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Sunday, September 18, 2022 Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

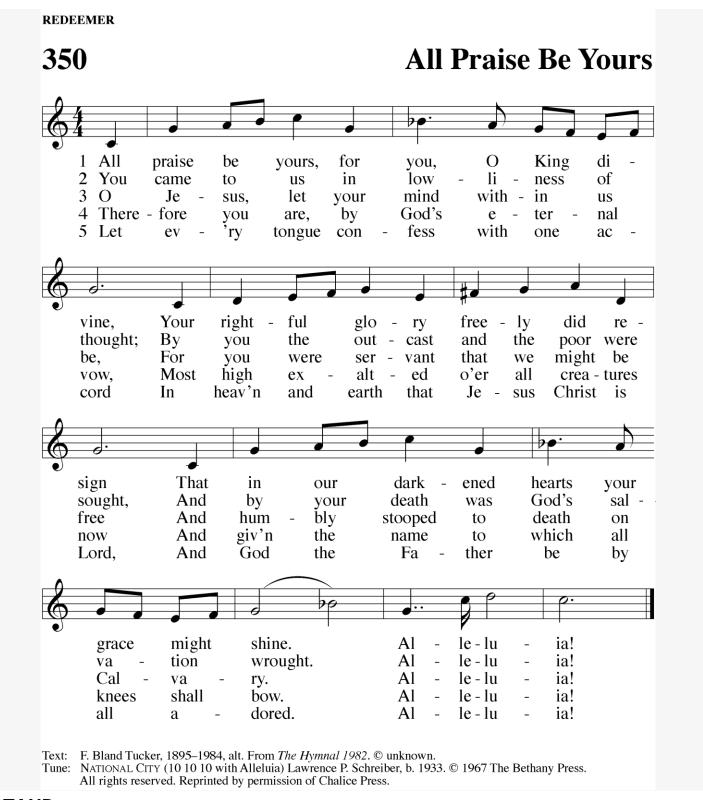
Service Notes:

- 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. 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

HYMN: #350 "All Praise Be Yours"

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STAND

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.

O Lord Jesus Christ, preserve the congregation of believers with your never-failing mercy. Help us avoid whatever is wicked and harmful, and guide us in the way that leads to our salvation; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



THE WORD

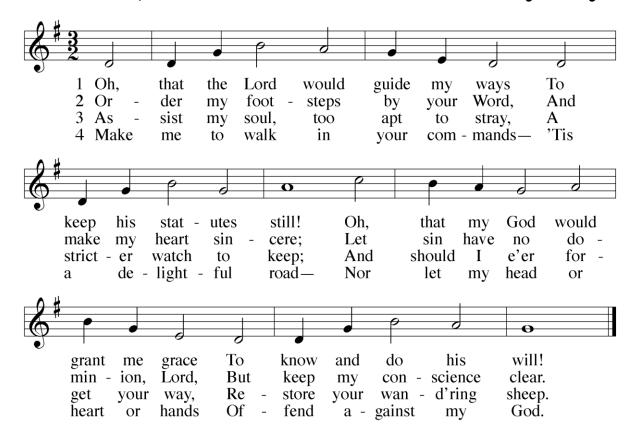
FIRST LESSON: Proverbs 25:6-7

Do not exalt yourself in the king's presence, and do not claim a place among his great men; ⁷ it is better for him to say to you, "Come up here," than for him to humiliate you before his nobles.

PSALM OF THE DAY: Psalm 119a

The congregation will sing **Hymn #462** "Oh, that the Lord Would Guide My Ways" Text: Isaac Watts (1674-1748)

462 Oh, that the Lord Would Guide My Ways



Text: Isaac Watts, 1674-1748, abr., alt.

Tune: EVAN (CM) William H. Havergal, 1793–1870, adapt.

SECOND LESSON: Hebrews 13:1-8

13 Keep on loving one another as brothers and sisters. ² Do not forget to show hospitality to strangers, for by so doing some people have shown hospitality to angels without knowing it. ³ Continue to remember those in prison as if you were together with them in prison, and those who are mistreated as if you yourselves were suffering.

⁴ Marriage should be honored by all, and the marriage bed kept pure, for God will judge the adulterer and all the sexually immoral. ⁵ Keep your lives free from the love of

money and be content with what you have, because God has said,

"Never will I leave you;
never will I forsake you."

⁶ So we say with confidence,

"The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid.

