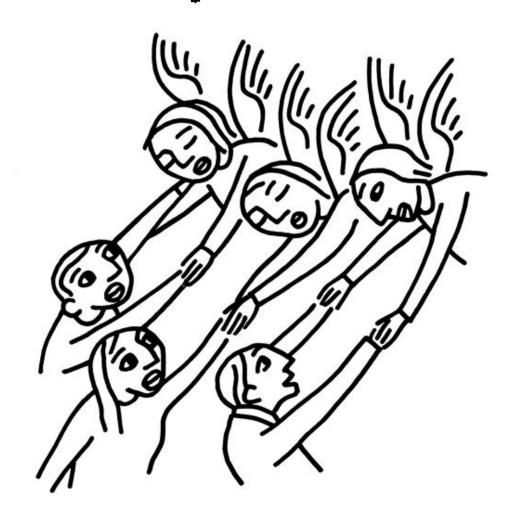
22nd Sunday after Pentecost



Word and Sacrament

"Little Church with a BIG Heart"

Saint Bartholomew Lutheran Church



Welcome to Worship!

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This morning we celebrate the 22nd Sunday after Pentecost. The lyrics to the hymns are in the red and purple hymnals in the pews.

We extend special greetings to all our guests who are with us today. Your presence, along with our members and friends, is truly valued. Know that all of God's people are always welcome here at St. Bartholomew.

Holy Communion

Saint Bart's celebrates the real presence of Jesus through the bread and wine. We invite all to come and share. At the time of communion, you will come up to the Altar and receive the elements.

Praying People

Everyone is invited to offer their prayer concerns during the Prayers of the Church.

22nd Sunday after Pentecost

We worship on the first day of the week because Jesus was raised on that day. Every Sunday is a little Easter. This Sunday feels more like Easter than many as the appointed texts celebrate the reality of the resurrection. Live it up this Lord's day. Our God is the God of the living.

Announcements

We will have a **children's sermon** after the Gospel today. Afterwards, children will leave for the **Nursery** and return to the church for Communion.

The deadline for submitting items for the **Advent/Christmas newsletter** is **TODAY**

Farmer's Market is this Friday

The RAWtools shop is open Fridays and Saturdays at 1 p.m., weather permitting

Bible Study is held on Sundays at 9:45 a.m.

We will welcome **new members** Beth Peroni and Dawn Roberts next Sunday!

Council will meet next Sunday after fellowship—reports are due by <u>Tuesday</u>

The **Eternal Candle** is lit in November in appreciation for the ministry of **Carmen Ramos**.

We can use any food or monetary donations to help our community in need—especially our Thanksgiving Drive, in progress!

Are there any other announcements?

Bell/Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

- P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.
- C Amen.
- P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P Faithful God, you have shown us the ways of your heart, yet we stray from your paths. We are stuck in sinful systems of oppression and do not embrace the freedom of your faithful promises. We ignore our neighbors. We exploit the earth. We reject your abundance, trusting our impulses instead of your steadfast love. Repair our relationships, restore what we have broken, renew our hearts, and bring us to new life. Amen.

Hear the good news: God the Faithful One loves you,

+ in Christ Jesus your sins are forgiven, and by the power of the Holy Spirit you are set free.

 \mathbf{C} Amen.

Gathering Hymn: ELW # 628

Jerusalem, My Happy Home



- thee?
- 1 Je ru sa lem, my hap py home, when shall I come to 2 O hap py har bor of the saints, O sweet and pleas-ant soil!
- gar-dens and thy gal-lant walks con tin ual-ly green;
- 4 There trees for ev er more bear fruit and ev er more do spring; 5 Je - ru - sa - lem, Je - ru - sa - lem, God grant that I



shall my sor - rows have an end? Thy joys when shall I see? When thee no sor - row may be found, no grief, no care, no toil. In grow such sweet and pleas-ant flow'rs as no-where else are there seen. ev - er - more the an - gels sit and ev - er - more do end - less joy, and of the same par - tak - er ev - er there sing. thine

