



# + Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

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Order for Worship**

*In Isaiah the people are advised to look to their spiritual ancestors  
as the rock from which they were hewn.*

*Jesus declares that the church will be built on the rock of Peter's bold confession of faith.*

*God's word of reconciliation and God's mercy are keys to the church's mission.*

*Paul urges us to not be conformed to this world but to offer our bodies as a living sacrifice,  
using our individual gifts to build up the body of Christ.*

*We go forth to offer our spiritual worship through word and deed.*

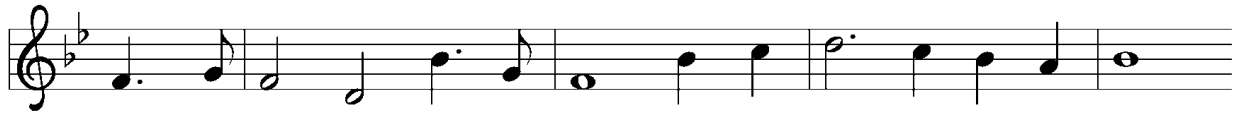
**Prelude**

**Welcome and Introduction**

**Gathering Hymn**

*Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me*

*ELW 623*



1 Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, let me hide my - self in thee;  
2 Not the la - bors of my hands can ful - fill thy law's de - mands;  
3 Noth - ing in my hand I bring; sim - ply to thy cross I cling.  
4 While I draw this fleet - ing breath, when mine eye - lids close in death,



let the wa - ter and the blood, from thy riv - en side which flowed,  
could my zeal no res - pite know, could my tears for - ev - er flow,  
Na - ked, come to thee for dress; help - less, look to thee for grace;  
when I soar to worlds un - known, see thee on thy judg - ment throne,



be of sin the dou - ble cure; cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.  
all for sin could not a - tone; thou must save, and thou a - lone.  
foul, I to the foun - tain fly; wash me, Sav - ior, or I die.  
Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, let me hide my - self in thee.

Text: Augustus M. Toplady, 1740–1778

Music: TOPLADY, Thomas Hastings, 1784–1872

## 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.**

## Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray.

O God, with all your faithful followers of every age, we praise you, the rock of our life.  
Be our strong foundation and form us into the body of your Son,  
that we may gladly minister to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C: Amen.**

## Reading – Isaiah 51: 1-6

<sup>1</sup>Listen to me, you that pursue righteousness,  
you that seek the LORD.

Look to the rock from which you were hewn,  
and to the quarry from which you were dug.

<sup>2</sup>Look to Abraham your father  
and to Sarah who bore you;  
for he was but one when I called him,  
but I blessed him and made him many.

<sup>3</sup>For the LORD will comfort Zion;  
the Lord will comfort all her waste places,  
and will make her wilderness like Eden,  
her desert like the garden of the LORD;  
joy and gladness will be found in her,  
thanksgiving and the voice of song.

<sup>4</sup>Listen to me, my people,  
and give heed to me, my nation;  
for a teaching will go out from me,  
and my justice for a light to the peoples.

<sup>5</sup>I will bring near my deliverance swiftly,  
my salvation has gone out  
and my arms will rule the peoples;  
the coastlands wait for me,  
and for my arm they hope.

<sup>6</sup>Lift up your eyes to the heavens,  
and look at the earth beneath;  
for the heavens will vanish like smoke,  
the earth will wear out like a garment,

and those who live on it will die like gnats;  
but my salvation will be forever,  
and my deliverance will never be ended.

L: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## **Psalm 138**

*The psalm is spoken.*

<sup>1</sup>I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with my whole heart;  
before the gods I will sing your praise.  
<sup>2</sup>I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your name, because of your  
steadfast love and faithfulness;  
for you have glorified your name and your word above all things.  
<sup>3</sup>When I called, you answered me;  
you increased my strength within me.  
<sup>4</sup>All the rulers of the earth will praise you, O LORD,  
when they have heard the words of your mouth.  
<sup>5</sup>They will sing of the ways of the LORD,  
that great is the glory of the LORD.  
<sup>6</sup>The LORD is high, yet cares for the lowly,  
perceiving the haughty from afar.  
<sup>7</sup>Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe;  
you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand shall save me.  
<sup>8</sup>You will make good your purpose for me;  
O LORD, your steadfast love endures forever; do not abandon the works of your hands.

## **Second Reading – Romans 12: 1-8**

<sup>1</sup>I appeal to you therefore, kindred, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. <sup>2</sup>Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect.

<sup>3</sup>For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. <sup>4</sup>For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, <sup>5</sup>so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. <sup>6</sup>We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; <sup>7</sup>ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; <sup>8</sup>the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

P: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## **Gospel Acclamation**

P: Alleluia. You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God. Alleluia.

