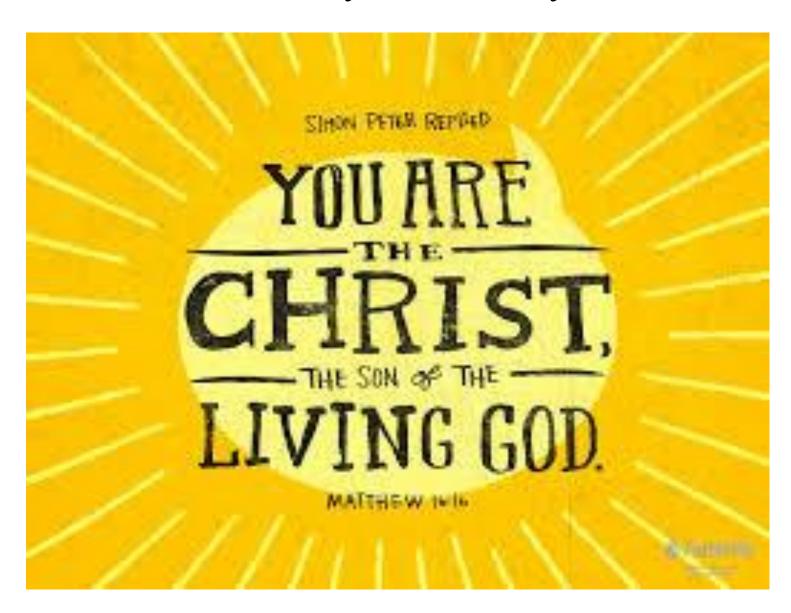
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Sunday, September 6, 2020 The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

### **Service Notes:**

- The following psalms in the front of the hymnal (page 64f) will aid you in your meditation before receiving the Lord's Supper: Psalms 34, 42-43, 51, 84, 116, 150. Prayers for preparation for worship are on pages 10 and 11 in the hymnal. A form for preparation for Communion is on page 156.
- Please sign the friendship registry in the pews before the service or during the offering. If you have a prayer request or would like Pastor Schaefer to visit or call you, please note your request.

Holy Communion will be celebrated today. Our guests are kindly asked to note that it is our practice to first become a member of our communion fellowship before communing with us. Please speak to our pastor about becoming a member of our communion fellowship.

SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT (Hymnal page 26)

**OPENING HYMN: #528** "Christ is Our Cornerstone"

STAND

## 528

# **Christ Is Our Cornerstone**



Text: Latin hymn, c. 8th century, abr.; tr. John Chandler, 1806–76, alt.

Tune: DARWALL'S 148TH (66 66 4444) John Darwall, 1731–89.

M: The grace of our Lord (+) Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: And also with you.

### **CONFESSION OF SINS**

**M:** God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.

C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

## PRAYER AND PRAISE

# LORD, HAVE MERCY (Kyrie)

**M:** For all that we need in life and for the wisdom to use all your gifts with gratitude and joy, hear our prayer, O Lord.



M: For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from your love and for the courage to stand firm against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our prayer, O Christ.



**M:** For the well-being of your holy Church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord.

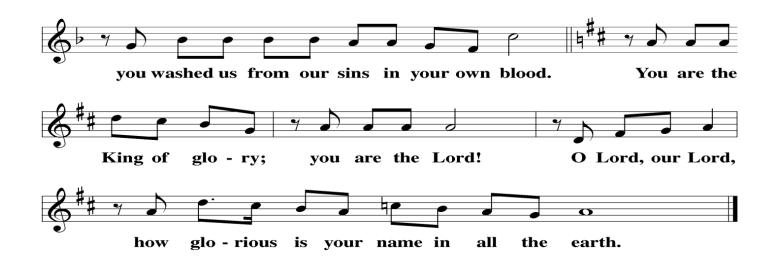


**M:** Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care:



**M:** The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise.





# PRAYER OF THE DAY

**M:** Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, give us an increase of faith, hope, and love; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



BE SEATED



FIRST LESSON: Exodus 6:2-8

<sup>2</sup> God spoke to Moses and said to him, "I am the LORD. <sup>3</sup> I appeared to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, as God

Almighty, but by my name the LORD I did not make myself known to them. <sup>4</sup> I also established my covenant with them to give them the land of Canaan, the land in which they lived as sojourners. <sup>5</sup> Moreover, I have heard the groaning of the people of Israel whom the Egyptians hold as slaves, and I have remembered my covenant. <sup>6</sup> Say therefore to the people of Israel, 'I am the LORD, and I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians, and I will deliver you from slavery to them, and I will redeem you with an outstretched arm and with great acts of judgment. <sup>7</sup> I will take you to be my people, and I will be your God, and you shall know that I am the LORD your God, who has brought you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians. <sup>8</sup> I will bring you into the land that I swore to give to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob. I will give it to you for a possession. I am the LORD."

