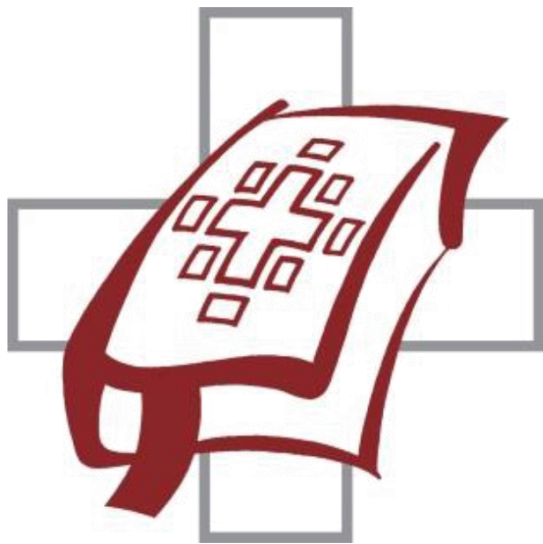


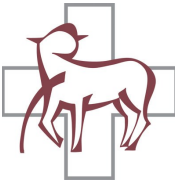
terms of peace. ³³So therefore, any one of you who does not renounce all that he has cannot be my disciple.
³⁴“Salt is good, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? ³⁵It is of no use either for the soil or for the manure pile. It is thrown away. He who has ears to hear, let him hear.”

- P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C** Praise to You, O Christ.

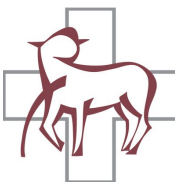


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**THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST**
SEPTEMBER 4, 2022



**DIVINE SERVICE SETTING THREE
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Collect of the Day

- P** O merciful Lord, You did not spare Your only Son but delivered Him up for us all. Grant us courage and strength to take up the cross and follow Him, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Deuteronomy 30:15-20

¹⁵“See, I have set before you today life and good, death and evil. ¹⁶If you obey the commandments of the Lord your God that I command you today, by loving the Lord your God, by walking in his ways, and by keeping his commandments and his statutes and his rules, then you shall live and multiply, and the Lord your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to take possession of it. ¹⁷But if your heart turns away, and you will not hear, but are drawn away to worship other gods and serve them, ¹⁸I declare to you today, that you shall surely perish. You shall not live long in the land that you are going over the Jordan to enter and possess. ¹⁹I call heaven and earth to witness against you today, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and curse. Therefore choose life, that you and your offspring may live, ²⁰loving the Lord your God, obeying his voice and holding fast to him, for he is your life and length of days, that you may dwell in the land that the Lord swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them.”

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.

Psalm

Psalm 1

¹Blessèd is the man
who walks not in the counsel of the | wicked,*
**nor stands in the way of sinners,
nor sits in the seat of | scoffers;**
²but his delight is in the law | of the LORD,*
and on his law he meditates | day and night.

³**He is like a tree
planted by streams of water**
that yields its fruit in its season,
and its leaf does not | wither.*
In all that he does, he | prospers.
⁴The wicked | are not so,*
but are like chaff that the wind | drives away.

⁵**Therefore the wicked will not stand in the | judgment,*
nor sinners in the congregation of the | righteous;**
⁶for the LORD knows the way of the | righteous,*
but the way of the wicked will | perish.

Epistle

Philemon 1-21

¹Paul, a prisoner for Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother,
To Philemon our beloved fellow worker ²and Apphia our sister and
Archippus our fellow soldier, and the church in your house:
³Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus
Christ.
⁴I thank my God always when I remember you in my prayers,
⁵because I hear of your love and of the faith that you have toward the
Lord Jesus and all the saints, ⁶and I pray that the sharing of your faith may
become effective for the full knowledge of every good thing that is in us
for the sake of Christ. ⁷For I have derived much joy and comfort from your
love, my brother, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed
through you.
⁸Accordingly, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to
do what is required, ⁹yet for love’s sake I prefer to appeal to you—I, Paul,
an old man and now a prisoner also for Christ Jesus—¹⁰I appeal to you for
my child, Onesimus, whose father I became in my imprisonment. ¹¹

(Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful to you
and to me.) ¹²I am sending him back to you, sending my very heart. ¹³I
would have been glad to keep him with me, in order that he might
serve me on your behalf during my imprisonment for the gospel, ¹⁴but
I preferred to do nothing without your consent in order that your
goodness might not be by compulsion but of your own free will. ¹⁵For
this perhaps is why he was parted from you for a while, that you might
have him back forever, ¹⁶no longer as a slave but more than a slave, as
a beloved brother—especially to me, but how much more to you, both
in the flesh and in the Lord.

¹⁷So if you consider me your partner, receive him as you would
receive me. ¹⁸If he has wronged you at all, or owes you anything,
charge that to my account. ¹⁹I, Paul, write this with my own hand: I will
repay it—to say nothing of your owing me even your own self. ²⁰Yes,
brother, I want some benefit from you in the Lord. Refresh my heart in
Christ.

²¹Confident of your obedience, I write to you, knowing that you
will do even more than I say.

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.

Holy Gospel

Luke 14:25–35

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the fourteenth chapter.
C **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

²⁵Now great crowds accompanied [Jesus], and he turned and said
to them, ²⁶“If anyone comes to me and does not hate his own father
and mother and wife and children and brothers and sisters, yes, and
even his own life, he cannot be my disciple. ²⁷Whoever does not bear
his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple. ²⁸For which of
you, desiring to build a tower, does not first sit down and count the
cost, whether he has enough to complete it? ²⁹Otherwise, when he has
laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it begin to mock
him, ³⁰saying, ‘This man began to build and was not able to finish.’ ³¹Or
what king, going out to encounter another king in war, will not sit
down first and deliberate whether he is able with ten thousand to meet
him who comes against him with twenty thousand? ³²And if not, while
the other is yet a great way off, he sends a delegation and asks for



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