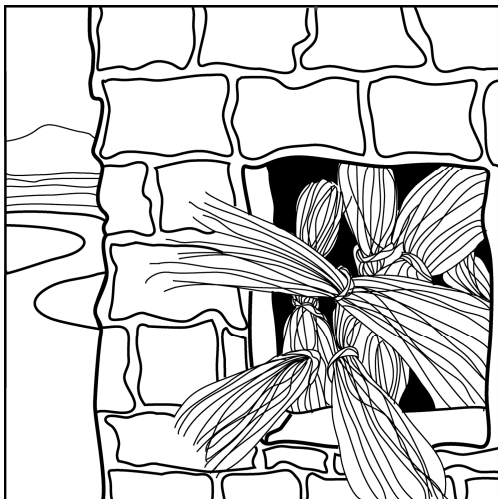


# Gustavus Adolphus

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.

Lectionary 18

August 4, 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 F 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** Already assured that forgiveness is ours in Jesus Christ,  
let us lay aside every weight  
and the sin that clings so closely,  
that we might receive mercy and amend our lives.

**C** **Holy God,  
you lavish us with good gifts,  
yet we persist in seeking after that  
which robs us of abundant life.  
We hold fast to our anxieties  
and give in to our greed;  
we desire the very things that harm us.  
Forgive us, purify us,  
and sustain us by the strength of your Holy Spirit,  
we ask in Jesus' name. Amen.**

**P** If God is for us, who is against us?  
In Jesus Christ you have been set free.  
Know that you are forgiven and be at peace.

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

#### ✝ GATHERING SONG

ELW Hymn 825

*You Servants of God*

#### ✝ 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.**

#### ✝ CANTICLE OF PRAISE

ELW page 148

*Glory to God in the Highest*

## + PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P** Let us pray. Benevolent God, you are the source, the guide, and the goal of our lives. Teach us to love what is worth loving, to reject what is offensive to you, and to treasure what is precious in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C** **Amen.**

## Word

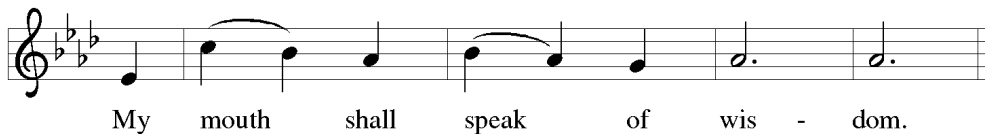
### MUSICAL OFFERING

arr. Kari Navratil

#### *Amazing Grace*

PSALM 49:1–12 (read responsively)

*Refrain... The lector will sing once; join the second time and at each of the following times indicated.*



- <sup>1</sup>Hear this, all you peoples;  
give ear, all you who dwell in the world,  
<sup>2</sup>**you of high degree and low,  
rich and poor together.**  
<sup>3</sup>My mouth shall speak of wisdom,  
and my heart shall meditate on understanding.  
<sup>4</sup>**I will incline my ear to a proverb  
and set forth my riddle upon the harp. Refrain**  
<sup>5</sup>Why should I be afraid in evil days,  
when the wickedness of those at my heels surrounds me,  
<sup>6</sup>**the wickedness of those who put their trust  
in their own prowess,  
and boast of their great riches?**  
<sup>7</sup>One can never redeem another,  
or give to God the ransom for another's life;  
<sup>8</sup>**for the ransom of a life is so great  
that there would never be enough to pay it,**  
<sup>9</sup>in order to live forever and ever  
and never see the grave.  
<sup>10</sup>**For we see that the wise die also;  
like the dull and stupid they perish  
and leave their wealth to those who come after them.**  
<sup>11</sup>Their graves shall be their homes forever,  
their dwelling places from generation to generation,  
though they had named lands after themselves.  
<sup>12</sup>**Even though honored, they cannot live forever;  
they are like the beasts that perish. Refrain**

## *Introduction to the Day*

*Today's texts offer instruction and encouragement for all who are occasionally overwhelmed by the "unhappy business" of life. Jesus urges us to take care and be on guard against all kinds of greed. We who have died with Christ in holy baptism have also been raised with him and are encouraged to elevate our thinking, seeking the "things that are above." To that end we seek the sustenance of the Lord's supper and the encouragement of God's word.*

