October 13, 2024

Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost



The world seeks after wealth
And all that mammon offers
Yet never is content
Though gold should fill its coffers.
I have a higher good,
Content with it I'll be:
My Jesus is my wealth.
What is the world to me!

LSB 730:3

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Our mission is sharing the saving love of Jesus



Opening Hymn

840 Christ High-Ascended, Now in Glory Seated



Stand

Opening Versicles

LSB 260

- **L** This is the day which the Lord has made;
- C let us rejoice and be glad in it.
- **L** From the rising of the sun to its setting,
- **C** the name of the Lord is to be praised.
- **L** Better is one day in Your courts than a thousand elsewhere;
- **■** I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked.
- L Make me to know Your ways, O Lord.
- C Teach me Your paths.
- **L** Sanctify us in Your truth.
- C Your Word is truth.
- **L** From the rising of the sun to its setting,
- **C** the name of the Lord is to be praised.
- Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Old Testament Canticle





Sit

Readings From Holy Scripture

Old Testament Reading

Amos 5:6-7, 10-15

L A reading from Amos, the fifth chapter.

⁶Seek the LORD and live, lest he break out like fire in the house of Joseph, and it devour, with none to quench it for Bethel,

⁷O you who turn justice to wormwood and cast down righteousness to the earth! . . .

¹⁰They hate him who reproves in the gate, and they abhor him who speaks the truth.

¹¹Therefore because you trample on the poor and you exact taxes of grain from him, you have built houses of hewn stone, but you shall not dwell in them; you have planted pleasant vineyards, but you shall not drink their wine.

¹²For I know how many are your transgressions and how great are your sins—you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and turn aside the needy in the gate.

¹³Therefore he who is prudent will keep silent in such a time, for it is an evil time.

¹⁴Seek good, and not evil, that you may live;

and so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with you, as you have said.

¹⁵Hate evil, and love good, and establish justice in the gate;

it may be that the LORD, the God of hosts, will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

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

Epistle Reading

Hebrews 3:12–19

¹²Take care, brothers, lest there be in any of you an evil, unbelieving heart, leading you to fall away from the living God. ¹³But exhort one another every day, as long as it is called "today," that none of you may be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin. ¹⁴For we share in Christ, if indeed we hold our original confidence firm to the end. ¹⁵As it is said,

"Today, if you hear his voice,

do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion."

¹⁶For who were those who heard and yet rebelled? Was it not all those who left Egypt led by Moses? ¹⁷And with whom was he provoked for forty years? Was it not with those who sinned, whose bodies fell in the wilderness? ¹⁸And to whom did he swear that they would not enter his rest, but to those who were disobedient? ¹⁹So we see that they were unable to enter because of unbelief.

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

Stand

Gospel Reading Mark 10:17-22

¹⁷As [Jesus] was setting out on his journey, a man ran up and knelt before him and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" ¹⁸And Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good except God alone. ¹⁹You know the commandments: 'Do not murder, Do not commit adultery, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Do not defraud, Honor your father and mother." ²⁰And he said to him, "Teacher, all these I have kept from my youth." ²¹And Jesus, looking at him, loved him, and said to him, "You lack one thing: go, sell all that you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me." ²²Disheartened by the saying, he went away sorrowful, for he had great possessions.

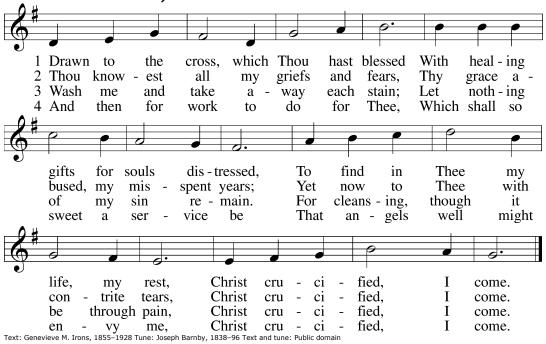
This is the Word of the Lord. C Thanks be to God.

Responsory LSB 263

- **L** Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.
- C Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.
- L Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it.
- C Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.
- L Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.
- C Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

Hymn

560 Drawn to the Cross, Which Thou Hast Blessed



The Creed The First Article

LSB 322

Creation

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

What does this mean?

I believe that God has made me and all creatures; that He has given me my body and soul, eyes, ears, and all my members, my reason and all my senses, and still takes care of them.

He also gives me clothing and shoes, food and drink, house and home, wife and children, land, animals, and all I have. He richly and daily provides me with all that I need to support this body and life.

He defends me against all danger and guards and protects me from all evil. All this He does only out of fatherly, divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness in me. For all this it is my duty to thank and praise, serve and obey Him.

This is most certainly true.

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.

The Third Article

Sanctification

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

What does this mean?

I believe that I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him; but the Holy Spirit has called me by the Gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, sanctified and kept me in the true faith.

In the same way He calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian Church on earth, and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith.

In this Christian Church He daily and richly forgives all my sins and the sins of all believers.

On the Last Day He will raise me and all the dead, and give eternal life to me and all believers in Christ.

This is most certainly true.

