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PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

During the Prayers of Intercession, you are invited to add your own prayer(s) either in speech or in silence as indicated by the line: "Other intercessions may be added here." You may wish to use this insert to write down your prayer(s) which you may then offer aloud during that time. If you wish to have your prayers added to the Prayer of the Church during the coming weeks, please remove and place this card in the offering plate.

TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

ST. MARY, MOTHER OF OUR LORD

August 15th, 2021 ✚ 10:15 a.m.

Mary's role is not limited to giving birth to Jesus and mothering him in his childhood. In John's gospel, she is among the women standing near the cross; in Acts, she is among the disciples awaiting the gift of the Spirit. Through all that happened she continued to see how God was at work through her son, keeping the ancient promises to her ancestors, brushing aside the rich and powerful, and focusing on those as poor and powerless as Mary herself.

HOLY COMMUNION

EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN WORSHIP

*GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

PRELUDE

“He Hath Filled the Hungry” from *Magnificat*

J. S. Bach

*ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the aid of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that, attentive to your word, we may confess our sins, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. *Silence is observed for confession and self-examination.*

Gracious and merciful God, in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our + Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. **Amen**

1 Of the Father's love begotten
ere the worlds began to be,
he is Alpha and Omega,
he the source, the ending he,
of the things that are, that have been,
and that future years shall see,
evermore and evermore.

2 Oh, that birth forever blessed,
when the virgin, full of grace,
by the Holy Ghost conceiving,
bore the Savior of our race,
and the babe, the world's redeemer,
first revealed his sacred face,
evermore and evermore.

3 This is he whom seers in old time
chanted of with one accord,
whom the voices of the prophets
promised in their faithful word;
now he shines, the long-expected;
let creation praise its Lord
evermore and evermore.

4 Let the heights of heav'n adore him;
angel hosts, his praises sing;
pow'rs, dominions, bow before him
and extol our God and King;
let no tongue on earth be silent,
ev'ry voice in concert ring
evermore and evermore.

5 Christ, to thee, with God the Father,
and, O Holy Ghost, to thee,
hymn and chant and high thanksgiving
and unwearied praises be:
honor, glory, and dominion,
and eternal victory
evermore and evermore! Amen.

Text: Marcus Aurelius Clemens Prudentius, 348-413; tr. composite

***GREETING**

Spoken responsively by the leader and congregation.

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

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Let us pray. Almighty God, in choosing the virgin Mary to be the mother of your Son, you made known your gracious regard for the poor, the lowly, and the despised. Grant us grace to receive your word in humility, and so to be made one with your Son, Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

WORD

God speaks to us in Scripture reading, preaching, and song.

FIRST READING

Isaiah 61:7-11

The prophet proclaims a hopeful message: God loves justice and will make an everlasting covenant with Israel and her descendants. In response, the prophet sings a joyful song, like Mary many generations later, about God's mercy and salvation.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

In the promise of the Incarnation, Jesus Christ embodies God's mother-father heart, in love claiming people as adopted children.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

*GOSPEL READING

Luke 1:46-55

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke... **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Mary's song, the Magnificat, serves as a thematic anthem for God's work in the world and therefore for the ministry of her son, Jesus. In Mary's praise we hear of a saving God who remembers the humble, scatters the proud, lifts up the lowly, and fulfills all things.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

*CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He 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,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

He will come again 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 OF INTERCESSION

Rooted in Christ and sustained by the Holy Spirit, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation. *A brief silence is observed.*

You have revealed your love for people overlooked and cast aside, sending your son to be born among the humble and poor. Send your church to proclaim good news to those who feel abandoned, despised, or rejected and make our congregations places of genuine welcome and hospitality. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

All creation longs for healing and restoration. Restrain the destruction of plant and animal habitats and amplify the voices of those who advocate for wise stewardship of the earth's resources. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We remember your promise to our ancestors and look to you for justice. Expose pride, greed, and exploitation wherever it is found and raise up humble leaders who act on behalf of those who are poor, oppressed, or in other need. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Your Spirit lives in our hearts and makes us heirs of salvation. Rescue us from shame and dishonor. Lift up the lowly, fill the hungry with good things, and have mercy on those who turn to you for help, especially... Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Mary's song of praise and amazement echoes through this assembly. Attend to those in this congregation expecting a child and console those struggling to conceive. Come to the aid of those enduring a difficult pregnancy and those who have experienced a miscarriage. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Here other intercessions may be offered in speech and silence.