What can mere mortals do to me?"

⁷Remember your leaders, who spoke the word of God to you. Consider the outcome of their way of life and imitate their faith. ⁸ Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

VERSE OF THE DAY (sung by the soloist)

Alleluia! My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness. Alleluia! (2 Corinthians 12:19a)

STAND

GOSPEL: Luke 14:1,7-14

14 One Sabbath, when Jesus went to eat in the house of a prominent Pharisee, he was being carefully watched.

⁷ When he noticed how the guests picked the places of honor at the table, he told them this parable: ⁸ "When someone invites you to a wedding feast, do not take the place of honor, for a person more distinguished than you may have been invited. ⁹ If so, the host who invited both of you will come and say to you, 'Give this person your seat.' Then, humiliated, you will have to take the least important place. ¹⁰ But when you are invited, take the lowest place, so

that when your host comes, he will say to you, 'Friend, move up to a better place.' Then you will be honored in the presence of all the other guests. ¹¹ For all those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

¹² Then Jesus said to his host, "When you give a luncheon or dinner, do not invite your friends, your brothers or sisters, your relatives, or your rich neighbors; if you do, they may invite you back and so you will be repaid. ¹³ But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, ¹⁴ and you will be blessed. Although they cannot repay you, you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."



BE SEATED

GOSPEL RESPONSE: "A Prayer for Humility"

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Mighty God and gentle Lamb, Lord of all creation, how we long to know you, how we strive to serve you, help us now to love you even more.

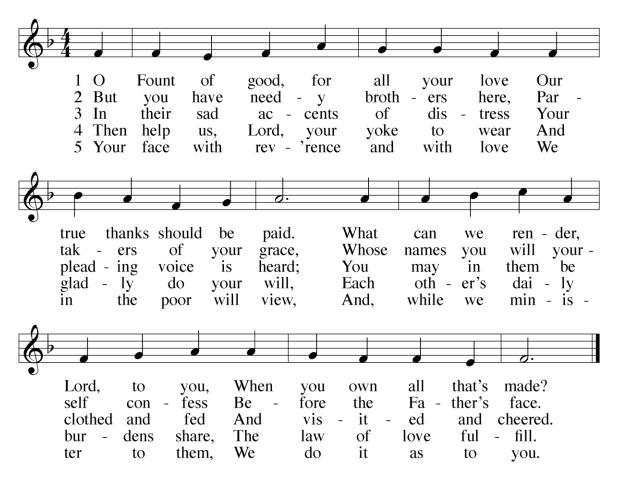
(Refrain) Give us humble hearts to praise you and listening ears to hear your voice, willing hands to serve you, thankful spirits to rejoice. Lord of all, we adore you, and we bring this prayer before you: Create in us humble hearts.

When our thoughts turn proud, remind us of the grace you freely give. When we lose our way, Lord, find us, draw us close to you again. (Refrain) Amen.

HYMN OF THE DAY: #524 "O Fount of Good, for All Your Love"

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O Fount of Good, for All Your Love



Text: Philip Doddridge, 1702–51; altered by Edward Osler, 1798–1863, alt. Tune: St. Flavian (CM) *The Whole Booke of Psalmes*, London, 1562, alt.

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 FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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

Heavenly Father, through the humiliation of Your Son, You have called us to a place at Your heavenly table. Teach us to treasure this place of honor, and so to spurn the foolish honors of this world. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

M: Lord God, our Shepherd, sustain the pastors of Your Church in their sacred charge. Establish them in Your stead, make their life of faith worthy of all honor and imitation, and inspire their hearers to honor You by honoring them. Lord, in Your mercy, C: hear our prayer.

M: O Lord our God, at the creation of Adam and Eve You instituted and blessed marriage as the lifelong union of a man and a woman, and You commanded that it be held in honor by all, as a sacred sign of Christ and His Bride, the Church. Grant Your blessing, therefore, to all husbands and wives, and to all who have pledged themselves to be united in holy matrimony according to Your Word, that their lives together in Your name may be sanctified by Your Holy Spirit in all wisdom, purity, self-sacrifice and love. Lord, in Your mercy, C: hear our prayer.

M: God of justice, You exalt the humble and humble the proud in Your own appointed time. We commend to You the

elected officials of our land. Grant them the desire to govern as though serving, and give them wisdom and courage to know what is right and to follow it. Lord, in Your mercy, C: hear our prayer.

