

Christ Lutheran

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The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome

Opening Hymn

“O God, Our Help in Ages Past” LSB 733

Invocation, Confession, & Absolution

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

C Amen.

P It is good to give thanks to the Lord,

C to sing praises to Your name, O Most High;

P to herald Your love in the morning,

C Your truth at the close of the day.

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

P Holy and gracious God,

C I confess that I have sinned against You this day. Some of my sin I know—the thoughts and words and deeds of which I am ashamed—but some is known only to You. In the name of Jesus Christ I ask forgiveness. Deliver and restore me that I may rest in peace.

P By the mercy of God we are redeemed by Jesus Christ, and in Him we are forgiven. We rest now in His peace and rise in the morning to serve Him.

C Amen.

The Old Testament Lesson

Amos 5:6-7, 10-15

Seek the LORD and live, lest he break out like fire in the house of Joseph, and it devour, with none to quench it for Bethel, O you who turn justice to wormwood and cast down righteousness to the earth!

They hate him who reproves in the gate, and they abhor him who speaks the truth. Therefore because you trample on the poor and you exact taxes of grain from him, you have built houses of hewn stone, but you shall not dwell in them; you have planted pleasant vineyards, but you shall not drink their wine. For I know how many are your transgressions and how great are your sins—you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and turn aside the needy in the gate. Therefore he who is prudent will keep silent in such a time, for it is an evil time. Seek good, and not evil, that you may live; and so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with you, as you have said. Hate evil, and love good, and establish justice in the gate; it may be that the LORD, the God of hosts, will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

The Epistle Lesson

Hebrews 3:12-19

Take care, brothers, lest there be in any of you an evil, unbelieving heart, leading you to fall away from the living God. But exhort one another every day, as long as it is called "today," that none of you may be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin. For we have come to share in Christ, if indeed we hold our original confidence firm to the end. As it is said,

"Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion."

For who were those who heard and yet rebelled? Was it not all those who left Egypt led by Moses? And with whom was he provoked for forty years? Was it not with those who sinned, whose bodies fell in the wilderness? And to whom did he swear that they would not enter his rest, but to those who were disobedient? So we see that they were unable to enter because of unbelief.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

The Holy Gospel

Mark 10:17-22

And as he was setting out on his journey, a man ran up and knelt before him and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" And Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good except God alone. You know the commandments: 'Do not murder, Do not commit adultery, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Do not defraud, Honor your father and mother.'" And he said to him, "Teacher, all these I have kept from my youth." And Jesus, looking at him, loved him, and said to him, "You lack one thing: go, sell all that you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me." Disheartened by the saying, he went away sorrowful, for he had great possessions.

P This is the Gospel of our Lord.

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

The Affirmation of Faith

The Nicene Creed

☐ I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Message Hymn

"Come, Follow Me, the Savior Spake" LSB 688

Message

"One Thing You Lack"

We Go to God in Prayer

P Hear my prayer, O Lord;

C **listen to my cry.**

P Keep me as the apple of Your eye;

C **hide me in the shadow of Your wings.**

P In righteousness I shall see You;

C **when I awake, Your presence will give me joy.**

P I cry to You, O Lord;

C **in the morning my prayer comes before You.**

P Restore to me the joy of Your salvation,

C **and uphold me with a willing spirit.**

P My mouth is filled with Your praise,

C **and with Your glory all the day.**

P Every day I will bless You

C **and praise Your name forever and ever.**

P By awesome deeds You answer us with righteousness,

C **O God of our salvation, the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas.**

P Bless the Lord, O my soul;

C **and all that is within me, bless His holy name!**

P He redeems your life from the pit

C **and crowns you with steadfast love and mercy.**

P Show us Your steadfast love, O Lord,

C **and grant us Your salvation.**

P Let Your priests be clothed with righteousness;

C **and let Your saints shout for joy.**

P Lord, keep this nation under Your care,

C **and guide us in the way of justice and truth.**

P Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,

C **for You judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon the earth.**

P Let the peoples praise You, O God;

C **let all the peoples praise You!**

P For the needy shall not always be forgotten,

C **and the hope of the poor shall not perish forever.**

P Create in me a clean heart, O God,

C **and renew a right spirit within me.**

P Hear my prayer, O Lord;

C **let my cry come to You.**

Luther's Morning Prayer

C I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

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.

Sending

P Guide us waking, O Lord, and guard us sleeping

C that awake we may watch with Christ and asleep we may rest in peace.

P Lord, now You let Your servant go in peace; Your word has been fulfilled.

C My own eyes have seen the salvation which you have prepared in the sight of ev'ry people:

P a light to reveal You to the nations

C and the glory of Your people Israel.

P Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;

C as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

P Guide us waking, O Lord, and guard us sleeping

C that awake we may watch with Christ and asleep we may rest in peace.

P The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless you and keep you.

C Amen.

Closing Hymn

"Come, Let Us Join Our Cheerful Songs" LSB 812

Postlude

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

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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