### **PSALM OF THE DAY:** Psalm 34.

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Taste and see that the <u>LORD</u> is good;\* blessed are they who take refuge in him.

The eyes of the LORD are on the <u>right</u>eous\* and his ears are attentive <u>to</u> their cry.

The angel of the LORD encamps around those who <u>fear</u> him,\*

and he delivers them. Refrain

The righteous cry out, and the LORD <u>hears</u> them;\* he delivers them from all their <u>trou</u>bles.

The LORD is close to the broken<u>heart</u>ed\* and saves those who are crushed in <u>spirit</u>.

The LORD redeems his <u>ser</u>vants;\*
no one who takes refuge in him will <u>be</u> condemned.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son\*
and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning,\*
is now, and will be forever. Amen. Refrain

### **SECOND LESSON:** Romans 11:33-36

- <sup>33</sup> Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!
- <sup>34</sup> "For who has known the mind of the Lord, or who has been his counselor?"
- 35 "Or who has given a gift to him that he might be repaid?"
- <sup>36</sup> For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen.

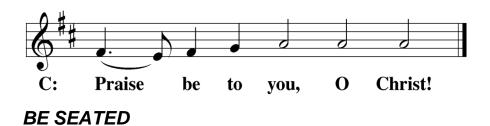
# **VERSE OF THE DAY** (spoken by the pastor)

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. (John 6:68) **STAND** 

### GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 16:13-20

<sup>13</sup> Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" <sup>14</sup> And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." <sup>15</sup> He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" <sup>16</sup> Simon Peter replied, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." <sup>17</sup> And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven. <sup>18</sup> And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and

the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. <sup>19</sup> I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." <sup>20</sup> Then he strictly charged the disciples to tell no one that he was the Christ.



# HYMN OF THE DAY: #536 "Lord Jesus Christ, the Church's

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# SERMON STAND

### **NICENE CREED**

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,

begotten, not made, of one being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,

was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary,

and became fully human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,

and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,

the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,

who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead and the (+) life of the world to come. Amen.

# PRAYER OF THE CHURCH FOR THE SUNDAYS AFTER PENTECOST (Hymnal Page 127)

**M:** O Lord, our God, you are wise and powerful, good and gracious. Your mercies are new every morning. Each day you open your hand and provide for the needs of your children on earth.

C: We praise you for every grace and blessing.

**M:** Strengthen your Church in all the world. Let your comforting message of salvation in Christ Jesus be proclaimed to troubled souls everywhere.

C: Use our ministries and offerings to extend your healing and your hope.

**M:** We bring you our requests for the various structures of our society. Bless our national, state and local governments.

C: Grant us civil servants who are worthy of honor and respect.

**M:** Grant prosperity to our businesses and industries. Give employers a sense of fairness toward their workers, and employees a feeling of joy and pride in their workmanship.

C: Help us find satisfaction in all work well done.

**M:** Invigorate the schools of our land. Give success to every effort that helps students read, think, and communicate in ways that will promote an informed and responsible citizenry. Arouse curious minds to discover the wonders of your created order.

C: Give us teachers and students who pursue excellence.

**M:** Strengthen the families of our country. Give fathers and mothers a renewed commitment to be good parents. Give children and young people the wisdom to regard their parents as your representatives.

C: Lead us to love one another as you have loved us.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

**M:** Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions. *Silent prayer.* 

**M:** Gracious Father, we pray boldly as Jesus taught, with the confidence that you will hear and with the faith that you will respond for our welfare.

C: Amen.

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### **LORD'S PRAYER**

C: 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.

Please use this time for personal preparation or meditation before the Lord's Supper. A form to assist you can be found on page 156 in the front part of the hymnal.



THE SACRAMENT (Page 33)

M: The Lord be with you.



M: Lift up your hearts.



M: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



M: Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing.

He sends the Holy Spirit to testify that we are his children and to strengthen us when we are weak.

Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever:



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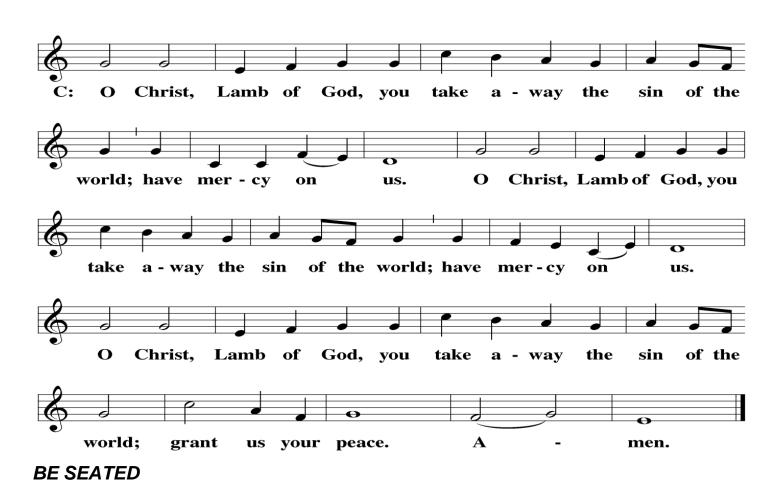
M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my (+) body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is the new testament in my (+) blood, which is poured out for you for the

forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

M: The peace (+) of the Lord be with you always.





