

# The Divine Service

## The Twenty-third Sunday After Pentecost

### November 13, 2022

#### AS WE GATHER

*In today's Epistle, we hear a word from Paul calling on the Church in Thessalonica to live quiet lives, confident in God's faithfulness to them, for "the Lord is faithful. He will establish you and guard you against the evil one" (2 Thessalonians 3:3). It seems as though our lives are sometimes the opposite of quiet and confident. Life can be filled with noise and uncertainty. But confidence and quietness come to us as all of life does: as gifts from our heavenly Father. God grant this to all of us.*

#### 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 ✠ 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.*

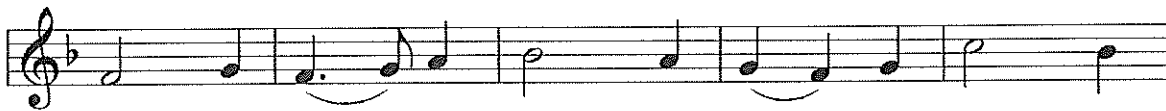
Pastor: Most merciful God,

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  $\dagger$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN "Lord of Glory, You have Bought Us" LSB 851, verse 1, 2,3**



1 Lord of glo - ry, You have bought us With Your  
 2 Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to give You Glad - ly,  
 3 Won - drous hon - or You have giv - en To our



life - blood as the price, Nev - er grudg - ing for the  
 free - ly of Your own. With the sun - shine of Your  
 hum - blest char - i - ty In Your own mys - te - rious



lost ones That tre - men - dous sac - ri - fice;  
 good - ness Melt our thank - less hearts of stone  
 sen - tence, "You have done it all to Me."



And with that have free - ly giv - en Bless - ings  
 Till our cold and self - ish na - tures, Warmed by  
 Can it be, O gra - cious Mas - ter, That You



count - less as the sand To the un - thank - ful  
 You, at length be - lieve That more hap - py  
 deign for alms to sue, Say - ing by Your



and the e - vil With Your own un - spar - ing hand.  
 and more bless - ed 'Tis to give than to re - ceive.  
 poor and need - y, "Give as I have giv'n to you?"

## 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. Lord Jesus Christ, You are always faithful. As we await Your promised return, help us to recognize Your gifts in this life so that we may serve You in confidence and quietness, for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: **Amen.**

## HYMN OF PRAISE

### "Alleluia! Sing to Jesus"



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus; His the



scep - ter, His the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! His the



tri - umph, His the vic - to - ry a - lone.



Hark! The songs of peace - ful Zi - on Thun - der



like a might - y flood: "Je - sus out of



ev - 'ry na - tion Has re - deemed us by His blood."

## THE FIRST READING

*Malachi 4:1-6*

Reader: <sup>1</sup> "For behold, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble. The day that is coming shall set them ablaze, says the LORD of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. <sup>2</sup>But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness shall rise with healing in its wings. You shall go out leaping like calves from the stall. <sup>3</sup>And you shall tread down the wicked, for they will be ashes under the soles of your feet, on the day when I act, says the LORD of hosts. <sup>4</sup>"Remember the law of my servant Moses, the statutes and just decrees that I commanded him at Horeb for all Israel. <sup>5</sup>"Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the great and awesome day of the LORD comes. <sup>6</sup>And he will turn the hearts of fathers to their children and the hearts of children to their fathers, lest I come and strike the land with a decree of utter destruction."

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## THE EPISTLE

*2 Thessalonians 3:6-13*

Reader: <sup>6</sup>Now we command you, brothers, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you keep away from any brother who is walking in idleness and not in accord with the tradition that you received from us. <sup>7</sup>For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us, because we were not idle when we were with you, <sup>8</sup>nor did we eat anyone's bread without paying for it, but with toil and labor we worked night and day, that we might not be a burden to any of you. <sup>9</sup>It was not because we do not have that right, but to give you in ourselves an example to imitate. <sup>10</sup>For even when we were with you, we would give you this command: If anyone is not willing to work, let him not eat. <sup>11</sup>For we hear that some among you walk in idleness, not busy at work, but busybodies. <sup>12</sup>Now such persons we command and encourage in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. <sup>13</sup>As for you, brothers, do not grow weary in doing good.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## ALLELUIA AND VERSE



## HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 21:5-28

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

<sup>5</sup>While some were speaking of the temple, how it was adorned with noble stones and offerings, [Jesus] said, <sup>6</sup>"As for these things that you see, the days will come when there will not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down." <sup>7</sup>And they asked him, "Teacher, when will these things be, and what will be the sign when these things are about to take place?" <sup>8</sup>And he said, "See that you are not led astray. For many will come in my name, saying, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is at hand!' Do not go after them. <sup>9</sup>And when you hear of wars and tumults, do not be terrified, for these things must first take place, but the end will not be at once." <sup>10</sup>Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. <sup>11</sup>There will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and pestilences. And there will be terrors and great signs from heaven. <sup>12</sup>But before all this they will lay their hands on you and persecute you, delivering you up to the synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors for my name's sake. <sup>13</sup>This will be your opportunity to bear witness. <sup>14</sup>Settle it therefore in your minds not to meditate beforehand how to answer, <sup>15</sup>for I will give you a mouth and wisdom, which none of your adversaries will be able to withstand or contradict. <sup>16</sup>You will be delivered up even by parents and brothers and relatives and friends, and some of you they will put to death. <sup>17</sup>You will be hated by all for my name's sake. <sup>18</sup>But not a hair of your head will perish. <sup>19</sup>By your endurance you will gain your lives. <sup>20</sup>"But when you see Jerusalem surrounded by armies, then know that its desolation has come near. <sup>21</sup>Then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains, and let those who are inside the city depart, and let not those who are out in the country enter it, <sup>22</sup>for these are days of vengeance, to fulfill all that is written. <sup>23</sup>Alas for women who are pregnant and for those who are nursing infants in those days! For there will be great distress upon the earth and wrath against this people. <sup>24</sup>They will fall by the edge of the sword and be led captive among all nations, and Jerusalem will be trampled underfoot by the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled. <sup>25</sup>"And there will be signs in sun and moon and stars, and on the earth distress of nations in perplexity because of the roaring of the sea and the waves, <sup>26</sup>people fainting with fear and with foreboding of what is coming on the world. For the powers of the heavens will be shaken. <sup>27</sup>And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. <sup>28</sup>Now when these things begin to take place, straighten up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.

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

## HYMN OF THE DAY

"All People That on Earth Do Dwell"

LSB 791 verses 1,3,5



1 All peo - ple that on earth do dwell, Sing to the  
3 O en - ter then His gates with praise; Ap - proach with  
△ 5 To Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost, The God whom



Lord with cheer - ful voice. Him serve with mirth, His  
joy His courts un - to. Praise, laud, and bless His  
heav'n and earth a - dore, From us and from the



praise forth - tell; Come ye be - fore Him and re - joice.  
name al - ways, For it is seem - ly so to do.  
an - gel host Be praise and glo - ry ev - er - more.

## SERMON

"It's a Partnership"

*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

"You Are Mine"

*Adult Choir, 8:30 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

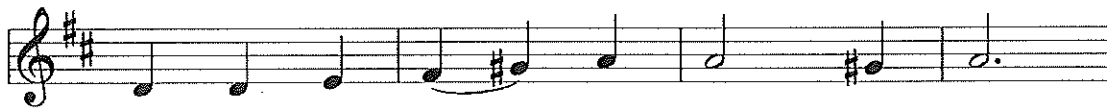
*John 20:19*

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

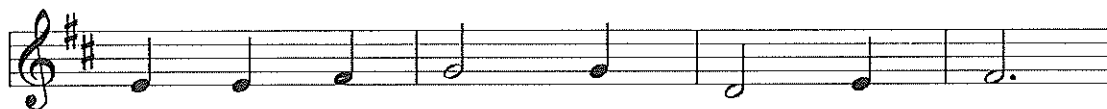
*John 1:29*



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,

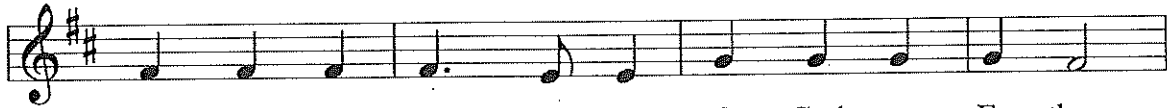


Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.  
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.



