

# August 24, 2025—Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude

Aria from "The Goldberg Variations" by Johanna Sebastian Bach BWV 988

Opening Hymn

HS #818 "Tell Out, My Soul, the Greatness of the Lord"

Unison

1. Tell out, my soul, the great - ness of the Lord: un - num - bered  
2. Tell out, my soul, the great - ness of his name: make known his  
3. Tell out, my soul, the great - ness of his might: pow'rs and do -  
4. Tell out, my soul, the glo - ries of his word: firm is his

bless - ings give my spir - it voice; ten - der to me the  
might, the deeds his arm has done; his mer - cy sure, from  
min - ions lay their glo - ry by; proud hearts and stub - born  
prom - ise, and his mer - cy sure. Tell out, my soul, the

prom - ise of his word; in God my Sav - ior shall my heart re - joice.  
age to age the same; his ho - ly name, the Lord, the Might - y One.  
wills are put to flight, the hun - gry fed, the hum - ble lift - ed high.  
great - ness of the Lord to chil - dren's chil - dren and for - ev - er - more.

## Prayer of the Day

O God, mighty and immortal, you know that as fragile creatures surrounded by great dangers, we cannot by ourselves stand upright. Give us strength of mind and body, so that even when we suffer because of human sin, we may rise victorious through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C: Amen.**

## 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.**

## Anthem

*“Der Herr Segne Euch” (“The Lord Bless You and Keep You”)*  
from Cantata *“Der Herr Denket an Uns” (“The Lord Considers Us”)*  
by J.S. Bach BWV 196 Duet for Tenor and Baritone

## 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 show gratitude, by which we may offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe, <sup>29</sup> for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

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C: Thanks be to God.

## Gospel

Luke 13:10-17

<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 to 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 being done by him.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

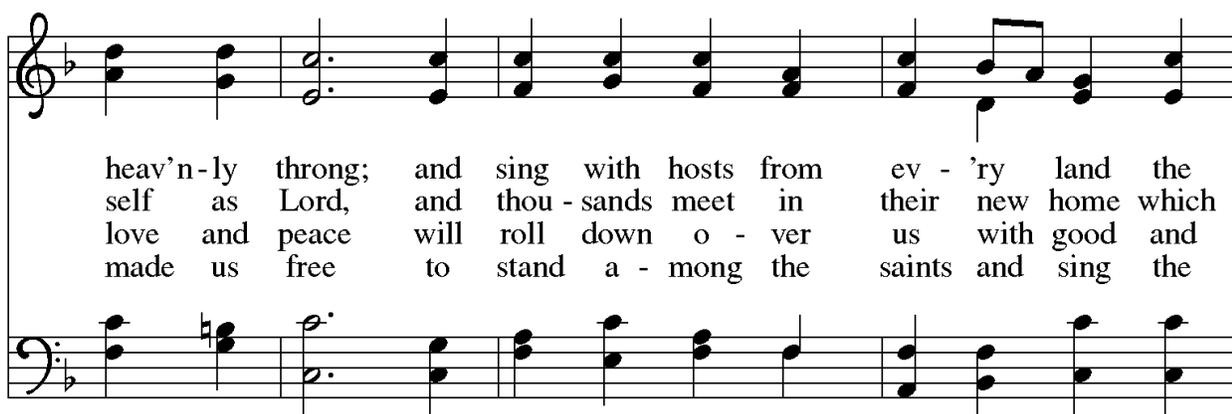
C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Hymn of the Day

