

THE TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

November 10, 2024

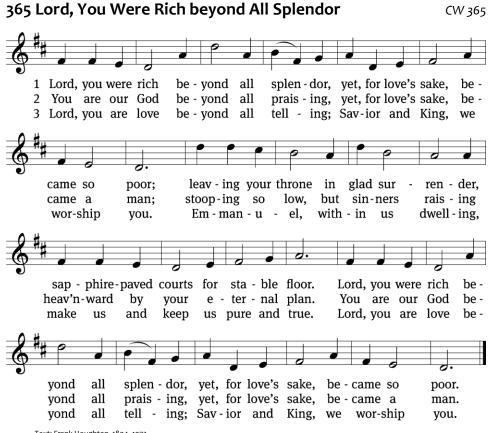
WELCOME TO WORSHIP

THANK YOU for joining us in God's house today! We cordially ask that our Guests with us this morning sign one of the guestbooks located at either the front or back entryways.

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.



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INVOCATION

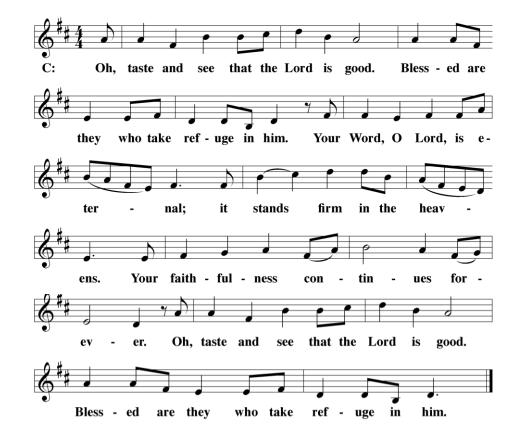
- M: The grace of our Lord (+) Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.
- C: And also with you.

CONFESSION OF SINS

- M: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.
- C: Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.
- M: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.
- C: Amen.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

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



OH, TASTE AND SEE

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Almighty and ever-living God, you have given exceedingly great and precious promises to those who trust in you. Grant us so firmly to believe in your Son Jesus that our faith may never be found wanting; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

PLEASE BE SEATED

The Word

First Reading

1 Kings 17:8–16

⁸Then the word of the LORD came to him: ⁹"Get up! Go to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and live there. I have commanded a woman there, a widow, to provide for you."

¹⁰So he got up and went to Zarephath. He came to the city gate, and there he saw a widow gathering sticks. He called to her and said, "Please give me a little water in a jar, so that I can have something to drink."

"When she went to get it, he called to her, "Please bring me a piece of bread."

¹²She said, "As surely as the LORD your God lives, I have no food except a handful of flour in a jar and a little olive oil in a pitcher. See, I am gathering a couple of sticks so that I can go and prepare it for myself and my son, so that we can eat it and then die."

¹³Elijah said to her, "Do not be afraid. Go and do just as you said. But first make a small loaf of bread for me from the flour and bring it out to me. Then go and make another for you and your son. ¹⁴For this is what the LORD, the God of Israel, says. The jar of flour will not run out and the pitcher of oil will not become empty until the day the LORD sends rain to water the surface of the ground."

¹⁵So she went and did exactly as Elijah said. He and she, as well as her household, were able to eat for many days. ¹⁶The jar of flour did not run out, and the pitcher of oil did not become empty, just as the LORD had said through Elijah.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Choir

"My Soul Finds Rest in God Alone"

My soul finds rest in God alone, my rock and my salvation; a fortress strong against my foes, and I will not be shaken. Though lips may bless and hearts may curse, and lies like arrows pierce me, I'll fix my heart on righteousness, I'll look to him who hears me.

> O praise him, hallelujah, my delight and my reward; Everlasting, never failing, my Redeemer, my God.

Find rest, my soul, in God alone amid the world's temptations;When evil seeks to take a hold I'll cling to my salvation.Though riches come and riches go, don't set your heart upon them;The fields of hope in which I sow are harvested in heaven.

O praise him, hallelujah, my delight and my reward; Everlasting, never failing, my Redeemer, my God.

I'll set my gaze on God alone and trust in him completely; With ev'ry day pour out my soul and he will prove his mercy. Though life is but a fleeting breath, a sigh too brief to measure, My king has crushed the curse of death and I am his forever.

O praise him, hallelujah, my delight and my reward; Everlasting, never failing, my Redeemer, my God.

Second Reading

¹Now brothers, we want you to know about the grace of God that was given in the churches of Macedonia: ²In a severe test of trouble, their overflowing joy and their deep poverty overflowed into an abundance of their generosity. ³I testify that of their own free will they gave according to their ability, and even beyond their ability, ⁴pleading with us with an urgent request for the gracious privilege of joining in this service to the saints. ⁵And they did this not as we had expected, but in keeping with God's will they gave themselves first to the Lord and then to us. ⁶As a result we urged Titus, since he had already made a beginning, to bring to completion this gracious gift on your part. ⁷But just as you overflow in every way—in faith, in word, in knowledge, in all diligence, and in your love for us—see that you also overflow in this gracious gift.