"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

LSB 809



1 Great is Thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther;  
2 Sum - mer and win - ter and spring - time and har - vest,  
3 Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth,



There is no shad - ow of turn - ing with Thee.  
Sun, moon, and stars in their cours - es a - bove  
Thine own dear pres - ence to cheer and to guide;



Thou chang - est not: Thy com - pas - sions, they fail not;  
Join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit - ness  
Strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row,



As Thou hast been, Thou for - ev - er wilt be.  
To Thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.  
Bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!



Great is Thy faith - ful - ness! Great is Thy faith - ful - ness!



Morn - ing by morn - ing new mer - cies I see;



All I have need - ed Thy hand hath pro - vid - ed;



Great is Thy faith - ful - ness, Lord, un - to me!

**"Take My Life and Let It Be"**

LSB 783

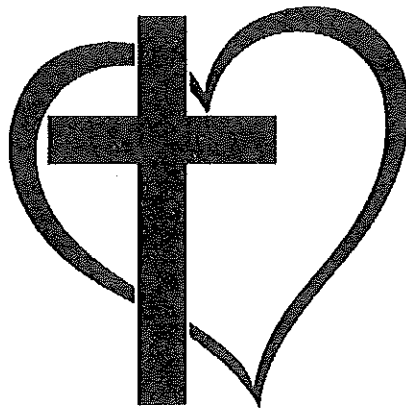


- 1 Take my life and let it be Con-se - crat - ed, Lord, to Thee;
- 2 Take my hands and let them move At the im - pulse of Thy love;
- 3 Take my voice and let me sing Al-ways, on - ly for my King;
- 4 Take my sil - ver and my gold, Not a mite would I with - hold;

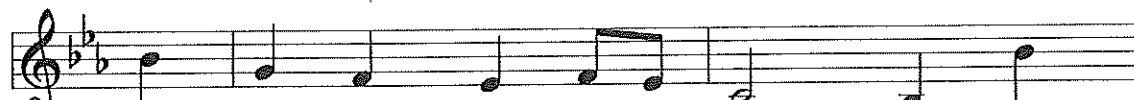


Take my mo - ments and my days, Let them flow in cease - less praise.  
Take my feet and let them be Swift and beau - ti - ful for Thee.  
Take my lips and let them be Filled with mes - sag - es from Thee.  
Take my in - tel - lect and use Ev - 'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose.

- 5 Take my will and make it Thine,  
It shall be no longer mine;  
Take my heart, it is Thine own,  
It shall be Thy royal throne.
- 6 Take my love, my Lord, I pour  
At Thy feet its treasure store;  
Take myself, and I will be  
Ever, only, all for Thee.



# NUNC DIMITTIS




2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All



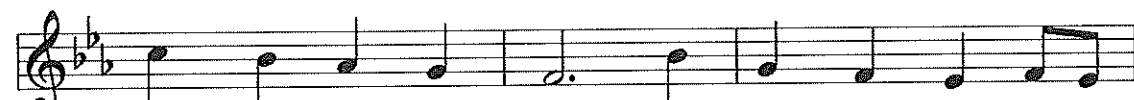
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the



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

## STEWARDSHIP MINUTE

## BENEDICTION

# BLESSING

May the Lord bless you,  
and keep you; may He  
make His face shine upon  
you, and be gracious to  
you; may the Lord lift up  
His countenance upon you,  
and give you peace.

Numbers 6:24-26

## RECESSIONAL HYMN

### "On What Has Now Been Sown"

LSB 921, verses 1,2,3



1 On what has now been sown Thy bless - ing, Lord, be - stow;  
2 To Thee our wants are known, From Thee are all our pow'rs;  
3 O grant that each of us, Now met be - fore Thee here,



The pow'r is Thine a - lone To make it sprout and grow. Do Thou  
Ac - cept what is Thine own And par - don what is ours. Our prais -  
May meet to - geth - er thus When Thou and Thine ap - pear And fol -



in grace the har - vest raise, And Thou a - lone shalt have the praise!  
es, Lord, and prayers re - ceive, And to Thy Word a bless - ing give.  
low Thee to heav'n, our home. E'en so, a - men, Lord Je - sus, come!

