

**10th Sunday after Trinity**

August 9th, 2026

Liturgy: TLH p. 5

Organist: Pastor Em. John Klatt



# It is I.

DO NOT BE AFRAID.



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## ✠ Opening Prayer ✠

Hymn: TLH #17

“Oh, Worship the King”

**P** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** ♪ **Amen.**

**P** Pastor

### Confession of Our Sins

**C** Congregation

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*We come before God recognizing that we are sinful and daily need His forgiveness.*

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**P** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

**P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C** ♪ **Who made heaven and earth.**

**P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.

**C** ♪ **And Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.**

**P** Almighty God our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto Thee that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against Thee by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Thine infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Thy grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**C** **O most merciful God, who hast given Thine only begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Thy Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of Thee and of Thy will and true obedience to Thy Word, to the end that by Thy grace we may come to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### Absolution from Our God

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*“If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.” (1 John 1:9)*

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**P** Almighty God, our heavenly Father, hath had mercy upon us and hath given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To them that believe on His name He giveth power to become the children of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord unto us all.

**C** ♪ **Amen.**

## The Introit

Ps. 34:1, 4-8

*A collection of passages that set the tone for the service.*

- P** I will bless the Lord at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.
- C** **I sought the Lord, and he answered me and delivered me from all my fears.**
- P** Those who look to him are radiant, and their faces shall never be ashamed.
- C** **This poor man cried, and the Lord heard him and saved him out of all his troubles.**
- P** The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear him, and delivers them.
- C** **Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good! Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him!**

## The Gloria Patri

TLH #237:1

*Latin for "Glory be to the Father."*

- C** ♪ **All glory be to God on high, Who hath our race befriended! To us no harm shall now come nigh, The strife at last is ended; God showeth His good will to men, And peace shall reign on earth again; Oh, thank Him for His goodness!**

## The Salutation

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** ♪ **And with thy spirit.**

## The Collect Prayer of the Day

- P** Almighty and most merciful God, preserve us from all harm and danger that we, being ready in both body and soul, may cheerfully accomplish what You want done; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** ♪ **Amen.**



### Job 38:4-18

"Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. <sup>5</sup> Who determined its measurements—surely

you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? <sup>6</sup> On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone, <sup>7</sup> when the morning stars sang together and all the sons of God shouted for joy? <sup>8</sup> "Or who shut in the sea with doors when it burst out from the womb, <sup>9</sup> when I made clouds its garment and thick darkness its swaddling band, <sup>10</sup> and prescribed limits for it and set bars and doors, <sup>11</sup> and said, 'Thus far shall you come, and no farther, and here shall your proud waves be stayed'? <sup>12</sup> "Have you commanded the morning since your days began, and caused the dawn to know its place, <sup>13</sup> that it might take hold of the skirts of the earth, and the wicked be shaken out of it? <sup>14</sup> It is changed like clay under the seal, and its features stand out like a garment. <sup>15</sup> From the wicked their light is withheld, and their uplifted arm is broken. <sup>16</sup> "Have you entered into the springs of the sea, or walked in the recesses of the deep? <sup>17</sup> Have the gates of death been revealed to you, or have you seen the gates of deep darkness? <sup>18</sup> Have you comprehended the expanse of the earth? Declare, if you know all this.



## Romans 10:5-17

For Moses writes about the righteousness that is based on the law, that the person who does the commandments shall live by them. <sup>6</sup> But the righteousness based on faith says, "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?'" (that is, to bring Christ down) <sup>7</sup> "or 'Who will descend into the abyss?'" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). <sup>8</sup> But what does it say? "The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); <sup>9</sup> because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. <sup>10</sup> For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. <sup>11</sup> For the Scripture says, "Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame." <sup>12</sup> For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; for the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. <sup>13</sup> For

“everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”  
<sup>14</sup> How then will they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? <sup>15</sup> And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!” <sup>16</sup> But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, “Lord, who has believed what he has heard from us?” <sup>17</sup> So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

## Confession of Faith

*The Apostles' Creed*

### **C** I BELIEVE...

**in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;**

**I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there 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.**

Hymn: TLH #381

*“I Know My Faith is Founded”*



### **Matthew 14:22-33**

Immediately he made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. <sup>23</sup> And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, <sup>24</sup> but the boat by this time was a long way from the land, beaten by the waves, for the wind was against them. <sup>25</sup> And in the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. <sup>26</sup> But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, and said, “It is a ghost!” and they cried out in fear. <sup>27</sup>

But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, "Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid." <sup>28</sup> And Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." <sup>29</sup> He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus. <sup>30</sup> But when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, "Lord, save me." <sup>31</sup> Jesus immediately reached out his hand and took hold of him, saying to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" <sup>32</sup> And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. <sup>33</sup> And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

