

THE TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST

October 25, 2020

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

THANK YOU for joining us in God's house today! We cordially ask that our Guests sign one of the guestbooks located at either the front or back entryways, or fill out a "Let's Get Acquainted" card located in the hymnal pew rack and place it in the collection plate.

THANK OFFERING: Members of Trinity give their offering as an expression of love and thankfulness to the Lord and to help support the Lord's work in our community and around the world. Visitors need not feel obligated to participate in this offering which supports our ministry.

RESTROOMS are located at the back of the upper level (the annex), and in the basement (down the back stairs of the sanctuary or annex). Handicap access is available, please ask an usher for assistance.

YOUNG FAMILIES / TODDLER BAGS – We are **GLAD YOU BROUGHT YOUR CHILDREN** to our worship service. Jesus said: *"Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these."* We know that having little children in church can be a challenge, but **DO NOT WORRY** about it. Many of your fellow worshippers have been in your shoes and are just happy you brought your children with you. For your convenience, we have reserved the back rows of seating for parents with small children. These areas provide more flexibility for your family, as well as, easy access to move downstairs if necessary. A closed-circuit TV system allows families to continue participating in the service while downstairs. Pre-school **toddler bags** and **children's bulletins** are available for their enjoyment. Ask an usher for one to use during the service and please return the toddler bag afterwards.

THE OPENING HYMN

CW #336

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Come unto Me, Ye Weary



1 "Come un - to me, ye wea - ry, And I will
 2 "Come un - to me, ye wan - d'ers, And I will
 3 "Come un - to me, ye faint - ing, And I will
 4 "And who - so - ev - er com - eth, I will not



give you rest." O bless - ed voice of Je - sus, Which
 give you light." O lov - ing voice of Je - sus, Which
 give you life." O cheer - ing voice of Je - sus, Which
 cast him out." O pa - tient love of Je - sus, Which



comes to hearts op - pressed! It tells of ben - e -
 comes to cheer the night! Our hearts were filled with
 comes to aid our strife! The foe is stern and
 drives a - way our doubt, Which, though we be un -



dic - tion, Of par - don, grace, and peace, Of joy that
 sad - ness, And we had lost our way; But thou hast
 ea - ger; The fight is fierce and long; But thou hast
 wor - thy Of love so great and free, In - vites us



has no end - ing, Of love that can - not cease.
 brought us glad - ness And songs at break of day.
 made us might - y And strong - er than the strong.
 ver - y sin - ners To come, dear Lord, to thee!

INVOCATION

PLEASE STAND, IF YOU ARE ABLE

M: In the name of the Father and of the \dagger Son and of the Holy Spirit.



CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

M: Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

C: **Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

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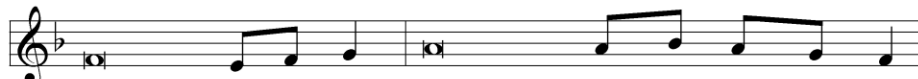


M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.



PRAYER AND PRAISE

M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.



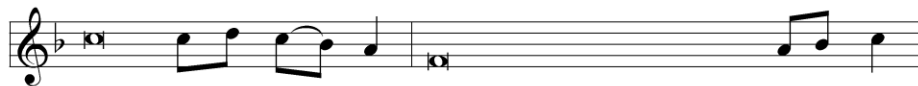
C: Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.



We praise you, we bless you, we wor-ship you, we glorify you,



we give thanks to you, for your great glory, O Lord God, heav'n-ly King,



God the Fa-ther al - mighty. O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je-sus Christ;



O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the



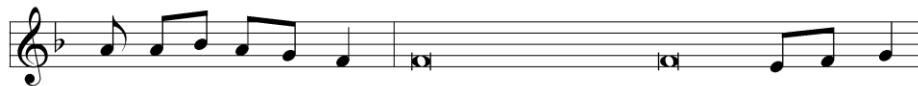
sin of the world; have mercy on us. You take away the



sin of the world; re - ceive our prayer. You sit at the right hand of



God the Father; have mercy on us. For you on-ly are holy;



you on - ly are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Spirit,



are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: The Lord be with you.



