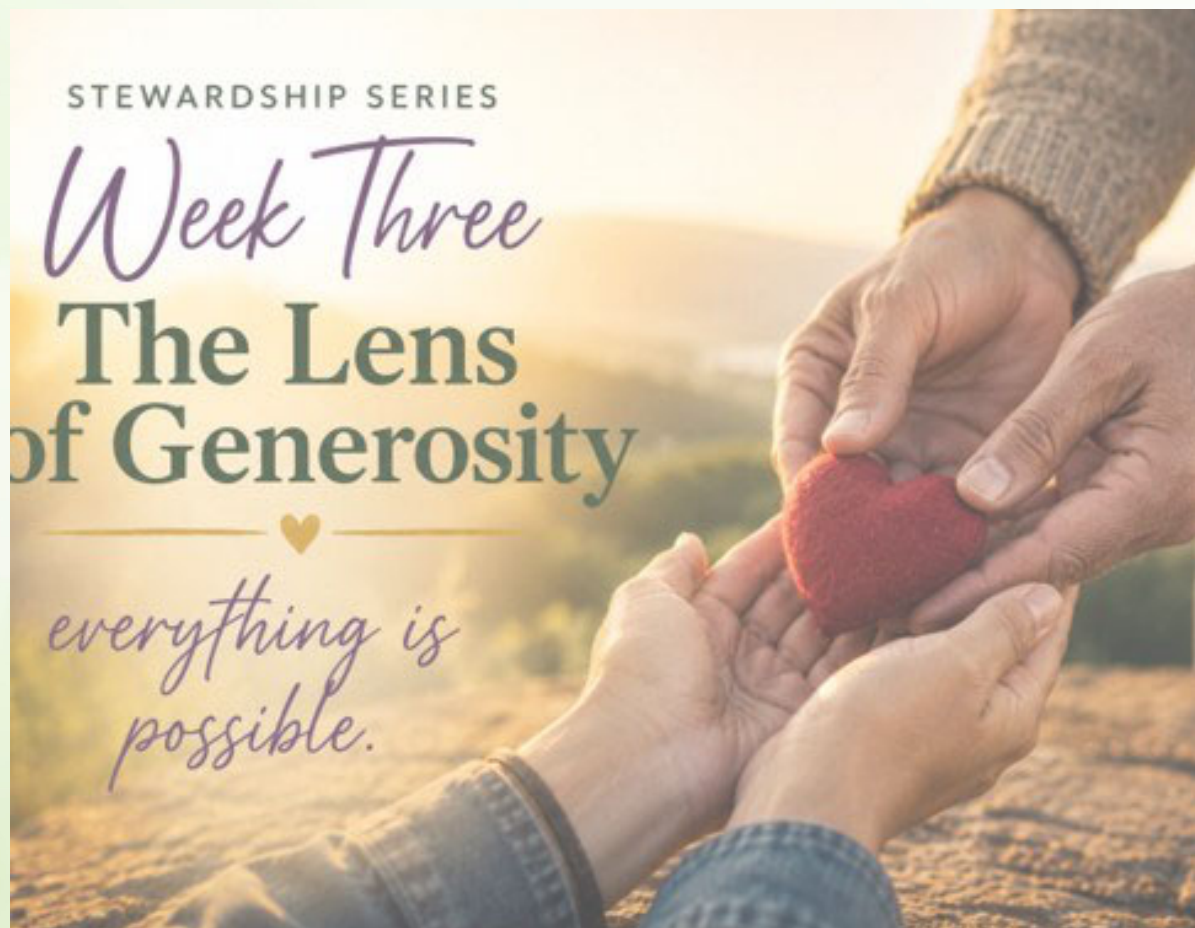




September 13, 2026
16th Sunday after Pentecost

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Welcome to Worship

Welcome to all God's guests, including those who call themselves "members" of this church names Ascension Lutheran Church more than 65 years ago.

A special welcome to guests who are here for the first time or who call yourselves “visitors” among the people of this community.

It is at God's invitation, through worship, the Holy Spirit calls each of us to come to a place of **community, communion** and **commitment**.

