

The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost
July 28, 2024



*And about the fourth watch of the night he came to them,
walking on the sea.*

Mark 6:48b

The Divine Service

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AS WE GATHER

Sometimes the brightness of the day we are experiencing can affect how we perceive the space in which we are worshiping. A bright, sunny day can lift our spirits; a dark, cloudy day can have the opposite effect. Throughout the pages of Scriptures, God is associated with brightness and light. His setting of the rainbow in the heavens, recorded in the book of Genesis, is a symbol of God's promises to His faithful people. Images mentioned in our hymns also attest to the powerful brightness of God, as in "O Splendor of God's Glory Bright" (LSB 874), written by Ambrose of Milan in the fourth century. Whether a day has sunny skies or dull clouds or even rainbows, the very presence of God among us brings an eternal brightness to our time of worship.

Prelude

Invocation

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

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

C **Amen.**

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. Let us confess our sin to God who is faithful and just and who has promised to forgive our sin and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

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

Confession and Absolution

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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.**

P With Joy, I proclaim to you that Almighty God, rich in mercy, abundant in love, forgives you all your sin and grants you newness of life in name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

Processional Hymn

“Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty”

LSB 901 *sts. 1, 5*




1 O - pen now thy gates of beau - ty; Zi - on, let me
5 Speak, O God, and I will hear Thee; Let Thy will be
en - ter there, Where my soul in joy - ful du - ty
done in - deed. May I un - dis - turbed draw near Thee
Waits for Him who an - swers prayer. Oh, how bless - ed
While Thou dost Thy peo - ple feed. Here of life the
is this place, Filled with sol - ace, light, and grace!
foun - tain flows; Here is balm for all our woes.

Kyrie


A *In peace, in peace...*

Refrain

Assistant: *Congregation:*



Let us pray to the Lord, have mer - cy, Christ, have




mer - cy, Lord, have mer - cy. *to Verses*

A *For the reign of God, and for peace throughout the world, for the unity of all, let us pray to the... Refrain*


A *For your people here, who have come to give you praise, for the strength to live your Word, let us pray to the... Refrain*

Assistant:



Help, save and de - fend us, O

Congregation:



God. A - men.

Hymn of Praise:

"Now the Feast"

Refrain

Congregation:

Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion,
all of cre - a - tion sings for joy
to the God of life and love and
free - dom: praise and glo - ry for ev -
er - more!

Verse 1

Congregation or Congregation 1:

1. Now is the feast of the Lamb once
slain, whose blood has freed and u -
nit-ed us to be one great peo - ple of
God. *to Refrain*

Verse 2

Congregation or Congregation 2:



2. Pow - er and rich-es, wis - dom and



might, all hon - or and glo - ry to Christ



for ev - er.

Verse 3

Congregation:



3. For God has come to dwell with us, to



make us peo - ple of God; to make



all things new.

Salutation

- P The Lord be with you.
C **And also with you.**

Prayer of the Day

- P Let us pray. Gracious God, You provide for our needs in miraculous ways. Help us to trust in Your provision for us and for all to whom You send us, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reign with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

The Old Testament Reading

Genesis 9:8–17

⁸ God said to Noah and to his sons with him, ⁹“Behold, I establish my covenant with you and your offspring after you, ¹⁰and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the livestock, and every beast of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark; it is for every beast of the earth. ¹¹I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of the flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.” ¹²And God said, “This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: ¹³I have set my bow in the cloud, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. ¹⁴When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, ¹⁵I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh. And the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. ¹⁶When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.” ¹⁷God said to Noah, “This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth.”

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

Epistle

Ephesians 3:14–21

¹⁴For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, ¹⁵from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, ¹⁶that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, ¹⁷so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, ¹⁸may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, ¹⁹and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. ²⁰Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, ²¹to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia and Verse

LSB 173

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and common time. The first staff begins with a common time signature 'C' and contains the lyrics: "Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?". The second staff continues the melody with the lyrics: "You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia." The music consists of quarter and eighth notes, with a final double bar line at the end of the second staff.

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

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

⁴⁵Immediately [Jesus] made his disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, to Bethsaida, while he dismissed the crowd. ⁴⁶And after he had taken leave of them, he went up on the mountain to pray. ⁴⁷And when evening came, the boat was out on the sea, and he was alone on the land. ⁴⁸And he saw that they were making headway painfully, for the wind was against them. And about the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. He meant to pass by them, ⁴⁹but when they saw him walking on the sea they thought it was a ghost, and cried out, ⁵⁰for they all saw him and were terrified. But immediately he spoke to them and said, "Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid." ⁵¹And he got into the boat with them, and the wind ceased. And they were utterly astounded, ⁵²for they did not understand about the loaves, but their hearts were hardened. ⁵³When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored to the shore. ⁵⁴And when they got out of the boat, the people immediately recognized him ⁵⁵and ran about the whole region and began to bring the sick people on their beds to wherever they heard he was. ⁵⁶And wherever he came, in villages, cities, or countryside, they laid the sick in the marketplaces and implored him that they might touch even the fringe of his garment. And as many as touched it were made well.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**



1 Great is Thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther;
3 Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth,



There is no shad - ow of turn - ing with Thee.
Thine own dear pres - ence to cheer and to guide;



Thou chang - est not: Thy com - pas - sions, they fail not;
Strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row,



As Thou hast been, Thou for - ev - er wilt be.
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!