C: And al - so with you.

M: Let us pray.

The minister says the Prayer of the Day.



C: A - men.

BE SEATED

The Word

THE FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 25:6-9

⁶On this mountain

the LORD of Armies will prepare for all peoples

a banquet of rich food,

a banquet of aged wines,

with the best cuts of meat,

and with the finest wines.^[a]

⁷On this mountain

he will destroy the shroud that covers all peoples,

the burial cloth stretched over all nations.

⁸He has swallowed up death forever!

The LORD God will wipe away the tears from every face.

He will take away the shame of his people throughout the earth.

For the LORD has spoken.

⁹On that day it will be said,
“Look, here is our God!
We waited for him, and he saved us!
This is the LORD!
We waited for him.
Let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation!”

Duet: My Shepherd Will Supply My Need”

THE SECOND LESSON

Philippians 4:4-13

⁴Rejoice in the Lord always! I will say it again: Rejoice! ⁵Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. ⁶Do not worry about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God. ⁷And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

⁸Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if anything is excellent, and if anything is praiseworthy, think about these things. ⁹The things that you learned, received, heard, and saw in me: Keep doing these things. And the God of peace will be with you.

¹⁰I rejoice greatly in the Lord now that you have revived your concern for me once again. Actually, you were concerned, but you had no opportunity to show it. ¹¹I am not saying this because I lack anything; in fact, I have learned to be content in any circumstances in which I find myself. ¹²I know what it is to live in humble circumstances, and I know what it is to have more than enough. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, while being full or hungry, while having plenty or not enough. ¹³I can do all things through Christ, who strengthens me.

VERSE OF THE DAY



C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

PLEASE STAND, IF YOU ARE ABLE

THE GOSPEL LESSON

MATTHEW 22:1-14

M: The Gospel according to St. Matthew chapter 22:1-14



C: Glo - ry be to you, O Lord!

¹Jesus spoke to them again in parables. He said, ²“The kingdom of heaven is like a certain king who prepared a wedding banquet for his son. ³He sent out his servants to summon those who were invited to the wedding banquet, but they did not want to come.

⁴“Then he sent out other servants and said, ‘Tell those who are invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner. My oxen and my fattened cattle have been butchered, and everything is ready. Come to the wedding banquet!’

⁵“But those who were invited paid no attention and went off, one to his own farm, another to his business. ⁶The rest seized the king’s servants, mistreated them, and killed them. ⁷As a result, the king was very angry. He sent his army and killed those murderers and burned their town.

⁸“Then he said to his servants, ‘The wedding banquet is ready, but those who were invited were not worthy. ⁹So go to the main crossroads and invite as many as you find to the wedding banquet.’ ¹⁰Those servants went out to the roads and gathered together everyone they found, both good and bad, and the wedding hall was filled with guests. ¹¹But when the king came in to see the guests, he saw a man there who was not wearing wedding clothes. ¹²He said to him, ‘Friend, how did you get in here without wearing wedding clothes?’ The man was speechless. ¹³Then the king told the servants, ‘Tie him hand and foot and throw him into the outer darkness where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’ ¹⁴For many are called, but few are chosen.”

M: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

After the Gospel, the congregation sings:



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

THE APOSTLES' CREED

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

I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.

From there 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.

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Fight the Good Fight



1 Fight the good fight With all your might;
 2 Run the straight race Through God's good grace;
 3 Cast care a - side, Lean on your guide;
 4 Faint not nor fear; His arms are near.



Christ is your strength and Christ your light.
 Lift up your eyes and seek his face.
 His bound - less mer - cy will pro - vide.
 He chang - es not, and you are dear.