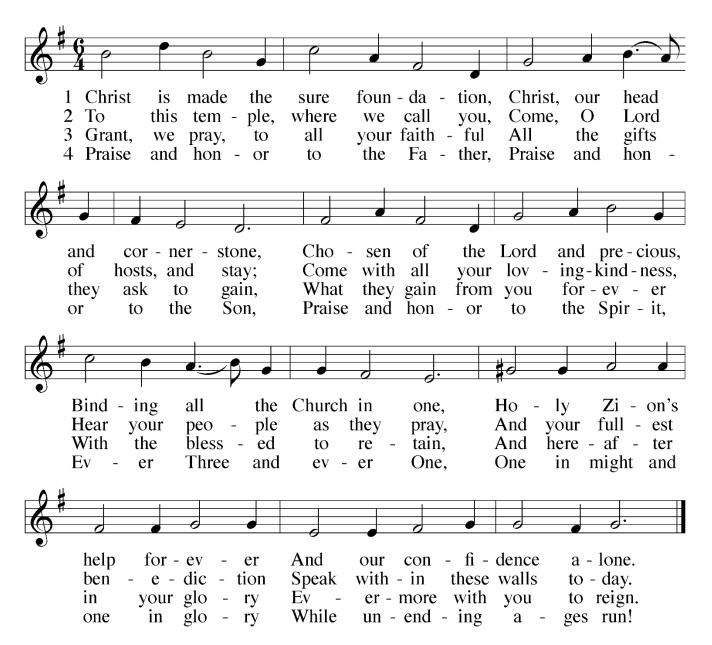
# **DISTRIBUTION**

### **DISTRIBUTION HYMNS:**

#531 "Christ is Made the Sure Foundation"

# 531

# **Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation**



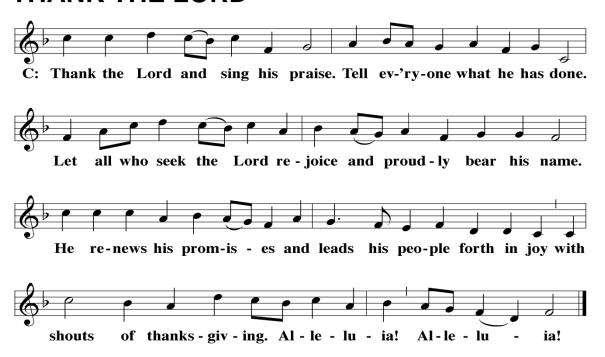
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# #TLH 637 "Founded on Thee, Our Only God"



**THANKSGIVING** (page 36)

### THANK THE LORD



M: Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**M:** Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

# The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.



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Communion Assistants: Bruce Winkler and Ron Bude

Organist: Mrs. Jan Jacobi

### THIS WEEK AT ST. PETER'S

Today 9:30 AM Divine Service Wednesday - 10:00 AM Onlne Bible Class Sunday - 9:30 AM Divine Service

Serving next week: Altar Guild – Chris Ward

Ushering - Team 3

PASTORAL EMERGENCY -- Pastor Schaefer will be on vacation from September 18-26. If a pastoral emergency should occur, please contact Rev. Tom Schroeder, Good Shepherd, Novi (248)348-2613. Pastor Doug Hartley will be officiating at the September 20 service.

IMPORTANT PLEASE NOTE: We ask that you disperse in the sanctuary (practice social distancing). For Holy Communion we will have smaller communion tables so that you are able to spread out along the communion rail.

Offerings will be gathered at the entrance to the sanctuary. Pastor and communion assistants will practice handwashing and/or other safe practices. The congregation is encouraged to wear protective equipment based on their own personal level of comfort during these unusual times. Ushers will assist by ushering you from the pew following the service. Please do not gather in the narthex. The church building will receive a thorough cleaning and disinfecting every week. If you are unable to attend yet, Pastor Schaefer will be glad to make arrangements with you for private Communion. We are posting the entire service on our website after each service. Sunday Adult Bible Class and Sunday School will resume at a later date.

The **church pantry** needs restocking. Please bring the following nonperishable items to the church basement stage; they will be donated to those in need:

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Paper towels

Toilet paper

Kleenex

**Toiletries** 

Toothpaste

Shampoo

Soap

Cleaning products

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Cereal

Juice

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Soups

Packaged meals

Dry milk

Mashed potato pkgs

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