

The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost
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Absolution *congregation responds "Amen"*

Introit *He Heals the Brokenhearted* Psalm 147:8–11; antiphon: v. 7

Sing to the LORD with thanks- | giving;*
make melody to our God | on the lyre!

He covers the heavens with clouds; he prepares rain | for the earth;*
he makes grass grow | on the hills.

He gives to the | beasts their food,*
and to the young ravens | that cry.

His delight is not in the strength | of the horse,*
nor his pleasure in the legs | of a man,

but the LORD takes pleasure in those who | fear him,*
in those who hope in his | steadfast love.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Sing to the LORD with thanks- | giving;*
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Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Almighty and merciful God, it is by Your grace that we live as Your people who offer acceptable service. Grant that we may walk by faith, and not by sight, in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.** (*sit*)

Old Testament *God's Covenant with Abraham* Genesis 15:1–6

¹After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision: "Fear not, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." ²But Abram said, "O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" ³And Abram said, "Behold, you have given me no offspring, and a member of my household will be my heir." ⁴And behold, the word of the LORD came to him: "This man shall not be your heir; your very own son shall be your heir." ⁵And he brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven, and number the stars, if you are able to number them." Then he said to him, "So shall your offspring be." ⁶And he believed the LORD, and he counted it to him as righteousness.

A This is the word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual

Psalm 34:9, 19, alt.

Fear the LORD, | you his saints,*
for those who fear him lack | nothing!

**Many are the afflictions of the | righteous,*
but the LORD delivers him out | of them all.**

Epistle *By Faith*

Hebrews 11:1–16

¹Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. ²For by it the people of old received their commendation. ³By faith we understand that the universe was created by the word of God, so that what is seen was not made out of things that are visible.

⁴By faith Abel offered to God a more acceptable sacrifice than Cain, through which he was commended as righteous, God commending him by accepting his gifts. And through his faith, though he died, he still speaks. ⁵By faith Enoch was taken up so that he should not see death, and he was not found, because God had taken him. Now before he was taken he was commended as having pleased God. ⁶And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him. ⁷By faith Noah, being warned by God concerning events as yet unseen, in reverent fear constructed an ark for the saving of his household. By this he condemned the world and became an heir of the righteousness that comes by faith.

⁸By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going. ⁹By faith he went to live in the land of promise, as in a foreign land, living in tents with Isaac and Jacob, heirs with him of the same promise. ¹⁰For he was looking forward to the city that has foundations, whose designer and builder is God. ¹¹By faith Sarah herself received power to conceive, even when she was past the age, since she considered him faithful who had promised. ¹²Therefore from one man, and him as good as dead, were born descendants as many as the stars of heaven and as many as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore.

¹³These all died in faith, not having received the things promised, but having seen them and greeted them from afar, and having acknowledged that they were strangers and exiles on the earth. ¹⁴For people who speak thus make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. ¹⁵If they had been thinking of that land from which they had gone out, they would have had opportunity to return. ¹⁶But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared for them a city.

A This is the word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Verse of the Day (*stand*)

Luke 12:32

Alleluia. Alleluia.

Fear not, | little flock,*

for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the | kingdom.

Alleluia. Alleluia.

Gospel *Do Not Be Anxious*

Luke 12:22-34

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twelfth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

²²[Jesus] said to his disciples, "Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat, nor about your body, what you will put on. ²³For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing. ²⁴Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds! ²⁵And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? ²⁶If then you are not able to do as small a thing as that, why are you anxious about the rest? ²⁷Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. ²⁸But if God so clothes the grass, which is alive in the field today, and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you, O you of little faith! ²⁹And do not seek what you are to eat and what you are to drink, nor be worried. ³⁰For all the nations of the world seek after these things, and your Father knows that you need them. ³¹Instead, seek his kingdom, and these things will be added to you.

³²"Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. ³³Sell your possessions, and give to the needy. Provide yourselves with moneybags that do not grow old, with a

treasure in the heavens that does not fail, where no thief approaches and no moth destroys.³⁴For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

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Sermon (*sit*) "The Answer is Word and Sacrament" Hebrews 11:1-16

Hymn of the Day "I Know My Faith is Founded" LSB 587

Offering

Prayer of the Church (*stand*) *congregation responds "Hear our prayer"*

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Words of Institution

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Distribution Hymn (*sit*) "My Faith Looks Up to Thee" LSB 702

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Benedicamus and Benediction

Closing Hymn "We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight" tune: EVAN

1 **We walk by faith and not by sight,
No gracious words we hear
From Him who spoke as none e'er spoke,
But we believe Him near.**

2 **We may not touch His hands and side,
Nor follow where He trod;
But in His promise we rejoice
And cry "My Lord and God!"**

3 **Help then, O Lord, our unbelief;
And may our faith abound
To call on You when You are near
And seek where You are found.**

4 **For You, O resurrected Lord,
Are found in means divine:
Beneath the water and the Word,
Beneath the bread and wine.**

5 **Lord, when our life of faith is done,
 In realms of clearer light
We may behold You as You are,
 With full and endless sight.**

Postlude

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