

# The Divine Service

## The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

### October 23, 2022

#### AS WE GATHER

*This is the Red Letter Challenge week of SERVING. Ephesians 2:8-9 are so clear as to how we are saved: "For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast." But verse 10 continues to share with us why we were created: "For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do." It may be counter-culture to understand that with Jesus, the ones that are blessed are the ones who serve others and put others before themselves, but that's what we have been called and created to do. May you this week, through what you do, what you say, and how you live point people to a real relationship with God.*

#### WORDS OF WELCOME/THEME OF THE DAY

#### REMEMBRANCE OF BAPTISM

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their baptism.*

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the  $\text{✠}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

#### BRIEF ORDER OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Pastor: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: **Amen.**

Pastor: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

Pastor: Most merciful God,

People: **we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

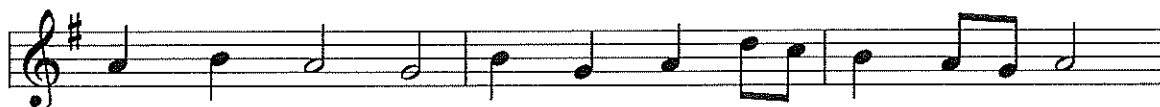
Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins in the name of the Father and of the  $\text{†}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

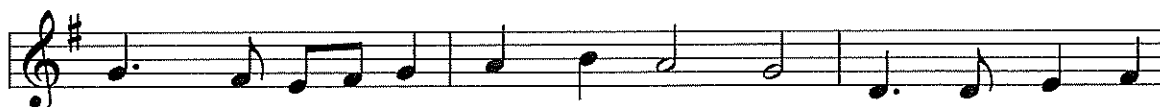
**PROCESSIONAL HYMN "Blessed Jesus, at Your Word"** LSB 904, verse 1 & 4



1 Bless - ed Je - sus, at Your Word We are gath - ered  
 $\Delta$  4 Fa - ther, Son, and Spir - it, Lord, Praise to You and



all to hear You. Let our hearts and souls be stirred  
ad - o - ra - tion! Grant that we may trust Your Word,



Now to seek and love and fear You, By Your teach - ings,  
Con - fi - dent of our sal - va - tion, While we here be -



sweet and ho - ly, Drawn from earth to love You sole - ly.  
low must wan - der, Till we sing Your prais - es yon - der.

**GREETING**

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

People: **And also with you.**

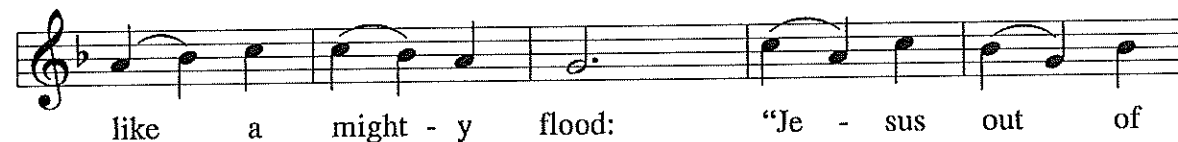
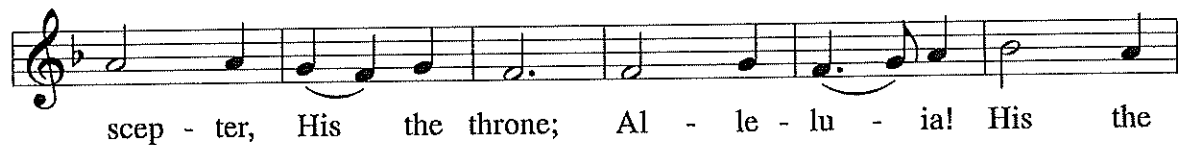
## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God, You are always more ready to hear than we to pray and always ready to give more than we either desire or deserve. Strengthen us in the certainty of the forgiveness of sins and life everlasting in Your heavenly kingdom, that, as Your children, we may love and trust in You all our days; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

## HYMN OF PRAISE

### "Alleluia! Sing to Jesus"



## THE OLD TESTAMENT

*Malachi 3:6-12 NIV*

Reader: <sup>6</sup>"I the LORD do not change. So you, the descendants of Jacob, are not destroyed. <sup>7</sup>Ever since the time of your ancestors you have turned away from my decrees and have not kept them. Return to me, and I will return to you," says the LORD Almighty. "But you ask, 'How are we to return?'<sup>8</sup>"Will a mere mortal rob God? Yet you rob me. "But you ask, 'How are we robbing you?' "In tithes and offerings. <sup>9</sup>You are under a curse—your whole nation—because you are robbing me. <sup>10</sup>Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this," says the LORD Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it. <sup>11</sup>I will prevent pests from devouring your crops, and the vines in your fields will not drop their fruit before it is ripe," says the LORD Almighty. <sup>12</sup>"Then all the nations will call you blessed, for yours will be a delightful land," says the LORD Almighty.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## THE EPISTLE

