

# Order of Worship

*Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost*  
*Sunday, September 13, 2020 – 10:15 a.m.*

## WELCOME

## OPENING SONG

### *“Glory To God Forever”*

Before the world was made, Before You spoke it to be,  
You were the King of kings yeah, You were, yeah You were!  
And now, You’re reigning still, Enthroned above all things;  
Angels and saints cry out, We join them as we sing:

*Chorus:*

**Glory to God, glory to God, Glory to God forever!**  
**Glory to God, glory to God, Glory to God forever!**

Creator, God You gave me breath, so I could praise  
Your great and matchless name All my days, all my days!  
So, let my whole life be A blazing offering  
A life that shouts and sings The greatness of our King! *Chorus*

Take my life, and let it be all for You, and for Your glory;  
Take my life and let it be Yours.  
Take my life, and let it be all for You, and for Your glory;  
Take my life and let it be Yours. We sing: *Chorus Twice*

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## INVOCATION

Pastor: In the Name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

All: **Amen.**

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

All: **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

Pastor: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father. Most merciful God,

**All:** we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

**Pastor:** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained servant of the Word, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**All:** Amen.

### THE OLD TESTAMENT READING

### GENESIS 50:15-21

<sup>15</sup>When Joseph's brothers saw that their father was dead, they said, "It may be that Joseph will hate us and pay us back for all the evil that we did to him." <sup>16</sup>So they sent a message to Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this command before he died, <sup>17</sup>'Say to Joseph, Please forgive the transgression of your brothers and their sin, because they did evil to you.' And now, please forgive the transgression of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. <sup>18</sup>His brothers also came and fell down before him and said, "Behold, we are your servants." <sup>19</sup>But Joseph said to them, "Do not fear, for am I in the place of God? <sup>20</sup>As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good, to bring it about that many people should be kept alive, as they are today. <sup>21</sup>So do not fear; I will provide for you and your little ones." Thus he comforted them and spoke kindly to them.

### THE GOSPEL READING

### MATTHEW 18:21-35

<sup>21</sup>Peter came up and said to [Jesus], "Lord, how often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?" <sup>22</sup>Jesus said to him, "I do not say to you seven times, but seventy times seven. <sup>23</sup>"Therefore the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. <sup>24</sup>When he began to settle, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents. <sup>25</sup>And since he could not pay, his master ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made. <sup>26</sup>So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' <sup>27</sup>And out of pity for him, the master of that servant released him and forgave him the debt. <sup>28</sup>But when that same servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii, and seizing him, he began to choke him, saying, 'Pay what you owe.' <sup>29</sup>So his fellow servant fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' <sup>30</sup>He refused and went and put him in prison until he should pay the debt. <sup>31</sup>When his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their master all that had taken place.

<sup>32</sup> Then his master summoned him and said to him, ‘You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. <sup>33</sup> And should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?’ <sup>34</sup> And in anger his master delivered him to the jailers, until he should pay all his debt. <sup>35</sup> So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart.”

## CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

## SONG

### *“Great Things”*

Come, let us worship our King. Come, let us bow at His feet.  
He has done great things. See what our Savior has done.  
See how His love overcomes.  
He has done great things. He has done great things.

*Chorus:*

**O Hero of Heaven, You conquered the grave.  
You free ev’ry captive and break ev’ry chain.  
O God, You have done great things. We dance in Your freedom, awake and alive.  
O Jesus our Savior, Your name lifted high. O God, You have done great things.**

You’ve been faithful through ev’ry storm. You’ll be faithful forevermore.  
You have done great things. And I know You will do it again  
For Your promise is Yes and Amen. You will do great things.  
God, You do great things. *Chorus*

Hallelujah, God above it all! Hallelujah, God unshakable!  
Hallelujah, You have done great things!  
Hallelujah, God Above it all! Hallelujah, God unshakable!  
Hallelujah, You have done great things! You’ve done great things. *Chorus*

You have done great things. O God, You do great things!

