TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

OCTOBER 18, 2020

The HYMNS are from the Lutheran Service Book (Maroon Book)
Please stand at the appropriate times.

9:30AM HOLY COMMUNION

THE ORGAN PRELUDE THE WELCOME

THE OPENING HYMN NO. 722 - "Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me" (Please stand to sing stanza 3)

THE INVOCATION AND CONFESSION

P: In the name of the Father and of the 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.
- C: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

 (Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.)
- 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 neighbor 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: Almighty God in His mercy has given His only Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of the Word I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.

THE INTROIT (Pastor and Congregation chant alternately)

- P: The LORD is your / keeper;*
 the LORD is your shade on your / right hand.
- C: I lift up my eyes / to the hills.* From where does my / help come?

- P: My help comes / from the LORD,* who made / heaven and earth.
- C: He will not let your / foot be moved;* He who keeps you will not / slumber.
- P: Behold, He who keeps / Israel* will neither slum- / ber nor sleep.
- C: The LORD will keep you from all / evil; * He will / keep your life.
- P: The LORD will keep your going out and your / coming in* from this time forth and for-/ evermore.
- C: Glory be to the Father / and to the Son* and to the Holy / Spirit; as it was in the be-/ginning,* is now, and will be forever. / Amen.
- P: The LORD is your / keeper;*
 the LORD is your shade on your / right hand.

THE KYRIE

- P: In peace let us pray to the Lord.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- P: For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- P: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
- C: Amen.

THE HYMN OF PRAISE - "This Is The Feast"

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are His.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:

Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

THE SALUTATION AND COLLECT

- P: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- P: Let us pray. Almighty God, You invite us to trust in You for our salvation. Deal with us not in the severity of Your judgment but by the greatness of Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. C: Amen. (Be seated)

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING: Isaiah 45:1-7

- P: This is the Word of the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.

THE GRADUAL (Pastor and Congregation chant alternately)

- P: He will command His angels con-/cerning you* to guard you in / all your ways.
- C: Bless the LORD, / O my soul,*
 and all that is within me, bless His / holy name!

THE EPISTLE LESSON: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

- P: This is the Word of the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.

(Stand)

THE ALLELUIA VERSE

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia.

THE GOSPEL ACCOUNT: Matthew 22:15-22

- C: Glory to You, O Lord.
- P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C: Praise to You, O Christ.

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 Ghost 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 sitteth on the right hand of the Father; And He shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one holy Christian and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge on Baptism for the remission of sins, And I look for the resurrection of the dead, And the life of the world to come. Amen.

(Please be seated after making confession of our faith)

THE SERMON HYMN NO. 686 - "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" (Please stand to sing stanza 4)

THE SERMON - "The Two Kingdoms."

Text: Matthew 22:15-22

(Stand)

THE OFFERTORY

Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing.

Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.

Gather the hopes and the dreams of all;

Unite them with the prayers we offer now.

Grace our table with Your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

THE PRAYERS

After each petition the pastor will say "Lord, in Your mercy." Congregation to respond with "Hear our prayer."

THE PREFACE OF HOLY COMMUNION

- 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. (continued on page 5)

- P: It is truly good, right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God; through Jesus Christ, our Lord; who out of love for His fallen creation, humbled Himself by taking on the form of a servant, becoming obedient unto death, even death upon a cross. Risen from the dead, He has freed us from eternal death and given us life everlasting. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Thy glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:
- C: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might:
 Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.
 Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.
 Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
 Hosanna in the highest.
- P: Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on us children of men and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Send Your Holy Spirit into our hearts that He may establish in us a living faith and prepare us joyfully to remember our Redeemer and receive Him who comes to us in His body and blood.

C: Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE PEACE

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

C: And also with you.

THE AGNUS DEI

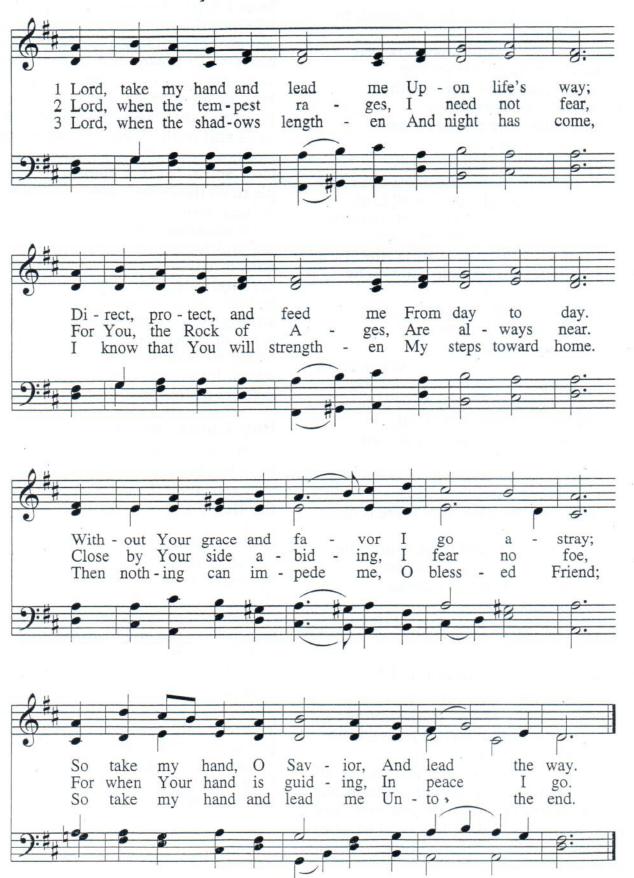
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace. (Be Seated)

