

# Outdoor Worship Plan for Sunday, September 13, 2020

15th Sunday after Pentecost

ELW Service of the Word

## PRELUDE

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

**P:** Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God,  
who creates, redeems, and sustains us and all of creation.

**C: Amen.**

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

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

**P:** Faithful God,

**C: have mercy on us.**

**We confess that we are captive to sin  
and cannot free ourselves.**

**We turn from your loving embrace  
and go our own ways.**

**We pass judgment on one another  
before examining ourselves.**

**We place our own needs before those of our neighbors.**

**We keep your gift of salvation to ourselves.**

**Make us humble, cast away our transgressions,  
and turn us again to life in you**

**through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**P:** God hears the cries of all who call out in need,  
and through his death and resurrection,  
Christ has made us his own.

Hear the truth that God proclaims:

Your sins are forgiven in the name of ✝ Jesus Christ.

Led by the Holy Spirit, live in freedom and newness  
to do God's work in the world.

**Amen.**

## GATHERING SONG *Children of the Heavenly Father*

ELW 781

The musical score consists of two systems. Each system has a vocal line on a treble clef staff and a piano accompaniment line on a bass clef staff. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are written below the vocal line.

Tryg - ga - re kan ing - en va - ra än Guds lil - la bar - na - ska - ra,  
1 Chil - dren of the heav'n-ly Fa - ther safe - ly in his bo - som gath - er;  
2 God his own doth tend and nour-ish, in his ho - ly courts they flour-ish.  
3 Nei - ther life nor death shall ev - er from the Lord his chil - dren sev - er;  
4 Though he giv - eth or he tak - eth, God his chil - dren ne'er for - sak - eth;

stjär - nan ej på him - la - fäs - tet, få - geln ej i kän - da näs - tet.  
nest - ling bird nor star in heav - en such a ref - uge e'er was giv - en.  
From all e - vil things he spares them, in his might - y arms he bears them.  
un - to them his grace he show - eth, and their sor - rows all he know - eth.  
his the lov - ing pur - pose sole - ly to pre - serve them pure and ho - ly.

Text: Carolina Sandell Berg, 1832–1903; tr. Ernst W. Olson, 1870–1958  
Music: TRYGGARE KAN INGEN VARA, Swedish folk tune  
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## 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:** Lord God, grand architect of the universe, Your design of creation is unflawed. Yet we continue to litter your creation with defects and imperfections. Show us how not to destroy, but to create, not to demean, but to uplift, not to hate, but to love, so that your creation may be made perfect once again. **Amen.**

## **READING: Genesis 2:4-7, 15-17; 3:1-8**

**P:** A reading from Genesis.

### **Chapter 2**

<sup>4</sup>These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

In the day that the Lord GOD made the earth and the heavens, <sup>5</sup>when no plant of the field was yet in the earth and no herb of the field had yet sprung up — for the Lord GOD had not caused it to rain upon the earth, and there was no one to till the ground; <sup>6</sup>but a stream would rise from the earth, and water the whole face of the ground — <sup>7</sup>then the Lord GOD formed man from the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and the man became a living being. <sup>15</sup>The Lord GOD took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it.

<sup>16</sup>And the Lord GOD commanded the man, "You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; <sup>17</sup>but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die."

### **Chapter 3**

<sup>1</sup>Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, 'You shall not eat from any tree in the garden'?" <sup>2</sup>The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; <sup>3</sup>but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.'" <sup>4</sup>But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die; <sup>5</sup>for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." <sup>6</sup>So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. <sup>7</sup>Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

<sup>8</sup>They heard the sound of the Lord GOD walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord GOD among the trees of the garden.

## **TIME FOR CHILDREN**

## **SERMON**

# HYMN OF THE DAY *Let All Things Now Living*

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1 Let all things now liv - ing a song of thanks - giv - ing to  
2 God rules all the forc - es: the stars in their cours-es and



God the cre - a - tor tri - um - phant - ly raise,  
sun in its or - bit o - be - dient - ly shine;



who fash - ioned and made us, pro - tect - ed and stayed us, who  
the hills and the moun - tains, the riv - ers and foun - tains, the



still guides us on to the end of our days.  
deeps of the o - cean pro - claim God di - vine.



God's ban - ners are o'er us, God's light goes be -  
We too should be voic - ing our love and re -



fore us, a pil - lar of fire shin - ing forth in the night,  
joic - ing; with glad ad - o - ra - tion a song let us raise



till shad - ows have van - ished and dark - ness is ban - ished, as  
till all things now liv - ing u - nite in thanks - giv - ing: "To



for - ward we trav - el from light in - to light.  
God in the high - est, ho - san - na and praise!"

