

THE TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sunday, October 20, 2024 –8:00 and 10:45 AM

The Sacrament of Holy Communion is celebrated today. As a congregation of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, we follow the historic Christian practice of closed communion. According to the words of St. Paul in 1 Corinthians 11, only those who share the same outward confession of faith join us at the altar. Members of other LC-MS congregations are welcome, but we ask that you please see the pastor before communing. If you arrive too late to do this before the service, please introduce yourself to the pastor after the service.

✠ *In Nomine Iesu* ✠

The Prelude

Volte from Terpsichore
Michael Praetorius, arr. Matthew R. Putnam

Opening Hymn - choir: vs. 2, 3, 5
setting by Earl Rosenberg

Lutheran Service Book 677
For All the Saints

Divine Service Setting Two

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The Introit

Psalm 34:1-4, 17; antiphon: v. 18

The congregation chants the verses in **bold** print.

The Lord is near to the broken- | hearted*
and saves the crushed in | spirit.

I will bless the Lord at | all times;*

His praise shall continually be | in my mouth.

My soul makes its boast | in the Lord;*
let the humble hear | and be glad.

Oh, magnify the | Lord with me,*

and let us exalt His name to- | gether!

I sought the Lord, and He | answered me*
and delivered me from | all my fears.

**When the righteous cry for help, the | Lord hears*
and delivers them out of all their | troubles.**

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;**

as it was in the be- | ginning,*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

The Lord is near to the broken- | hearted*
and saves the crushed in | spirit.

Kyrie
Gloria in Excelsis
Salutation and Collect of the Day

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The Anthem

Praise His Holy Name
Keith Hampton

Sing of the power of the Lord come down.
Shout Hallelujah! Praise His Holy Name!

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me;
I once was lost, but now I'm found,
Was blind, but now I see.

Jesus, Jesus, how I love Thee!
Shout Hallelujah! Praise His Holy Name!

So Jesus bears the cross alone
An offering to be
And there's a cross for ev'ry one
And there's a cross for me.

Holy Jesus, Praise His Name,
Oh! Hallelujah! Praise His Holy Name!

The Old Testament Reading

Ecclesiastes 5:10-20

¹⁰He who loves money will not be satisfied with money, nor he who loves wealth with his income; this also is vanity. ¹¹When goods increase, they increase who eat them, and what advantage has their owner but to see them with his eyes? ¹²Sweet is the sleep of a laborer, whether he eats little or much, but the full stomach of the rich will not let him sleep.

¹³There is a grievous evil that I have seen under the sun: riches were kept by their owner to his hurt, ¹⁴and those riches were lost in a bad venture. And he is father of a son, but he has nothing in his hand. ¹⁵As he came from his mother's womb he shall go again, naked as he came, and shall take nothing for his toil that he may carry away in his hand. ¹⁶This also is a grievous evil: just as he came, so shall he go, and what gain is there to him who toils for the wind? ¹⁷Moreover, all his days he eats in darkness in much vexation and sickness and anger.

¹⁸Behold, what I have seen to be good and fitting is to eat and drink and find enjoyment in all the toil with which one toils under the sun the few days of his life that God has given him, for this is his lot. ¹⁹Everyone also to whom God has given wealth and possessions and power to enjoy them, and to accept his lot and rejoice in his toil—this is

the gift of God. ²⁰For he will not much remember the days of his life because God keeps him occupied with joy in his heart.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

The Anthem

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Joe Cox

Come, thou fount of ev'ry blessing,
Tune my heart to sing thy grace!
Streams of mercy, never ceasing,
Call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet
Sung by flaming tongues above.
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it,
Mount of God's redeeming love.

Here I find my greatest treasure;
Hither by thy help, I've come;
And I hope, by thy good pleasure,
Safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger,
Wand'ring from the fold of God;
He, to rescue me from danger,
Interposed His precious blood.

Oh, to grace how great a debtor
Daily I'm constrained to be!
Let thy goodness like a fetter,
Bind my wand'ring heart to thee;
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,
Prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it;
Seal it for thy courts above.

The Epistle Reading

Hebrews 4:1-13

¹Therefore, while the promise of entering his rest still stands, let us fear lest any of you should seem to have failed to reach it. ²For good news came to us just as to them, but the message they heard did not benefit them, because they were not united by faith with those who listened. ³For we who have believed enter that rest, as he has said,

“As I swore in my wrath,
‘They shall not enter my rest,’”

although his works were finished from the foundation of the world. ⁴For he has somewhere spoken of the seventh day in this way: “And God rested on the seventh day from all his works.” ⁵And again in this passage he said,

“They shall not enter my rest.”