## **Gospel – Matthew 16: 13-20**

P: The holy Gospel according to St. Matthew.

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

<sup>13</sup>Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that the Son of Humanity is?” <sup>14</sup>And they said, “Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” <sup>15</sup>He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” <sup>16</sup>Simon Peter answered, “You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.” <sup>17</sup>And Jesus answered him, “Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. <sup>18</sup>And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. <sup>19</sup>I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.” <sup>20</sup>Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## **Children’s Word**

## **Children’s Song**

## **Sermon**

## **Hymn of the Day**

## **Built on a Rock**

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1 Built on a rock the church shall stand, e - ven when stee - ples are  
 2 Sure - ly, in tem - ples made with hands God the Most High is not  
 3 Christ builds a house of liv - ing stones: we are his own hab - i -  
 4 Yet in this house, an earth - ly frame, Je - sus the chil - dren is  
 5 Through all the pass - ing years, O Lord, grant that, when church bells are



fall - ing; crum - bled have spires in ev - 'ry land, bells still are  
 dwell - ing— high in the heav'ns his tem - ple stands, all earth - ly  
 ta - tion; he fills our hearts, his hum - ble thrones, grant - ing us  
 bless - ing; hith - er we come to praise his name, faith in our  
 ring - ing, man - y may come to hear your Word, who here this



chim - ing and call - ing— call - ing the young and old to rest, call - ing the  
 tem - ples ex - cel - ling. Yet God who dwells in heav'n a - bove deigns to a -  
 life and sal - va - tion. Where two or three will seek his face, he in their  
 Sav - ior con - fess - ing. Je - sus to us his Spir - it sent, mak - ing with  
 prom - ise is bring - ing: "I know my own, my own know me; you, not the



souls of those dis - tressed, long - ing for life ev - er - last - ing.  
 bide with us in love, mak - ing our bod - ies his tem - ple.  
 midst will show his grace, bless - ings up - on them be - stow - ing.  
 us his cov - e - nant, grant - ing his chil - dren the king - dom.  
 world, my face shall see; my peace I leave with you. A - men."

Text: Nikolai F. S. Grundtvig, 1783–1872; tr. Carl Doving, 1867–1937, adapt.  
 Music: KIRKEN DEN ER ET GAMMEL HUS, Ludvig M. Lindeman, 1812–1887  
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## Prayers of the People

A: Confident of your care, O God, and with the help of the Holy Spirit, we pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

*After each petition*

A: God of mercy,

**C: Hear our prayer.**

*The presiding minister concludes the prayers*

P: In the certain hope that nothing can separate us from your love, we offer these prayers to you, loving God; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

## Lord's Prayer

P: Gathered as one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**C: Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen.**

## Benediction

P: Neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus.

God, the creator, ✝ Jesus Christ, our redeemer, and the Holy Spirit, the comforter, bless you and keep you in eternal love.

**C: Amen.**

## Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Christ is with you.

C: Thanks be to God.

## Sending Hymn *Somos uno en Cristo / We Are All One in Christ* ELW 643

*Please sing the hymn once in English and once in Spanish.*

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of six staves of music with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are in both English and Spanish. The first three staves contain the English lyrics, and the last three staves contain the Spanish lyrics. The music is a simple, melodic line with some rests and ties.

*So - mos u - no en Cris - to, so - mos u - no. So - mos*  
We are all one in Christ, we are one bod - y, all one

*u - no, u - no so - lo. So - mos u - no en Cris - to, so - mos*  
peo - ple out of man - y. We are all one in Christ, we are one

*u - no. So - mos u - no, u - no so - lo.*  
bod - y, all one peo - ple out of man - y.

*Un so - lo Dios, un so - lo Se - ñor, u - na so - la*  
There is one God, and on - ly one Lord; there is one

*fe, un so - lo a - mor. Un so - lo bau - tis - mo, un so - lo Es -*  
faith, one ho - ly love. There is one bap - tism; there is one

*pí - ri - tu, y e - se es el con - so - la - dor.*  
Spir - it, who is God the com - fort - er.

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Music: SOMOS UNO, anonymous  
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*Abbreviations*

P: Pastor/Presiding Minister

A: Assisting Minister

L: Lector

**C: Congregation**

***ELW: Evangelical Lutheran Worship hymnal***

*Those serving in worship today*

Welcome and Introduction

Lector

Assisting Minister

Presiding Minister

Minister of Music

Director of Faith Formation

Sharon and Pastor Paul Koch

Alda Maria Gonzaga

Joseph Paetz

Jeff Denlinger

Pastor Ross Carmichael

Amy Bartoli

Christopher Atwood

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