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## **CREED**

**P: 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 INTERCESSION**

*The prayers are prepared locally for each occasion. The following examples may be adapted or used as appropriate.*

**P:** Drawn together in the compassion of God, we pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

*A brief silence.*

**P:** You welcome us when we are weak in faith. Uphold your church throughout the world; make it a place of welcome. Strengthen faith through Bible studies and Sunday schools, confirmation classes and youth ministries. Nurture new ministries of education and growth (*especially*). Lord, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

**P:** The heights of the heavens show us the vastness of your steadfast love. Have compassion on your creation. Where human selfishness has brought ruin and destruction, we look to you to heal, renew, and redeem your world. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

**P:** Make your ways known to the nations. Speak kindness to our bitter grudges. Settle our hearts when we want to settle accounts with violence. Bless our leaders with patience and wisdom (*especially*). Lord, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

**P:** Bring healing and justice wherever harm is dealt. Provide vindication for all who are oppressed. Free victims of human trafficking and forced labor; deliver all who are bound by debt. Feed all who hunger, and guard refugees fleeing famine, poverty, and war. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

**P:** Teach us to forgive. Remind us that you do not always accuse us. Still our tongues when we are tempted to pass judgment and argue over opinions. Make this congregation a community of mercy for one another and for all our neighbors. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

**P:** Holy God, bless those among us who have birthdays this week, especially Cheryl, Pamela, Scott, Cindy, Elizabeth, Allison, Kaylee, Trudy, Ronald, Denise & Spencer. Bless those who celebrate anniversaries this week especially Don & Natasha, Jason & Ashly, Brian & Brittany, Duane & Linda, Terry & Karen, Victor & Kaia. Thank you for their lives in our congregation. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

**P:** Whether we live or whether we die, we are yours. We thank you for those who have showed us faithfulness, for the knees that taught us how to bow to you and the tongues that taught us to praise you (*especially John Chrysostom, Bishop of Constantinople, whom we commemorate today*). Lord, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

**P:** All these things and whatever else you see that we need, we entrust to your mercy; through Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

**PEACE**

**P:** The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C: And also with you.**

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

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

**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.**

## **MISSION MINUTE**

## **SUNDAY SCHOOL BLESSING**

### **BLESSING**

**P:** Mothering God,  
Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit,  
bless you and lead you into the way of truth and life.

**C: Amen.**

# SENDING SONG *How Great Thou Art*

ELW 856



1 O Lord my God, when I in awe-some won-der con-sid-er  
2 When through the woods and for-est glades I wan-der, I hear the  
3 But when I think that God, his Son not spar-ing, sent him to  
4 When Christ shall come, with shout of ac-cla-ma-tion, and take me



all the works thy hand hath made, I see the stars, I hear the might-y  
birds sing sweet-ly in the trees; when I look down from loft-y moun-tain  
die, I scarce can take it in, that on the cross my bur-den glad-ly  
home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in hum-ble ad-o-



thun-der, thy pow'r through-out the u-ni-verse dis-played;  
gran-deur and hear the brook and feel the gen-tle breeze;  
bear-ing he bled and died to take a-way my sin;  
ra-tion and there pro-claim, "My God, how great thou art!"



Then sings my soul, my Sav-ior God, to thee, how great thou



art! How great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Sav-ior God, to



thee, how great thou art! How great thou art!



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## DISMISSAL

**P:** Go in peace. Remember the poor.

**C:** Thanks be to God.

## POSTLUDE

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*~Announcements~*

**Today is Rally Sunday!** Sunday School will gather from 9:40-10:15 on Sunday mornings, starting in the fellowship hall. Take home craft kits will be available, for in-person and virtual SS students. Please remember to bring your masks. Other than Sunday mornings, kits will be available for pickup on Wednesday evenings 5:30-8:00 and during regular office hours.

**Gallon Storage Bags needed for Sunday School.** The Sunday School will be assembling take home bags for crafts each week. They will be sending about 20 each week. Donations of zip locking gallon storage bags would be much appreciated. Thank you!

**Church Building:** The church building is open to members now. Please continue to be aware of CDC guidelines. Always have a mask with you when you are in the building. If you are in the presence of someone you don't live with, please wear your mask. Please use hand sanitizer and stay distant. Wash your hands regularly. Following these guidelines is a selfless act of taking care of our neighbors. Thank you!

