

# Gustavus Adolphus

LUTHERAN CHURCH

A Reconciling in Christ Congregation



## All Are Welcome Here!

Gustavus Adolphus Lutheran Church proclaims that the Gospel is God's gift to all people, to be shared unconditionally. We rejoice in the manner in which diversity has enriched, nurtured and challenged the life and ministry we share in Christ. We know that the world is often an unloving place and that the experience of alienation is all too common. Because Christ reconciles us, we welcome people of all ages, ethnic backgrounds, sexual orientations, gender identities, physical and mental abilities, educational levels, and socioeconomic backgrounds. We strive to be an evermore welcoming community. Following the example of Christ, we extend a most heartfelt welcome to all.

## Our Congregation's Vision Statement

God in Christ loves us; therefore, through the Holy Spirit we will:

### *Do justice*

- We **hope** for our community and all of God's creation
- We feed the poor and comfort the afflicted
- We welcome and **respect** our neighbor and the stranger

### *Love kindness*

- We **love** and care for our congregation and our community
- We practice **forgiveness** locally and globally
- We strive for **compassion** and **acceptance**

### *Walk humbly with our God*

- We find **joy** in creation
- We desire to grow in **spirituality**
- We delight in liturgical worship and creative expression

We are all children of God. Jesus calls us by name. With the Holy Spirit, we seek to live out God's grace.

Lectioary 21

August 25, 2019

9:30 a.m.

Welcome to  
Gustavus Adolphus!

If you are a guest today,  
please fill out the blue  
slip included in today's  
bulletin so that we may  
have a record of your  
visit with us.

We welcome people of  
all ages in worship.  
Activity bags for  
children are available  
from the ushers.

We invite you to remain for  
refreshments and a time  
of fellowship following  
worship today.

Please remember to silence  
all electronic devices.

✝ Please stand as you are able.

## Gathering

### Organ Prelude

Phil Holzman's organ preludes for the balance of the summer will be from the set of "Eight Little Preludes and Fugues" which are attributed to the great master Johann Sebastian Bach, but are really believed to have been written by a student or students of his. Nonetheless, they are delightful and standard pieces of organ literature.

### PRELUDE

*Prelude and Fugue in B-Flat Major*

J. S. Bach

### ✝ CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

**P** Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God,  
who forgives all our sin,  
whose mercy endures forever.

**C** **Amen.**

**P** The prophet Isaiah assures us  
that when we cry for help,  
God will answer.  
So then, let us confess our sin,  
confident that God is ready to forgive.

**C** **God of justice and love,  
we confess to you and to each other  
that we have not offered food to the hungry  
or satisfied the needs of the afflicted.  
We have spoken evil of others and pointed fingers  
in blame.  
We have turned away from you and our community,  
pursuing instead our own self-interests.  
Parched for mercy, we cry out for your help.  
Forgive us, God, and teach us your ways,  
that we may be renewed like a garden  
freshly watered. Amen.**

**P** In the waters of baptism we receive abundant mercy,  
flowing like a spring that never runs dry.  
Forgiven and freed,  
we are reconciled with God and with one another.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

### ✝ GATHERING SONG

ELW Hymn 834

***Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise***

### ✝ GREETING

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

**C** **And also with you.**

***Glory to God in the Highest***

+ PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P** Let us pray. Holy One, we bless you with all that is within us as we remember your benefits to us. Open our hearts to helping those most in need, that our community and nation may be rebuilt and restored.

**C** **Amen.**

*Word*

MUSICAL OFFERING

John Stanley

*Trumpet Voluntary*

FIRST READING

Isaiah 58:9b–14

<sup>9b</sup>If you remove the yoke from among you,  
the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil,  
<sup>10</sup>if you offer your food to the hungry  
and satisfy the needs of the afflicted,  
then your light shall rise in the darkness  
and your gloom be like the noonday.  
<sup>11</sup>The LORD will guide you continually,  
and satisfy your needs in parched places,  
and make your bones strong;  
and you shall be like a watered garden,  
like a spring of water,  
whose waters never fail.  
<sup>12</sup>Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt;  
you shall raise up the foundations of many generations;  
you shall be called the repairer of the breach,  
the restorer of streets to live in.  
  