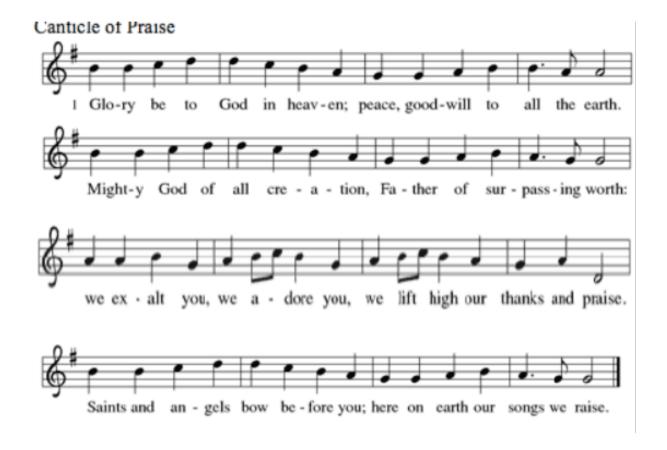
Text: F. B. P., 16th cent.

Music: LAND OF REST, North American traditional

APOSTOLIC GREETING

- P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C And also with you





Prayer Of the Day

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P O God, our eternal redeemer, by the presence of your Spirit you renew and direct our hearts. Keep always in our mind the end of all things and the day of judgment. Inspire us for a holy life here, and bring us to the joy of the resurrection, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen

WORD

A I will bless the Lord at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth (Psalm 34:1). Lord, bless the reading of your word. Make it come alive in our midst.

C Amen.

First Reading: Job 19:23-27a

- O that my words were written down!
 O that they were inscribed in a book!
- O that with an iron pen and with lead they were engraved on a rock forever!
- ²⁵ For I know that my vindicator lives and that in the end he will stand upon the earth;
- ²⁶ and after my skin has been destroyed, then in my flesh I shall see God,
- whom I shall see on my side, and my eyes shall behold, and not another."
- A Word of God, word of life.
- C Thanks be to God.

Responsive Reading: Psalm 17:1-9

- A ¹ Hear a just cause, O LORD; give heed to my cry; listen to my prayer, which does not come from lying lips.
- C ² Let my vindication come forth from your presence; let your eyes be fixed on justice.
- A ³ Examine my heart, visit me by night, melt me down; you will find no impurity in me.
- C ⁴ I have not regarded what others do; at the word of your lips I have avoided the ways of the violent.
- A ⁵ My footsteps hold fast to your well-worn path; and my feet do not slip.
- C ⁶I call upon you, O God, for you will answer me; incline your ear to me and hear my words.
- A ⁷ Show me your marvelous lovingkindness, O Savior of those who take refuge at your right hand from those who rise against them.
- C ⁸ Keep me as the apple of your eye; hide me under the shadow of your wings,
- A ⁹ from the wicked who assault me, from my deadly enemies who surround me.

Second Reading: 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17

¹ As to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters, ² not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as though from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord is already here. ³ Let no one deceive you in any way, for that day will not come unless the rebellion comes first and the lawless one is revealed, the one destined for destruction. ⁴ He opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, declaring himself to be God. ⁵ Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you?

¹³ But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. ¹⁴ For this purpose he called you through our gospel, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. ¹⁵ So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter.

¹⁶ Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, ¹⁷ comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

- A Word of God, word of life.
- C Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation



- P The Holy Gospel according to Luke the 20th chapter.
- C Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: Luke 20:27-38

²⁷ Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to [Jesus] ²⁸ and asked him a question: "Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. ²⁹ Now there were seven brothers; the first married a woman and died childless; ³⁰ then the second ³¹ and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. ³² Finally the woman also died. ³³ In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her."

³⁴ Jesus said to them, "Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage, ³⁵ but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. ³⁶ Indeed, they cannot die anymore, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. ³⁷ And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. ³⁸ Now he is God not of the dead but of the living, for to him all of them are alive."

