



COME TO BELIEVE † COME TO BELONG

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13TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SEPTEMBER 8, 2019

PRELUDE

Robert Aaron

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Brian Pederson

PROCESSIONAL SONG *Lift High the Cross*

ELW 660

Refrain

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim till

all the world a - dore his sa - cred name.

1 Come, Chris - tians, fol - low where our cap - tain trod,
2 Led on their way by this tri - um - phant sign,
3 All new - born sol - diers of the Cru - ci - fied
4 O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,
5 So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be:

Refrain

our king vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God.
the hosts of God in con - qu'ring ranks com - bine.
bear on their brows the seal of him who died.
as thou hast prom - ised, draw us all to thee.
praise to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry!

Text: George W. Kitchin, 1827–1912; Michael R. Newbolt, 1874–1956
Music: CRUCIFER, Sydney H. Nicholson, 1875–1947

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love You and worthily magnify Your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

If we say we have no sin we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins, and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Therefore, let us confess our sins in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God,
we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

GREETING

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.

KYRIE

Kyrie Eleison (Lord, have Mercy)

Refrain



Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, on our world and on our way.



Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, ev-'ry day.



1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the
 2 That we may live out your im - passioned re - sponse to the
 3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . for
 4 For your Spir - it to guide; that you cen - ter our lives in the



u - ni - ty of all; for
 hun - gry and the poor; that
 friends and fam - i - ly; for
 wa - ter and the word; that you



this ho - ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,
 we may live out truth and jus - tice and grace,
 life and for love, for our work and our play,
 nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod - y and blood,



let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

Refrain

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray...

O Lord, always lead and follow us with your grace, that we may be still more intent on doing good. Grant this, we pray, through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

FIRST 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 keep-

ing 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.”

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 1

¹Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful!

²Their delight is in the law of the Lord and they meditate on his law day and night.

³They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; everything they do shall prosper.

⁴It is not so with the wicked; they are like chaff which the wind blows away.

⁵Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.

⁶For the Lord knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked is doomed.

SECOND READING

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 for 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 accord. ¹⁵For this perhaps is why he was parted from you for a while, that you might have him back forever, ¹⁶no longer as a bondservant but more than a bondservant, 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.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
 words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL

Luke 14:25-35

The holy gospel according to St Luke, the 14th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Following the reading

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON



1 Stand up, stand up for Je - sus, as sol - diers of the cross,
 2 Stand up, stand up for Je - sus; the trum - pet call o - bey;
 3 Stand up, stand up for Je - sus, stand in his strength a - lone;
 4 Stand up, stand up for Je - sus, the strife will not be long;



lift high his roy - al ban - ner; it must not suf - fer loss.
 stand forth in might - y con - flict in this his glo - rious day.
 the arm of flesh will fail you, you dare not trust your own.
 this day the din of bat - tle, the next the vic - tor's song.



From vic - t'ry un - to vic - t'ry his ar - my he shall lead,
 Let all his faith - ful serve him a - gainst un - num - bered foes;
 Put on the gos - pel ar - mor; each piece put on with prayer.
 The sol - diers, o - ver - com - ing, their crown of life shall see,



till ev - 'ry foe is van - quished and Christ is Lord in - deed.
 let cour - age rise with dan - ger, and strength to strength op - pose.
 Where du - ty calls or dan - ger, be nev - er want - ing there.
 and with the King of glo - ry shall reign e - ter - nal - ly.

Text: George Duffield, 1818–1888, alt.
 Music: WEBB, George J. Webb, 1803–1887

APOSTLE'S 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 into hell.

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 Christian church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Let us pray to the Lord on behalf of His Church, our nation, the causes of peace and justice, the needs of the sick, and all people as they have need.

Brief silence

You have granted us great privilege and mercy, O Lord, that we should be called Your people. Work in us by Your Spirit, that we may love what is good and obey Your command cheerfully. Keep us from an easy faith that costs us nothing, and preserve us that we may be the salt of the earth and light in the darkness of a world that does not know You. Lord, in Your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Lead us, O Lord, to make Your appeal in love and to speak to the nations the witness of that love in Christ, that the erring may be led to truth, sinners to repentance and the persecuted sustained in their trials. Bless Your Church with wise and caring pastors who will preach faithfully Your Word and administer the Means of Grace to Your people, and raise up others to serve You and Your Church in the places where You lead. Lord, in Your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Give Your aid, O Lord, to all elected and appointed public officials, especially our president; the Congress of these United States; our governor; the legislature of this state; and all who serve us in Your name in government. Grant peace to the nations, and prosper to the benefit of all people the cause of justice. Lord, in Your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Keep us, O Lord, from growing weary of doing good, and give us loving hearts to show kindness to all people. Be with those who suffer any need, especially the poor, unemployed and homeless. Grant Your mercy to them and to all the household of Your people, that we shall be steadfast of heart and kept safe in every trial. Lord, in Your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Bless this good land, O Lord, that it may be fruitful and provide a good harvest to supply the needs of many. Bless us with good weather, and preserve us from natural and man-made disasters, famine and pestilence,

