

Christ Lutheran

November 8, 2020



Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude

Welcome

Opening Hymn

"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" LSB 802

Invocation, Confession, & Absolution

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

C: Amen.

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C: who made heaven and earth.

P: If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C: But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

P: Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C: Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Song of Praise

"You Are My All In All" (Praise Team)



Lessons for Today

The Old Testament Lesson

Amos 5:18-24

Woe to you who desire the day of the Lord! Why would you have the day of the Lord?
It is darkness, and not light, as if a man fled from a lion, and a bear met him,
or went into the house and leaned his hand against the wall, and a serpent bit him.
Is not the day of the Lord darkness, and not light, and gloom with no brightness in it?

"I hate, I despise your feasts, and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies.
Even though you offer me your burnt offerings and grain offerings,
I will not accept them; and the peace offerings of your fattened animals,
I will not look upon them.

Take away from me the noise of your songs;
to the melody of your harps I will not listen.
But let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

L: This is the Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God.

The Epistle Lesson

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep. For this we declare to you by a word from the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will not precede those who have fallen asleep. For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

L: This is the Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God.

The Children's Chat



The Holy Gospel

Matthew 25:1-13

"Then the kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. For when the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, they all became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a cry, 'Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' Then all those virgins rose and trimmed their lamps. And the foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise answered, saying, 'Since there will not be enough for us and for you, go rather to the dealers and buy for yourselves.' And while they were going to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the marriage feast, and the door was shut. Afterward the other virgins came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' But he answered, 'Truly, I say to you, I do not know you.' Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.

P: This is the Gospel of our Lord

C: Praise to You, O Christ. Alleluia!

The Affirmation of Faith

The 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.

Message Song/Hymn

**"You Are The Light Of The World" (Praise Team)
"O Christ, Our True and Only Light" LSB 839 (Online)**

Message

"Keep Your Lights Burning"

We Go to God in Prayer

P: Lord, in Your mercy:

C: Hear our prayer.

The Lord's Prayer

P: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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.

The Lord's Supper

Preface

LSB 208

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.**

P: It is truly good, right, and salutary...evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

LSB 208 (spoken)

**C: Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored;
Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.
Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord;
Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!**

The Words of Institution

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**

P: The gifts of God for you, God's people.

C: **Amen.**

We Ask God's Blessings on This Holy Meal

P: The Lord upholds all who are falling and raises up all who are bowed down. The eyes of all look to You, O Lord, and You give them their food in due season.

C: We praise You, Father, and ask Your blessings on this meal, for You open Your hand and satisfy the desires of every living thing. Amen.

Distribution Songs

"For All the Saints" LSB 677 v. 7-8

"Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones" LSB 670

"Broken And Poured Out" (Praise Team)

"You Are Holy (Prince Of Peace)" (Praise Team)

Post-Communion Prayer

P: Lord God, our Heavenly Father:

C: Thank you for this holy meal. Live in us, Lord Jesus, that we may always live in You. Amen.

Sending

P: The Lord be with you,

C: and also with you!

P: Let us bless the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

P: The Lord bless you... and give you peace.

C: Amen.

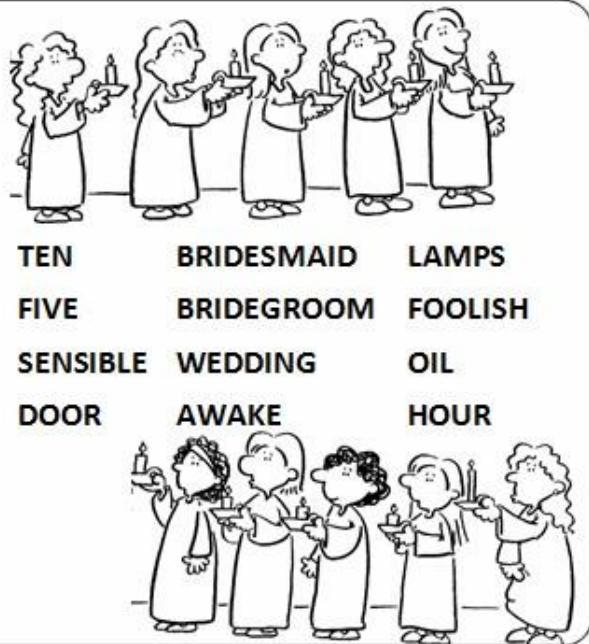
Closing Hymn

**"Rejoice, Rejoice Believers" LSB 515
"O Christ, Who Art the Light and Day" LSB 882 (Online)**

Postlude

The service is over...the worship begins! Romans 12:1

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What was my favorite part of church today?



How can I use this in my life?

Unscramble Words from the Scripture Readings

DMIKNOG

ACWHT

VAENHE

MPASL

ORMOG

RBDEI



Lamps, groom, bride
Answers: kingdom, watch, heaven,

The Hymnal Project

"In early 2017, a group of artists, arrangers, and liturgists, led by Peter Prochnow, were commissioned through the Michigan District, LCMS to create several new hymn arrangements, based on the original music, intended to facilitate enhanced worship in a multitude of modern musical contexts.

The spirit of the project is simple: Hymns are arranged with various instrumentations and made available free of charge, in the form of a lead sheet and reference recording, so whether you learn by reading or by hearing, you can easily implement these arrangements and modify for your context without cost.

We are grateful for the generosity of the donors, Carl and Patsy Fabry, in partnership with the Michigan District, LCMS."

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