### **RED HERRING ON THE SEA OF GALILEE**

*(Keep on the Scent of God's Word)*

**Red Herring 1:** Of Bodily Distraction

**Red Herring 2:** Of Fear

**Red Herring 3:** Of Wind and Waves

#### **The Offertory**

**C** *♪ Create in me a clean heart, O God, And renew a right spirit within me Cast me not away from Thy presence; And take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation; And uphold me with thy free spirit. Amen.*

✠ **The Offering of Thankful Hearts** ✠

**Hymn: TLH #649**

*"Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me"*

✠ **The General Prayer & The Lord's Prayer** ✠

#### **The Benediction**

*Numbers 6:24-26*

*The blessing given by God for His people.*

**P** The LORD bless you and keep you; The LORD make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you; The LORD lift up His countenance upon you and give you His peace.

**C** *♪ Amen, amen, a – men.*

**Hymn: Projector** (LSB #717) *"Eternal Father, Strong to Save"*

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**Ladies' Aid** will meet this Tuesday, August 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm. This will be the annual cleaning, with the regular meeting to follow.

**Thank You** to Luke and Phil Strike for leading the worship services the last two weekends. Thank you also to everyone who worked on the parsonage while Pastor and family were gone!

**Note from the Treasurer** – “Our CLC General Budget was \$48,000 for FY Ending June 30, 2026. Of special note, the church has 148 shares of stock that were donated in 2024 and 2025 that have not been sold. The plan will be to sell some this year to cover the Parsonage project as well as any shortfalls in the general contributions.”

**Treasurer's Annual Report**

|                             |                |
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| CLC General                 | \$ 52,625.95   |
| Other CLC Funds             | \$ 32,129.76   |
| Total CLC Donations         | \$ 84,755.71   |
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| ST John's General Fund      | \$ 178,750.38  |
| ST John's BLD Fund          | \$ 5,230.00    |
| Benevolence Fund            | \$ 1,541.73    |
| Day School                  | \$ 260.00      |
| Interest                    | \$ 5,104.26    |
| Total ST John's Donations   | \$ 190,886.37  |
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| Accounting                  | \$ 824.13      |
| Subscriptions               | \$ 1,564.34    |
| Insurance                   | \$ 6,973.00    |
| Repairs/Maintenance         | \$ 2,320.40    |
| Supplies                    | \$ 5,517.15    |
| Conferences                 | \$ 745.00      |
| Copier Service              | \$ 1,524.21    |
| Copyrights                  | \$ 805.00      |
| Utilities                   | \$ 10,970.48   |
| ILC Room and Board          | \$ 7,400.00    |
| Staff Wages/Retirement      | \$ 169,333.54  |
| Telephone Internet          | \$ 3,896.97    |
| Tour Choir Donation         | \$ 1,484.75    |
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| Total Expenses              | \$ 213,358.97  |
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| Rental Income (Loss)        | \$ 589.72      |
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| St John's Net Income (Loss) | \$ (21,882.88) |

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| <b>Ushers</b>   | 8/9  | Tim Z, Josh E, Christian K, David R.    |
|                 | 8/16 | Kendall B, Larry B, Caleb E.            |
|                 | 8/23 | Phil S, Nathan V, Daniel R.             |
| <b>Cleaning</b> |      | This Week – Ling, Sumey, Rovere (wk. 3) |
|                 |      | Up Next – The Albrechts                 |

## Daily Bible Readings for Home Devotions

August 10<sup>th</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup>, 2026

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**Mon Luke 19:41-48** Jesus wept over the city that did not recognize the Christ who would bring peace. He rid the temple of merchandisers, used it properly to teach, and faced deadly opposition from its leaders.

**Tues 1 Corinthians 12:1-11** Gifts, ministries, and activities among God's people are all given and performed by God. Finding ourselves in possession of one of these, may we use it for the common good (v7).

**Wed Jeremiah 7:1-7** The Lord through His prophet calls upon God's people to reform their ways, with regard to their actions both toward other people (vv5-6), and ultimately toward God Himself (v6).

**Thurs Psalm 143:1-6** In this Psalm we cry to God for mercy, which we do not deserve (v2). Our very life may be in peril, but we remember how His hand of blessing has been on us through the days of our life.

**Fri Psalm 143:7-12** Our cry for help is an urgent one (v7) and we long for God's mercy like the morning (v8). Teach me, rescue me, lead me, preserve me, bring me out of trouble, "for I am your servant" (v12).

**Sat Psalm 119:73-80** Remembering that it is the Lord who has made us, we pray also for understanding. May we see His faithfulness also when we are afflicted, and may others see us and rejoice (vv74,79).

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