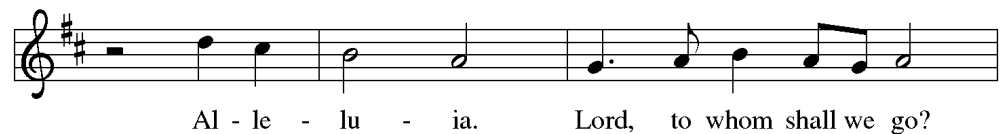
<sup>1</sup>So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. <sup>2</sup>Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, <sup>3</sup>for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. <sup>4</sup>When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

<sup>5</sup>Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). <sup>6</sup>On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. <sup>7</sup>These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. <sup>8</sup>But now you must get rid of all such things—anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. <sup>9</sup>Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices <sup>10</sup>and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. <sup>11</sup>In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

† ACCLAMATION



† GOSPEL

Luke 12:13–21

**P** The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 12<sup>th</sup> chapter.

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

<sup>13</sup>Someone in the crowd said to [Jesus,] “Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me.” <sup>14</sup>But he said to him, “Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?” <sup>15</sup>And he said to them, “Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one’s life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.” <sup>16</sup>Then he told them a parable: “The land of a rich man produced abundantly. <sup>17</sup>And he thought to himself, ‘What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?’ <sup>18</sup>Then he said, ‘I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. <sup>19</sup>And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.’ <sup>20</sup>But God said to him, ‘You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?’ <sup>21</sup>So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God.”

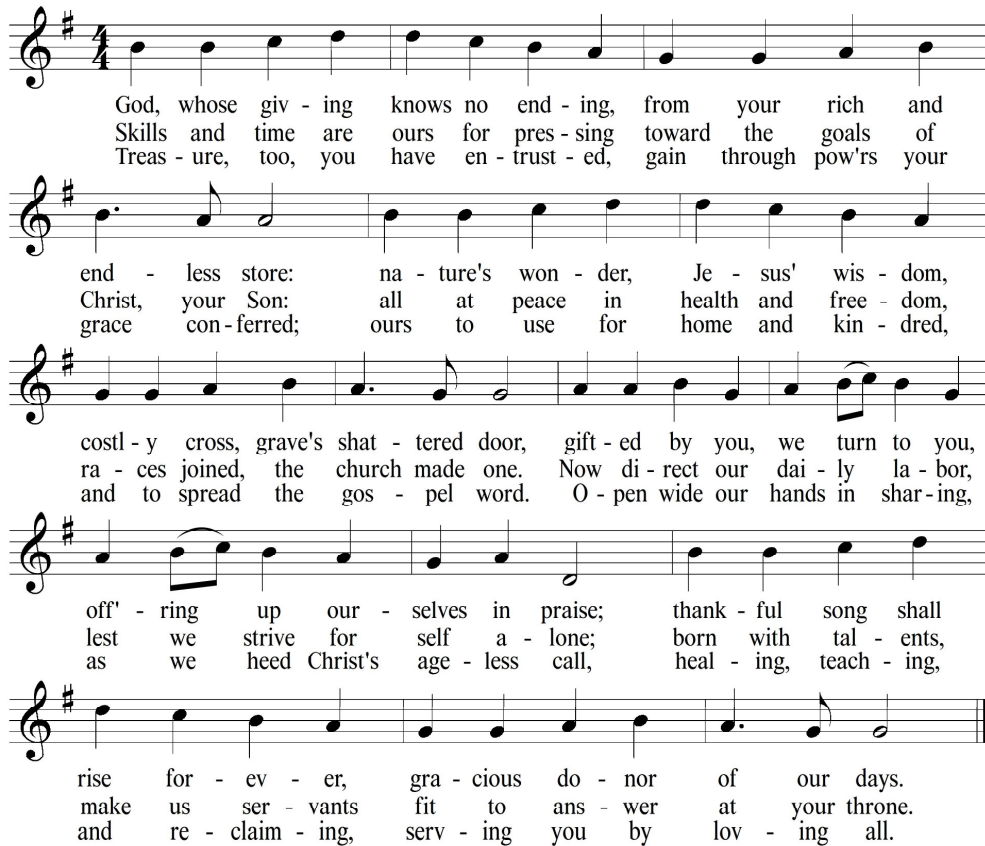
**P** The gospel of the Lord.

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

## SERMON

### + HYMN OF THE DAY

### *God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending*



God, whose giv - ing knows no end - ing, from your rich and  
Skills and time are ours for pres - sing toward the goals of  
Treas - ure, too, you have en - trust - ed, gain through pow'rs your  
end - less store: na - ture's won - der, Je - sus' wis - dom,  
Christ, your Son: all at peace in health and free - dom,  
grace con - ferred; ours to use for home and kin - dred,  
cost - ly cross, grave's shat - tered door, gift - ed by you, we turn to you,  
ra - ces joined, the church made one. Now di - rect our dai - ly la - bor,  
and to spread the gos - pel word. O - pen wide our hands in shar - ing,  
off' - ring up our - selves in praise; thank - ful song shall  
lest we strive for self a - lone; born with tal - ents,  
as we heed Christ's age - less call, heal - ing, teach - ing,  
rise for - ev - er, gra - cious do - nor of our days.  
make us ser - vants fit to ans - wer at your throne.  
and re - claim - ing, serv - ing you by lov - ing all.