⁶Since therefore it remains for some to enter it, and those who formerly received the good news failed to enter because of disobedience, ⁷again he appoints a certain day, “Today,” saying through David so long afterward, in the words already quoted,

“Today, if you hear his voice,
do not harden your hearts.”

⁸For if Joshua had given them rest, God would not have spoken of another day later on.

⁹So then, there remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God, ¹⁰for whoever has entered God’s rest has also rested from his works as God did from his.

¹¹Let us therefore strive to enter that rest, so that no one may fall by the same sort of disobedience. ¹²For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart. ¹³And no creature is hidden from his sight, but all are naked and exposed to the eyes of him to whom we must give account.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

The Alleluia and Verse

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The Holy Gospel

Mark 10:23-31

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the tenth chapter.



C Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

²³Jesus looked around and said to His disciples, “How difficult it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!” ²⁴And the disciples were amazed at His words. But Jesus said to them again, “Children, how difficult it is to enter the kingdom of God! ²⁵It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the kingdom of God.” ²⁶And they were exceedingly astonished, and said to Him, “Then who can be saved?” ²⁷Jesus looked at them and said, “With man it is impossible, but not with God. For all things are possible with God.” ²⁸Peter began to say to Him, “See, we have left everything and followed You.” ²⁹Jesus said, “Truly, I say to you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or lands, for My sake and for the gospel, ³⁰who will not receive a hundredfold now in this time, houses and brothers and sisters and mothers and children and lands, with persecutions,

and in the age to come eternal life. ³¹But many who are first will be last, and the last first.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise to You, O Christ.



Hymn of the Day

LSB 690
Hope of the World

The Sermon

Text:

“*Leaving All*”
Mark 10:23-31

The Nicene Creed

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Prayer of the Church

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The Preparation of the Altar

Pastorale
Carl Phillip Emmanuel Bach, arr. Tyler Arcari

The Offertory

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Liturgy of Holy Communion

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The Anthem

In Christ Alone
Keith Getty and Stuart Townend, arr. Mark Hayes

In Christ alone my hope is found.
He is my light, my strength, my song.
This cornerstone, this solid ground,
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease.
My comforter, my all in all,
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

There in the ground His body lay,
Light of the world by darkness slain.
Then bursting forth in glorious day,
Up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory,
Sins' curse has lost its grip on me.
For I am His and He is mine,
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

In Christ alone, who took on flesh,
Fullness of God's helpless Babe!
This gift of love and righteousness,
Scorned by the ones He came to save.
'Til on that cross, as Jesus died,
The wrath of God was satisfied;
For ev'ry sin on Him was laid.
Here in the death of Christ I live

No guilt in life, no fear in death,
This is the pow'r of Christ in me.
From life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man,
Can ever pluck me from His hand.
'Til He returns or calls me home,
here in the pow'r of Christ I stand.

Distribution Hymns

LSB 555
Salvation Unto Us Has Come

LSB 736
Consider How the Birds Above

LSB 563
Jesus Thy Blood and Righteousness

Nunc Dimittis
Collect
Benediction

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Announcements

Closing Hymn

LSB 923
Almighty Father, Bless the Word

The Postlude

Danza
Tielman Susato, arr. Matthew R. Putnam

✘ *Soli Deo Gloria* ✘

Visitors, we welcome you. Please sign the guest book and introduce yourself to the Pastor. Also complete a blue attendance card located in the pews and put an X in the () if you will be communing with us. We invite you to join us for Bible Study on Sundays at 9:30 a.m. in the school gym.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
Thursday	10/10/24	6:30 p.m.	32
Sunday	10/13/24	8:00 a.m. 10:45 a.m.	94 39

FLOWERS are given by the Gerloff family in celebration of Jessica's 28th birthday. Flowers are given by the Feller family in celebration of Ricky Feller & Briana Evans' Wedding.

BULLETIN is given by Anna Farkas in memory of Peg Malenckek.

WE PRAY for Daut Gaba, Gerald Garske, Randall Gray (brother of Linda Goetz), Susan Sochowski (wife of Mark Sochowski), and Sherri Syta.

THANK YOU to the Martin Luther Brass Choir and their director, Mrs. Jessica Kindschi-Walter, and the Martin Luther Concert Choir and their director, Mr. Ernest Brusubardis, for providing music during both Sunday services. Please follow the bulletin for the order of service.

THANK YOU to Pastor Ficken for leading the Wednesday Chapel Service on October 16 and to Pastor Moldenhauer for leading us in worship last Thursday, October 17.

REMINDER There will be no Wednesday Bible Class this week, October 23, due to Pastor Nuckols' at the WI District Pastors Conference. Bible Class will resume on October 30.

ALL SAINTS' DAY If you have a family member who has entered eternal life this past year that you wish to remember with the congregation on All Saints' Day, please complete a form in the narthex and give it to one of the ushers or return it to the church office by Wednesday, October 30.