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THE SERMON

REV. GLENN LUCAS

*“Forgiven Forgive”*

## APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the Communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

## MUSICAL OFFERING

### *"Making Disciples"*

by Michael Giron

## ABIDING PRAISE

## OFFERING

*At this time, you may give your offering electronically.*

[www.abidingsavior.com/church/give](http://www.abidingsavior.com/church/give)

*You may also mail your offering to:*

*Abiding Savior Lutheran Church*

*23262 El Toro Rd.*

*Lake Forest, CA 92630*

*or*

*Drop your offering off at the above address,  
Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.*

## PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 for ever and ever. Amen.

**REGARDING HOLY COMMUNION:** *As Lutheran communicants, we believe that Jesus Christ is truly present in this Holy Supper. Be mindful of the words of St. Paul: "We ought to examine ourselves before we eat of the bread and drink of the cup." (1 Corinthians 11:28)*

*Are you truly sorry for your sins? Do you believe that your sins are forgiven because Jesus died for them? Do you believe that Jesus gives you his own body and blood in the Sacrament as a seal of that forgiveness? Is it your sincere intention to do better in living a Christian life? Then come, and receive assurance and strengthening from Jesus.*

**NOTE:** *In the center of each communion tray are a few glasses with grape juice wine for those who are on alcohol restrictive medications or who, for personal reasons, wish to abstain from wine. Also we have gluten-free communion wafers available for those who need them. They are in the small plastic containers on the wafer trays (patens). The empty plastic containers may be placed in the bags with the used communion cups.*

#### **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: Take, eat; this is My † body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of me. In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: Drink of it, all of you; this is My † blood of the new testament, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.

#### **THE PEACE**

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

#### **DISTRIBUTION SONGS**

##### ***"In Christ Alone"***

In Christ alone my hope is found, He is my light, my strength, my song;  
This cornerstone, this solid ground,  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.  
What heights of love, what depths of peace,  
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease.  
My comforter, my all in all, Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, who took on flesh, Fullness of God in helpless Babe!  
This gift of love and righteousness, Scorned by the ones He came to save.  
'Till on the cross, as Jesus died, The wrath of God was satisfied.  
For ev'ry sin on Him was laid; Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay, Light of the world by darkness slain;  
Then, bursting forth in glorious day, Up from the grave He rose again!  
And as He stands in victory, Sin's curse has lost its grip on me;  
For I am His and He is mine, Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death, This is the pow'r of Christ in me;  
From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.  
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man, Can ever pluck me from His hand;  
'Till He returns or calls me home, Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand!

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### *"Behold The Lamb"*

Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away. Slain for us: and we remember  
The promise made that all who come in faith Find forgiveness at the cross.  
So, we share in this Bread of Life, And we drink of His sacrifice,  
As a sign of our bonds of peace Around the table of the King.

The body of our Savior, Jesus Christ, Torn for you: eat and remember  
The wounds that heal, the death that brings us life,  
Paid the price to make us one.  
So, we share in this Bread of Life, And we drink of His sacrifice,  
As a sign of our bonds of love Around the table of the King.

The blood that cleanses every stain of sin, Shed for you: drink and remember  
He drained death's cup that all may enter in To receive the life of God.  
So, we share in this Bread of Life, And we drink of His sacrifice,  
As a sign of our bonds of grace Around the table of the King.

And so with thankfulness and faith we rise To respond and to remember  
Our call to follow in the steps of Christ As His body here on earth.  
As we share in His suffering, We proclaim: Christ will come again!  
And we'll join in the feast of heav'n Around the table of the King.

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## THE DISMISSAL

## THE BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord look upon you with favor and † give you peace. Amen.

CLOSING SONG

*"Our God Saves"*

In the Name of the Father, in the Name of the Son,  
In the Name of the Spirit, Lord, we come;  
We're gathered together to lift up Your Name,  
To call on our Savior, to fall on Your grace;

Hear the joyful sound of our offering as Your saints bow down,  
As Your people sing; We will rise with You, lifted on Your wings,  
And the world will see that

Our God saves, our God saves;  
There is hope in Your Name; Mourning turns to songs of praise;  
Our God saves, our God saves.

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*We Pray For This Week*

Steve & Amanda Sonntag & Family, Mary Jean Spallino, Nellie Spencer,  
Nikki Spratt & Family, Paul Stoppelman & Family, Bernard Strickland,  
Michael & Patricia Stroube & Family, Dana & Barb Swango & Family,  
Rachel Lefkoff, Lisa Rodriguez

*Keep in Your Prayers*

**Prayers for strength and healing, guidance and blessing for:**

Brian Adams	Patricia Howard	Maggie Winn
Terri Green	Jeanne Kelly	
Alexander Hernandez	Jan Morton	

**We pray for those who are recovering:**

Rocky Hewitt	Brad Morton
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