

**† EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST †**  
**September 26, 2021**

<b>Evening Service of Holy Communion 5:30 p.m.</b>
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**PRELUDE**

Italian Hymn

Lani Smith

**INVOCATION and CONFESSION** (*Congregation rising*)

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

**C Amen.**

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

**C Gracious God, have mercy on us. 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.**

P 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 servant 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.

**C Amen.**

**OPENING HYMN**

Come, Thou Almighty King

LSB Hymn 905

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P The Lord be with you.

**C And also with you.**

P Let us pray:

**C God of love, You know our frailties and failings. Give us Your grace to overcome them; keep us from those things that harm us; and guide us in the way of salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

**OLD TESTAMENT READING**

Numbers 11:4, 10-16, 25-29

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they come weeping to me and say, 'Give us meat to eat!' <sup>14</sup>I am not able to carry all this people alone, for they are too heavy for me. <sup>15</sup>If this is the way you are going to treat me, put me to death at once – if I have found favor in your sight – and do not let me see my misery." <sup>16</sup>So the Lord said to Moses, "Gather for me seventy of the elders of Israel, whom you know to be the elders of the people and officers over them; bring them to the tent of meeting, and have them take their place there with you...." <sup>25</sup>Then the Lord came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders; and when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied. But they did not do so again. <sup>26</sup>Two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the spirit rested on them; they were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. <sup>27</sup>And a young man ran and told Moses, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp." <sup>28</sup>And Joshua son of Nun, the assistant of Moses, one of his chosen men, said, "My lord Moses, stop them!" <sup>29</sup>But Moses said to him, "Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the Lord's people were prophets, and that the Lord would put his spirit on them!"

L This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

## **EPISTLE**

James 5:13-20

<sup>13</sup>Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. <sup>14</sup>Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. <sup>15</sup>The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. <sup>16</sup>Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. <sup>17</sup>Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. <sup>18</sup>Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest. <sup>19</sup>My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, <sup>20</sup>you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

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## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** (*Congregation rising*)

P Your word, O Lord, is truth; sanctify us in Your truth.

**C May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in Your sight, O Lord.**

## **GOSPEL**

Mark 9:38-50

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 9th chapter.

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

<sup>38</sup>John said to [Jesus], "Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us." <sup>39</sup>But Jesus said, "Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. <sup>40</sup>Whoever is not against us is for us. <sup>41</sup>For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward. <sup>42</sup>If any of you put a stumbling block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. <sup>43</sup>If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. <sup>45</sup>And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. <sup>47</sup>And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, <sup>48</sup>where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched. <sup>49</sup>For everyone will be salted with fire. <sup>50</sup>Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

**HYMN OF THE DAY** From God Can Nothing Move Me (v. 1-5) LSB **Hymn 713**

**SERMON** "Jesus May Have Lost His Mind" Rev. Dr. Robert Hartwell

**THE APOSTLES' CREED** (*Congregation rising*)

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

**And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From thence He will come 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 THE CHURCH**

P Lord, in Your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

**COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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Von Gott will ich nicht lassen

J. S. Bach

## † HOLY COMMUNION †

### **PREFACE** (*Congregation rising*)

P The Lord be with you.

**C And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

**C We lift them up to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Send Your Holy Spirit into our hearts to establish in us a living faith and prepare us joyfully to receive our Redeemer who comes to us in His body and blood. Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

**C 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.**

### **WORDS OF INSTITUTION and SIGN OF PEACE**

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is my body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of me." In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new covenant in my blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

P Behold, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

**C Lord, have mercy upon us and grant us Your peace.**

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C And also with you.**

### **DISTRIBUTION**

*(Worshipers are invited to come forward to receive the pre-packaged Communion kit, then return to your seat to eat and drink. Children and those not partaking of communion are welcome to come forward for a blessing. If you need assistance, please alert the pastor or usher.)*

## POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

P Almighty God, we thank You for feeding us with spiritual food, the body and blood of Christ. All who come to You will not hunger, and all who believe in You will not thirst. Strengthened by this Sacrament, send us into the world to share the Good News and be faithful disciples of Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

## BENEDICTION

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C **Amen.**

**CLOSING HYMN** Spread the Reign of God the Lord (v. 1-4) LSB **Hymn 830**

## DISMISSAL

P Go in peace to serve the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE

Gott sei dank

Patricia Kayser

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## ***Participants in the Service:***

Rev. Dr. Robert Hartwell, Senior Pastor

Deborah Reiss, Organist and Lector

## COVID SAFETY PROTOCOL:

- ❖ In view of current conditions due to the COVID-19 Delta variant, **it is strongly recommended that masks be worn during the entire service, even if vaccinated.**
- ❖ Unvaccinated people, including children over 2, are asked to wear a mask at all times.
- ❖ Please pick up one Attendance Form per individual or family and place them in the offering plate during the service.