Apostles' Creed

- C **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

Offertory Prayer

- P God of mercy and grace, the eyes of all wait upon you, and you open your hand in blessing. Receive now these gifts you have first given and fill us with good things at your table, that we might joyfully and generously share all you have given us, through Jesus Christ, our Redeemer and Lord. Amen.

A word about Holy Communion *We are about to receive the Lord's Supper. Before you receive, you might consider the following questions: Do you believe you are a sinner? Do you believe Jesus Christ died for you and shed his blood for you on the cross for the forgiveness of your sins? Do you believe that in the Lord's Supper, he gives you his true body and blood for the forgiveness of all your sins and strengthens your faith in him and your love for others? If you are a baptized Christian and share these Biblical truths, please come! Those who have not yet received instruction may come forward for a blessing, crossing their arms over their chest to indicate they are not receiving the elements.*

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

Proper Preface

Sanctus

LSB 208



☐ 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!

Text: Stephen P. Starke

Words of Institution

The Peace of the Lord

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

(The congregation and minister may greet each other with the peace of the Lord)

Agnus Dei

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
you are the way of mer - cy and
world:
love. have mer - cy on us, mer - cy on us,
mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you
take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace,
grant us peace, grant us peace.

The musical score is written on ten staves in a single system. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The lyrics are: "Give thanks with a grate-ful heart, Give thanks to the Ho-ly One, Give thanks _____ be-cause He's giv-en__ Je-sus Christ His Son. Give thanks with a grate-ful heart, Give thanks to the Ho-ly One, Give thanks _____ be-cause He's giv-en__ Je-sus Christ His Son. And now let the weak say "I am strong," Let the poor say "I am rich," _____ Be-cause of what the Lord has done for us. And now let the weak say "I am strong," Let the poor say "I am rich," _____ Be-cause of what the Lord has done for us." The score ends with a double bar line.

Give thanks, _____ give thanks. _____

Text and tune: Henry Smith, 1952

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"Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me"

LSB 715

1 Je - sus, Sav - ior, pi - lot me O - ver life's
2 As a moth - er stills her child, Thou canst hush
3 When at last I near the shore And the fear -

tem - pes - tuous sea; Un - known waves be - fore me roll,
the o - cean wild; Bois - t'rous waves o - bey Thy will
ful break - ers roar Twixt me and the peace - ful rest,

Hid - ing rock and treach - 'rous shoal. Chart and com -
When Thou say'st to them, "Be still!" Won - drous Sov -
Then, while lean - ing on Thy breast, May I hear

pass come from Thee. Je - sus, Sav - ior, pi - lot me.
'reign of the sea, Je - sus, Sav - ior, pi - lot me.
Thee say to me, "Fear not, I will pi - lot thee."

Closing of the Table



Post-communion canticle

Praise to you, O God of mer - cy:
Thanks be to you for ev - er! Rais - ing high the
weak and low - ly: Thanks be to you for - ev - er!
Strong is your faith - ful - ness, strong is your love, re -
mem - b'ring your cov - e - nant of life with us.
Praise to you O God of mer - cy: Thanks be to you for
ev - er! Rais - ing high the weak and low - ly:
Thanks be to you for ev - er. Thanks be to you for - ev - er!

Post-Communion Prayer

P Let us pray. We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us, through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Announcements

Benediction

Recessional Hymn

“Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer”

LSB 918

1 Guide me, O Thou great Re-deem-er, Pil-grim through this
2 O-pen now the crys-tal foun-tain Whence the heal-ing
3 When I tread the verge of Jor-dan, Bid my anx-ious
bar-ren land. I am weak, but Thou art might-y;
stream doth flow; Let the fi-ery, cloud-y pil-lar
fears sub-side; Death of death and hell's de-struction,
Hold me with Thy pow'r-ful hand. Bread of heav-en,
Lead me all my jour-ney through. Strong de-liv-'rer,
Land me safe on Ca-naan's side. Songs of prais-es,
bread of heav-en, Feed me till I want no
strong de-liv-'rer, Be Thou still my strength and
songs of prais-es I will ev-er give to
more; shield; Thee;
Feed me till I want no more.
Be Thou still my strength and shield.
I will ev-er give to Thee.

Dismissal

P Lord Jesus, you lead us! Now we go as...

C **Disciples making disciples.**

P Go in peace and serve the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God!**

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!

July 23- August 4, 2024, Spoke Folk Minnesota Tour

August 3, 2024, Church Workday

August 7, 2024, High School Spirit Night at 7:30 p.m.

August 11, 2024, Spoke Folk Sunday and Blessing of the Backpacks.

August 14, 2024, First day of Preschool

August 18, 2024, First day of Sunday School for children and youth.

Habitat For Children Ministries

It's that time of year again! Habitat For Children Ministries is collecting backpacks and other school supplies needed for our once-a-year Back to School program in LaJeune, Haiti. Thank you for your generous donations!



Saturday, August 3 from 9:00 am-12:00 pm

BLESSINGS OF THE BACKPACKS

Join us for a
Blessing of the Backpacks!

All students, teachers and families
are welcome to bring your backpacks
to be blessed for the new school year.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 11 2024

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Small Groups

Are you interested in leading a small group and develop a growing relationship with Jesus? Find out more and sign up using this QR code.





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Sunday School for children and youth: 9:45 AM

Adult Bible Study: 10:00 AM



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