Each of us brings a different lens to worship, and yet, in a worshiping community, these differences become celebrations of diversity.

Children are always welcome in worship services;

Please silence your cellphone at this time

Welcome to Worship

Confession and Forgiveness

Please stand in body or spirit.

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God,
who pours love into our hearts
and healing upon the earth.

All Amen

P Let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Compassionate God,

**All we confess that we struggle to embody your goodness
in the world and in our own hearts.**

Creation groans from overuse.

Jealousy and bitterness strain our relationships.

Indifference keeps us from seeking justice.

Divisions disrupt your call to show genuine love to others.

Turn our hearts back to you.

Restore our world and reconcile us to one another.

Renew us to live as your holy people,

following the way of Jesus Christ. Amen.

P Hear this good news:

We have peace with God through ✝ Jesus Christ,
in whom there is no condemnation,
but only forgiveness and the promise of eternal life.
Receive freely this healing gift of grace.

All Amen.

Opening Song

God's Work, Our Hands



1 God's work, our hands: work - ing to - geth - er,
2 God's work, our feet: trav - 'ling to - geth - er,
3 God's work, our voice: sing - ing to - geth - er,
4 God is at work in and a - round us:



build - ing a fu - ture, re - pair - ing the world,
fol - low - ing Je - sus to plac - es un - known,
prais - ing, pro - claim - ing to all who will hear,
seed - lings are sprout - ing and bread's on the rise!



rais - ing up homes, plant - ing new gar - dens,
walk - ing as friends, march - ing for free - dom,
pray - ing for peace, shout - ing for jus - tice,
Washed and set free, hum - bled and hon - ored,



feed - ing the hun - gry and shelt - 'ring the cold.
run - ning the race with God's fu - ture the goal.
claim - ing God's love for the lost and the least.
gift - ed by grace, we re - spond in God's love.



Bless, God, our hands as we work in your name,
Bless, God, our feet as we fol - low your way,
Bless, God, our voice as we speak in your name,
Bless, God, our lives as we an - swer your call,



shar - ing the good news of your Gos - pel.

Greeting

P The Lord be with you

All And also with you.

Prayer for This Day

P O Lord God, enliven and preserve your church with your perpetual mercy.

All O Lord God, merciful judge, you are the inexhaustible fountain of forgiveness. Replace our hearts of stone with hearts that love and adore you, that we may delight in doing your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

You may be Seated

A Reading from 1 Chronicles, the 29th Chapter

⁹ Then the people rejoiced because these had given willingly, for with single mind they had offered freely to the Lord; King David also rejoiced greatly. ¹⁰ Then David blessed the Lord in the presence of all the assembly; David said, "Blessed are you, O Lord, the God of our ancestor Israel, forever and ever. ¹¹ Yours, O Lord, are the greatness, the power, the glory, the victory, and the majesty, for all that is in the heavens and on the earth is yours; yours is the kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as head above all. ¹² Riches and honor come from you, and you rule over all. In your hand are power and might, and it is in your hand to make great and to give strength to all. ¹³ And now, our God, we give thanks to you and praise your glorious name. ¹⁴ "But who am I, and what is my people, that we should be able to make this freewill offering? For all things come from you, and of your own have we given you.

WA The word of the Lord

All Thanks be to God!

A Reading from 2 Corinthians, the 9th Chapter

⁶ The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. ⁷ Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not regretfully or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. ⁸ And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work.

