



**Sunday, September 24, 2023**  
**17th Sunday after Pentecost**

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## **Worship Plan for Sunday, September 24, 2023**

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WOV Holy Communion Setting Five: Bread of Life

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (WOV p. 10)**

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the aid of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that, attentive to your Word, we may confess our sins, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Gracious God,

**have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

**Amen**

#### **ENTRANCE HYMN *Beautiful Savior* (LBW 518)**

#### **GREETING (WOV p. 28)**

#### **KYRIE (WOV p. 28)**

#### **HYMN OF PRAISE (WOV p. 29)**

#### **PRAYER OF THE DAY (WOV p. 30)**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

Lord God, you call us to work in your vineyard and leave no one standing idle. Set us to our tasks in the work of your kingdom, and help us to order our lives by your wisdom; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen**

## **FIRST READING: Jonah 3:10--4:11**

A reading from Jonah.

<sup>10</sup>When God saw what [the people of Ninevah] did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it. <sup>4:1</sup>But this was very displeasing to Jonah, and he became angry. <sup>2</sup>He prayed to the LORD and said, "O LORD! Is not this what I said while I was still in my own country? That is why I fled to Tarshish at the beginning; for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and ready to relent from punishing. <sup>3</sup>And now, O LORD, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live."  
<sup>4</sup>And the LORD said, "Is it right for you to be angry?" <sup>5</sup>Then Jonah went out of the city and sat down east of the city, and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, waiting to see what would become of the city. <sup>6</sup>The LORD God appointed a bush, and made it come up over Jonah, to give shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort; so Jonah was very happy about the bush. <sup>7</sup>But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the bush, so that it withered. <sup>8</sup>When the sun rose, God prepared a sultry east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint and asked that he might die. He said, "It is better for me to die than to live."  
<sup>9</sup>But God said to Jonah, "Is it right for you to be angry about the bush?" And he said, "Yes, angry enough to die." <sup>10</sup>Then the LORD said, "You are concerned about the bush, for which you did not labor and which you did not grow; it came into being in a night and perished in a night. <sup>11</sup>And should I not be concerned about Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand persons who do not know their right hand from their left, and also many animals?"

L The word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

## **PSALM: Psalm 145:1-8**

<sup>1</sup>I will exalt you, O God my King, and bless your name forever and ever.

<sup>2</sup>**Every day will I bless you and praise your name forever and ever.**

<sup>3</sup>Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised; there is no end to his greatness.

<sup>4</sup>**One generation shall praise your works to another and shall declare your power.**

<sup>5</sup>I will ponder the glorious splendor of your majesty and all your marvelous works.

<sup>6</sup>**They shall speak of the might of your wondrous acts, and I will tell of your greatness.**

<sup>7</sup>They shall publish the remembrance of your great goodness; they shall sing of your righteous deeds.

<sup>8</sup>**The LORD is gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger and of great kindness.**

## **SECOND READING: Philippians 1:21-30**

A reading from Philippians.

<sup>21</sup>For to me, living is Christ and dying is gain. <sup>22</sup>If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me; and I do not know which I prefer. <sup>23</sup>I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; <sup>24</sup>but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. <sup>25</sup>Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, <sup>26</sup>so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again. <sup>27</sup>Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, <sup>28</sup>and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. <sup>29</sup>For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well—<sup>30</sup>since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

L The word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

## **SING JESUS LOVES ME AND CHILDREN'S SERMON**

### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (WOV p. 31)**

#### **GOSPEL: Matthew 20:1-16**

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 20<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus said to the disciples:] <sup>1</sup>“The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard.

<sup>2</sup>After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. <sup>3</sup>When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; <sup>4</sup>and he said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' So they went. <sup>5</sup>When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. <sup>6</sup>And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, 'Why are you standing here idle all day?' <sup>7</sup>They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard.' <sup>8</sup>When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, 'Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.' <sup>9</sup>When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. <sup>10</sup>Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. <sup>11</sup>And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, <sup>12</sup>saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' <sup>13</sup>But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? <sup>14</sup>Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. <sup>15</sup>Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?' <sup>16</sup>So the last will be first, and the first will be last."

L The Gospel of the Lord.