CALL COMMITTEE UPDATE The District has provided us with 24 pastoral candidates for our consideration. The committee has met and now the task of reviewing all their information begins. Files of the potential candidates' profiles are in the church/school office and are available to the congregation for reading. They are not permitted, by the SWD Office, to be removed from the church office, nor can members request photocopies of them. Any questions, please contact Dave Felber.

THE CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY - CHICAGO WIND SYMPHONY, under the direction of Dr. Richard R. Fischer, will be performing a concert as part of their Fall Tour this **Saturday, October 26, at 7:00 p.m.**, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church and School, West Allis. The Wind Symphony will be performing a variety of both sacred and secular works from the Symphonic Band repertoire. The concert is free, with a freewill offering being collected in support of the Wind Symphony. St. Paul's is located at 7821 W. Lincoln Ave., West Allis. Our Father's member and Church Worker Scholarship recipient *Erika Johnson* is a member of the ensemble, playing in the percussion section.

TROJAN HIGHLIGHT OF THE WEEK There were several highlights this week. The students were excited to kick off our annual Read-a-Thon on Monday. We're using this year's funds to purchase new Chromebooks that will replace those that are at "end of life." However, more important than the funds raised is the goal of fostering in our students a love for reading! On Wednesday, we were treated to Martin Luther HS performances by their Jazz Ensemble and also their special choir, the Troubadours. Finally, our week closed with a fun Dress-up day and Trunk or Treat.

FALL BAND FESTIVAL Next **Sunday, October 27**, the Martin Luther High School Instrumental Department will host a Fall Band Festival. This concert features the ML Woodwind Ensemble, Symphonic Band, and 6th-8th grade Kadet Band. Along with individual performances, the festival includes a special 55-piece combined 6th-12th grade band. This concert, free to the public, will be held at 2:00 p.m. at Martin Luther High School in the gymnasium. A free-will offering will be taken. Please come and enjoy God's gift of music with some very talented young adults!

THE LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE will collect mite boxes on October 29, the *last* Sunday of the month. Mite boxes can be left at any time in the mite box in the narthex.

GIVING TREE Please see the flyer in the narthex for information on the changes to the Giving Tree this year.

ADULT BELLS rehearse next on *Tuesday, October 29*. It is not too late to join us! Previous bell ringing experience is not required (although the ability to read music will be very helpful). Questions - ask Stephen Johnson (sjohnson@ourfatherslutheran.org)

DID YOU KNOW that October has long been recognized worldwide as Pastor Appreciation Month, or Clergy Appreciation Month. The call to honor our church leaders' contributions can be traced back to St. Paul. In establishing the first Christian churches, St. Paul advised the congregation to give "double honor" to the elders of the church who managed the affairs of the church well, "especially those whose work is preaching and teaching." 1 Timothy 5:17

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday	10/20	DIVINE SERVICE Sunday School/Adult Bible Class Martin Luther HS Sunday	8:00 & 10:45 a.m. 9:30 a.m.
Wednesday	10/23	CHAPEL SERVICE (in gymnasium) NO Morning Bible Study	8:10 a.m.
Thursday	10/24	DIVINE SERVICE	6:30 p.m.
Sunday	10/27	DIVINE SERVICES Sunday School/Adult Bible Class	8:00 & 10:45 a.m. 9:30 a.m.

**THE CONGREGATION AT PRAYER
FOR THE WEEK OF
THE TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

“Leaving All”

October 20 through October 26, 2024

For the next two weeks I want to familiarize you with Martin Luther. Martin was born November 10, 1483, in Eisleben and named for St. Martin of Tours (c.316-397), a monk bishop who was one of the most popular saints of the Middle Ages. Luther was a devout Romanist and yet was troubled by the question of how he might please God for the Roman system emphasized (and still does) man's works. While lecturing on the psalms at Wittenberg, Luther began to realize that one does not please God, rather God justifies men, that is, declares them righteous in His sight for the sake of His Son. The faithful stand in the heavenly court constantly with the Judge declaring them "not guilty." It was in the psalms that Luther found Christ. Indeed, every psalm is really about Christ and His Church so that it is about the individual Christian who has been joined to Christ also.

INVOCATION: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
AMEN.

THE CREED

VERSE: He was wounded for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his stripes we are healed.
Isaiah 53:5

COLLECT FOR THE WEEK: O God, Your divine wisdom sets in order all things in heaven and on earth. Put away from us all things hurtful and give us those things that are beneficial for us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **AMEN**

PSALM OF THE WEEK: 40

PSALMODY PRAYER: Behold, evil surrounds me on every side; do not withhold Your mercy from me, O my God. Think upon me and deliver me that my lips may speak of Your righteousness in the great congregation. **AMEN.**

READINGS FOR THE WEEK	
Monday	1 Kings 14:21-31
Tuesday	1 Kings 16:29-17:7
Wednesday	1 Kings 17:8-24
Thursday	1 Kings 18:1-19
Friday	1 Kings 18:1-19
Saturday	John 8:31-36

CATECHISM FOR THE WEEK: The Apostles' Creed

The Second Article: Redemption

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

What does this mean?