## **COMMUNION STATEMENT**

Village Lutheran Church welcomes to Holy Communion those baptized Christians who: †Know Jesus Christ as their Savior (*John 20:31*); †Recognize that the body and blood of Christ are truly present in the bread and wine (*1 Cor. 11:29*); †Are able to examine themselves and repent of their sins (*1 Cor. 11:28*); and †Look to God's Holy Spirit for help in living the Christian life (*Col. 1:10*). Persons not receiving Communion may come forward to receive a blessing.

## Service of Holy Communion 9:00 & 10:45 a.m.

### PRELUDE

Italian Hymn

Lani Smith

### INVOCATION and CONFESSION *(Congregation rising)*

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

C **Amen.**

P 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.

C **Gracious God, have mercy on us. 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.**

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### OPENING HYMN

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LSB Hymn 905

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(9:00) **CHANCEL CHOIR ANTHEM**      The Lord is My Light      (LSB Hymn 723)

(9:00) **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** (*Congregation rising*)

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## SERMON

"Jesus May Have Lost His Mind"

Rev. Dr. Robert Hartwell

## THE APOSTLES' CREED (*Congregation rising*)

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P Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

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Von Gott will ich nicht lassen

J. S. Bach



**OFFERING HYMN** (*Congregation rising*)

(Tune: REGENT SQUARE)

Christ, in ev'ry congregation build Your temple, stone by stone,  
with Your word as firm foundation for a faith matured and grown:  
Christ the Savior, Christ the Servant, make in us Your Gospel known.

† **HOLY COMMUNION** †

**PREFACE**

P The Lord be with you.

**C And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

**C We lift them up to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

P It is indeed good and right that we should offer You our thanks and praise,  
O God, for with great love You have led us into the freedom of the  
promised land, giving us power to stand firm in the face of wickedness and  
to rejoice in triumph over death and the grave. And so, with the Church on  
earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise Your name and join their  
unending hymn:

♪ **SANCTUS** (*Sung to the hymn "Holy, Holy, Holy"*)

Holy, holy, holy Lord God Almighty!

We rejoice to join the hymns of earth and sky and sea.

Generations praise You, with saints and angels.

Holy and bless'd through all eternity.

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**C 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  
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**WORDS OF INSTITUTION and SIGN OF PEACE**

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when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples, and  
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remembrance of me." In the same way also He took the cup after supper,  
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of you; this cup is the new covenant in my blood, which is shed for you for  
the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of  
me."

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C And also with you.**

♪ **AGNUS DEI** (*Sung to the hymn "My Faith Looks Up to Thee"*)

O Lamb of God, we pray: Take all our sins away – our faith increase.  
Have mercy on us all, strengthen us when we fall,  
answer our fervent call and grant us peace.

**DISTRIBUTION HYMN**

Alabaré

LSB Hymn 799

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C **Amen.**

**BENEDICTION**

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C **Amen.**

**CLOSING HYMN**

Spread the Reign of God the Lord (v. 1-4)

LSB Hymn 830

**DISMISSAL**

P Go in peace to serve the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE**

Gott sei dank

Patricia Kayser

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***Participants in the Service:***

	9:00	10:45
<b>Lector</b>	Janet George	James Maxeiner
<b>Usher Team</b>	Richard Graham Mary Martin	Ralph Schoene Terry Vidal
<b>Sexton</b>	Henry Podoll	
<b>Refreshments</b>	Raphael Family ( <i>on the Great Porch</i> )	

## **News and Notes:**

**Music Ministry:** We are thrilled to have the Chancel Choir back in worship this weekend and look forward to hearing from all of our musical ensembles over the next few weeks. You are invited to be a part of any group.

- **Village Belles** - Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.
- **Chancel Choir** - Thursday at 7:30 p.m. We request that all members be vaccinated.
- **Youth Choir** - Thursday at 7:00 p.m. in the MPR
- **High School Choir** - Sunday at 10:15 a.m. in the chancel.

For more information, contact Deb Reiss at [DReiss@VLC-NY.org](mailto:DReiss@VLC-NY.org) or George Heath at [GHeath@VLC-NY.org](mailto:GHeath@VLC-NY.org).

**Prayer Conference Call:** We invite you to once again join in prayer for the needs of the community via our prayer conference call, which will now be offered once a month on the last Tuesday of the month. The next date will be **Tuesday, September 28, at 6:00 p.m.** To access the call, dial (1) 732-434-3982.

