Vasa Lutheran Church

God Answers Hannah

Pastor Maureen Hagen Accompanist: Nick Kees

Sunday, October 13, 2024

ANNOUNCING THE DAY:

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, \oplus one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin and come to God for healing.

Silence is kept for reflection.

L: Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us.

We confess that we have honored you with our lips, but have harmed our neighbors with our tongues.

The cravings at war within us cause conflicts and disputes.

In our desire to be first

we make distinctions among ourselves.

We place the needs of the poor and the suffering last.

In your great mercy, forgive us our sins.

Draw near to us with grace in time of need, and turn us to follow in the way of Jesus Christ,

our Savior and Lord. Amen.

L: God promises to forgive our iniquity and to remember our sin no more. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, the source of eternal healing, your sins are forgiven. **Amen.**

HYMN HOL'

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY, LORD GOD ALMIGHTY

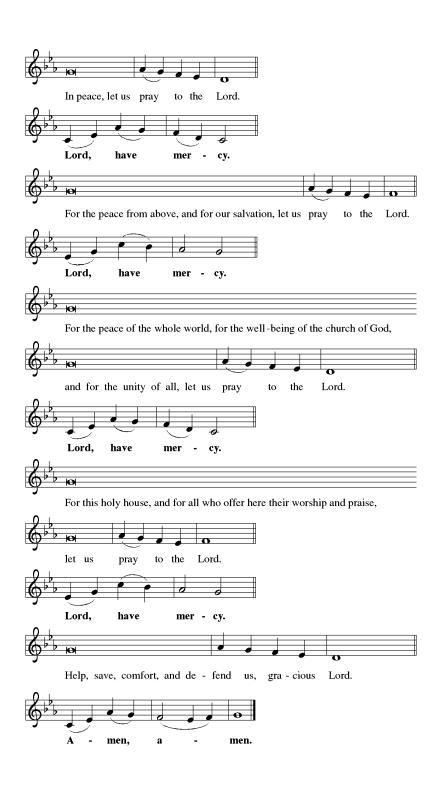
ELW 413

GREETING

L: 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.

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HYMN OF PRAISE



PRAYER OF THE DAY: God who answers prayer, We are blessed and humbled that you hear us when we call to you in our time of deepest longing. Receive our gratitude for your listening ear. This we pray in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING:

- **1 Samuel 1:9-11** After they had eaten and drunk at Shiloh, Hannah rose and presented herself before the LORD. Now Eli the priest was sitting on the seat beside the doorpost of the temple of the LORD. She was deeply distressed and prayed to the LORD, and wept bitterly. She made this vow: "O LORD of hosts, if only you will look on the misery of your servant, and remember me, and not forget your servant, but will give to your servant a male child, then I will set him before you as a nazirite until the day of his death. He shall drink neither wine nor intoxicants, and no razor shall touch his head."
- **1 Samuel 1:19-20** [Elkanah and Hannah] rose early in the morning and worshiped before the LORD; then they went back to their house at Ramah. Elkanah knew his wife Hannah, and the LORD remembered her. In due time Hannah conceived and bore a son. She named him Samuel, for she said, "I have asked him of the LORD."
- 1 Samuel 2:1-10 Hannah prayed and said, "My heart exults in the LORD; my strength is exalted in my God. My mouth derides my enemies, because I rejoice in my victory. "There is no Holy One like the LORD, no one besides you; there is no Rock like our God. Talk no more so very proudly, let not arrogance come from your mouth; for the LORD is a God of knowledge, and by him actions are weighed. The bows of the mighty are broken, but the feeble gird on strength. Those who were full have hired themselves out for bread, but those who were hungry are fat with spoil. The barren has borne seven, but she who has many children is forlorn. The LORD kills and brings to life; he brings down to Sheol and raises up. The LORD makes poor and makes rich; he brings low, he also exalts. He raises up the poor from the dust; he lifts the needy from the ash heap, to make them sit with princes and inherit a seat of honor. For the pillars of the earth are the LORD's, and on them he has set the world. "He will quard the feet of his faithful ones, but the wicked shall be cut off in darkness; for not by might does one prevail. The LORD! His adversaries shall be shattered; the Most High will thunder in heaven. The LORD will judge the ends of the earth; he will give strength to his king, and exalt the power of his anointed."