*Romans 11:33-36 NIV*

Reader: Oh, the depth of the riches of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable his judgments, and his paths beyond tracing out! <sup>34</sup>"Who has known the mind of the Lord? Or who has been his counselor?" <sup>35</sup>"Who has ever given to God, that God should repay them?" <sup>36</sup>For from him and through him and for him are all things. To him be the glory forever! Amen.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## ALLELUIA AND VERSE



## HOLY GOSPEL

*Luke 21:1-4 NIV*

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the twenty-first chapter.  
People: **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

As Jesus looked up, he saw the rich putting their gifts into the temple treasury. <sup>2</sup> He also saw a poor widow put in two very small copper coins. <sup>3</sup> "Truly I tell you," he said, "this poor widow has put in more than all the others. <sup>4</sup> All these people gave their gifts out of their wealth; but she out of her poverty put in all she had to live on."

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.  
People: **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

## HYMN OF THE DAY

### "Because He Lives"

#### VERSE 1

I believe in the Son  
I believe in the Risen One  
I believe I overcome  
By the power of His blood

#### CHORUS

Amen amen  
I'm alive I'm alive because He lives  
Amen amen  
Let my song join the one that never ends  
(Because He lives)

#### VERSE 2

I was dead in the grave  
I was covered in sin and shame  
I heard mercy call my name  
He rolled the stone away

#### BRIDGE

Because He lives I can face tomorrow  
Because He lives ev'ry fear is gone  
I know He holds my life  
My future in His hand

#### ENDING

Because He lives

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**SERMON**

**"Giving"**

**Pastor Scott Henze**

## APOSTLES' CREED

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

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

*Petitions end, "Lord in your mercy" Congregation responds, "Hear Our Prayer"*

## OFFERING

"Lord, Be My Shepherd"

*Adult Choir, 11:00 AM*

## OFFERTORY PRAYER

**Pastor:** Let us pray: Merciful God,

**People:** We offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

*Stand as you are able.*

## PREFACE

**Pastor:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** And also with you.

**Pastor:** Lift up your hearts.

**People:** We lift them to the Lord.

**Pastor:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People:** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

**A word about Holy Communion:**  
*We welcome to the Lord's Table all baptized Christians who believe in the Real Presence of Christ in this sacrament and believe that in this eating and drinking, we receive the forgiveness of sins and the power to amend our sinful lives. Children who have not yet been instructed may come forward for a blessing, crossing their arms over the chest thus indicating they will not receive the elements. For those who prefer a non-alcoholic option please know that the center of the communion tray is white grape juice. A gluten free wafer is available upon request.*

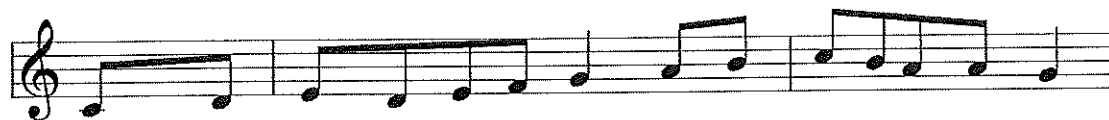
## PROPER PREFACE

### SANCTUS

*Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9*



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;



Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.



Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho-san - na to the Lord;



Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Pastor:** Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:

**People:** **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.**

### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

#### PEACE OF THE LORD

*John 20:19*

**Pastor:** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**People:** **And also with you.**

*The minister and congregation may greet one another with the peace of the Lord.*

# AGNUS DEI

John 1:29



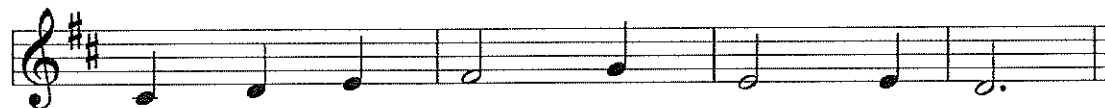
1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,



You take the sin of the world a - way;  
You take the sin of the world a - way;



O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,



Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.  
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

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## "Jesus Loves Me"

LSB 588

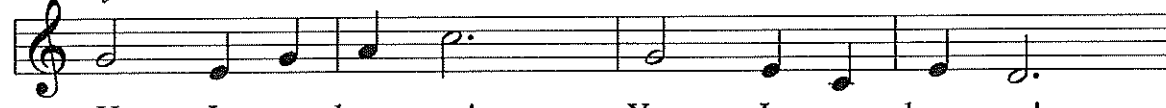


1 Je - sus loves me! This I know, For the Bi - ble tells me so.  
2 Je - sus loves me! He who died Heav-en's gates to o - pen wide.

