

The word of the LORD
came to him. Hear
the word of the LORD
Almighty

**"Continue
to Show
Brotherly
Love."**

Absolution

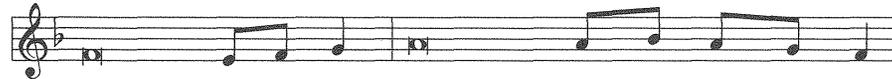
God's Forgiveness Proclaimed

P: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



C: A — men!

P: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.



C: **Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.**



We praise you, we bless you, we wor- ship you, we glorify you,



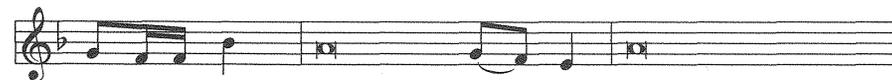
we give thanks to you, for your great glory, O Lord God, heav'nly King,



God the Fa- ther Al- mighty. O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je- sus Christ;



O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the



sin of the world; have mercy on us. You take away the



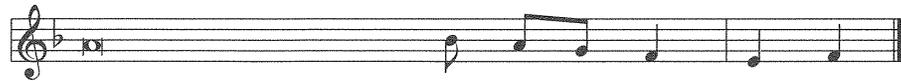
sin of the world; re-ceive our prayer. You sit at the right hand of



God the Father; have mercy on us. For you on-ly are holy;



you on-ly are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the Ho-ly Spirit,



are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

Prayer for the Day

P: The Lord be with you.



C: And al— so with you.

P: O gracious and loving God, we can only marvel at the mystery of your love. When you had every right to withdraw it from us, you showered it upon us generously. In your love you sent your Son to be our Savior and the one through whom we would know your love. Send us your Holy Spirit so through faith we cherish your love and ever hold fast to its incomparable blessing. Keep us from becoming apathetic in regard to you, your Word, and your love. Through that same love move us to be loving to all people, giving freely and generously of ourselves to serve all in their need. Bless us. Strengthen us. Keep us in your love until we experience the greater love of heaven. There we will praise you—Father, Son and Spirit—throughout endless ages.



C: A — men!

The Lessons from God's Word

*“Love the Lord, your God, with all your heart,
with all your soul, and with all your strength!”*

Old Testament

Amos 6:1-7

¹Woe to you who are complacent in Zion,
you who feel secure on Mount Samaria,
you distinguished people of the leading nation,
to whom the house of Israel comes.

²Travel to Kalneh and look.

Go from there to Hamath Rabbah,
and go down to Gath of the Philistines.

Are you better than those kingdoms?

Are their territories greater than your territory?

³You who are trying to put off the evil day,
you bring near the session for violence!

⁴Those who lie on ivory beds,
sprawling upon their couches,
eating lambs from the flock
and calves straight from the stall,

⁵improvising tunes on the lyre,
composing music for themselves
on musical instruments like David,

⁶drinking large bowls of wine—
they slather themselves with the most expensive perfumed oils,
but they do not grieve over the ruin of Joseph.

⁷That is why they will go into exile as the first of the exiles.
Those who sprawl out at their feasts for the dead will depart.

Response to Lesson

“Blest Be the Tie that Binds”
Christian Worship 494 st. 1-3

Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love;
The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.

Before our Father's throne we pour our ardent prayers;
Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one,
our comforts and our cares.

We share our mutual woes, our mutual burdens bear,
And often for each other flows the sympathizing tear.

Epistle

Hebrews 13:1-6

¹Continue to show brotherly love. ²Do not fail to show love to strangers, for by doing this some have welcomed angels without realizing it. ³Remember those in prison, as if you were fellow prisoners, and those who are mistreated, as if you yourselves were also suffering bodily.

⁴Marriage is to be held in honor by all, and the marriage bed is to be kept undefiled, for God will judge sexually immoral people and adulterers. ⁵Keep your life free from the love of money, and be content with what you have. For God has said:

“I will never leave you,
and I will never forsake you.”

⁶So then we say with confidence:

“The Lord is my helper, and I will not be afraid.
What will man do to me?”

Verse of the Day

Psalms 146

P: Praise the Lord, O my soul. I will praise the LORD as long as I live.

C: I will make music to my God as long as I exist.

P: Do not trust in human helpers, in mortal man who cannot save you.

C: His spirit departs. He returns to the ground he came from. On that, his plans have perished.

P: Blessed is everyone who has the God of Jacob as his help.

His hope is in the LORD his God, the Maker of heaven and earth, the sea, and everything which is in them.

C: He is the one who stays faithful forever. He obtains justice for the oppressed.

P: The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down.

C: The LORD loves the righteous.

P: The LORD reigns forever. Your God, O Zion, rules for all generations. Praise the LORD.

Alleluia!



C: Al - le - lu — ia! Al - le - lu — ia! Al - le - lu — ia!