**Wednesday Bible Study** - 10:45 a.m. in the Friendship Room. On **September 29** we will begin studying the festival "Hallel" psalms (113-118).

**9/11 Mobil Museum at Lake Isle** - The Eastchester Rotary Club and the Foley Family Foundation are sponsoring the Never Forget 9/11 Museum at Lake Isle Country Club on **September 29-30 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.** Members of the FDNY will be on site to lead visitor tours. To learn about the museum, go to [911RememberedTheTravelingMemorial.org](http://911RememberedTheTravelingMemorial.org)

**Youth News: Voyagers** (Grades 3-6) will meet out on the playground on Thursday, **Sept. 30 at 6:00 p.m.** For more information, contact Erika Schultz at [tyandbash@aol.com](mailto:tyandbash@aol.com); Sarah Nunes (Confirmation instructor) at [SNunes@VLC-NY.ORG](mailto:SNunes@VLC-NY.ORG); or Amy Heath (High School Youth) at [amyheath1023@gmail.com](mailto:amyheath1023@gmail.com)

**The fall Voter's Meeting** will be held on **Sunday, October 3, at 12 noon** in the MPR. The budget will be presented. Copies of the budget and presentation are available at the tract rack by church doors for review prior to the meeting.

**Women's Bible Study/LWML** - Learn more about all of our activities on **LWML Sunday, October 2-3**. The next meeting is **Saturday, Oct. 16, at 9:00 a.m.** in the Friendship Room. This month we will discuss the birth of John the Baptist. Please read Luke 1:1-25, 36-45 and 57-80.

**A Memorial Service for Dorothy Zelenko** will be held at VLC on Saturday, **October 9, at 2:00 p.m.** A livestream link will be available at [VLC-NY.org](http://VLC-NY.org).

**SOUP KITCHEN** - Due to delays in renovating the new soup kitchen, our September date was completely cancelled. The next hosting date will be on **Wednesday, Oct. 13**. For more information, contact Nelly Palumbo at 347-538-2909 or [NPalumbo@thechapelschool.org](mailto:NPalumbo@thechapelschool.org).

**Lunch Bunch News:** The Lunch Bunch has been on hiatus due to covid-19. As a special kick-off to activities, Pastor Hartwell would like to invite any interested church members or community friends to gather for a **Lunch Bunch Reunion/Kick-Off at Leewood Country Club on Thursday, October 14**. Cost is \$20 and reservations are required. To sign up, please write a note on the Attendance Form or call the church office at 914-337-0207 (1003).

**Coffee Hour Hosts** are needed to prepare coffee and bring light refreshments. Many thanks to those who have signed up for the first few weeks. If you can volunteer for a date later this fall, please sign up on the bulletin board by the church entrance or contact Nelly Palumbo at 347-538-2909 or [NPalumbo@thechapelschool.org](mailto:NPalumbo@thechapelschool.org)

**Looking for Lectors:** Thank you to those who have been able to serve in worship during the pandemic. We are in need of additional lectors, **especially for the Saturday evening service**. If you would be interested, please write a note on the Attendance Form or contact Kim Rapillo in the church office, 914-337-0207 x1003 or [KRapillo@VLC-NY.org](mailto:KRapillo@VLC-NY.org).

**Blessing Basket/Food for ECAP:** The Blessing Baskets are located in the Friendship Room under the piano. Bring in food donations when you come for worship or leave them with the receptionist during the week. **Could you volunteer to bring donations from the church to ECAP** (Main Street in Tuckahoe)? Please contact the church office to coordinate, 914-337-0207 x1003 or [KRapillo@VLC-NY.org](mailto:KRapillo@VLC-NY.org).

**Prayer Line:** We pray for the sick and those experiencing any kind of difficulty: Gena Belloli, Dean Carbone, Frank Clark, Deacon Faith Forliano, Kathryn Haddad, Annabella Hansen, Ben Hartwell, Judy Hartwell, Suzanne Heinrich, Keith Hough, Deacon Joe Lamoureux, Rev. Paul Liersemann, Frankie Lyman, Ellie Messner, Joshua Pedrosa & U.S. troops, Sylvia Puig, Hilda Qualitero, Ralph Qualitero, Willi Rosendahl, Steve Smith, Christopher Swensson

**Bereavement Prayer Line:** We pray for those who are grieving the loss of a loved one.

- † **Kathy Cropp**, friend of Wendy Haddad, who passed away on September 5, 2021
- † **Carol Leone**, VLC member, who passed away on September 2, 2021

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