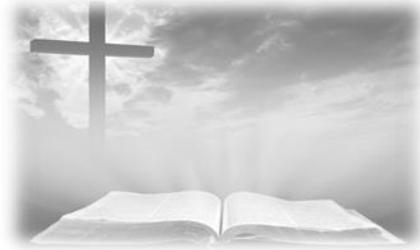


The Twelfth Sunday after Trinity
Sunday, August 30, 2020, 9:30 am
Bethlehem Ev. Lutheran Church, Altamont, IL

Rev. Marcus Manley
Elder: Ron Koester
Organist & Choir Dir.: Dean Manuel
Crucifer: Olliver Shoaf
Acolyte: Dayton Tabbert
Book Bearer: Garrett Flood
Ushers: Ron Putnam, Cody Voelker, Ben Wharton



Ringing of the Bells

Prelude – LASST UNS ERFREUEN-Koln, 1623 Setting by: Ralph C. Schultz

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Please stand and face the processional as it enters the sanctuary during the processional hymn.

Processional Hymn #816 *From All That Dwell Below the Skies*

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Introit for the Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

*Ps. 70:2b, 4a, 5b; antiphon: Ps. 70:1–2a (respond with the words in **bold**)*

Make haste, O God, to de- | liver me!*

O LORD, make haste to | help me!

Let them be put to shame and con- | fusion*

who | seek my life!

Let them be | turned back*

and brought to dishonor who de- | sire my hurt!

May all who seek | you rejoice*

and be | glad in you!

You are my help and my de- | liverer;*

O LORD, do | not delay!

Make haste, O God, to de- | liver me!*

O LORD, make haste to | help me!

Let them be put to shame and con- | fusion*

who | seek my life!

♪ **The Gloria Patri**

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♪ **Kyrie**

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♪ **Gloria In Excelsis**

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♪ **Salutation**

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Collect for Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

P: Let us pray: Almighty and merciful God, by Your gift alone Your faithful people render true and laudable service. Help us steadfastly to live in this life according to Your promises and finally attain Your heavenly glory; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. C: ♪ **Amen.**

Please be seated

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 29:17-24

¹⁷Is it not yet a very little while
until Lebanon shall be turned into a fruitful field,
and the fruitful field shall be regarded as a forest?

¹⁸In that day the deaf shall hear
the words of a book,
and out of their gloom and darkness
the eyes of the blind shall see.

¹⁹The meek shall obtain fresh joy in the LORD,
and the poor among mankind shall exult in the Holy One of Israel.

²⁰For the ruthless shall come to nothing
and the scoffer cease,
and all who watch to do evil shall be cut off,

²¹who by a word make a man out to be an offender,
and lay a snare for him who reproves in the gate,
and with an empty plea turn aside him who is in the right.

²²Therefore thus says the LORD, who redeemed Abraham, concerning the house
of Jacob:

“Jacob shall no more be ashamed,
no more shall his face grow pale.

²³For when he sees his children,
the work of my hands, in his midst,
they will sanctify my name;
they will sanctify the Holy One of Jacob
and will stand in awe of the God of Israel.

²⁴And those who go astray in spirit will come to understanding,
and those who murmur will accept instruction.”

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle Reading: 2 Corinthians 3:4-11

⁴Such is the confidence that we have through Christ toward God. ⁵Not that we are sufficient in ourselves to claim anything as coming from us, but our sufficiency is from God, ⁶who has made us competent to be ministers of a new covenant, not of the letter but of the Spirit. For the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life.

⁷Now if the ministry of death, carved in letters on stone, came with such glory that the Israelites could not gaze at Moses' face because of its glory, which was being brought to an end, ⁸will not the ministry of the Spirit have even more glory?

⁹For if there was glory in the ministry of condemnation, the ministry of righteousness must far exceed it in glory. ¹⁰Indeed, in this case, what once had glory has come to have no glory at all, because of the glory that surpasses it. ¹¹For if what was being brought to an end came with glory, much more will what is permanent have glory.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand

C: ♪ *Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.*

Holy Gospel: Mark 7:31-37

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the seventh chapter.

C: ♪ *Glory be to Thee, O Lord.*

³¹Then he returned from the region of Tyre and went through Sidon to the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. ³²And they brought to him a man who was deaf and had a speech impediment, and they begged him to lay his hand on him. ³³And taking him aside from the crowd privately, he put his fingers into his ears, and after spitting touched his tongue. ³⁴And looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, “Ephphatha,” that is, “Be opened.” ³⁵And his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. ³⁶And Jesus charged them to tell no one. But the more he charged them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. ³⁷And they were astonished beyond measure, saying, “He has done all things well. He even makes the deaf hear and the mute speak.”

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: ♪ **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

Nicene Creed

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Please be seated

Hymn of the Day #545 *Word of God, Come Down on Earth*

Sermon

Text: Isaiah 29:17-24

Title: "Uncorked Ears"

Outline:

THE PREACHED WORD TURNS AROUND THE UPSIDE DOWN TO MAKE THEM RIGHTSIDE UP...

I. ... in the temporal world (vv. 16-24).

II. ... in the Holy Church (vv. 17-19).

Please stand

♪ **Offertory**

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Offering (*Offering plates will be located at the entrance of the sanctuary, you may place your gifts in the offering plates as you exit the building.*)

Offering Hymn #781 *We Give Thee But Thine Own* v. 1 & 2

✠ **Blessing of Communion Flagon** ✠ (*see insert*)

Prayer of the Church

Response after each petition of the prayer:

P: ...let us pray to the Lord:

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

P: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: **Amen.**

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Please be seated

Distribution

#636 *Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness stz 1-5*

#811 *Oh, That I Had a Thousand Voices*

#524 *How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds*

Please stand

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Announcements

Recessional Hymn #805 *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

♪ Silent Prayer

Postlude