



Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost
October 15, 2023

With One Voice – Service of the Word & Prayer
and *Lutheran Book of Worship* – Setting Two

GOD GATHERS US AS HIS HOLY PEOPLE

HYMNS TODAY: 224, 496, & 551

WELCOME! We are glad to have you join us for worship today.

PRELUDE & ANNOUNCEMENTS

In remembrance of Baptism, you may sign a cross on your chest or forehead.

We gather to worship the One true God – the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (WOV pp. 49-50)

Build yourselves up on your most holy faith;

pray in the Holy Spirit

Jude 20

Keep yourselves in the love of God;

look forward to the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Jude 21

If anyone is in Christ, he or she is a new creation:

Everything old has passed away;

behold everything has become new!

2 Corinthians 5:17

God has given us the ministry of reconciliation.

Therefore, let us be reconciled to God and to one another.

We keep silence for self-reflection and examination.

Gracious God,

have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Almighty God has mercy on you, forgives you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthens you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit, keeps you in eternal life. **Amen.**

OFFERING OF PEACE (WOV p. 50)

Sisters and brothers, rejoice!

Mend your ways, encourage one another, agree with one another, live in peace. *2 Corinthians 13:11*

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

John 20:19-21

Having been reconciled to God in Christ, we share His peace with others.

GATHERING HYMN: “Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness” (LBW #224)

AFFIRMATION OF PURPOSE

Matthew 28:18-20, 22:36-39; Mark 12:30-31

We are Joy Mission Church, missionary-disciples of Jesus Christ.

We love God, love neighbor, and serve with joy in Jesus' name.

APOSTOLIC GREETING (LBW p. 78)

2 Corinthians 13:14

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

HYMN OF PRAISE (LBW pp. 79-80)

Luke 2:9-11, 13-14



Ⓐ Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth.



Ⓑ Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa-ther:



We wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer.



For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,

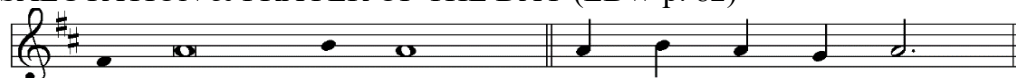


you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,



in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men

SALUTATION & PRAYER OF THE DAY (LBW p. 82)



Ⓐ The Lord be with you. Ⓑ And al- so with you.

Ruth 2:4

Let us pray together: **O Lord, sustain your Church with your perpetual mercy. Without you, in our weakness we will surely fail. Therefore, keep us ever by your help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

Please be seated.

GOD SPEAKS TO US IN HIS WORD

FIRST READING: Isaiah 25:6-9

⁶On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine, of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined. ⁷And he will swallow up on this mountain the covering that is cast over all peoples, the veil that is spread over all nations. ⁸He will swallow up death forever; and the Lord God will wipe away tears from all faces, and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the Lord has spoken. ⁹It will be said on that day, “Behold, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might save us. This is the Lord; we have waited for him; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.”

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 23 *Sung responsively between cantor and congregation. (Tone #9)*

¹The Lord | is my shepherd;*

I shall not | be in want.

²**He makes me lie down | in green pastures*
and leads me be- | side still waters.**

³He re- | vives my soul*

and guides me along right pathways | for his name’s sake.

⁴**Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall | fear no evil;*
for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they | comfort me.**

⁵You spread a table before me in the presence of those who | trouble me;*

you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is | running over.

⁶**Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days | of my life,*
and I will dwell in the house of the | Lord forever.**

SECOND READING: Philippians 4:4-13

⁴Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice. ⁵Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; ⁶do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. ⁸Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. ⁹What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me — practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you. ¹⁰I rejoiced in the Lord greatly that now at length you have revived your concern for me. You were indeed concerned for me, but you had no opportunity. ¹¹Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content. ¹²I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. ¹³I can do all things through him who strengthens me.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as you are able.

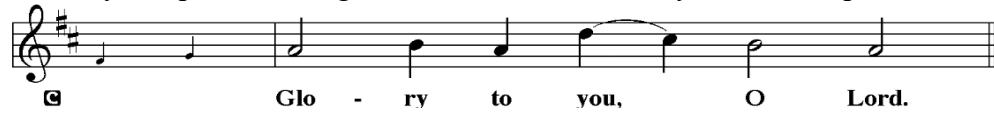
VERSE (LBW p. 83)

John 6:68



GOSPEL ANNUNCIATION (LBW p. 83)

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the twenty-second chapter.