war and bloodshed. Bless all honest labor and industry, and provide employment for those without work and those without full-time employment. Lord, in Your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Grant to all the sick, O Lord, the riches of Your mercy to sustain them in their afflictions, deliver them according to Your will, comfort them with Your presence, and build them up in the hope of new and everlasting life. Be especially with those we name either out loud or silently in our hearts. *(Pause for spoken and silent prayers...)* Give them a cheerful countenance and a grateful heart for all Your mercies to them in their time of need. Lord, in Your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Blessed Lord, grant that we who come to Your table to receive the blessed meal of Your Son's body and blood may come in true repentance, confessing our Lord and discerning His presence in this Communion. Bring us at last to that day when earthly divisions will cease and all people will be one in doctrine and life. Lord, in Your mercy,
hear our prayer.

You know, Lord, the secrets of our hearts and what would entice us to fall away. Guard us against the love of things, and equip us by Your grace to love You with all that we are and all that we have. Accept, we pray, the tithes and offerings we bring, with the sacrifice of our praise and thanksgiving, which is our duty and delight. Lord, in Your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Bring to our remembrance, O Lord, those who have loved and served You, who now rest from their labors, that we may be encouraged by their witness, follow their example as they followed Christ, and be kept holy and blameless until we stand with their number on that day when Christ shall return in His glory as judge and king of all. Lord, in Your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Preserve us, O Lord, from all temptation, and grant us faith, that we may rest all our prayers and the desires of our hearts in Your merciful arms, for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
Amen.

PEACE

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

OFFERING *The offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need. If you are visiting with us, please feel free to pass the offering plate, you are our guest.*

OFFERTORY

Doxology

BH 253

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heav'nly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. A-men**

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

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... (*pastor continues, concluding with*), we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo-ry. Ho -
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -
est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -

san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER (SUNG)

Our Father, which 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION: *is open to all. We believe and teach that Christ is truly present in the bread and wine/juice, which are his body and blood. Young children whose parents do not wish for them to receive Communion yet are welcome to come forward and receive a blessing.*

COMMUNION SONG

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

CONG. SONG

As The Grains of Wheat

ELW 465



As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were



gath-ered in - to one to be - come our bread; so may all your peo-ple from



all the ends of earth be gath-ered in - to one in you.



1 As this cup of bless-ing is shared with-in our midst, when
2 Let this be a fore-taste of all that is to come when



may we share the pres - ence of your love.
all cre - a - tion shares this feast with you.

Text: Marty Haugen, b. 1950

Music: AS THE GRAINS, Marty Haugen, b. 1950

CONG. SONG

I Want Jesus to Walk With Me

LBW 501



1 I want Je - sus to walk with me;
2 In my tri - als, Lord, walk with me;
3 When I'm in trou - ble, Lord, walk with me;



I want Je - sus to walk with me;
in my tri - als, Lord, walk with me;
when I'm in trou - ble, Lord, walk with me;



all a - long my pil - grim jour - ney,
when my heart is al - most break - ing,
when my head is bowed in sor - row,

Lord, I want Je - sus to walk with me.
 Lord, I want Je - sus to walk with me.
 Lord, I want Je - sus to walk with me.

Text: African American spiritual
 Music: SOJOURNER, African American spiritual

CONG. SONG *Just a Closer Walk with Thee* BH 448

Refrain

Just a clos-er walk with thee, grant it, Je - sus, is my plea;

dai - ly walk-ing close to thee, let it be, dear Lord, let it be.

1 I am weak but thou art strong: Je - sus, keep me from all wrong;
 2 Through this world of toil and snares, if I fal - ter, Lord, who cares?
 3 When my fee - ble life is o'er, time for me will be no more;

Refrain

I'll be sat - is - fied as long as I walk, let me walk close to thee.
 Who with me my bur - den shares? None but thee, dear. . Lord, none but thee.
 guide me gent - ly, safe - ly o'er to thy king - dom. . shore, to thy shore.

Text: traditional
 Music: CLOSER WALK, traditional

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

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

Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray....

We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

In the name of the Father, and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit

Amen.