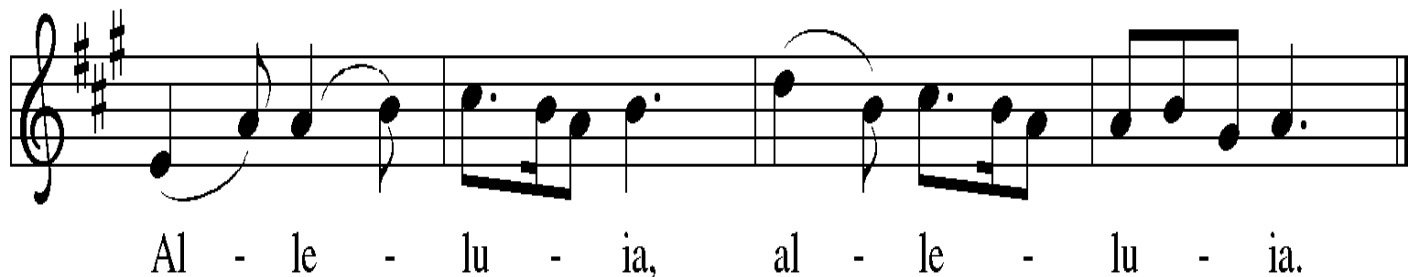
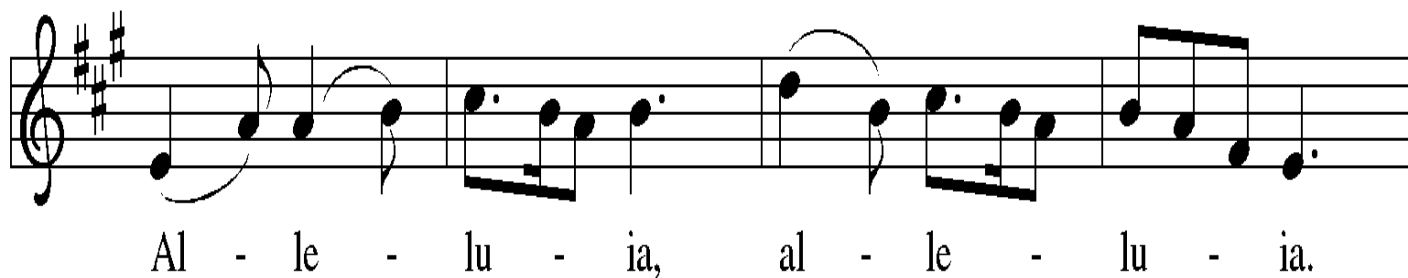
2 Corinthians 9:6-8

WA The word of the Lord

All Thanks be to God!

Gospel Acclamation

Please stand in body or spirit.



Gospel Reading

P The Holy Gospel according to St Mark, the 12th chapter.

All Glory to you, O Lord.

⁴¹ He sat down opposite the treasury and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. ⁴² A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. ⁴³ Then he called his disciples and said to them, “Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. ⁴⁴ For all of them have contributed out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on.”

Mark 12:41–44

P The Gospel of our Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

[You may be Seated](#)

Children's Sermon

Sharen Kamp

Noisy Offering

*Each week our congregation is **led by children** to collect pocket change and small bills. Through this offering, we are reminded that together, the smallest of offerings can change lives and make “hope & love” tangible.*

The children have chosen Family Promise of Ogden to receive this monetary blessing for this season.

Today's Message

Sharen Kamp

Hymn of the Day

Please stand in body or spirit.

I Will Offer Up My Life

Words and Music by
Matt Redman

1 I will of - fer up my life, in spir - it and truth,____
2 You de - serve my ev - 'ry breath, for You've paid the great cost,____

____ pour - ing out the oil of love as my wor - ship to You.____
____ giv - ing up Your life to death, e - ven death on a cross.____

____ In sur - ren - der I must give, my ev - 'ry part.____
____ You took all my shame a - way, there de - feat - ed my sin,____

____ Lord, re - ceive the sac - ri - fice of a bro - ken heart.____
____ o - pened up the gates of heav'n and have beck - oned me in.____

____ Je - sus, what can I give,____ what can I bring____ to so faith - ful a friend,____

____ to so lov - ing a King?____ Sav - ior, what can be said,____ what can be sung____

____ as a praise of Your name____ for the things You have done?____

____ Oh, my words could not tell,____ not e - ven in part____

____ of the debt of love that is owed____ by this thank - ful heart.____

1 2

Apostles' Creed

P Let us join together with the saints across the ages confessing our faith with the words of the Apostles' 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,
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.**

You may be Seated

Prayers of The People

WA Reminded of God's gracious and abundant love, we offer our prayers, confident that God hears us.