GOSPEL READING: Matthew 22:1-14

¹Again Jesus spoke to {the chief priests and the Pharisees} in parables, saying, ²“The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son, ³and sent his servants to call those who were invited to the wedding feast, but they would not come. ⁴Again he sent other servants, saying, ‘Tell those who are invited, “See, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready. Come to the wedding feast.”’ ⁵But they paid no attention and went off, one to his farm, another to his business, ⁶while the rest seized his servants, treated them shamefully, and killed them. ⁷The king was angry, and he sent his troops and destroyed those murderers and burned their city. ⁸Then he said to his servants, ‘The wedding feast is ready, but those invited were not worthy. ⁹Go therefore to the main roads and invite to the wedding feast as many as you find.’ ¹⁰And those servants went out into the roads and gathered all whom they found, both bad and good. So the wedding hall was filled with guests. ¹¹But when the king came in to look at the guests, he saw there a man who had no wedding garment. ¹²And he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding garment?’ And he was speechless. ¹³Then the king said to the attendants, ‘Bind him hand and foot and cast him into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’ ¹⁴For many are called, but few are chosen.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

GOSPEL RESPONSE (LBW p. 83)



Please be seated.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

SERMON

GOD INVITES US TO RESPOND IN FAITH

Please stand as you are able.

HYMN OF THE DAY: "Around You, O Lord Jesus" (LBW #496)

APOSTLES' CREED (LBW p. 85, WOV p. 49)

In Christ you have heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation.

We believe in him and are marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit. *Ephesians 1:13-14*

Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

Genesis 1-2; John 3:16; Luke 2; Acts 2

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again 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.

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS (WOV p. 52)

As God's people called to love one another,

let us pray for the needs of the Church, the world, and all who are in need.

Each petition ends with these words: Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

The prayers conclude with these words: All of these things and whatever else you see that we need, grant us, O God, for the sake of Christ who died and rose again, and now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. **Amen.**

OFFERING OF TITHES & ADDITIONAL GIFTS with SPECIAL MUSIC as available.

We offer our time, talents, and treasure in gratitude for all of the blessings God has given us.

Please stand as you are able.

OFFERTORY HYMN (LBW p. 86)



Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of



bles-sing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be



fed with the bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of all; u -

nite them with the prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble with your
 pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

OFFERTORY PRAYER (WOV p. 51)

Let us pray.

God, our Creator, **you open wide your hand and satisfy the desire of every living creature. With these gifts we bless you for your tender nurture and care. Help us to delight in your will and walk in your ways, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Psalm 145:16

GREAT THANKSGIVING (LBW p. 88)

☐ 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 him thanks and praise.

PREFACE (LBW p. 88) *Sung or spoken by the pastor.*

It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, Holy Father, through Christ our Lord; who on this day overcame death in the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS (“Holy” LBW p. 89)

Psalm 118:25-26; Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9; Mark 11:9

☑ Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might:
 Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
 Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
 in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION (LBW p. 90) *1 Corinthians 11:23-26; Matt. 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20*

Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth.

In mercy for our fallen world you gave your only Son,

that all those who believe in him should not perish, but have eternal life.

We give thanks to you for the salvation you have prepared for us through Jesus Christ.

Send now your Holy Spirit into our hearts,

that we may receive our Lord with a living faith as he comes to us in his holy supper.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread,

and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,

and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood,

shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this in remembrance of me.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (LBW p. 91)

Matthew 6:9-13; Luke 11:2-4

Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray...

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.

COMMUNION HYMN (LBW p. 92)

John 1:29



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.

Please be seated.

WE RECEIVE THE LORD'S SUPPER

All who are baptized and trust that Christ is truly present in, with, and under the bread and wine may come forward to commune. The usher will direct you and offer hand sanitizer if you so desire.

- *If you require gluten-free wafers or abstain from wine, indicate so to the pastor.*
- *To receive the Sacrament in your seat, notify the usher and it will be brought to you.*
- *If you abstain from the Sacrament, you have full forgiveness of sins by God's Word alone.*

The body of Christ given for you. **Amen.** The blood of Christ shed for you. **Amen.**

After the elements are covered, please stand as you are able.

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING, CANTICLE, & PRAYER (LBW pp. 92-94)

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



☩ Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.



Let ev-'ry-one who seeks the Lord re-joice and proud-ly bear his name.



He re-calls his prom-is-es and leads his peo-ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Let us pray... Pour out the spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of those whom you have fed with one heavenly food; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

BENEDICTION (*"Blessing"* WOV p. 53)

Romans 15

May the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ fill you with every spiritual blessing.

Amen.

May the God of faithfulness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus.

Amen.

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

GOD SENDS US FORTH TO SERVE

SENDING HYMN: "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee" (LBW #551)

DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord! **Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE

Love God. Love neighbor. Serve with joy in Jesus' name.

As a congregation of the North American Lutheran Church we strive to be:



Christ Centered, Mission Driven, Traditionally Grounded, & Congregationally Focused.

Ministers: Joy Mission Church and all the people of God

Pastor: Rev. Paulette McHugh

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