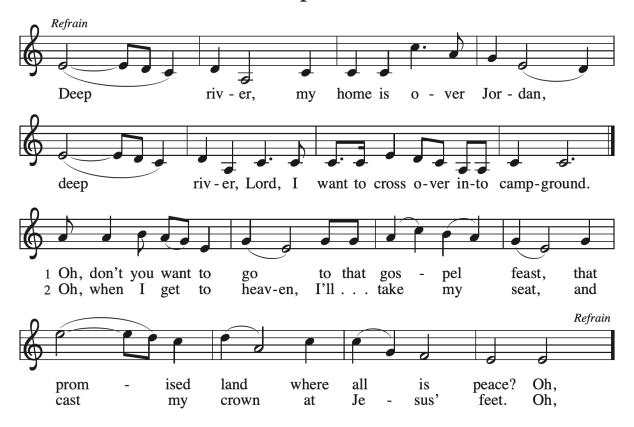
- P The Gospel of the Lord
- C Praise to you O Christ.

Children's Sermon and Nursery

SERMON

Hymn of the Day: ACS # 951

Deep River



Text: African American spiritual

Music: DEEP RIVER, African American spiritual

PEACE

- P The peace of Christ be with you always.
- C And also with you

Apostle's Creed

- P Let us all affirm our faith by using the words of the Apostles' Creed:
- C 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, suffered under Pontius Pilate, 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.

PRAYERS

Each petition ends:

A Hear us, O God. C Your mercy is great.

Gathered with one voice, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

God our Redeemer, bless your church universal and its leaders, especially Bishop António Barros in Angola. Set all hearts on you from generation to generation in anticipation of Christ's return. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of life, we give thanks for the fruits and grains of harvest, for rivers and streams, for all that is made of rock and iron. Renew the earth's natural resources and the lands from which they come. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of justice, we give thanks for the service of our veterans and pray for those needing support for wounds of any kind. Strengthen those charged with the governance and protection of vulnerable populations, *especially in Palestine, Israel, Ukraine, Sudan, and the United States*. Bring an end to war, oppression, and famine throughout the world. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God who leads us to belief and truth, we give thanks that you are always and already here. Nurture and support those who are unsteady in mind, unsafe in spirit, or unwell in body (*especially Joe, Nick, Bob, Justin, Billy, Gloria, Rosemary, Kelly, Nelson, Tom, Shirley, and Rick*). Comfort those who suffer from trauma and exposure to traumatic events. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God who gathers us together, we give thanks for our pastors, deacons, and worship leaders; for musicians, administrators, creatives, Council members, activists, Altar Guild, ushers, nursery supervisors, fellowship hosts, food pantry volunteers, artisans, building-and-grounds caretakers, and stewards; and all those who contribute their skills and talents to our congregation and our neighborhood in Your name. May they find joy in leadership and service as we grow in faith together. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

We pray for our partner churches: Abiding Presence and Prince of Peace; We pray for our Bishop Christa Compton; We also pray for the concerns of this congregation: those who travel, those absent from worship, those celebrating birthdays, and for those celebrating anniversaries; also for the people of God in this place and for other needs in our community. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

At this time, you may offer up prayers for loved ones, thanksgivings to God, or any other intercessions silently or aloud... (Pause) Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of the saints, we give thanks for all who have died in faith. Uplift us as we honor their memory and await your coming in glory. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

(Pastor) We offer these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your grace and unyielding love; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. C Amen.

THE OFFERING

OFFERING PRAYER

A God of healing and hope, you bless those who are hungry, promising to fill them with good things. Fulfill that promise through us and these your gifts. Nourish us with the abundance of your feast and unite us into the blessed body of Jesus Christ our Savior, now and forever.

Amen.

C Amen.