Lay hold on life, and it shall be
 Life with its way be - fore us lies;
 Lean, and the trust - ing soul shall prove
 On - ly be - lieve, and you will see



Your joy and crown e - ter - nal - ly.
 Christ is the path and Christ the prize.
 Christ is its life and Christ its love.
 That Christ is Lord e - ter - nal - ly.

Text: John S. B. Monsell, 1811-75, alt.

Tune: MENDON (448 88) *The Methodist Harmonist*, New York, 1821.

PLEASE STAND, IF YOU ARE ABLE

After the sermon, the congregation sings:

CREATE IN ME

The musical score is written on five staves in a single system. Each staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and a common time signature (C). The melody consists of eighth and quarter notes, with some phrases spanning across bar lines. The lyrics are printed below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span multiple notes.

C: Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
way from your pres - ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of your sal - va -
tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it. A - men.

OFFERING (No offering will be taken at this time. If you have brought your offering, you can put it in the collection plate at each door entrance after the service. Thank you!)

PRAYER

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.

BE SEATED

HYMN

CW #540

540

Rejoice, O Pilgrim Throng



1 Re - joice, O pil - grim throng! Re - joice,
2 With voice as full and strong As o -
3 With all the an - gel choirs, With all
4 Still lift your stan - dard high, Still march
5 At last the march shall end; The wea -



give thanks, and sing! Your fes - tal ban - ner
cean's surg - ing praise, Send forth the stur - dy
the saints on earth Pour out the strains of
in firm ar - ray, As pil - grims through the
ried ones shall rest; The pil - grims find their



wave on high, The cross of Christ your king.
hymns of old, The psalms of an - cient days.
joy and bliss, Sweet mu - sic, no - blest mirth.
dark - ness wend Till dawns the gold - en day.
homes at last, Je - ru - sa - lem the blest.

Refrain



Re - joice! Re - joice! Re - joice, give thanks, and sing!

PLEASE STAND, IF YOU ARE ABLE

M: Almighty God, grant to your Church the Holy Spirit and the wisdom that comes from above. Let nothing hinder your Word from being freely proclaimed to the joy and edifying of Christ's holy people, so that we may serve you in steadfast faith and confess your name as long as we live, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.



C: A - men. A - men. A - men.

BE SEATED

CLOSING HYMN

CWS #765

765

Day by Day



1 Day by day, your mer - cies, Lord, at - tend me,
2 Day by day, I know you will pro - vide me
3 Oh, what joy to know that you are near me



Bring - ing com - fort to my anx - ious soul.
Strength to serve and wis - dom to o - bey;
When my bur - dens grow too great to bear;



Day by day, the bless - ings, Lord, you send me
I will seek your lov - ing will to guide me
Oh, what joy to know that you will hear me



Draw me near - er to my heav'n - ly goal.
O'er the paths I strug - gle day by day.
When I come, O Lord, to you in prayer.



Love di - vine, be - yond all mor - tal meas - ure,
I will fear no e - vil of the mor - row;
Day by day, no mat - ter what be - tide me,



Brings to naught the bur - dens of my quest;
I will trust in your en - dur - ing grace.
You will hold me ev - er in your hand.



Sav - ior, lead me to the home I treas - ure,
Sav - ior, help me bear life's pain and sor - row;
Sav - ior, with your pres - ence here to guide me,



Where, at last, I'll find e - ter - nal rest.
Till in glo - ry I be - hold your face.
I will reach at last the prom - ised land.

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Tune: BLOTT EN DAG (10 9 10 9 D) Oskar Ahnfelt, 1813–1882

SERVING IN WORSHIP

Liturgy Pastor Natsis
Preacher..... Pastor Natsis
Organist Marcia Marion Ackling
Deacons..... (Thursday) Dave Frey and Duane Mason
..... (8:30) Dave Boswell and Ed Wheeler
..... (11:00) Robert Niethammer and Brian Zahn
Altar GuildSandy Kirkpatrick and Barb Neuburger
Videographer Cindy Dresch

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