**Phone Calls, Conference Calls, Video meetings and outdoor visits can happen at any time.** Please contact Pastor Brenda if you would like any of these things.

**What is the next book you'd like to study?** Contact Pastor Brenda with your suggestions.

**Give Plus** – You may make a secure offering donation to EKLC by online giving: **Church website**, **Download the Give Plus App** on your smartphone or

## Scan QR Code:



You may also mail your offering to EKLC, 454 East Church Rd.,  
Cambridge, WI 53523

### *~Calendar~*

#### **Sunday, September 13, 2020**

9:00am Outdoor Worship at Upper Church  
9:40am Sunday School in Friendship Hall in Lower Church  
1:00pm Callen Eric Kiehn Baptism

#### **Monday, September 14, 2020**

##### **OFFICE CLOSED**

2:30pm Pastor/Youth Director Meeting

#### **Tuesday, September 15, 2020**

##### **OFFICE CLOSED**

9:30am Prayers for People Facebook Live

#### **Wednesday, September 16, 2020**

##### **OFFICE CLOSED**

11:00am Cambridge Clergy  
1:30pm Zoom local pastor meeting  
6:00pm Confirmation Class in Friendship Hall

#### **Thursday, September 17, 2020**

##### **OFFICE CLOSED**

10:00am Zoom Conference Meeting

#### **Friday, September 18, 2020**

Pastor's Day Off

##### **OFFICE CLOSED**

#### **Sunday, September 20, 2020**

9:00am Worship in Lower Church  
9:40am Sunday School in Friendship Hall

## *~Prayers~*

To make a prayer requests: Please call church office 608-423-3017 or email [eastkoshkononglutheranchurch@gmail.com](mailto:eastkoshkononglutheranchurch@gmail.com) before noon Wednesday.

Requests will remain on this list for 3 weeks unless otherwise noted.

-Thanks for **New Guinea missionaries John and Amy Lindstrom, and Lutheran Disaster Response.**

-Healing and comfort to **Rob (White)\*, Betty (Gunnelson), Ethel (Warner), Sylvia (Gerlach), Eric (Krueger), Sara (Depies), Jeff (Walheim), Kevin (Porter), Gary (Krueger) and Walter (Furseth)**

-The grieving family of **Roger (Olstad).**

-For veterans and those deployed, especially **Axel Gaarder.**

### **EKLC COVID-19 Worship Guidelines**

We are excited to begin worshipping in person. As we welcome you back to church, know that personal responsibility is key - any member who is feeling ill or compromised should not attend services. We caution those in the age group (65+) of higher risk to use your best judgement if you should be attending services.

We will continue to live stream services on Facebook and YouTube for those who do not yet feel comfortable attending in person. All members need to be mindful of social distancing, washing hands, and wearing masks to create a safe place to worship.

#### **Attendees:**

Enter through Narthex doors only. All others will be locked.

Doors will be opened by a greeter or will be propped open.

Members must not congregate before or after services.

Members are required to wear a mask during worship to help ensure the health and safety of the rest of the congregation.

#### **Seating:**

Every other pew will be blocked off to ensure social distance.

Ushers will direct members to an area to sit and will usher out by pews at the end of the service.

Families may sit together

Others must be 6 ft apart from other members.

#### **Worship:**

There will be no singing during worship  
Bulletins will be distributed (**by ushers wearing gloves**) with all content in them and pew bibles and hymnals will be removed.  
During Passing of the Peace you will not leave your seat nor shake hands.  
Offering will be collected in baskets in the Narthex.  
Communion will only be held during the first service of the month and will be distributed (**by ushers wearing gloves**) upon entrance to the sanctuary

**Common Areas:**

Restrooms directly below the Narthex will be open for use.  
The following common areas will be closed to worshippers:  
Friendship Hall (Sunday School Only)  
Nursery  
Kitchen  
Offices (Staff Only)  
Education Wing (Sunday School Only)

**If there is a confirmed positive COVID case from a member that has attended worship, the church will:**

Notify those in attendance of a member testing positive for COVID via phone call

Send an email to all members notifying them of the positive result

That information will include:

Date of service

A reminder of next steps (see subsequent bullets)

No other identifying information about the member will be shared

If you are contacted via phone:

Monitor your symptoms at home, and decide if you should self-quarantine for the 14 day period

If you feel ill, see your primary care provider for a COVID test or use the [public health](#) testing options in your area.

Notify the Property Committee and the church will be sanitized using the cleaning protocol.