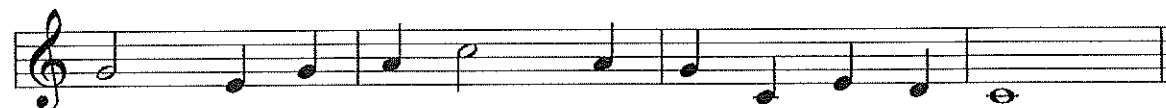


Lit - tle ones to Him be - long; They are weak, but He is strong.  
He has washed a - way my sin, Lets His lit - tle child come in.

### Refrain



Yes, Je - sus loves me! Yes, Je - sus loves me!



Yes, Je - sus loves me! The Bi - ble tells me so.



# Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me"

LSB 722



1 Lord, take my hand and lead me Up - on life's way;  
2 Lord, when the tem - pest ra - ges, I need not fear,  
3 Lord, when the shad - ows length - en And night has come,



Di - rect, pro - tect, and feed me From day to day.  
For You, the Rock of A - ges, Are al - ways near.  
I know that You will strength - en My steps toward home.



With - out Your grace and fa - vor I go a - stray;  
Close by Your side a - bid - ing, I fear no foe,  
Then noth - ing can im - pede me, O bless - ed Friend;



So take my hand, O Sav - ior, And lead the way.  
For when Your hand is guid - ing, In peace I go.  
So take my hand and lead me Un - to the end.

# I Am Jesus' Little Lamb"

LSB 740



1 I am Je - sus' lit - tle lamb, Ev - er glad at  
2 Day by day, at home, a - way, Je - sus is my  
3 Who so hap - py as I am, E - ven now the



heart I am; For my Shep - herd gent - ly guides me,  
staff and stay. When I hun - ger, Je - sus feeds me,  
Shep - herd's lamb? And when my short life is end - ed,



Knows my need and well pro - vides me, Loves me ev - 'ry  
In - to pleas - ant pas - tures leads me; When I thirst, He  
By His an - gel host at - tend - ed, He shall fold me



day the same, E - ven calls me by my name.  
bids me go Where the qui - et wa - ters flow.  
to His breast, There with - in His arms to rest.

## NUNC DIMITTIS



2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All  
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the  
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three in One;  
For as in the be - gin - ning, Is  
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -  
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

## POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

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. Amen.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## BENEDICTION

## RECESSIONAL HYMN

### "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee"

*LSB 803 Verses 1 & 3*



1 Joy - ful, joy - ful we a - dore Thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love!  
△ 3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, Ev - er bless - ing, ev - er blest,



Hearts un - fold like flow'rs be - fore Thee, Prais - ing Thee, their sun a - bove.  
Well - spring of the joy of liv - ing, O - cean - depth of hap - py rest!



Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness, Drive the gloom of doubt a - way.  
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spir - it, Foun - tain - head of love di - vine:



Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, Fill us with the light of day.  
Joy - ful, we Thy heav'n in - her - it! Joy - ful, we by grace are Thine!

## DISMISSAL

Pastor: Lord Jesus you lead us! Now we go as....

People: **Disciples making disciples.**

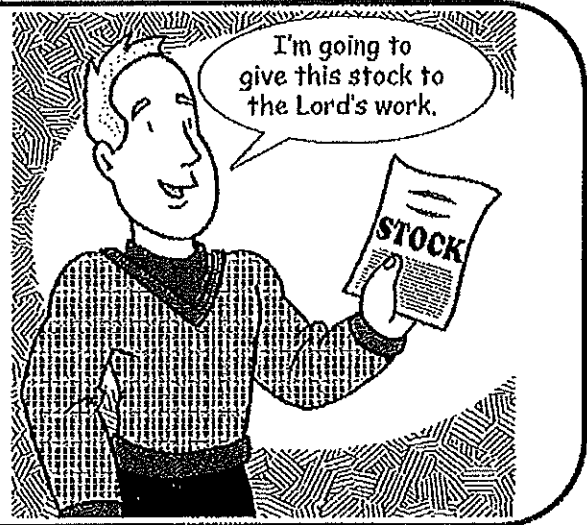
Pastor: Go in peace and serve the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

*If you have a prayer request we invite you to come up to the altar following the worship service to pray with a member of our prayer team.*

**GOD CALLS US TO BE SERVANTS  
WHO GIVE OF OURSELVES WITH-  
OUT CONERN FOR RECOGNITION.**

“And He died for all, that those who live  
should no longer live for themselves but  
for Him Who died for them and was  
raised again” (2 Corinthians 5:15).



*Amen!*

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Sunday School for children and Youth at 9:45 AM

Adult Bible Study at 10:00 AM



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