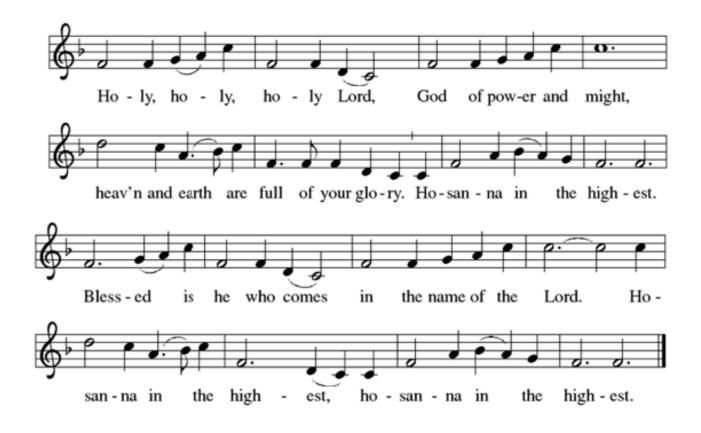
GREAT THANKSGIVING

- P The Lord be with you
- C And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- C We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God
- C It is right to give thanks and praise.

PREFACE

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



EUCHARISTIC PRAYER AND WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P We praise you God of Freedom,

for you send messengers in every time and place giving voice to your love: You speak through thirsty women, broken men, the poor and impure. You choose what is despised to make us whole. A servant girl bears Jesus, your blessing, who turns the old world upside down. He forsakes the temple, laughs at the powerful kisses sinners and heals the unclean. He breaks open prisons, frees slaves and captives, feasts with the outcast and celebrates strangers. Loving each one entirely, he teaches us the way of compassion and peace.

In the night in which he was betrayed, Jesus gathered with his faltering friends for a meal that tasted of freedom. He 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 them to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Merciful God, fill us with your blessing and embrace us in communion with saints and sinners, the hurt and the hurting, with Mary Magdalene, Peter the Fisherman, and friends and strangers everywhere as we give you all glory and honor and praise, now and forever,

C Amen

Lord's Prayer

- P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.
- C 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, the power, and the glory, now and forever. Amen

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

- P The table is set. The doors are open. The gifts of God are:
- C Free!

All are welcome at God's Table. If you would like to share in communion with us today, you are more than welcome to do so. There are no prerequisites at God's table and nothing we do to earn a seat at the table, it is freely given to us by God. Please, come and eat!

Distribution

TABLE BLESSING

- P May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.
- C Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

- P Let us pray.
- C May we who have fed at Wisdom's table take her welcome out to where doors are locked and tables are bolted to the floor.

 May the Spirit drive us to break our bread on the altar of this world.

 Amen.

+Sending+

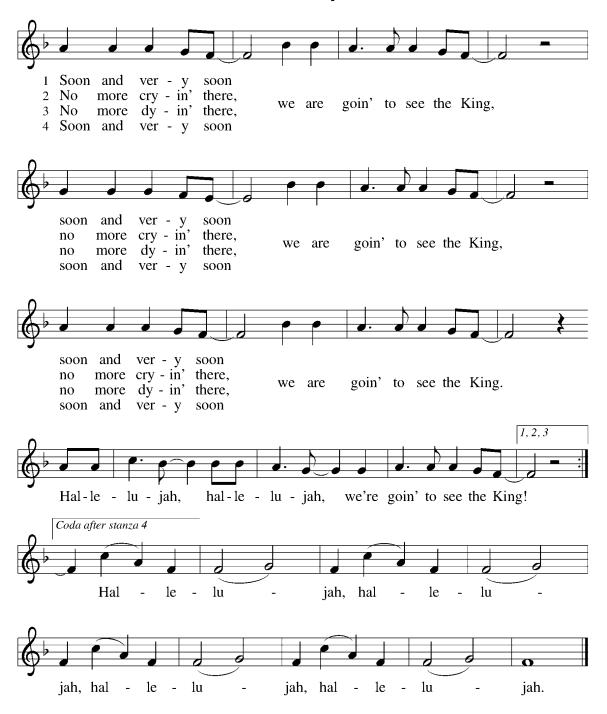
Benediction

P The love of God the Sovereign strengthen you, God the Son save you, and God the Holy Spirit anoint you for the work ahead. The holy Trinity bless you + and grant you a faithful and courageous heart now and forever.

C Amen.

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Soon and Very Soon



Text: Andraé Crouch, b. 1945

Music: VERY SOON, Andraé Crouch

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Dismissal

- P Go in peace. Share the harvest.
- C Thanks be to God.

Postlude