M: O Lord, grant peace and healing according to Your will to the sick, the suffering, those troubled in mind, those suffering depression, and those with chronic illness and pain. Lord, in Your mercy, **C:** hear our prayer.

M: Grant Your Holy Spirit, O Lord, to all those who share the wedding feast of Christ, Your Son, that as they receive His body and blood from Your altar, they would eat and drink in true repentance and firm faith and to their abundant blessing. Lord, in Your mercy, **C:** hear our prayer.

M: Merciful God, You call on us to practice brotherly love, to show hospitality to strangers and to remember all those in need. We come to You confident that You will not leave us nor forsake us, but will grant us all that we need for this body and life. Bestow on us the full riches of Your grace for all the situations and circumstances in which Your people dwell. Lord, in Your mercy, C: hear our prayer.

M: Remembering that here we have no abiding city but that heaven is our home, give us Your aid, that we may by true faith and godly life prepare for the coming of our Savior, multiplying Your mercy by loving our neighbor in need and loving You with all our body, soul, strength and will; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

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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.

BE SEATED

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

NOTE: Please be prepared to receive the host in your outstretched hand, rather than in your mouth.

STAND

THE SACRAMENT

M: The Lord be with you.



C: And al - so with you.

M: Lift up your hearts.



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

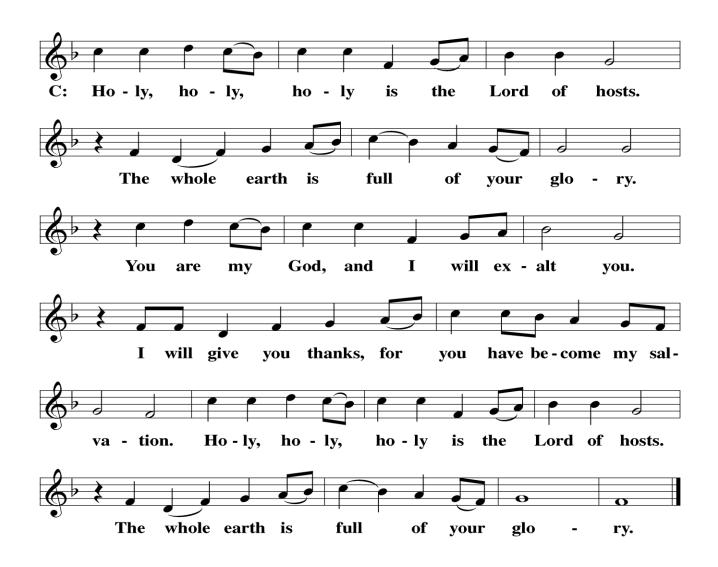


M: Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing.

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:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (Sanctus)



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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."

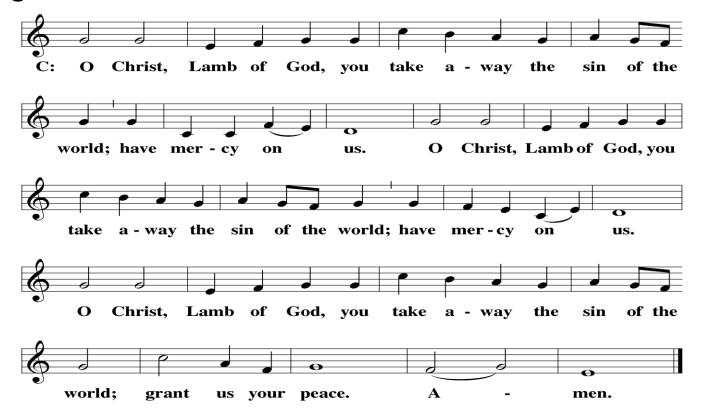
Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is the new testament in my (+) blood, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