I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the Virgin Mary, is my Lord. Who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil; not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death, that I may be His own and live under Him in His kingdom and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, just as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity. This is most certainly true.

Luther, Sermon on Luke 10:23-37, (September 3, 1531): In this Samaritan, Christ pictures and shows the kindness, help, and comfort which He provides in His kingdom through the Gospel; this is just what He initially spoke to His disciples: "Blessed are the eyes which see what you see," etc. [Luke 10:23]. He paints most comfortingly what faith has in Him and how very different His Gospel is from the teaching of the Law (which the priests and Levites also have). I have previously spoken about this abundantly. But in this picture, we need to look at how we have fallen into sin against God's commandment, lie under God's wrath, and must die eternal death--and at how we have been rescued by Him, so that we receive God's grace, comfort and life for our conscience and even begin to keep the Law. This is our chief article, the doctrine of faith, which tells us that we cannot help ourselves, nor can any works or teaching of the Law, but He must begin it in us. He does not drive us with the Law if we perceive our sins and misery (for that belongs to the secure spirits such as this scribe, who do not want to be called sinners), but He sincerely takes pity on us, befriends and comforts us through His Word,

Himself binds up the wounded, puts us on His animal, nurses and tends to us. He Himself had to carry out our redemption by Himself, take our place, and bear on His body our sins and need. He Himself also proclaims this to us and gives us the comforting words through which we are bandaged and healed. (*Church Postil V*, LW 79:62-63)

PRAYER: Each day a different aspect of Christian life is covered.

Monday	Our Baptism, calling, and daily work
Tuesday	Deliverance from sin and temptation
Wednesday	Marriage, family, and schools
Thursday	The Lord's Supper, the Church, and Her Pastors
Friday	The Preaching of the Cross, the persecuted, and missions
Saturday	True repentance and restoration of the withering
Sunday	The Hope of the resurrection and faithfulness to the Word

THE LORD'S PRAYER

LUTHER'S MORNING PRAYER: I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me that the Evil Foe may have no power over me. **AMEN.**

OR

LUTHER'S EVENING PRAYER: I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the Evil Foe may have no power over me. **AMEN.**

HYMN OF THE WEEK: *LSB 555 "Salvation Unto Us Has Come" (stanza 1)*

LOOKING FORWARD TO THE WEEK OF THE FESTIVAL OF THE REFORMATION

"This Is the One True Faith"

October 27, 2024

HYMNS FOR NEXT SUNDAY: Order of Service (656, 942, 948, 555, 954, 960) 566,
679, 655, 617, 645

READINGS

Revelation 14:6-7

Romans 3:19-28

John 8:31-36

The Gospel for the Festival of the Reformation presents the central reason for the Reformation instituted by Martin Luther. Luther would express it well in the great hymn of the *A Mighty Fortress*: The Word they still shall let remain nor any thanks have for it. "If you abide in My Word." What did Jesus mean? The phrase "in the Word" has become popular, but Jesus said in My Word. Only the Word which comes from the mouth of the Father gives life. Christ, the Word of God, directs you to abide in His Word. That Word is not just a historical record of words which came from the Savior's mouth, but the powerful, life-creating Word which made the world in the beginning. To abide in the Word is to live in the baptismal word of life which Christ spoke over you for through baptism God opened your eyes to the truth which sets you free. To abide in the Word is to worship with your fellow saints in the public worship of the congregation. To abide in the Word is to confess the sin which bothers you and to receive absolution from the pastor as from Christ Himself for this is the truth which sets you free from the burden of shame and guilt. Finally, to abide in the Word is to receive the holy body and blood of Christ so that Christ, the Word of God, dwells in you and gives you life. Every opportunity to return to baptism or solidify this life in the Word is encouraged, i.e. the life of daily prayer. You were made sons when you were taken into the Word in baptism, brought into the house of the Father, that you might indeed be free forever.

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Thursday-Ben Culli

October 20, 2024



Pentecost

About the Cover: The occasional glimpse of the beauty of blooming flowers at the golden setting of the sun testifies to the work of our amazing Creator. After creating this world with all of its splendor, God rested on the seventh day (the Sabbath). Our sin, however, introduced death into this world, and no amount of our work can merit salvation and rest. Yet, in Christ we have eternal Sabbath rest in God for all the work He has done on His cross, in the tomb, and upon His resurrection to accomplish our salvation.