<sup>13</sup>If you refrain from trampling the sabbath,  
from pursuing your own interests on my holy day;  
if you call the sabbath a delight  
and the holy day of the LORD honorable;  
if you honor it, not going your own ways,  
serving your own interests, or pursuing your own affairs;  
<sup>14</sup>then you shall take delight in the LORD,  
and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth;  
I will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob,  
for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

**L** Word of God. Word of life.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

*Introduction to the Day*

*Remember the sabbath day.  
Call the sabbath a delight.  
This is the Lord's day, and  
the Lord will do for us what  
the Lord does: feed us,  
forgive us, help and heal us.  
Rejoice at all the wonderful  
things God is doing.*

*Musical Offering*

If you attended worship on August 11, you may remember that Aaron Miller played this *Trumpet Voluntary* that morning in worship as well – accompanied by the piano because the organ was not working that day. Today we repeat this grand piece as it is meant to be heard – accompanied by the organ!

## PSALM 103

*Refrain*

Bless the Lord, O my soul: and all that is within me, bless his holy name.

He has done great things, — he has done great things, —

*Repeat Refrain*

he has done great things; bless his holy name!

## SECOND READING

Hebrews 12:18–29

<sup>18</sup>You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, <sup>19</sup>and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. <sup>20</sup>(For they could not endure the order that was given, “If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death.” <sup>21</sup>Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, “I tremble with fear.”) <sup>22</sup>But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, <sup>23</sup>and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, <sup>24</sup>and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

<sup>25</sup>See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! <sup>26</sup>At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, “Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven.” <sup>27</sup>This phrase, “Yet once more,” indicates the removal of what is shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. <sup>28</sup>Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; <sup>29</sup>for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

**L** Word of God. Word of life.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## + ACCLAMATION



## + GOSPEL

Luke 13:10-17

**P** The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 13<sup>th</sup> chapter.

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

<sup>10</sup>Now [Jesus] was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. <sup>11</sup>And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. <sup>12</sup>When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." <sup>13</sup>When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. <sup>14</sup>But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day." <sup>15</sup>But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? <sup>16</sup>And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?" <sup>17</sup>When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

**P** The gospel of the Lord.

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

## SERMON

## + HYMN OF THE DAY

ELW Hymn 521

***O Day of Rest and Gladness***

## + PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

**A** Treasuring your promise to hear us when we call, we pray for the church, those in need, and all of your creation.

*Petitions follow. Each petition ends...*

**A** Hear us, O God.

**C** **Your mercy is great.**

*After the final petition...*

**P** All these things and more we ask in the name of our risen Lord, Jesus Christ, by the power of your Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**



## *Continuing Prayer Concerns*

Sharon & Paul Banitt;  
DJ Bedah; Adrienne Bisping;  
Mary Boatwright;  
Peggy Bowman; Charline Burns;  
Amy Cersier; Shirley Cropper;  
Vi Dorumsgaard; Katie Falang;  
Rena Frasee; Kimberly Garner;  
Morrie Gulbrandson;  
Nancy Johnson;  
Pat Norring-Johnson;  
Jeff McQuarrie; June Mondeng;  
Juliana Palmer; Jean Rosebrock;  
Carol Stout;  
Arden & Joyce Swanson;  
Vi Tefft; Stephanie Vavrichek;  
Marion White; Nikki Wick;  
Andrew; Ann; Dave and family;  
Sveah; Gretchen; Bre; Kathryn and family; those who are homebound or in nursing homes or care centers.

*Our continual prayers are offered for peace. We pray for all of the world's governments, leaders, and peoples, especially for those who work toward peace.*

*To have someone's name added to or removed from this list, contact Phil Holzman.*

## Flowers

*The flowers on the altar  
today are given by Mary Ann  
Eide in memory of her sister,  
Sandy Jones.*

## Offering Hymn

The giving of our tithes and offerings is an act of worship. Singing a hymn is also an act of worship. To maintain a worshipful mood during the offering, we sing a hymn.

+ PEACE

**P** The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C** And also with you.

## Meal

OFFERING

OFFERING HYMN



1 As saints of old their first-fruits brought of or - chard, flock, and field  
2 A world in need now sum-mons us to la - bor, love, and give;  
3 In grat - i - tude and hum-ble trust we bring our best to - day



to God, the giv - er of all good, the source of boun-teous yield,  
to make our life an of - fer - ing to God, that all may live.  
to serve your cause and share your love with all a - long life's way.



so we to - day first - fruits would bring, the wealth of this good land,  
The church of Christ is call - ing us to make the dream come true:  
O God, who gave your - self to us in Je - sus Christ your Son,



of farm and mar - ket, shop and home, of mind and heart and hand.  
a world re-deemed by Christ-like love; all life in Christ made new.  
teach us to give our - selves each day un - til life's work is done.

