

**Fifteenth Sunday after
Pentecost
Lectionary 22
August 27-28, 2016**



Prelude

Gathering Song *Around You, O Lord Jesus* **Hymn #468**

Hymn of the Day *Where Charity and Love Prevail* **Hymn #359**

Offering Music

Music During Communion

Sending Song *Lead On, O Kind Eternal!* **Hymn #805**

Postlude

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

O God, you resist those who are proud and give grace to those who are humble. Give us the humility of your Son, that we may embody the generosity of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

The assembly is seated.

FIRST READING: Proverbs 25:6–7

The book of Proverbs is part of a collection of writings known as wisdom literature. Wisdom literature gave directions to Israel's leaders and people for the conduct of daily life. Today's reading is about humility.

A: *A reading from Proverbs.*

⁶Do not put yourself forward in the king's presence
or stand in the place of the great;

⁷for it is better to be told, "Come up here,"
than to be put lower in the presence of a noble.

What your eyes have seen

The word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 112

Read Responsively by whole verse (bold type)

¹Hallelujah! Happy are they who fear the LORD
and have great delight in God's commandments!

²**Their descendants will be mighty in the land;
the generation of the upright will be blessed.**

³Wealth and riches will be in their house,
and their righteousness will last forever.

⁴**Light shines in the darkness for the upright;
the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.**

⁵It is good for them to be generous in lending
and to manage their affairs with justice.

⁶**For they will never be shaken;
the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.**

⁷They will not be afraid of any evil rumors;
their heart is steadfast, trusting in the LORD.

⁸**Their heart is established and will not shrink,
until they see their desire upon their enemies.**

⁹They have given freely to the poor, and their righteousness stands fast
forever;

they will hold up their head with honor.

¹⁰**The wicked will see it and be angry; they will gnash their teeth and
pine away;**

the desires of the wicked will perish.

SECOND READING: Hebrews 13:1–8, 15–16

The conclusion of the letter to the Hebrews contains suggestions for the conduct of a holy life, all of which are shaped by God's love toward us in Jesus Christ.

A: *A reading from Hebrews*

Let mutual love continue. ²Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. ³Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. ⁴Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. ⁵Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." ⁶So we can say with confidence,

"The Lord is my helper;

I will not be afraid.

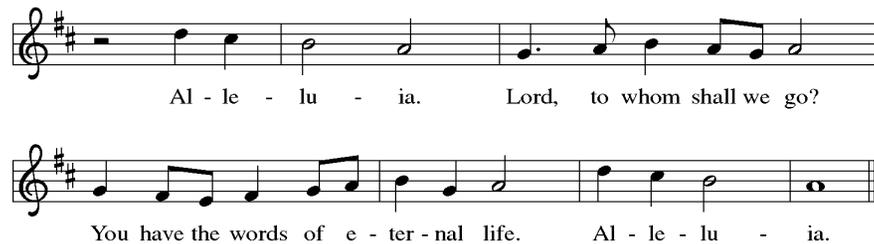
What can anyone do to me?"

⁷Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. ⁸Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. ¹⁵Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. ¹⁶Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

The word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

The assembly stands to welcome the gospel.



P:*The holy gospel according to St. Luke.*

C: Glory to you, O Lord

GOSPEL: Luke 14:1, 7-14

Jesus observes guests jockeying for position at the table. He uses the opportunity to teach his hearers to choose humility rather than self-exaltation. Jesus also makes an appeal for hosts to mimic God's gracious hospitality to the poor and the broken.

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely. ⁷When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. ⁸When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; ⁹and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, 'Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. ¹⁰But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. ¹¹For all who exalt

themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

¹²He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. ¹³But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. ¹⁴And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

(Petition Response to Hear us, O God: **Your mercy is great.**)

*Gladys Astor-Philibert, Organist & Choir Director
Elaine DiChiara, Administrative Assistant
Roxanne Toomey, Deacon
Dina Sferlazza, Nursery School Director*

Time After Pentecost Lectionary 22 August 27-28, 2016

We Welcome all visitors to our services. Please introduce yourself and sign our guest book on the desk in the Sanctuary. On Sunday mornings we invite you to join us for Coffee Hour in Room 2000 immediately following the 9:00 am worship service.