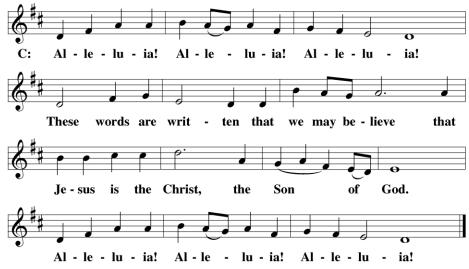
⁸I do not say this as a command, but to test how genuine your love is, by comparing it with the eagerness of others. ⁹For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that although he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that through his poverty you might become rich.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

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VERSE OF THE DAY

Alleluia! You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion. Alleluia!



Gospel

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Mark 12:38–44
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³⁸He also said to them in his teaching, "Beware of the experts in the law who like to walk around in long robes and receive greetings in the marketplaces. ³⁹They love the best seats in the synagogues and the places of honor at banquets. ⁴⁰They devour widows' houses and offer long prayers to look good. These men will receive greater condemnation."

⁴¹Jesus sat down opposite the offering box and was watching how the crowd put money into it. Many rich people put in large amounts. ⁴²One poor widow came and put in two small bronze coins, worth less than a penny. ⁴³He called his disciples together and said to them, "Amen I tell you: This poor widow put more into the offering box than all the others. ⁴⁴For they all gave out of their surplus, but she, out of her poverty, put in everything—all that she had to live on."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise be to you, O Christ!**

807 All Depends on Our Possessing CW 807 All 1 de - pends on our pos - sess - ing God's a - bun-dant 2 He who this fed man - y to day has me and to fret - ting 3 Man - y spend their lives in o - ver tri - fles 4 When with sor - row Ι am strick - en, hope a - new my and bless - ing, though all earth - ly wealth de - part. grace joys has led me is and ev er shall be mine. and in get - ting things that have no sol - id ground. will quick - en; shall heart all my long - ing be stilled. They who trust with faith un - shak - en in their God are gent - lv dai - ly He who ev er schools me, he who bring me Ι shall strive to win а trea - sure that will То his lov - ing - kind - ness ten - der soul and bod - y for - sak and will daunt-less heart. en keep not а guides and rules me. will re - main help di - vine. my last - ing plea - sure and that now sel - dom found. is Ι sur - ren - der, for on God lone Ι build. а

- 5 Well he knows what best to grant me; all the longing hopes that haunt me, joy and sorrow, have their day.
 I shall doubt his wisdom never; as God wills, so be it ever;
 - as God wills, so be it ever;

I commit to him my way.

6 If my days on earth he lengthen, he my weary soul will strengthen; all my trust in him I place.
Earthly wealth is not abiding, like a stream away is gliding; safe I anchor in his grace.

> Text: tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt.; Andächtige Haus-Kirche, Nürnberg, 1676 Tune: adapt. Johann Balthasar König, 1691–1758; Johann Löhner, 1645–1705 Text and tune: Public domain

SERMON

Mark 12:38-44

"That's My Girl "

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THE APOSTLES' CREED

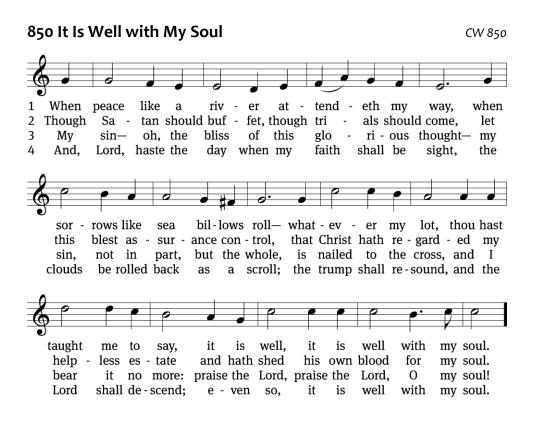
I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from 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.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

THE 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.

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CLOSING PRAYER

M: Almighty God, we thank you for teaching us the things you want us to believe and do. Help us by your Holy Spirit to keep your Word in pure hearts that we may be strengthened in faith, guided in holiness, and comforted in life and in death, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

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.



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Officiant	Pastor Isaac Pappenfuss
Organist	Sarah Hanke
Choir Director	Sarah Hanke
Accompanist	Laura Sala
Deacons	(8:30) Duane Mason and Dave Frey
	(11:00) Robert Niethammer and Ron Roehm
Ushers	(8:30) Tim Phelps and Brian Graham
	(11:00) Ron Zahn
Altar Guild	Margaret Hoeft and Brenda Stevenson
Videographer	Ann Latowski

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