

Pentecost 17, September 19, 2021, Order of Worship

Announcements/Concerns/Joys

Call to Worship, Psalm 54

pew Bible p. 891

***Confession and Forgiveness** (from *Sundays & Seasons*, 2020 Augsburg Fortress, p. 258)

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, whose teaching is life, whose presence is sure, and whose love is endless. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sins to the one who welcomes us with an open heart. God, our comforter, **like lost sheep, we have gone astray. We gaze upon abundance and see scarcity. We turn our faces away from injustice and oppression. We exploit the earth with our apathy and greed. Free us from our sin, gracious God. Listen when we call out to you for help. Lead us by your love to love our neighbors as ourselves. Amen.**

All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. By the gift of grace in Christ Jesus, God makes you righteous. Receive with glad hearts the forgiveness of all our sins. **Amen.**

***Gathering Hymn** *Lift High the Cross* (1,2,4)
Golden Breaks the Dawn

LBW 377, HP 594
ELW 852

***Kyrie** In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

LBW p. 78 (read)

***Prayer of the Day** O God, our teacher and guide, you draw us to yourself and welcome us as beloved children. Help us to lay aside all envy and selfish ambition, so that we may walk in your ways of wisdom and understanding as servants of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Children's Time

A reading from Jeremiah, the 11th chapter (11:18-20)

pew Bible, p. 1192

[After the reading: "The word of the Lord." **"Thanks be to God!"**]

A reading from James, the 3rd chapter (3:13-4:3, 7-8a)

pew Bible, p. 1883

[After the reading: "The word of the Lord." **"Thanks be to God!"**]

***Alleluia! Alleluia! Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words to eternal life. Alleluia!**

LBW p. 83

***Gospel** **Mark 9:30-37**

Before the gospel: **Glory to you, O Lord!**

After the gospel: **Praise to you, O Christ!**