The Altar Flowers this morning are given by **Marilyn Beck and Family** in loving memory of **Josephine and Frederick Beisner** on their birthday anniversaries; by **Regina Coons** in loving memory of her husband, **Robert**, on his birthday anniversary; by **Mr. & Mrs. Rich DeMaria and Family** in loving memory of **Alfred Supranowich** on

his birthday anniversary; by **Doris Gannon** in memory of **Charlotte Morrish** on her birthday anniversary and by **Lilly Ann Munnich and Family** in memory of **Lilly Pettersson** on her birthday anniversary.

Parents with Restless Children may wish to move to the Library where a loudspeaker has been installed so that they may continue to follow the service in more comfortable surroundings.

Serving Today

Deacon: 9:00-Roxanne Toomey

Lector: 9:00-Roxanne Toomey

Communion Assistants: 9:00-Julie Fisher, Lilly Ann Munnich

Acolyte: 9:00-Grace Ackermann

Crucifer: 9:00-

Ushers: 9:00-Hans Vogel, Eric Juergens, Michael Soethout

Altar Guild: Doris Ohlander, Joan Drake, Norma Mantay, Regina Coons

Counters: Roger Ohlander, Doris Ohlander, Dennis Colton,
Eileen Colton

Flower Delivery: Nancy Pisani

Coffee Hour Hosts: Hans Vogel, Wayne Wagner, Dot Browe, Jan Eastlund

Announcements for the Week of August 27-28, 2016

Many Thanks Hans Vogel, Wayne Wagner, Dot Browe & Jan Eastlund for hosting our Coffee Hour on Sunday!

Please Note – The Christian Nursery School is currently looking for a Teacher for the Pre-K Class - see bulletin insert and visit our website for additional information.

Also note the special bulletin insert regarding the 5K Run/Walk to break the silence on ovarian cancer in memory of **Lynn Geestmann-Cerra**.

We need volunteers for our Community Garden. After the initial planting, we will need to keep up with weeding and watering the plants. The meeting dates are Tuesdays and Thursdays at 7:00 pm and Saturdays at 3:30 pm. If you are interested, you may call Bill Carman at 1-631-300-6769.

As we celebrate our 90th Anniversary, please remember to share your family's history and pictures of your church life. They will be added to a Christ Lutheran Church Anniversary booklet for present and future generations to enjoy. You may send them to the Church office 3384 Island Road, Wantagh, NY 11793.

Nursery School Registration for Fall 2016 - 2017 is currently taking place. Spaces are still available. Any questions about enrollment, please call the Nursery School Office at 679-8425.

The following people are on our prayer list ~ we especially remember them in our prayers today ~

Brianna Ackermann, Gladys Astor-Philibert, Jose Alves, Joe Badome, Cathy Boyer, Carole Brodman, Dot Browe, Carolyn Brunjes, William Callanan, Kathy Cardone, Donna Chillemi, Frank DiBella, Lillian Eastlund, Ann Fields, Mariette Fisher, Doris Gannon, Chuck Jaeger, Alvina Klatt, Frank Klatt, Sara Krupitzky, Marion Schmidt Lang, Janet McShea, William McShea, Alex Medina, Enrique Padilla, Beryl Please, Ken Sparke, George & Marylou Steele, Angela Ucci, Mickey Wehr, Justin

The color for the regular Sundays of the season of Pentecost is GREEN; a color of growth and activity. This season focuses on the significance of the church as a sign of God's continuing presence and activity in the world. The season of Pentecost stretches all the way to the end of the church year which begins again with Advent.

REMINDER ~ THRIFT SHOP HOURS:

Friday ~ 9 am - 3 pm
1st Saturday of month ~ 10 am - 2 pm

ST. JOHN'S FOOD PANTRY NEEDS:

juice, peas, pancake mix, syrup, canned fruit, stew, hash, beef soups, salmon, mayonnaise, evaporated milk, tuna helper, tuna, penne, laundry soap, toilet tissue, toothpaste, dish detergent, peanut butter, decaf coffee and cooking oil. Please check expiration dates on the packaged foods before you donate the item.

Your donations are very much appreciated. Thank you!

Weekly Calendar

Sat.	5:00pm	Eucharist Worship Service
Sun.	9:00am	Time After Pentecost ~ Lectionary 22
		Holy Eucharist
	10:00am	Coffee Hour
Fri.		SPIRE DEADLINE
		THRIFT SHOP
Sat.	10am-2pm	THRIFT SHOP
	5:00pm	Eucharist Worship Service
Sun.	9:00am	Time After Pentecost – Lectionary 23 ~
		Holy Eucharist
	10:00am	Coffee Hour
Mon.		LABOR DAY - Office Closed