

Perley Parish
13th Sunday after Pentecost
August 27, 2023

Prayer: We thank you, generous God, for the refreshment we have received at your banquet table. Send us now to spread your generosity into all the world, through the one who is our dearest treasure, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen**

Blessing

The God who calls across the cosmos and speaks in the smallest seed, bless, keep and sustain you now and to the end of the age. **Amen.**

Bell

Sending Hymn: Lead On, O King Eternal! (LBW #495)

1. Lead on, O King eternal! The day of march has come; henceforth in fields of conquest your tents will be our home. Through days of preparation your grace has made us strong; and now, O King eternal, we lift our battles song.

2. Lead on, O King eternal, till sin's fierce war shall cease, and holiness shall whisper the sweet amen of peace. For not with swords loud clashing, nor roll of stirring drums, but deeds of love and mercy the heav'nly kingdom comes.

3. Lead on, O King eternal: We follow, not with fears, for gladness breaks like morning where'er your face appears. Your cross is lifted o'er us; we journey in its light; the crown awaits the conquest; lead on, O God of might!

Dismissal: Go in peace. Share the harvest. Thanks be to God

Mark your calendars: NOTE SERVICE TIME CHANGE EFFECTIVE SEPT. 3

- Sunday, **September 3** - 9:30am at Nora
- Sunday, **September 10** – 9:30am at Kirkebo
Rally Sunday at Nora – Sunday School Begins – 10:30am
- Sunday, September 17 – LUTEFISK DINNER AT NORA!! 11-1:30
Service 9:30am at Kirkebo
- Sunday, September 24 – 9:30am at Kirkebo
Sunday School at Nora – 10:30am

Prelude and Bell

Gathering Hymn: Holy, Holy, Holy (LBW #165)

1. Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God Almighty
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

2. Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,

Which wert and art and evermore shalt be.

3. Holy, holy, holy! though the darkness hide thee,
Though the eye made blind by sin thy glory may not see,
Only thou are holy; there is none beside thee,
Perfect in pow'r, in love and purity.

4. Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All they works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!
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Welcome and Announcements:

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, +one God, who greets us in this and every season, whose word never fails, whose promise is sure. Amen.

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

Righteous God, we confess that we have sinned. We have failed to be honest. We have lacked the courage to speak. We have spoken falsely. In the name of Jesus, forgive us and grant us your mercy. Amen.

God is a cup of cold water when we thirst. God offers boundless grace when we fail. Claim the gift of God's mercy: you are freed and forgiven in the name of Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Prayer of the Day: O God, with all your faithful followers of every age, we praise you, the rock of our life. Be our strong foundation and form us into the body of your Son, that we may gladly minister to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Psalm 138 (read responsively)

I give you thanks, O LORD, with my whole heart; before the gods I sing your praise; **I bow down towards your holy temple and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness; for you have exalted your name and your word above everything.** On the day I called, you answered me, you increased my strength of soul. **All the kings of the earth shall praise you, O LORD, for they have heard the words of your mouth.** They shall sing of the ways of the LORD, for great is the glory of the LORD. **For though the LORD is high, he regards the lowly; but the haughty he perceives from far away.**

Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you preserve me against the wrath of my enemies; you stretch out your hand, and your right hand delivers me. **The LORD will fulfil his purpose for me; your steadfast love, O LORD, endures for ever. Do not forsake the work of your hands.**

First Reading: Isaiah 51:1-6

Second Reading: Romans 12:1-8

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew 16:13-20 **Glory to you O Lord**

The Gospel of our Lord, **Praise to you, O Christ**

Message

Hymn of the Day/Offering: Holy God, We Praise Your Name (LBW #535 vs 1,2,4)

1. Holy God, we praise your name; Lord of all, we bow before you, all on earth your scepter claim, all in heav'n above adore you. Infinite your vast domain, everlasting is your reign.

2. Hark! The glad celestial hymn angel choirs above are raising; cherubim and seraphim, in unceasing chorus praising, fill the heav'ns with sweet accord: "Holy, holy, holy Lord!"

4. Holy Father, Holy Son, Holy Spirit, three we name you, though in essence only one; undivided God we claim you and, adoring, bend the knee while we own the mystery.

Offering Response: *We give thee but thine own, whatever the gift may be. All that we have is thine alone a trust, Oh Lord in thee.*

Apostle's Creed

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 the saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen

Prayers of the people (Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.)

Receive our prayers and answer us, O God, in the name of Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

As brothers and sisters in Christ, let us pray together the prayer that Jesus taught us: ***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. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen***

Meal

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all. Amen.

Words of Institution

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory. **Pour out your Holy Spirit, that by this Holy Communion we may know the unity we share with all your people in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.** Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, **all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.**

All people are called to Christ's table. Come, eat what is good.