The Gospel

P: The Holy Gospel is recorded in the sixteenth chapter of Luke, reading from the nineteenth verse.



C: Glo-ry be to you, O Lord!

¹⁹“There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen, living in luxury every day. ²⁰A beggar named Lazarus had been laid at his gate. Lazarus was covered with sores and ²¹longed to be fed with what fell from the rich man’s table. Besides this, the dogs also came and licked his sores. ²²Eventually the beggar died, and the angels carried him to Abraham’s side. The rich man also died and was buried. ²³In hell, where he was in torment, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far away and Lazarus at his side. ²⁴He called out and said, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me! Send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, because I am in misery in

this flame.’

²⁵“But Abraham said, ‘Son, remember that in your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus received bad things. But now he is comforted here, and you are in misery. ²⁶Besides all this, a great chasm has been set in place between us and you, so that those who want to cross from here to you cannot, nor can anyone cross over from there to us.’

²⁷“He said, ‘Then I beg you, father, send him to my father’s home, ²⁸because I have five brothers—to warn them, so that they will not also come to this place of torment.’

²⁹“Abraham said, ‘They have Moses and the Prophets. Let them listen to them.’

³⁰“No, father Abraham,’ he said, ‘but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent.’

³¹“Abraham replied to him, ‘If they do not listen to Moses and the Prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.’”

P: This is the Word of our God.



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

The Confession of Faith

(we will unite in the words of 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.**



from me. Re-store un—to me the joy of your sal—va —



tion, and up—hold me with your free Spir-it. A—men.

Thanksgiving and Prayer

*“Give Thanks to the Lord for He is Good;
His Steadfast Love Endures Forever!”*

Prayer for the Lord’s Blessing

Special Prayers and Requests

The Lord’s Prayer

(spoken by the congregation and pastor)

**C: Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power and the glory
are yours now and forever. Amen!**

Hymn

“O God of Mercy, God of Might”
Christian Worship 499

Closing Prayer

P: O gracious Lord and Savior, you summarized your holy will with one word—love. You said all people will know we are your disciples by the way we love one another. We also know love is the fulfilling of the Law. So fill us with your undeserved love that we love you with all our heart, all our strength, and all our mind. Give us an added measure of your love so that we love all people as we love ourselves. We know we will struggle. Our love may become conditional. It may be withheld. It may be reluctantly given. Remind us of the love you have shown us as our Savior. Make this love not only the example we are to follow, but also the motivation to continue in our love. Fill our lives with opportunities to put your love into practice until you call us to your eternal kingdom. There, in love, we will live and praise you as our one true living and compassionate God.



C: A ——— men!

The Benediction

P: Brothers and sisters, aim for perfection, listen to God’s Word, be of one mind, live in peace. And the God of love and compassion will be with you.

The Lord bless you and keep you;
The Lord make his face shine upon you
and be gracious to you;
The Lord look on you with favor, and give you peace.



C: A—men. A—men. A — men.

Closing Hymn

“Love in Christ Is Strong and Living”
Christian Worship 490

Silent Prayer

Announcements

Today—*Welcome in name of our loving and faithful God.* It is because of his great love for us that we can continue in our love for him, as well as for all people. How blessed we are to have such a loving God and Savior.

- If you are visiting us today, it is good to have you here. Please sign the guest book by the front door. Come back and worship again, soon!
- Everyone is invited to stay after the service to enjoy some refreshments and a cup of coffee.
- Christian Education will begin at 11:00 am. As one of the “minor prophets” Amos was tasked to call an unrepentant people to repentance. Even though the message is stern, there is still love shown by the Lord. It is that call to repentance that we always want to hear and gladly receive.
- This afternoon Pastor Proeber will travel to Yucaipa to go hiking. He will return Thursday morning. In case of an emergency, please call the parsonage. Sue will be able to contact Pastor.

Monday—There will be no handbell practice this evening, but it will resume next Monday at 7:00 pm.

Wednesday—There will be no Bible Class this evening, however, next week we will return to the class on “Confidently Sharing Jesus with Our Friends.” If you missed the first class, it is not too late to come and learn more.

Friday—Office Hours from 10:30 am—2:30 pm.

Saturday—Church Cleaning—L. Schroeder

- Mowing beginning October 2nd—C. Schueler

Sunday, October 2nd—In Person Worship and Live-Streaming at 9:30 am. There is a temptation to believe that we deserve something special when we serve the Lord or others in love, but Jesus shows us a completely different attitude. He reminds us, “we have only done our duty.”

- This Sunday we will also have the opportunity to receive the Lord’s Supper. You may register to receive it today. You may also make arrangements to receive it privately.

- Christian Education will begin at 11:00 am. As David prepared everything for Solomon to build a temple for the Lord, he was overwhelmed at the generosity of God’s people. In all humility, he acknowledged, we only gave back to the Lord what he gave us in the first place.

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