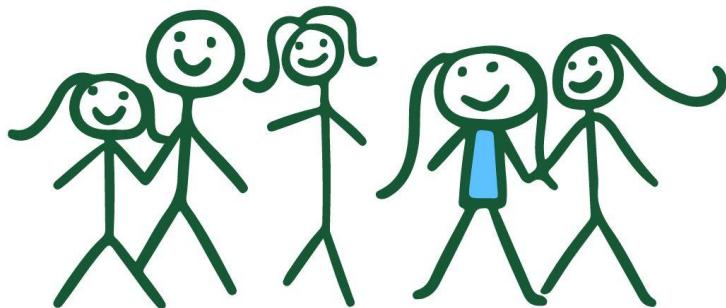
TBD Children's Garden (*TBD*)

TBD Denver Garden (*TBD*)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mark your calendar: Bishop Steve Lane will be visiting SMSJ on Sunday, October 2nd. We will have a special coffee hour following the service. There is a sign-up sheet available in the back if you would like to help set-up, bring something, and/or clean-up

TODAY after Worship:



Family Fun Day

*EVERYONE WELCOME FOR LAWN GAMES AND
SNACKS ON THE LAWN AND IN THE GARDEN*

*SEPTEMBER 11, AFTER WORSHIP UNTIL
12:30 PM*

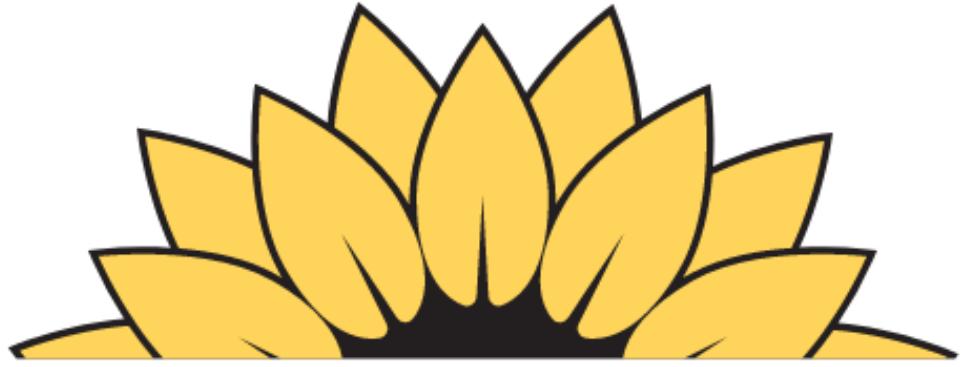


**Worship Leaders: Join us after worship on Sunday,
September 18th for a refresher on this important role during
worship!**

Worship Leaders of September-October 2022

| Date | First Lesson and Psalm | Second Lesson | Prayers of the People |
|-------|------------------------|---------------|-----------------------|
| 9/11 | Tom F | Dave E. | Mary E |
| 9/18 | Joe C | Bob C | Deb S |
| 9/25 | Dave E | Sharon K | Michele H |
| 10/2 | Bob C | Samantha G | Joe C |
| 10/9 | Bob C | Terri C | Sharon K |
| 10/16 | Walt S | Deb S | Paula V |
| 10/23 | Joe C | Bob C | Deb S |
| 10/30 | Bob V | Michele H | Dave E |
| 11/6 | Sharon K | Theresa H | Terri C |

| Date | Hold Cup Tray | Give Single Cup | Collect Cups |
|-------------|----------------------|------------------------|---------------------|
| 9/11 | Joe C | Sharon K | Children |
| 9/18 | Michele H | Dorothy B | Dave E. |
| 9/25 | Theresa H | Terri C | Mary E |
| 10/2 | Dave E | Sharon K | Tom F |
| 10/9 | Heather G | Mary Ellen F | Deb S |
| 10/16 | Terri C | Mary E | Children |
| 10/23 | Mary E | Terri C | Theresa H |
| 10/30 | Sharon K | Dave E | Dorothy B |
| 11/6 | Bob C | Dorothy B | Children |



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