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

HYMN FOR ALL THE FAITHFUL WOMEN

ELW419

We will sing verses 1, 2, 4, and the last one.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY MY SOUL PROCLAIMS YOUR GREATNESS

ELW 251

CONFESSION OF FAITH using the words of the Apostles' Creed

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.

PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATON: Each petition will end with the words: Lord, in your mercy. Please respond with: **hear our prayer.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

L: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

L: Let us share God's peace with one another.

GENEROSITY MOMENT

SENDING HYMN: JERUSALEM, MY HAPPY HOME ELW 628

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

L: God all mighty, God most merciful → bless you, keep you, and give you peace. **Amen.**

DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Follow Jesus. C: Thanks be to God.

Parish Pulse:

October 2 & 6

Participating in Worship: 43

+ 7 Live Stream Total Offerings: \$1,460.00

Worship Assistants Today:
Usher: Marv Fredrickson
Reader: volunteer needed
Hospitality: Audrey Rosener

Worship Assistants Next Week (October 20)

Usher: Ben Norman **Reader**: B-I Norman

Hospitality: <u>volunteer needed</u> Comm. Asst: Sid Featherstone



Paul Mikaelsen, Jay Mikaelsen, Scott Sorenson, Max Tilderquist, Anne Rathman, Dale Anderson, Lorrie Samuelson, Rosann Pearson, Lynda Rosener Sack, Arleen Stahnke, Connie Gillis, Jim Hedeen, Carolyn Lindstrom, Merle Pearson, Amber Nelson, and Yvonne Belin.

MUSIC FOR OCTOBER 13, 2024

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY, LORD GOD ALMIGHTY

Text: Reginald Heber, 1783–1826, alt. Music: John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

FOR ALL THE FAITHFUL WOMEN

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MY SOUL PROCLAIMS YOUR GREATNESS

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Text: With One Voice, 1995, based on the Magnificat Music: English folk tune; arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872-1958

JERUSALEM, MY HAPPY HOME

Arr. © 2006 Augsburg Fortress Text: F. B. P., 16th

cent.

Music: North American traditional; arr. hymnal version

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- Monday, 10/14
 Parish Life and Church
 Council
- Wednesday, 10/16
 Women's Bible Study
- Wednesday 10/23
 Quilts for Grads
- Saturday 10/26
 Swedish Pancake Breakfast
- Thursday, 10/31
 Vasa Bazaar Set Up



If you are interested in making a contribution to Lutheran Disaster Response to assist those areas devastated by Hurricanes Helene AND Milton, you can make a check payable to Vasa Lutheran with *Disaster Relief* on the memo line. Rest assured gifts to "Hurricane Response" will be used in full (100%) to assist those affected by hurricanes, until the response is complete.



Vasa will be taking collections for the local food shelves in Cannon Falls and Red Wing during the month of October. Please bring your donations to church on Sundays, or drop them off at the Lutheran Center during regular office hours.

A suggested list of items appears in the Vasa Voice, and is also available as a hand out in the gathering space.

Donations continue to be accepted for the ongoing project of repair/restoration and cleaning of the Stained Glass windows in the church, which were installed in 1955. Since we began this project about 3 years ago, just over 20% of the windows have been restored.

If you participate in Thrivent Choice Dollars, this would be an ideal project to direct your contribution(s). If not, just note Stained Glass on the memo line of your check. As always, your generosity is greatly appreciated.







(The QR code connects to: https://give.fmsc.org/campaign/c591773)

The Feed My Starving Children mobile pack is coming to Cannon Falls High School on Saturday, November 9.

The 2024 mobile pack needs 500 volunteers, and needs to raise 30 cents for each meal. You can help by donating or by volunteering. To cover the Cannon Falls expenses, please give your donations directly to Kathy Tilderquist for our mobile pack.

Volunteers measure and scoop ingredients, seal bags, and prepare boxes for shipping. There are 5 shifts in which you could participate:

Friday, Nov 8

1:30-2:30 Unload supplies from trucks

2:30-4:30 Set Up **Saturday, November 9**

8:00 – 10:00 **OR** 11:00-1:00 Pack meals

12:30-3:30 Clean up

Sign up TODAY in the Gathering Space or sign up online at the *Feed My Starving Children Website*. Use the code CFFMSC. You can also use the above QR code. The earlier you sign up, the more likely you will get the shift of your choice.