We give thanks for the saints who have found refuge in you, O Lord, especially Mary, mother of our Lord, and others whom we name... As you have delivered them from all their afflictions, so save us from all our earthly troubles until that day when we sing your praise together in heaven. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We lift these and all our prayers to you, O Lord, confident in the promise of your saving love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

***PEACE**

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

***OFFERTORY PRAYER**

Let us pray. God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

***DIALOGUE**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

***PREFACE**

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. By the witness of your saints you show us the hope of our calling, and strengthen us to run the race set before us, that we may delight in your mercy and rejoice with them in glory. And so, with Mary, mother of our Lord, and all the saints, with the choirs of angels and all the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

***HOLY, HOLY, HOLY**

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might:

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

*THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

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.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus 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 all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension,
we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord,
and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food,
the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord;
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be all honor and glory, now and forever.
Amen.



***LORD'S PRAYER**

Prayed by the congregation.

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as 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;
and 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**

***INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

Friends of Jesus, come to the table. Receive nourishment for your journey.

DISTRIBUTION

His Mercy for Those Who Fear Him

J. S. Bach

***BLESSING**

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen**

***POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

Let us pray. Gracious God, in this meal you have drawn us to your heart, and nourished us at your table with food and drink, the body and blood of Christ. Now send us forth to be your people in the world, and to proclaim your truth this day and evermore, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

*BLESSING

The blessing of the living God,
Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit,
surround and sustain you,
keep you from harm,
and fill you with courage. **Amen**



*SENDING HYMN

By All Your Saints

(Please kindly wear a face mask when singing.)

1 By all your saints still striving,
for all your saints at rest,
your holy name, O Jesus,
forevermore be blessed!
For you arose victorious
that they might wear the crown
and share the light of glory
reflected from your throne.

18 Oh, magnify with Mary
the God whom we adore;
rejoice in Christ our Savior,
true God whom Mary bore;
and praise the holy Power
in her made manifest.
With all the generations
acclaim this woman blest.



Last **Give praise to God Almighty,
and worship God the Son,
and sing to God the Spirit,
eternal Three in One,
till all the ransomed number
fall down before the throne,
and honor, pow'r, and glory
ascribe to God alone.**

Text: Horatio Bolton Nelson, 1823-1913, alt.; hymnal version, sts. 4, 9, 13, 16, 18

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***DISMISSAL**

Spoken responsively by the congregation.

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE *For the Mighty One Has Done Great Things* C. P. E. Bach

SERVING IN THE LITURGY

PREACHING AND PRESIDING MINISTER	Dennis Lauritsen, pastor
ASSISTING MINISTER	Carrie Watkiss
MUSIC MINISTER	David Richards
SERVICE LEADER	Beverly Tarbox
LECTOR	Tom Michaels
GREETERS	Walter and Judith Cudeck
USHER	Walter Cudecki
ALTAR CARE AND SACRISTANS	Ruth Bakalich

Current, Benevolence and Freewill Offering August 8th, 2021

<i>Weekly Budgeted Offering for 2020:</i>	\$2,597.00
<i>Offering Received for the Above Categories:</i>	\$.00
<i>Shortage:</i>	\$.00

PRAYER LIST

Members of the Congregation: Anne Gavac, Helen Gaydusek, Elaine Haase, Anita Horak, Luddy Kovalsky, Dot Myers, George Pagurko, Steve Podzamsky, Mary Sasuta and Mary Sordel

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ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers at the Lord's Table today are given in memory of loving mother **+Irene Boor+** on the anniversary of her birth on August 16th by remembering sons William R. and Richard T. Boor.

Our prayers and condolences are extended to the families of **+Milina Blahut+** and **+Anne Otjepka+** both of whom passed from this life on August 7th. Burial for Anne was held yesterday. Services for Milina will be scheduled for a later date. We share the grief of those who mourn the passing of Milina and Anne but find solace and hope in the promise of the resurrection given to us through our baptism into the crucified and risen Lord Jesus Christ.

UPCOMING COMMEMORATIONS

Mary, Mother of Our Lord

Sunday, August 15th

The church (including Martin Luther) honored Mary with the title *theotokos*, meaning "God-bearer," for her role in giving birth to the Son of God. Her song, the Magnificat, speaks eloquently of God's lifting the lowly and feeding the hungry.

Bernard, Abbot of Clairvaux, died 1153

Friday, August 20th

Bernard, a Cistercian monk, was a man of great spirituality who wrote mystical works and criticized those whom he thought took an overly intellectual approach to the faith. He became an abbot, and wrote several hymns that are still beloved today.