O Lord, hear our prayer we of-fer up to you; O Lord, hear our prayer.

(each prayer petition ends with)

L: Hear us, O God,

All: Your mercy is great.

Sharing of the Peace

Please stand in body or spirit.

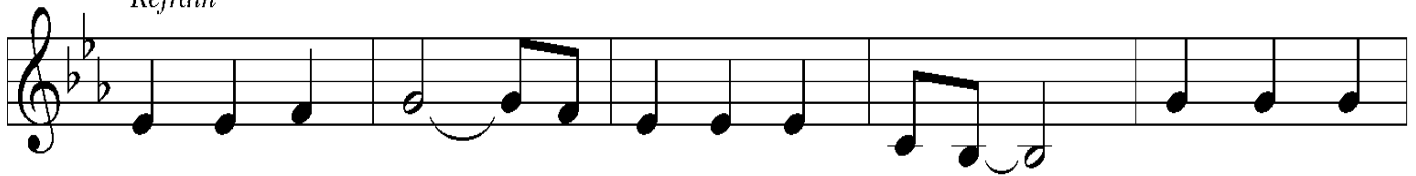
P Jesus Christ become peace with you.

All And also with you.

You may be Seated

Offering

Refrain



All that we have and all that we of - fer comes from a



heart both fright-ened and free. Take what we bring now and



give what we need, all done in your name.

Offertory Prayer

P Let us pray:

Loving God, we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts.

All Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love,
so that all creation can taste your abundance.

**We ask this in the name of Jesus,
through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever. Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving and Words of Institution

P The Lord be with you [*Please stand in body or spirit.*](#)

All And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give God thanks and praise.

P In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

The Lord's Prayer [*Please stand in body or spirit.*](#)

P Make us bold, O merciful God, to address you as our Abba
as we pray:

**All 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.**

The Invitation

P Christ invites you to this table.

All who are thirsty, all who are hungry, come!

Note: the communion cups on the periphery of the tray contain red wine
while the cups in the center contain white grape juice.

Gluten Free wafers are available - ask the communion attendant

Communion Songs

You may be Seated

Freely Freely

Words and Music by
Carol Owens

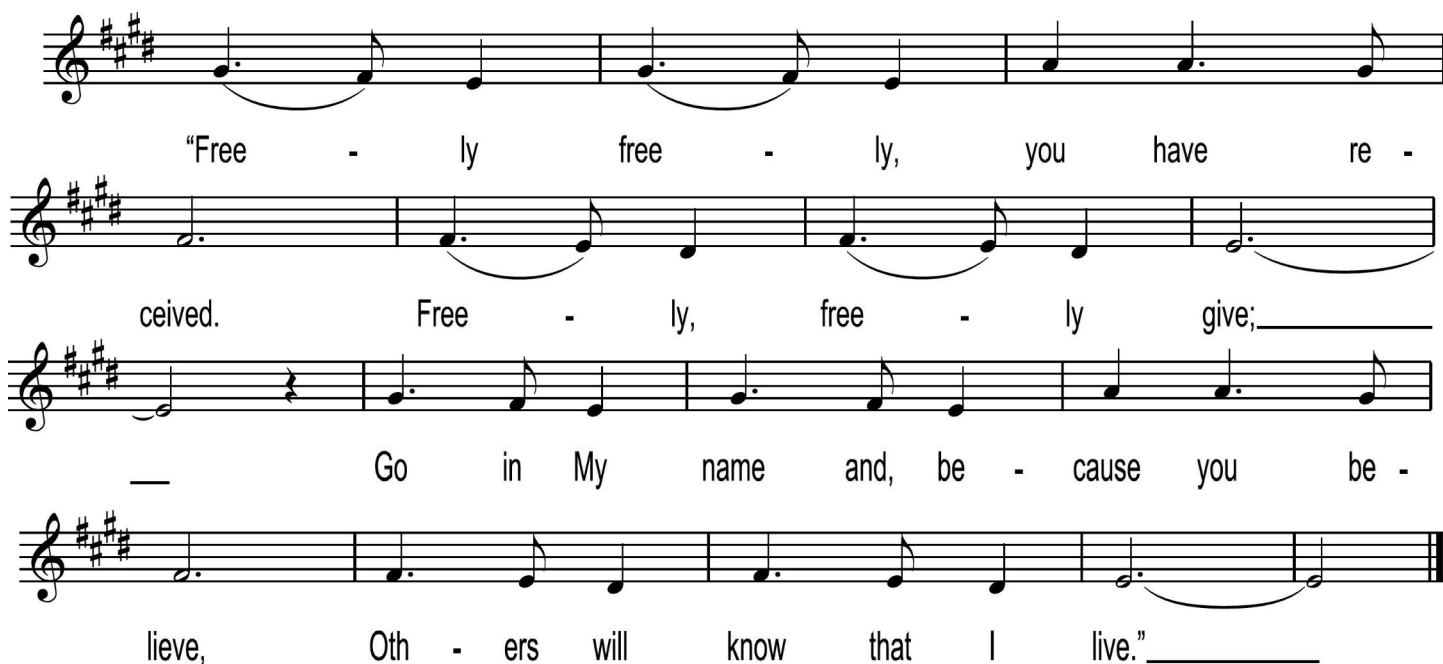
1 God for - gave my sin in Je - sus'
2 All _____ pow'r is giv'n in Je - sus'