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



O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD

Agnus Dei



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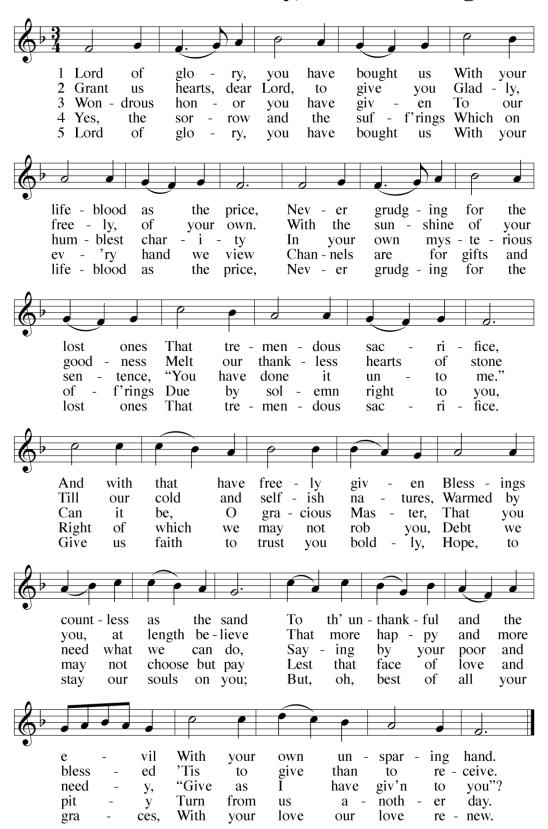
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Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us



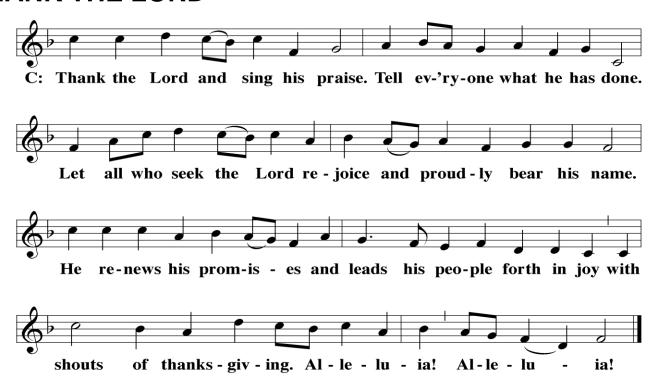
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THANKSGIVING

STAND

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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THIS WEEK AT ST. PETER'S

Today - 9:30 AM Divine Service

- 10:45 AM Lemonade on the Lawn

Wednesday – 9:30 AM Online Bible Class

Thursday - 7:00 PM Senior Choir Practice

Sunday - 9:30 AM Divine Service

11:00 AM Luncheon to honor Rebecca Lohrmann's forty years in the teaching ministry

Serving next week: Altar Guild – Gretchen Castellese;

Ushering – Team 2

Altar flowers are donated to the glory of God by Warren and Arlette Stobbe.

Thanks you to the Board of Stewardship, who hosted yesterday's Church Picnic and Preschool open house, and those who helped with food and other work.

Sunday school will begin Sunday, October 2nd after church. Pre-k, kindergarten and 1st grade will meet in the preschool classroom. If you have students who are older than that and are interested, please call or text Nancy Winkler at 734-718-5501. At the present time, there are no students who have expressed interest in that age group but we would be glad to organize a class for them.

Save the Date! We will celebrate Becky Lohrmann's 40th year of teaching next Sunday, September 25. A catered luncheon will start at 11 am. We will be taking a door offering for a gift, or it can be sent to the Church Office. A Signup Genius has been sent out for desserts and salads/ sides. Please help with this.

Mite Boxes are due next Sunday Sept 25. Please deposit them in the large Mite Box in the narthex. If you choose to write a check, please make it out to **St Peters Lutheran Ladies Guild**. **LWMS Fall Rally** is Saturday, October 29 at Immanuel, South Lyon. Registration begins at 8:30 AM. Save the date!

If you have used copies of our synod's **Meditations: Daily Devotions** at home that you want to donate to the Florida Prison Ministry, please bring them to church. They may be placed on the narthex window sills, or in a box labeled "Old Meditations" which is in the cry room. The Winkler family will take the booklets to Florida when they travel there in January.

PASTORAL CARE & MERCY – Please remember with prayers, cards and visits those whose needs have been reported.

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Food & Prizes (all night!)

Pep Band

Soccer @ 5:00

Varsity VB @ 6:30

Yard Games Face Painting Scavenger Hunt

Bounce House

Special visit by Harry The Hawk!



HURON VALLEY LHS FAMILY NIGHT

Friday, September 23rd at 4:30 p.m.

Please join us for a fun night on the campus of Huron Valley Lutheran High School! Free admission to the soccer and volleyball games! Free food! Yard games! Scavenger hunt and face painting for the kids! Enjoy our Pep Band and possibly win a door prize!

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