

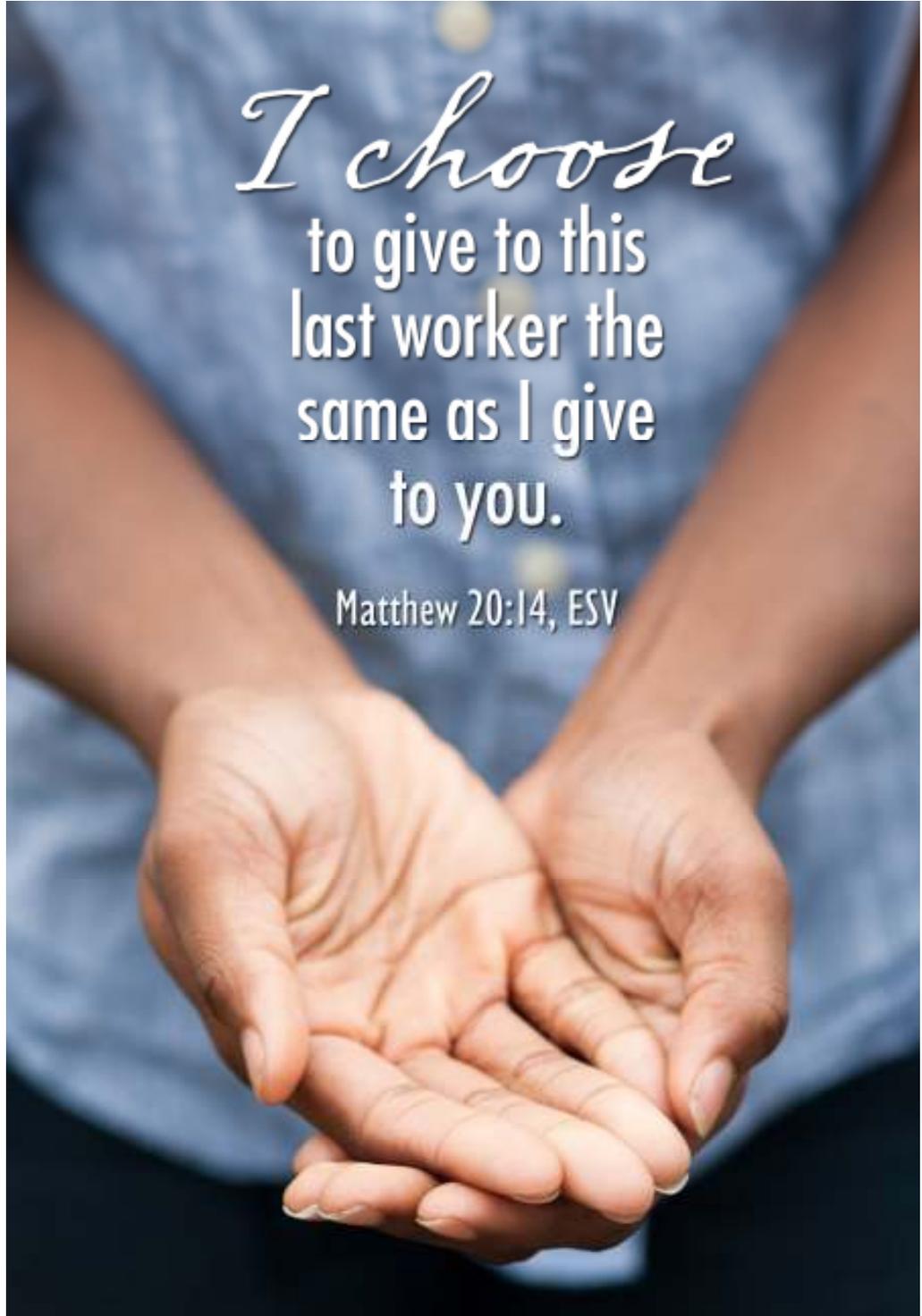
SHEPHERD OF THE GLADES LUTHERAN CHURCH

A Lutheran Community of Christian Believers - ELCA

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9:30 a.m. WORSHIP



I choose
to give to this
last worker the
same as I give
to you.

Matthew 20:14, ESV

**September 24, 2017
SIXTEENTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST**

All Are Welcome

All who have come to worship are heartily welcomed. Let us joyfully open our hearts to God and to one another.

You are encouraged to participate in all that Shepherd of the Glades has to offer and to make Shepherd of the Glades your spiritual home.

All are invited and welcome to partake of the sacrament of Holy Communion by kneeling at the altar rail. Children are encouraged to come to receive the Lord's Blessing. The Eucharist is celebrated by intinction. Our Altar Guild at all communion services offers grape juice (the smaller chalice), as well as wine, for intinction, the dipping of wafer into the wine or juice. The Assistant will hold both the wine and the juice and move from the center to the outside of the communion rail. Communion is continuous with kneeling. Note: Gluten free wafers are now offered, as well.