THE DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

Hymn No. 851 - "Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us"

Hymn No. 627 - "Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior"

Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me



Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 45:1-7

Thus says the Lord to his anointed, to Cyrus,

whose right hand I have grasped, to subdue nations before him and to loose the belts of kings, to open doors before him that gates may not be closed:

2 "I will go before you and level the exalted places,

I will break in pieces the doors of bronze and cut through the bars of iron,

I will give you the treasures of darkness and the hoards in secret places, that you may know that it is I, the LORD, the God of Israel, who call you by your name.

For the sake of my servant Jacob,
 and Israel my chosen,
 I call you by your name,
 I name you, though you do not know me.

5 I am the LORD, and there is no other, besides me there is no God; I equip you, though you do not know me,

6 that people may know, from the rising of the sun

and from the west, that there is none besides me;

I am the LORD, and there is no other.

I form light and create darkness,
I make well-being and create
calamity,

I am the LORD, who does all these things."

Epistle: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

¹Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace.

²We give thanks to God always for all of you, constantly mentioning you in our prayers, ³remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of

love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. 4For we know, brothers loved by God, that he has chosen you, sbecause our gospel came to you not only in word, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction. You know what kind of men we proved to be among you for your sake. 6And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for you received the word in much affliction, with the joy of the Holy Spirit, 7so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. 8For not only has the word of the Lord sounded forth from you in Macedonia and Achaia, but your faith in God has gone forth everywhere, so that we need not say anything. 9For they themselves report concerning us the kind of reception we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God, 10and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, Jesus who delivers us from the wrath to come.

Holy Gospel: Matthew 22:15-22

15Then the Pharisees went and plotted how to entangle [Jesus] in his talk. 16And they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are true and teach the way of God truthfully, and you do not care about anyone's opinion, for you are not swayed by appearances. 17Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, or not?" 18But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why put me to the test, you hypocrites? 19Show me the coin for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. 20 And Jesus said to them, "Whose likeness and inscription is this?" ²¹They said, "Caesar's." Then he said to them, "Therefore render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's." 22When they heard it, they marveled. And they left him and went away.



Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing



"Ebenezer" means "Thus far has the LORD helped us" and was the name given to the stone of remembrance that Samuel raised to God's glory (I Sam. 7:12).

Text: Robert Robinson, 1735-90, alt.
Music: Repository of Sacred Music, Part Second, Harrisburg, 1813

851 Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us



627 Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior



- 5 Firmly hold with faith unshaken
 That this food is to be taken
 By the sick who are distressed,
 By hearts that long for peace and rest.
- 6 Agony and bitter labor Were the cost of God's high favor; Do not come if you suppose You need not Him who died and rose.
- 7 Christ says: "Come, all you that labor, And receive My grace and favor: Those who feel no pain or ill Need no physician's help or skill.
- 8 "For what purpose was My dying
 If not for your justifying?
 And what use this precious food
 If you yourself were pure and good?"

Text: John Hus, c. 1369–1415; German version, Martin Luther, 1483–1546;
tr. The Lutheran Hymnal, 1941, sts. 1–2, 4–5, 7, 9, alt.; tr. Lutheran Service Book, 2006, sts. 3, 8;
tr. F. Samuel Janzow, 1913–2001, sts. 6, 10, alt.

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Tune: Geistliche Lieder auffs new gebessert, Wittenberg, 1533, ed. Joseph Klug, alt.; setting: The Lutheran Hymnal, 1941

- 9 If your heart this truth professes And your mouth your sin confesses, You will be your Savior's guest, Be at His banquet truly blest.
- 10 Let this food your faith so nourish
 That its fruit of love may flourish
 And your neighbor learn from you
 How much God's wondrous love can do.

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Gracious God, You Send Great Blessings

