

October 15, 2023

*The Twentieth Sunday
After Pentecost*



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Worship:

Divine Service

8:00, 9:30 & 11:00am

Adult Bible Study &

Sunday School:

9:30 am

(Grace Hall)

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✠ PREPARATION ✠

Today we will observe The Lord's Supper... *The Lord's Supper is celebrated at Grace Lutheran Church in the confession and glad confidence that, as he says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but his very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with him and with one another. Our Lord invites to his table those who trust his words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as he forgives and loves us, that they may show forth his death until he comes. Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the sacrament, are asked you first to speak with the pastor, an elder or an usher. (For further study, see Matthew 5:23f; 10:32f; 18:15-35; 26:26-29; 1 Cor. 11:17-34). Wine is used in the individual and common cup. It may also be received by intinction. A gluten free wafer is available upon request.*

PRELUDE

"Gracious God, You Send Great Blessings"
"Come, Let Us Join Our Cheerful Songs"

arr. H. DeCou
setting: F. Hark

WELCOME

Stand

HYMN

"Come, Let Us Join Our Cheerful Songs"

LSB 812

1 Come, let us join our cheer - ful songs With an - gels
2 "Wor - thy the Lamb that died," they cry, "To be ex -
3 Je - sus is wor - thy to re - ceive Hon - or and
4 Let all cre - a - tion join in one To bless the

round the throne; Ten thou - sand thou - sand
alt - ed thus!" "Wor - thy the Lamb," our
pow'r di - vine; And bless - ings more than
sa - cred name Of Him who sits up -



are their tongues, But all their joys are one.
lips re - ply, "For He was slain for us!"
we can give Be, Lord, for - ev - er Thine.
on the throne And to a - dore the Lamb.

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of your Baptism.

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

A Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

A Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

A I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

KYRIE

LSB 186

C Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

LSB 187

P Glory be to God on high: **C** and on earth peace, good - will toward
men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.
O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.
O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up -
on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord.
Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,
art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

EXCHANGE OF PEACE

- A** The joy of growing in grace and in the knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ is for learners of every age in every place. It is a shared endeavor. Together let us share with one another the peace of the Lord.

The exchange of peace is made according to local custom.

✠ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

- P** The Lord be with you.
C **And with thy spirit.**
- P** Let us pray. Almighty God, You invite us to trust in You for our salvation. Deal with us not in the severity of Your judgment but by the greatness of Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C **Amen.**

Sit

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 25:6-9

The word is read...

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM, Sung in unison

Psalm 23; antiphon: v. 5a



- 1** The LORD is my | shepherd;*
- I | shall not want.
- 2** He makes me lie down in green | pastures.*
- He leads me beside still | waters.
- 3** He re- | stores my soul.*
- He leads me in paths of righteousness for his | name's sake.
- 4** Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil, for you are | with me;*
- your rod and your staff, they | comfort me.
- 5** You prepare a table before me
in the presence of my | enemies;*
- you anoint my head with oil;
my cup | overflows.
- 6** Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days | of my life,*
- and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD for- | ever.

EPISTLE READING

Philippians 4:4–13

The word is read...

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

ALLELUIA

LSB 190



C Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 22:1-14

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

G **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

The word is read...

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

G **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

NICENE CREED

G I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.
And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.
And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,

I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,

and I look for the resurrection of the dead

and the life ✝ of the world to come. Amen.

Sit

HYMN

"Gracious God, You Send Great Blessings"

LSB 782

1 Gra - cious God, You send great bless - ings;
2 By Your Word You formed cre - a - tion;
3 In His earth - ly life, our Sav - ior;
4 Heav'n - ly Fa - ther, may our car - ing

New each morn - ing all our days. For Your mer - cies;
Filled with crea - tures large and small; As we tend that
Knew the care of faith - ful friends; May our deeds of
Bear the im - print of Your grace; With the Son and

nev - er end - ing, For Your love we of - fer praise.
end - less trea - sure May our care en - cir - cle all.
ded - i - ca - tion Of - fer love that nev - er ends.
Ho - ly Spir - it, Praise be Yours in ev - 'ry place!

Refrain

Lord, we pray that we, Your peo - ple Who Your gifts un - num - bered claim,

Through the shar - ing of Your bless - ings May bring glo - ry to Your name.

SERMON

P The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

C Amen.