If Shepherd of the Glades can be of service to you or if you would like pastoral care, please so indicate on the pew welcome sheet or call the church office.

Ministries for Today

Altar Assistant and Lector: Nadine Kelly

Altar Guild: Anita Lehr

Ushers: Iann Buttermann, Tom & Vicki Dunlop, and
Keith Scamehorn

September 17, 2017 attendance: - 40

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Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 24, 2017, 9:30 A.M. Worship - Setting I

+ Indicates Please Stand

Bold Indicates Congregation Joins In

PRELUDE

INTRODUCTIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

+ **ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

ELW 94

All may make the sign of the cross in remembrance of baptism as the presiding minister begins:

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 help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C **Amen**

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

P Most merciful God,

C **We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. 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 minister of the church 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**

“When Morning Gilds the Skies”

ELW 853

+ **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.**

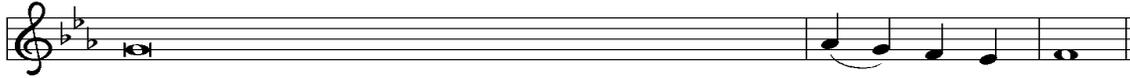
Kyrie



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



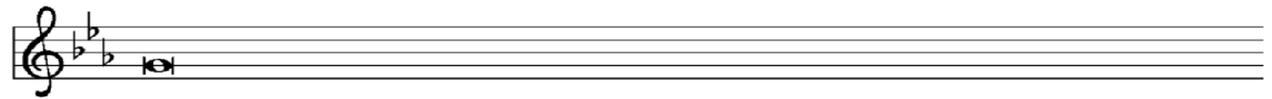
Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



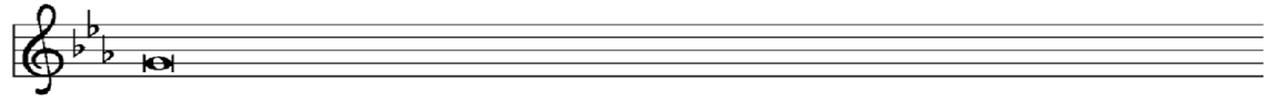
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.



A - men, a - men.

+ THE HYMN OF PRAISE

Refrain

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
2 Sing . . with all the peo - ple of God, and

blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:

Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and strength, and
Bless - ing and hon - or, glo - ry and might be to

hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are his.
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

3 For the Lamb who was slain has be -

gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

+ **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P Let us pray.

C **Almighty and eternal God, you show perpetual loving kindness to us your servants. Because we cannot rely on our own abilities, grant us your merciful judgment, and train us to embody the generosity of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen**

FIRST READING Jonah 3:10—4:11

¹⁰When God saw what the people of Nineveh did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

^{4:1}But this was very displeasing to Jonah, and he became angry. ²He prayed to the LORD and said, "O LORD! Is not this what I said while I was still in my own country? That is why I fled to Tarshish at the beginning; for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and ready to relent from punishing. ³And now, O LORD, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live." ⁴And the LORD said, "Is it right for you to be angry?" ⁵Then Jonah went out of the city and sat down east of the city, and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, waiting to see what would become of the city. ⁶The Lord GOD appointed a bush, and made it come up over Jonah, to give shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort; so Jonah was very happy about the bush. ⁷But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the bush, so that it withered. ⁸When the sun rose, God prepared a sultry east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint and asked that he might die. He said, "It is better for me to die than to live." ⁹But God said to Jonah, "Is it right for you to be angry about the bush?" And he said, "Yes, angry enough to die." ¹⁰Then the LORD said, "You are concerned about the bush, for which you did not labor and which you did not grow; it came into being in a night and perished in a night. ¹¹And should I not be concerned about Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand persons who do not know their right hand from their left, and also many animals?"

A The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: Psalm 145:1–8 (*Read responsively*)

¹I will exalt you, my God and king, and bless your name forever and ever.

²**Every day will I bless you and praise your name forever and ever.**

³Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised! There is no end to your greatness.

⁴**One generation shall praise your works to another and shall declare your power.**

⁵I will speak of the glorious splendor of your majesty and all your marvelous works.

⁶**They shall tell of the might of your wondrous acts, and I will recount your greatness.**

⁷They shall publish the remembrance of your great goodness; they shall sing joyfully of your righteousness.