name, I've been born a - gain in
name, In _____ earth and heav'n in

Je - sus' name; And in Je - sus' name |
Je - sus' name; And in Je - sus' name |

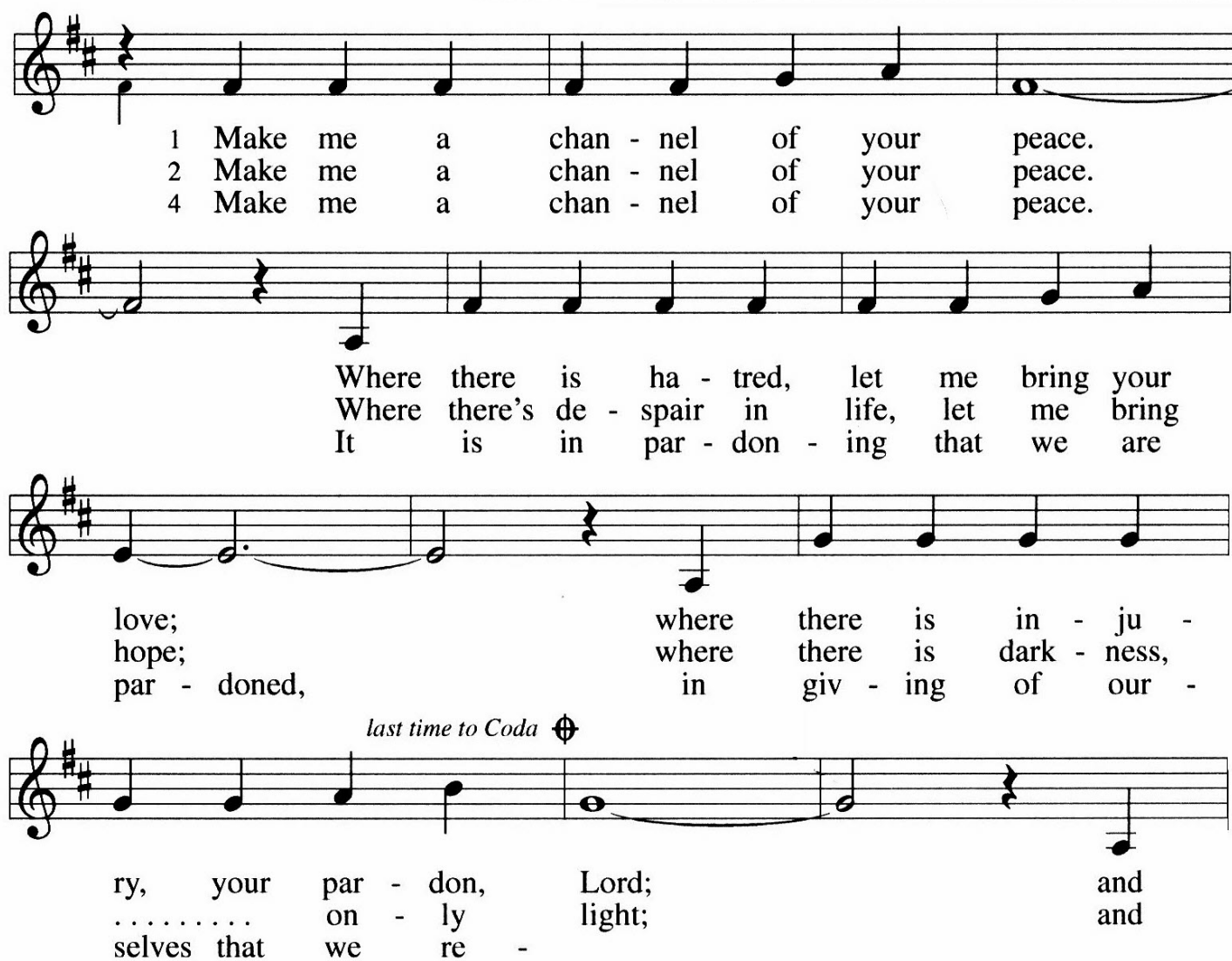
come to you To share His
come to you to share His