Sit

OFFERING

VOLUNTARY

"Open My Eyes"

arr. P. Taylor

Stand

OFFERTORY

LSB 192

C Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
way from Thy pres-ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

Stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

In Your abundance, O Lord, You have supplied us with the rich food of the great feast in this blessed Eucharist and with the daily food that nourishes our bodies. Grant us grace so that we may receive these gifts with joy and respond with

thanksgiving for the mighty acts by which Your Son has saved us. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A In Your Son, Jesus Christ, You have hidden the secret of contentment and the peace that surpasses all understanding. Give us this peace always and help us to learn contentment and joy by abiding in Your Word and Sacraments. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P In Your Church, dear Father, You have brought together all nations and united us in the confession of Christ and the fellowship of His gifts. Keep us from presuming our worthiness, and help us to depend upon Your grace and to proclaim the Lord's welcome to all nations. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A In Your wisdom, O Lord, You have set apart those who lead the nations and warned them of Your judgment. Awaken faith within our leaders so that they may serve us faithfully in Your name, preserve the precious gift of liberty, and encourage us to use its freedom for the holy purposes of honoring You and serving our neighbor in need. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P In Your compassion, merciful Father, You behold the plight of all people, whether in the suffering of their bodies or in their troubled minds. Give to them healing and peace according to Your will, and comfort the grieving with Your promise of the resurrection and life to all who die in Christ, [especially . . .]. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A In the grace of this communion, O Lord, Your Son has given us an invitation and a place. Keep us from esteeming anything more important than this blessed Holy Communion in His body and blood, and fill us with repentance so that no sin may harm us as we approach His altar. Lord, in Your mercy,

C Amen.

✠ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

PREFACE

- P** The Lord be with you.
C **And with thy spirit.**
- P** Lift up your hearts.
C **We lift them up unto the Lord.**
- P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
C **It is meet and right to do so.**
- P** It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS

LSB 195

C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;
heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,
ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is He,
bless-ed is He, bless - ed is He that com-eth in the name of the Lord.
Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

AGNUS DEI

LSB 198

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the
world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that
tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the
world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

Sit

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

"Rejoice, O Pilgrim Throng"

LSB 813



1 Re - joice, O pil - grim throng! Re - joice, give
2 With voice as full and strong As o - cean's
3 With all the an - gel choirs, With all the
4 Yet on and on - ward still, With hymn and



thanks, and sing; Your fes - tal ban - ner
surg - ing praise, Send forth the stur - dy
saints on earth Pour out the strains of
chant and song, Through gate and porch and



wave on high, The cross of Christ your king.
hymns of old, The psalms of an - cient days.
joy and bliss, True rap - ture, no - blest mirth.
col - umned aisle The hal - lowed path - ways throng.



Re - joice! Re - joice! Re - joice, give thanks, and sing!

5 Still lift your standard high,
Still march in firm array,
As pilgrims through the darkness wend
Till dawns the golden day. Refrain

The pilgrims find their home at last,
Jerusalem the blest. Refrain

6 At last the march shall end;
The wearied ones shall rest;

D 7 Praise Him who reigns on high,
The Lord whom we adore:
The Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
One God forevermore. Refrain

VOLUNTARY

"Rejoice, O Pilgrim Throng"

arr. F. Ritter

Stand

NUNC DIMITTIS

LSB 199

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-
 cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,
 which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,
 a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy
 peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and
 to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,
 is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

THANKSGIVING

LSB 200

P O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,

G and His mercy endureth forever.

P Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

G Amen.

P The Lord be with you.

G And with thy spirit.

BENEDICAMUS AND BENEDICTION

- P** Bless we the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.
C **Amen, amen, amen.**

HYMN

"We Praise You, O God"

LSB 785



1 We praise You, O God, our Re - deem - er, Cre - a - tor;
2 We wor - ship You, God of our fa - thers, we bless You;
3 With voic - es u - nit - ed our prais - es we of - fer

In grate - ful de - vo - tion our trib - ute we bring.
Through tri - al and tem - pest our guide You have been.
And glad - ly our songs of thanks - giv - ing we raise.

We lay it be - fore You, we kneel and a - dore You;
When per - ils o'er - take us, You will not for - sake us,
With You, Lord, be - side us, Your strong arm will guide us.

We bless Your ho - ly name, glad prais - es we sing.
And with Your help, O Lord, our strug - gles we win.
To You, our great Re - deem - er, for - ev - er be praise!

Sit

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND DISMISSAL

- P** Go in peace as you serve the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

"We Praise You, O God"

arr. J. Rasley

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