

# Gustaf Adolf Lutheran Church-E.L.C.A.



Consideration of and care for those in need (especially those “at our gate,” visible to us, of whom we are aware) is an essential component of good stewardship. It is in the sharing of wealth that we avoid the snare of wealth. It is the one whom death could not hold—who comes to us risen from the dead—who can free us from the death grip of greed.

## Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost Sunday, September 25th, 2022 RALLY SUNDAY

**Gustaf Adolf Lutheran Church—E.L.C.A.**  
Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost  
Sunday, September 25<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Ministers:

*You, All Members of G.A.*

Pastor:

**Jaime Decker**

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Prelude Music

Welcome/Announcements

### Gathering

\*Confessions and Forgiveness

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the minister begins*

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who is eager to forgive and who loves us beyond our days. **C: Amen.**

P: Dear friends, together let us acknowledge our failure to love this world as Jesus does.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P: God of mercy and forgiveness, **we confess that sin still has a hold on us. We have harmed your good creation. We have failed to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you. Turn us in a new direction. Show us the path that leads to life. Be our refuge and strength on the journey, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend. Amen.**

P: Beloved of God: your sins are forgiven † and you are made whole. God points the way to new life in Christ, who meets us on the road. Journey now in God’s abiding love through the power of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.**

\*Gathering Hymn

*Christ, Be Our Light (Verse 1&2)*

*ELW #715*

\*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

**C: O God, rich in mercy, you look with compassion on this troubled world. Feed us with your grace, and grant us the treasure that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## Word

### First Reading

Genesis 1:27

Humankind was created as God's reflection: In the divine image God created them.

R: The Word of the Lord    **C: Thanks be to God**

### Psalm

(Please Read Responsively)

Psalm 139:1-14

O LORD, you have searched me and known me.

**You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from far away.**

You search out my path and my lying down and are acquainted with all my ways.

**Even before a word is on my tongue, O LORD, you know it completely.**

You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me.

**Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain it.**

Where can I go from your spirit? Or where can I flee from your presence?

**If I ascend to heaven, you are there; if I make my bed in Sheol, you are there.**

If I take the wings of the morning and settle at the farthest limits of the sea,

**even there your hand shall lead me, and your right hand shall hold me fast.**

If I say, "Surely the darkness shall cover me, and night wraps itself around me,"

**even the darkness is not dark to you; the night is as bright as the day, for darkness is as light to you.**

For it was you who formed my inward parts; you knit me together in my mother's womb.

**I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; that I know very well.**

R: Holy Wisdom. Holy Word.

Message

Hymn of the Day

*Christ, Be Our Light (Verse 3&4)*

*ELW #715*

\*The Creed

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Prayers of Intercession

Response: **Hear Our Prayer**

Sharing The Peace

### Offering

\*Offering Song

*Give Thanks*

Gray #170

\* Offering Prayer

**C: Gracious God, in your great love you richly provide for our needs. Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing, and make us ready to share with all in need; through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all. Amen.**

## Meal

Holy Communion

\*Great Thanksgiving

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\*Holy, Holy, Holy

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\*Words of Institution

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\*Lord's Prayer

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\*Invitation to Communion

P: Christ invites you to this table. Come, taste and see.

Communion Distribution (All Are Welcome to Receive Communion Here at GA Church)

\*Post Communion Blessing

**\* Post Communion Prayer**

P: God of the abundant table, you have refreshed our hearts in this meal with bread for the journey. Give us your grace on the road that we might serve our neighbors with joy; for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. **C: Amen.**

**Sending**

\*Benediction

\*Sending Hymn

*Christ, Be Our Light (Verse 5)*

*ELW #715*

\*Dismissal

P: Go in peace, with Christ beside you.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

\*Postlude

Bulletin Donated: Happy Birthday Alannah!

Mission Statement of Gustaf Lutheran Church (Adopted in 2022)

**To share the Good News of God’s Word and to serve the community and the world.**

*Matthew 22:39* ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’

*Matthew 28:19* Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,

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We celebrate weekly Holy Communion. We welcome all who believe in the Risen Christ and who find in the sacrament our Lord’s real presence for the forgiveness of sins and the renewal of life. If you receive communion in your home congregation, you are invited to receive it here at G.A. Red wine and white grape juice will be offered to you in Christ’s name. You may choose your preference. If you are unable to receive wheat bread, or wine, be sure that in a single element you receive the Presence and all the gifts of the sacrament.

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