love as He told me to: He said,
pow'r as He told me to: He said,



Free - ly free - ly, you have re -
ceived. Free - ly, free - ly give;
Go in My name and, be - cause you be -
lieve, Oth - ers will know that I live."

Make Me a Channel of Your Peace



1 Make me a chan - nel of your peace.
2 Make me a chan - nel of your peace.
4 Make me a chan - nel of your peace.

Where there is ha - tred, let me bring your
Where there's de - spair in life, let me bring
It is in par - don - ing that we are

love; where there is in - ju -
hope; where there is dark - ness,
par - doned, in giv - ing of our -

last time to Coda ⊕

ry, your par - don, Lord; and
..... on - ly light; and
selves that we re -

where there's doubt, true faith in you.
 where there's sad - ness, ev - er joy.

3 O Mas - ter, grant that I may nev - er

seek so much to be con - soled as to con -

sole, to be un - der - stood

as to un - der - stand, to be

loved as to love with all my soul.

D.C. (stanza 4) al coda

⌘ *Coda*

ceive and in dy - ing that we're

born to e - ter - nal life.

Post Communion Blessing and Prayer [Please stand in body or spirit.](#)

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

All Amen

P Sustaining God,
with this bread and cup,
you nourish us with mercy and abundant life.

**All By your Spirit, send us from this table to serve a needy world.
Make us living signs of your liberation, healing, and love,
following the way of Jesus, in whose name we pray. Amen.**

Please be seated for
Stewardship of Life & Ministry Announcements

Benediction [Please stand in body or spirit.](#)

P The God of love
draw you into full accord and one mind,
in the body of Christ Jesus.

All Amen.

P The God of hope
grant you strength and joy in all circumstances
through the interceding of the Spirit.

All Amen.

P The God of grace
✠ bless you now and forever.

All Amen.

Closing Song

SEND US OUT James Hersch



We have been called by the Lord. We have been saved by the Word.
We who were bound by our shame, ruled by our fears with - in.



Now let the Word be re - stored. Now let the Gos - pel be heard. Send us
Stand and de - clare by the name free - dom from all of our sin.



out to teach what God has done. Send us out to reach ev - 'ry



sin - gle one. Send us out. Send us out.



Teach what God has done. Reach ev - 'ry sin - gle one.



Teach what God has done. Reach ev - 'ry sin - gle one. Send us

D.S. al Fine

Dismissal

WA Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true,
whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever
is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and
if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things.

Philippians 4:8

Go in peace. Share your gifts.

All Thanks be to God!

Readings for next Sunday
September 20th
Pentecost 17

First Reading:	Jonah 3:10- 4:11
Psalm:	Psalm 145: 1-8
Second Reading:	Philippians 1:21-30
Gospel:	Matthew 20:1-16

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