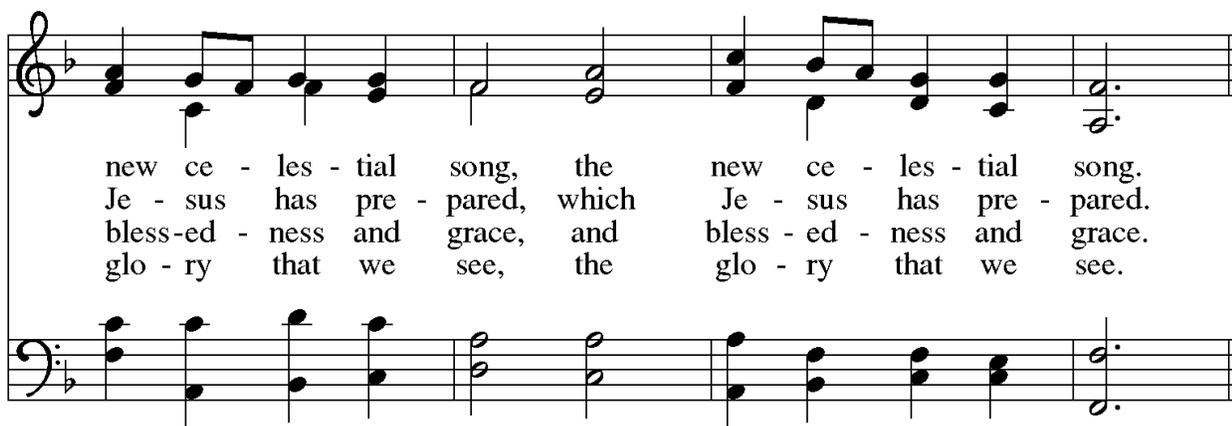
ELW #441 "Oh, Happy Day When We Shall Stand"



1 Oh, hap - py day when we shall stand a - mid the  
2 Oh, bless - ed day when Christ shall come and show him -  
3 Oh, what a might - y rush - ing flood of joy and  
4 O Lord, your grace is ev - 'ry - thing; your love has



heav'n - ly throng; and sing with hosts from ev - 'ry land the  
self as Lord, and thou - sands meet in their new home which  
love and peace will roll down o - ver us with good and  
made us free to stand a - mong the saints and sing the



new ce - les - tial song, the new ce - les - tial song.  
Je - sus has pre - pared, which Je - sus has pre - pared.  
bless - ed - ness and grace, and bless - ed - ness and grace.  
glo - ry that we see, the glo - ry that we see.

Closing Hymn

ELW #769 "If You But Trust in God to Guide You"

1 If you but trust in God to guide you with gen - tle  
 2 What gain is there in anx - ious weep - ing, in help - less  
 3 The Lord our rest - less hearts is hold - ing, in peace and  
 4 Sing, pray, and keep God's ways un - swerv - ing, of - fer your

hand through all your ways, you'll find that God is there be -  
 an - ger and dis - tress? If you are in your Sav - ior's  
 qui - et - ness con - tent. We rest in God's good will un -  
 ser - vice faith - ful - ly. Trust heav - en's word; though un - de -

side you when cross - es come, in try - ing days. Trust then in  
 keep - ing, in sor - row will he love you less? For Christ who  
 fold - ing, what wis - dom from on high has sent. God, who has  
 serv - ing, you'll find God's prom - ise true to be. This is our

God's un - chang - ing love; build on the rock that will not move.  
 took for you a cross will bring you safe through ev - 'ry loss.  
 cho - sen us by grace, knows ver - y well the fears we face.  
 con - fi - dence in - deed: God nev - er fails in time of need.

Postlude

"Variation 1" from *The Goldberg Variations*  
 by Johann Sebastian Bach BWV 988

## We thank today's celebrants:

Pastor: Rev. Nicholas Zook

Deacon: Christina Formeller

Lector: Dan Formeller

Greeter: Veronica McMillion

Soloists: Benjamin Burney, Avery Sujkowski

Organist: Paul Dykstra

# Announcements

## Cleaning Supplies Collection

Help us restock the Resource Closet at Whipple! Our New Neighbor Team is hosting this collection of cleaning supplies to restock the supply for our Concordia Place families. Cleaning supplies are often one of the first items taken from the resource closet by these families. See the flyer in the back of church for a list of items needed and bring any (NEW) donations you wish to make to the church and place them in the gray bins in the back of the sanctuary.

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