## DISMISSAL

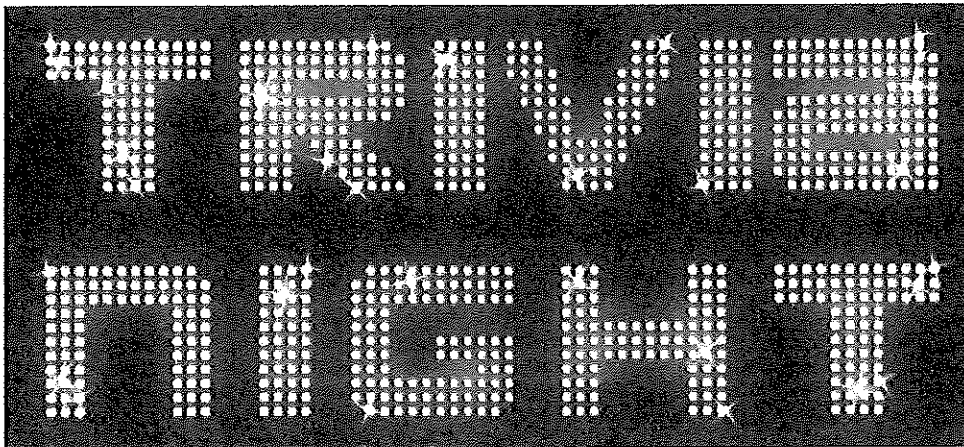
Pastor: Lord Jesus you lead us! Now we go as....

People: **Disciples making disciples.**

Pastor: Go in peace and serve the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

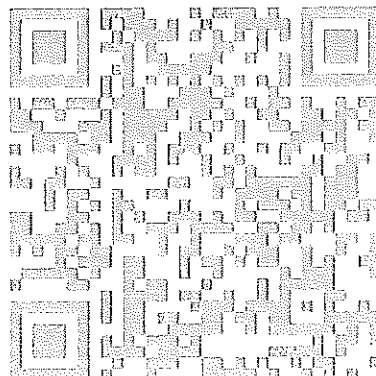
*If you have a prayer request we invite you to come up to the altar following the worship service to pray with a member of our prayer team.*



Friday, November 18  
Questions begin at 6:45 PM  
Gather a team and play!  
All funds raised will support youth raise  
money to serve others.

This year's Trivia Night will be played In-person and Virtually!  
Players will be able to play together in the Sanctuary, by connecting  
through Zoom, or a hybrid of both. Trivia Teams can gather together in  
person or virtually through zoom from anywhere in the world.  
Please remember that only 8 people can play on a team together.

Use the QR code below to sign up for a team to play Trivia.



## **UPCOMING EVENTS AND SERVICES**

### **Trivia Night Youth Fundraiser**

Friday, November 18 at 6:15 PM; Play in person and online.  
Gather a team to play!

### **Thanksgiving Eve Service**

Wednesday, November 23, 7:30 PM - Gather together to give thanks. All donations this night go to LifeNet4Families Food Pantry.

### **Midweek Advent Evening Worship Services**

Wednesdays, November 30, December 7 & 14 at 7:30 PM

### **Drive Thru Live Nativity**

Sunday, December 4; 5:30 PM – 8:30 PM

Mark your calendars for this special presentation of the Christmas story.  
Live animals, music and more. Invite your friends and neighbors!

### **Owls - Older Wiser Lutherans**

Friday, December 9 at 7:00 PM- Monthly Social Gathering for 55+

### **Middle School Youth Group Christmas Party**

Friday, December 9 at 7:00 PM- All Middle School students are invited!

### **Kids Choir Christmas Musical**

Sunday, December 11 at both services. The children will lead us in worship.

### **A Quiet Christmas Service**

Sunday, December 11, 7:00 PM ; All are invited for an evening of inspirational readings and music in preparation of the Birth of Christ.  
A holiday reception will follow service.

### **Senior Youth Group Christmas Party**

Wednesday, December 21; 6:30 PM ; All High School Students & friends  
9th through 12th grade are invited.

## **Investing for Time and Eternity**

“ . . . lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven,  
where moth nor rust destroys,  
and where thieves do not break in and steal.  
For where your treasure is,  
there your heart will be also” (Matt. 6:20-21).

PEACE  
BE WITH  
*you*

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Sunday Worship Services: 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Sunday School for children and Youth at 9:45 AM

Adult Bible Study at 10:00 AM



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