⁸**The LORD is gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**

SECOND READING: Philippians 1:21–30

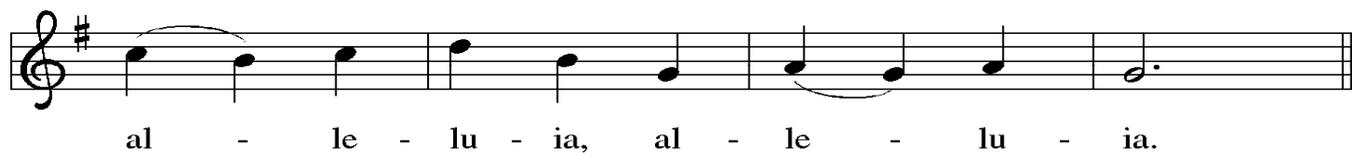
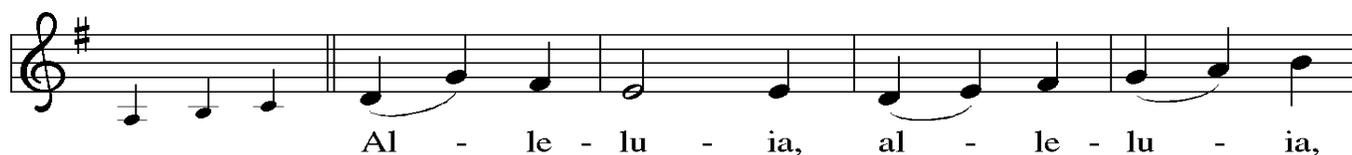
²¹For to me, living is Christ and dying is gain. ²²If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me; and I do not know which I prefer. ²³I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; ²⁴but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. ²⁵Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, ²⁶so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again. ²⁷Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, ²⁸and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. ²⁹For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well — ³⁰since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

A The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

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Gospel Acclamation



Repeat alleluia



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+ **The Holy Gospel** according to: **Matthew 20:1–16**

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

Jesus said to the disciples: ¹"The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. ²After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. ³When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; ⁴and he said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' So they went. ⁵When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. ⁶And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, 'Why are you standing here idle all day?' ⁷They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard.' ⁸When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, 'Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last

and then going to the first.' ⁹When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. ¹⁰Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. ¹¹And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, ¹²saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' ¹³But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage?' ¹⁴Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. ¹⁵Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?' ¹⁶So the last will be first, and the first will be last."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S TIME

SERMON

"Is It Right?"

Rev. Dr. Douglas C. Wahlberg

Text: Lesson for the day

+ HYMN OF THE DAY

"As Saints of Old"

ELW 695

+ APOSTLES' CREED

ELW 105

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
And he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen

+ THE PRAYERS

+ SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

P The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

(Please greet one another as we share Christ's presence in our midst.)

WE SHARE OUR GIFTS & TITHES

+ OFFERTORY PRAYER

ELW 107

A Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

+ THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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+ PROPER PREFACE

P It is, indeed, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks in the name of Jesus . . . We join in celebration with angels and archangels to praise your name and join their unending hymn:

+ SANCTUS

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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+ **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

+ **THE LORD'S PRAYER** (Spoken)

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

THE COMMUNION

ELW 112

P Taste and see that the Lord is good.

(Eucharist is celebrated by intinction, the dipping of bread into the wine. All are welcome to partake of the sacrament.)

Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a -
way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

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COMMUNION HYMN

“Lord of All Hopefulness”

ELW 765

+ **COMMUNION BLESSING**

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen

+ POST COMMUNION CANTICLE

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Now, Lord, you let your ser-vant go in peace: your word has been ful -
filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which you have pre-pared in the
sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: a light to re-veal you to the na - tions
and the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.
Now, Lord, you let your ser - vant go in peace.

+A Let us pray.

ELW 114

C We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

+ THE BLESSING

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C Amen

+ SENDING HYMN

"Voices Raised to You"

ELW 845

+ DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Every week, Shepherd of the Glades will be collecting and donating canned and boxed food to help persons in need at St. Matthew's House, Grace Place, and Immokalee Friendship House. Suggested items are canned food of all kinds, powdered milk, peanut butter, jellies/jams, cereals, soups, rice, pasta, etc. Items need to be within code date and unopened. Just bring your donations to the Church and give to the ushers. All items are being delivered locally. The last delivery was to St. Matthew's House.



PURCHASE YOUR 2018 GOD'S CREATION SCRIPTURE CALENDARS!

As in years past, Bonny Dery is selling 2018 God's Creation Scripture Calendars to raise money for Sunday School materials and activities. Remember they make great gifts! The suggested donation is \$7 each or \$20 for three. All donations are appreciated.

This week at Shepherd of the Glades:

Office hours this week are: Monday—Friday - 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Today, Sunday, September 24, 2017, 9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship with Pastor Doug and Sunday School during service for children; 9:40 a.m. New Member Class with Pastor Doug in the Choir Room

Sunday, October 1, 2017, 9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship with Pastor Doug and Sunday School during service for children; 9:40 a.m. New Member Class with Pastor Doug in the Choir Room

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