+ OFFERING PRAYER

**P** Blessed are you, O God, for the greening earth given for all,  
for the talents we are given to share, and for this bread and  
wine. Transform us to be the body of Christ, that, feasting on  
this food and drink, our lives may reflect your generosity;  
through Christ our Lord.

**C** Amen.

+ GREAT THANKSGIVING

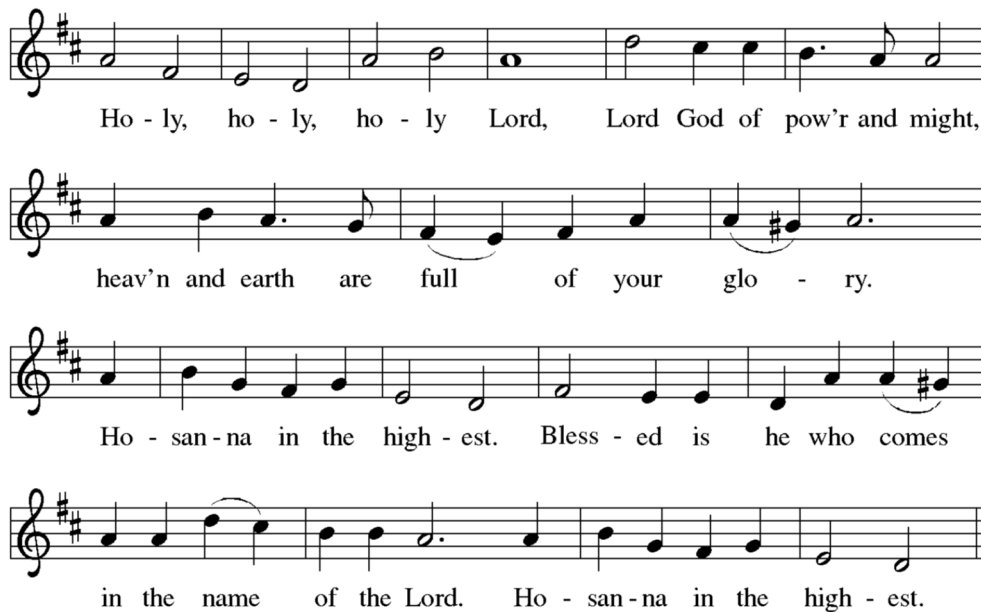
**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Lift up your hearts.

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

- P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C** **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**
- P** It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...  
join their unending hymn...



#### ✚ WORDS OF INSTITUTION

#### ✚ LORD'S PRAYER

- 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.**

#### INVITATION AND DISTRIBUTION

*We serve communion by intinction. Receive a wafer and dip it into the larger chalice containing wine or into the smaller chalice containing grape juice.*

#### DISTRIBUTION HYMN

***Healer of Our Every Ill***

ELW Hymn 612

#### ✚ PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

- A** Let us pray. O God, in this holy communion you have welcomed us into your presence, nourished us with words of mercy, and fed us at your table. Amid the cares of this life, strengthen us to love you with all our heart, serve our neighbors with a willing spirit, and honor the earth you have made; through Christ our Lord.
- C** **Amen.**



#### *Please join us for The Lord's Supper*

*All are invited to join us in the Lord's Supper. We believe that Christ is present in the bread and wine and that we receive God's grace and forgiveness through this meal. Those adults and children not communing with us are invited to come forward to receive a blessing.*

*There are gluten-free wafers available for those who need them. Simply indicate this to the communion server.*

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## *Sending*

+ BLESSING

+ SENDING SONG

ELW Hymn 537

### *On Our Way Rejoicing*

+ DISMISSAL

**P** Go in peace. Christ is sending you.

**C** **Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE

Setting, Fred Bock

### *Postlude on “Old Hundredth”*

*You are always invited to remain and share in the postlude.*

*This piece is a setting of the tune we commonly know as  
“The Doxology.”*

**God's Mission for Gustavus  
Adolphus Church –**

***To build community  
where God is at the center.***

## *Serving Today*

Ministers	The Baptized people of GA Church
Presiding Minister & Preacher	Pastor Jo Bauman Johnson
Assisting Minister	Andrea Carter
Minister of Worship & Music	Deacon Phil Holzman
Lector	Carlotta Rosebrock
Musical Offering	Aaron Miller, trumpet
Transportation	Brian Hendrickson