### + 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** let us pray.  
**C** **Have mercy, O God.**

*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.**

### + PEACE

- P** The peace of Christ be with you always.  
**C** **And also with you.**



### *Continuing Prayer Concerns*

Sharon & Paul Banitt;  
Mary Boatwright;  
Peggy Bowman; Charline Burns;  
Amy Cersier; Shirley Cropper;  
Vi Dorumsgaard; Katie Falang;  
Renae Frasee; Kimberly Garner;  
Morrie Gulbrandson;  
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.*

## 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.

## Meal

### OFFERING

#### OFFERING HYMN



1 We give thee but thine own, what - e'er the gift may be;  
2 May we thy boun - ties thus as stew - ards true re - ceive,  
3 The cap - tive to re - lease, to God the lost to bring,  
4 And we be - lieve thy word, though dim our faith may be:



all that we have is thine a - lone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.  
and glad - ly, as thou bless - est us, to thee our first - fruits give.  
to teach the way of life and peace—it is a Christ - like thing.  
what - e'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it un - to thee.

### + 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...



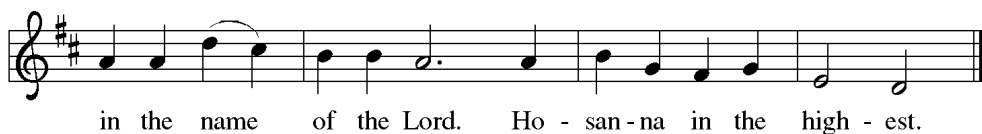
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.



Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes



## ✚ WORDS OF INSTITUTION

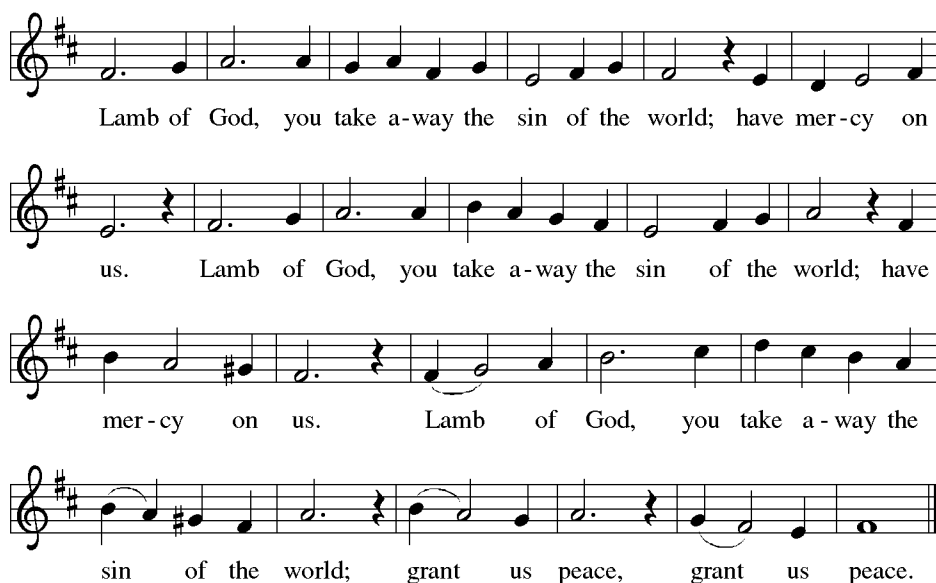
## ✚ LORD'S PRAYER

**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.*

## HYMNS DURING DISTRIBUTION



***Let Us Break Bread Together***

ELW Hymn 471

## ✚ 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 650

***In Christ There Is No East or West***

+ DISMISSAL



Go in peace. Christ is sending you.



**Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE

G. F. Handel

*Largo*

*You are always invited to remain and share in the postlude.  
Today's piece may be one of Handel's familiar melodies to you.*

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

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

## *Serving Today*

Ministers  
Presiding Minister & Preacher  
Assisting Minister  
Minister of Worship & Music  
Lector  
Musical Offering  
Transportation

The Baptized people of GA Church  
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