Sermon (James 3:13-4:10)

Offering

(God continually provides for us. Our giving should reflect our heartfelt cheerfulness that trusts in God. As your faith guides you, let your offering of all your gifts – time, talents, resources – enable us to move forward in the mission Christ has given us.) Rom. 12:1; 2 Cor. 8:1-9, 12; 2 Cor. 9:6-8

Stand

Prayers

- **L** In peace let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- **L** For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- L For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- L For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- **L** For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- L For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- L For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- **L** For . . . *Amber, Carol, Teresa, Tom, Gene, Ron, Vivian, and Nita*. . . let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- **L** Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

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.

Collect of the Day

- L O God, whose strength is made perfect in weakness, grant us humility and childlike faith that we may please You in both will and deed; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

Collect for the Word

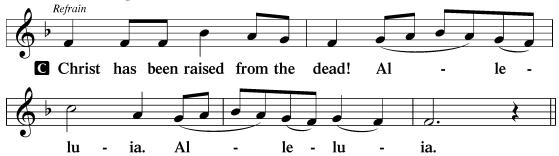
- Lord Jesus Christ, whose grace always precedes and follows us, help us to forsake all trust in earthly gain and to find in You our heavenly treasure; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

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.

New Testament Canticle

LSB 266





Blessing LSB 267

- **L** Let us bless the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.
- **L** The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the

 → Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve us.
- C Amen.

Closing Hymn

852 O God of Mercy, God of Might



- 5 In sickness, sorrow, want, or care, May we each other's burdens share; May we, where help is needed, there Give help as unto Thee!
- 6 And may Thy Holy Spirit move
 All those who live to live in love
 Till Thou shalt greet in heav'n above
 All those who live in Thee.

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IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK,

We pray to our merciful Heavenly Father for:

- Healing for all those who are experiencing health issues Amber Albrecht (Romelle Humphrey's great niece), Carol Bogle (Randy Bogle's mother), Teresa Groth, Tom Groth (Earl's brother), Gene Fulton (Wendy Oltrogge's uncle), Ron Moyer, Vivian Oestmann, Nita Whitney and all those in need.
- Encouragement, strengthened faith and healing for those with long-term illnesses: Delta Boden, Carmen (Loli Bohling's sister), Susan Bohling, Marshall Clark (Jim & Sharon's grandson), Glen Hogue, Lynn LaBalle, Melissa Pierpoint, Joni Scotter (Rich Scotter's mother), and Kamani Williams (infant, friend of Nita Whitney)
- The Family of Walt Wittmuss (father of Lisa Scotter & Russ Wittmuss): Pray for comfort and strength for Walt's family as they grieve his death. May the promise and presence of Jesus give them hope & peace.

THOSE CELEBRATING SPECIAL DAYS THIS WEEK:

Birthdays: 10/13: Nora Ackley, Sharon Clark, Merri Johnson, Darrel Volker;

10/15: Samuel Ackerman, Raedeahna Gerdes; 10/17: Emily Crotty

Baptisms: 10/13: Suzanne Hinrichs; 10/14: Tina Berg; 10/19: Judith Ruskamp

Anniversaries: none this week

10/13	10/14	10/15	10/16	10/17	10/18	10/19	10/20
9:00 AM Worship 10:00 AM Adult & Children's Sunday School	10:00 AM Bible Study & Prayer 6:30 PM Bd of Elders Meeting	6:30 PM Bible Study & Prayer	No Confirmation Class!	Pastor out of town at Conference	Pastor out of town at Conference	9:00 AM Trustees tentative as needed	9:00 AM Worship with Holy Communion 10:00 AM Adult & Children's Sunday School

Scripture reading for next week:

Eccl. 5:10-20; Hebrews 4:1-16; Mark 10:23-31

Weekday Bible Study:

Lessons for discussion 10/14 or 10/15: Ne. 11:1-Jb. 1:22 Lessons for discussion 10/21 or 10/22: Jb. 2:1-Jb. 14:22

Organist Sandy Wilson Pianist.... Vicki Ackerman

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

October 31st 5:00-6:30. Please save the date to help with a trunk to hand out candy, or serve food in the kitchen. Sign up sheets will be available soon.

Circuit Visitor Nomination needed by Circuit Forum November 10: Congregational voters are to nominate a pastor from the Circuit to serve as Circuit Visitor. Pastors and delegates at the Forum will place votes for the Visitor.

Congregational Assessment of Development/Decline Status (CADDS) Survey Starts TODAY: It is being planned for our church family to participate in the CADDS survey Oct. 13 – Nov. 3. This tool will help provide a snapshot of our strengths and any weaknesses as we grow and move forward. More details are in today's bulletin insert.

St. John's Lutheran Church is hosting the 9th Annual Christmas Cantata. The first rehearsal is October 13th at 7;00pm. The performance is December 15th at 3:00pm. The Cantata is directed by Kevin McKinney and accompanist Loretta Kerchal. You do not need to be a member of St. John Lutheran to participate. Please prayerfully consider sharing your time and talents with us. If you are interested or have questions, please contact Kevin at 402-335-8271 or kevin.mckinney421@gmail.com.

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The LCMS Re:Vitality program is offering us the opportunity to do a self -assessment to see how their resources can benefit us .

In order to participate, we need you to fill out a simple online survey. We need honest feedback from anyone connected to our congregation , especially you!

Simply use the QR code below or click this link when you are ready to begin: http://lcms.cadds.alchemer.com/s3/&cong=C42543

Thank you for submitting your thoughtful and honest responses by 11/3/2024!