**C Praise to you, O Christ.**

**SERMON *Happiness...Until/When***

**HYMN OF THE DAY *Canticle of the Turning* (in bulletin)**

**APOSTLES' CREED (WOV p. 33)**

**THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

**SHARING OF GOD'S PEACE**

**PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS (WOV p. 34)**

**Let the vineyards be fruitful.**

**OFFERTORY PRAYER (WOV p. 35)**

**DIALOGUE (WOV p. 36)**

## PREFACE

**SANCTUS (WOV p. 36)**

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

**LORD'S PRAYER**

**SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

ALL BAPTIZED CHRISTIANS WHO CONFESS JESUS CHRIST AS LORD AND HIS PRESENCE IN THE BREAD AND WINE ARE WELCOME TO THE LORD'S TABLE.

**COMMUNION HYMNS ( *Lamb of God* WOV p. 39)**

*Just As I Am* LBW 296

**POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE (WOV p. 40)**

**POST-COMMUNION PRAYER (WOV p. 41)**

**BLESSING (WOV p. 41)**

Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

**Three fold Amen (Sung)**

**SENDING HYMN *God Be With You Till We Meet Again* (in bulletin)**

**DISMISSAL (WOV p. 41)**

Go in peace and serve your neighbor.

**Yes we will. Thanks be to God.**

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**SEPTEMBER NOISY CAN**

**Baltic: The Banquet**

**East: The Foster Network**

East Nidaros could use a sewing machine if anyone has one they are willing to donate. We also need fillers for our quilts. We use blankets and mattress pads Queen or King size. Call Alvina at 605-529-5328. Thank you.



## MEMBERS

Paul Romsdahl - Betty Jean Benjamin  
Donna Lee Boyd - Rhoda Wold  
Ella Riswold - Dorothy Sittig  
Jimmie Vollan—Nathan Vrchota  
Kelly LaValliere—Norman Nielsen  
Terry Snow—Carol Tommeraasen

## FRIENDS & FAMILY OF OUR MEMBERS

Dennis Riswold—Friend of the Community  
Jay Vogt— Friend of the Community  
Laurel Mader -Friend of Pastor & Kim Questad  
Deb Bender— Cousin of Charlotte Hasvold  
Keith Faucett—Kyla Faucett's (Nesheim) father-in-law  
Kim—Friend of the Community  
Glen VanEck—brother of Al VanEck  
Jan Davis—Friend of the Community  
Mirna Nelson— Friend of Nikki Oien  
Carla Zoeller—Mother of Nicole Voeltz  
Anita (Ana) Reategui—Friend of Jeff and Joan Boldt  
Valeria Voeltz—Mother of Ryan Voeltz

## Our Response to God's Love

**Baltic: Sep 17:** Attendance 87; General Fund\$1723.00 Noisy Can\$49.33

**East: Sep 17:** Attendance 51; General Fund\$1007.00 Noisy Can\$51.56

The Baltic WELCA is looking for volunteers for our Meatball Dinner coming up in October. There are sign -up sheets in the church foyer for both Saturday and Sunday. Please stop and sign-up. We need many volunteers to make this a success. Thank you.

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<b>Baltic</b>	9:00 Worship and Live streamed on Facebook @ BalticLutheranChurch
<b>East Nidaros</b>	10:30 Worship

## Things Happening Week of September 17th

Sun Sep 24	5pm NRYG Meeting @ Renner
Wed Sep 27	6:30pm 8th Grade Confirmation @ BLC 7:30pm 7th Grade Confirmation @BLC
Thu Sep 28	9am Newsletter Assembly
Sat Sep 30	10:30-11:30am Food Bank Open

## Sunday, Sept 17, 2023

<b>Baltic</b>	9:00 Worship
<b>East Nidaros</b>	10:30 Worship and livestreamed on Facebook @ EastNidarosLutheranChurch

## Fellowship Coffee and Treats

<b><u>Baltic</u></b>	<b><u>East Nidaros</u></b>
Sept 24 Yvonne & Gary Kocmick Brian McGreevy	Sept 24 Rosalie Riswold-Brende & Oct 1 Deb Larson

<b><u>Baltic</u></b>	<b><u>East Nidaros</u></b>
Oct 1 Lynda Johnson & 8 Judy & Dale Thompson	Oct 8 Birthday Cake Celebration Mark Brobjorg

## Baltic Sunday School

We are looking for a person or persons to direct and organize the BLC Sunday School Christmas Program. If you are interested, please contact Angie Aspaas at daam\_03@hotmail.com or (605) 941-6318.