SENDING SONG *Onward, Christian Soldiers*

LBW 509



1 On - ward, Chris - tian sol - diers, march - ing as to war,
2 Like a might - y ar - my moves the church of God;
3 Crowns and thrones may per - ish, king - doms rise and wane,
4 On - ward, then, you faith - ful, join our hap - py throng;



with the cross of Je - sus go - ing on be - fore.
let us bold - ly fol - low where the saints have trod.
but the church of Je - sus con - stant will re - main;
blend with ours your voic - es in the tri - umph song.



Christ, the roy - al mas - ter, leads a - gainst the foe;
We are not di - vid - ed; all one bod - y we;
gates of hell can nev - er 'gainst the church pre - vail.
Glo - ry, laud, and hon - or un - to Christ the king.



for - ward in - to bat - tle, see, his ban - ners go!
one in hope and doc - trine, one in char - i - ty.
We have Christ's own prom - ise, and that can - not fail.
We through count - less a - ges with the an - gels sing:

Refrain



On - ward, Chris - tian sol - diers, march - ing as to war,



with the cross of Je - sus go - ing on be - fore.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace, Serve the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME to all who worship here today. May you experience the gracious presence of God, and the peace which our Risen Lord Jesus gives to his people.

WELCOME TO WORSHIP CARDS: Worship Cards and extra donation envelopes are located on a table in the back of the room. If you haven't already done so, would you please fill out the Welcome to Worship card and place it in the offering plate or the basket provided on the table. We especially want to know your prayer requests, questions and comments, so we can more fully serve the needs of our members and guests.

BIBLE STUDY RETURNS: The **Neighborhood Bible** study will continue with a potluck lunch and the study of Ephesians on September 17th at 12:00pm at the home of Kris Powell in Grapeview. Contact Sue Nichols 350-277-3414 for more information.

SEPTEMBER 29TH AFTER SERVICE POTLUCK: Join us after service on the last Sunday in September to say a loud and heartfelt **THANK YOU to Pastors Gary and Mike** for filling in for Pastor Brian during his absence. There will be no sign up sheet, just bring your favorite potluck dish to share.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Wed. 9/11	9:00am	Staff Meeting - Lakeland Village Club House
Thur. 9/12	11:00am	Church Council Meeting at Carole Boyko's
Sat. 9/14	8:00am	Men's Bible Study –

CONTACT INFORMATION: If you wish to meet with a pastor or other ministry leaders, please call 360-275-3390 to schedule an appointment.

TODAY'S WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

GREETERS:	Charlotte and Jerry Pedersen
USHERS:	Kristian and Janice Schonberg
READER:	Jerry Pedersen
COMM. ASSISTANTS:	Joanne Wilkinson and Judy Clark
SACRISTANS:	Jan and Howard Thoemke
COFFEE HOSTS:	Shari Stormo and Rosemary Wheaton
BARISTIA:	Duane Stormo
ALTAR FLOWERS:	Glennys Gehring to the glory of God
COUNTERS:	Guy Bralley and Dennis Moen

LAST WEEKS ATTENDENCE: **86**

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Life lived in the intentional presence of God is one filled with true joy and spiritual abundance. There is a cost, however, to following Jesus. The cost isn't measured in silver or gold, but in the very giving away of one's life for the sake of the Gospel. Jesus warned his followers to "count the cost" before they embarked on the journey with him. It sounds daunting, but once you're on the path, you see it's true freedom.

THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURE TEXTS

First Reading: Deuteronomy 30:15-20 Choose Life

The Lord made it clear to Israel that worshiping false gods would only lead them into trouble. The direction in which their hearts were focused would result in the either blessing or curse. Obeying the Lord, loving him with all their hearts, and holding fast to him alone, means true life as well as dwelling in the Promised Land.

Psalms 1 The Lord Knows the Way of the Righteous

The psalmist proclaimed that those who walk in the ways of the Lord are like rees planted by streams of water. Growth and nourishment are readily available for those who love God and follow him; their work will prosper with God's help.

Second Lesson: Philemon 1-21 Paul's Appeal to a Slave Owner

Paul wrote an impassioned letter to Philemon, who was the owner of a slave named Onesimus. Paul met Onesimus in prison, becoming his spiritual father there. Paul asserted in the correspondence that he could demand Philemon do what was right and free Onesimus, but instead Paul asked him to free the slave out of love.

Gospel Lesson: Luke 14:25-35 Count the Cost of Discipleship

Jesus explained to his disciples that there is a very high cost of following him. One must be willing to bear his own cross, renounce all his worldly possessions, even walk away from family, if need be, in order to go with Jesus. He used the examples of calculating a budget before beginning the foundation of a building project, and of a king figuring up the price of war before confronting an enemy.

