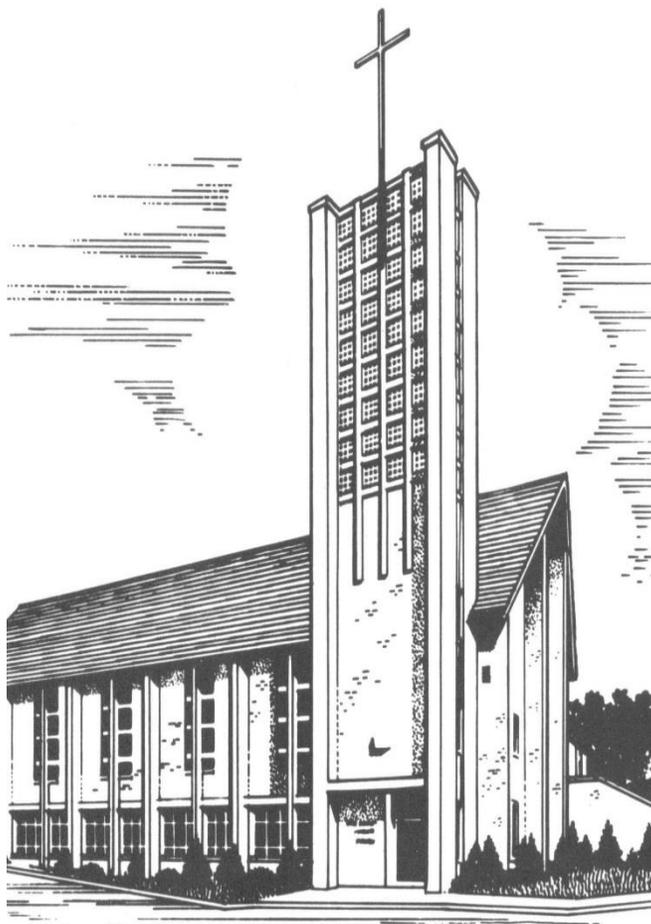


THE TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

October 18, 2015

10:45 a.m.



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MUSIC FOR PRAYER and PREPARATION

WELCOME

HYMN OF INVOCATION “Ancient of Days”

Blessing and honor, glory and power be unto the Ancient of Days;
from every nation, all of creation bow before the Ancient of Days.

Every tongue in heaven and earth shall declare Your glory,
every knee shall bow at Your throne in worship;
You will be exalted, O God, and Your kingdom shall not pass away,
O Ancient of Days. *(Repeat once from beginning)*

Your kingdom shall reign over all the earth,
sing unto the Ancient Days;
for none can compare to Your matchless worth,
sing unto the Ancient of Days.

Every tongue in heaven and earth shall declare Your glory,
every knee shall bow at Your throne in worship;
You will be exalted, O God, and Your kingdom shall not pass away,
O Ancient of Days.
O Ancient of Days,
O Ancient of Days.

INVOCATION

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

C Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES *Hebrews 4:7; Psalm 119:10; Mark 10:24, 27; Psalm 124:8*

P Today, if you hear His voice, do not harden your hearts.

C **With my whole heart I seek You.**

P How difficult it is to enter the kingdom of God!

C **But all things are possible with God.**

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

(Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.)

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION *(Kneel)*

P Beloved, let us confess our sin, our weakness, and our need of God's help.

C **Almighty God, I confess to You all my sins and my complete inability to redeem myself in Your sight. I am by nature sinful, and I have sinned and fallen short of Your glory. You have done what is impossible for me on my own. For the sake of Your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ, forgive me of my sin.**

P With man it is impossible, but not with God. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

INTROIT

Ps. 34:1– 4, 17; antiphon: Ps. 34:18

P The LORD is near to the brokenhearted and saves the crushed in spirit.

C **I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.**

P My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear and be glad.

C **Oh, magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together!**

P I sought the LORD, and he answered me and delivered me from all my fears.

C **When the righteous cry for help, the LORD hears and delivers them out of all their troubles.**

ALL: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

P The LORD is near to the brokenhearted

C **and saves the crushed in spirit.**

HYMN OF PRAISE

“To God Be the Glory”

LUYH 44

To God be the glory, great things He hath done;
So loved He the world that He gave us His Son,

who yielded His life an atonement for sin
And opened the Lifegate that all may go in.

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, Let the earth hear His voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, Let the people rejoice!
Oh, come to the Father through Jesus the Son,
And give Him the glory, great things He hath done.

SALUTATION

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P** Let us pray. O God, Your divine wisdom sets in order all things in heaven and on earth. Put away from us all things hurtful and give us those things that are beneficial for us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Ecclesiastes 5:10–20

¹⁰He who loves money will not be satisfied with money, nor he who loves wealth with his income; this also is vanity. ¹¹When goods increase, they increase who eat them, and what advantage has their owner but to see them with his eyes? ¹²Sweet is the sleep of a laborer, whether he eats little or much, but the full stomach of the rich will not let him sleep. ¹³There is a grievous evil that I have seen under the sun: riches were kept by their owner to his hurt, ¹⁴and those riches were lost in a bad venture. And he is father of a son, but he has nothing in his hand. ¹⁵As he came from his mother's womb he shall go again, naked as he came, and shall take nothing for his toil that he may carry away in his hand. ¹⁶This also is a grievous evil: just as he came, so shall he go, and what gain is there to him who toils for the wind? ¹⁷Moreover, all his days he eats in darkness in much vexation and sickness and anger. ¹⁸Behold, what I have seen to be good and fitting is to eat and drink and find enjoyment in all the toil with which one toils under

the sun the few days of his life that God has given him, for this is his lot.

¹⁹Everyone also to whom God has given wealth and possessions and power to enjoy them, and to accept his lot and rejoice in his toil—this is the gift of God.

²⁰For he will not much remember the days of his life because God keeps him occupied with joy in his heart.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE

Hebrews 4:1–16

¹Therefore, while the promise of entering his rest still stands, let us fear lest any of you should seem to have failed to reach it. ²For good news came to us just as to them, but the message they heard did not benefit them, because they were not united by faith with those who listened. ³For we who have believed enter that rest, as he has said, “As I swore in my wrath, ‘They shall not enter my rest,’” although his works were finished from the foundation of the world. ⁴For he has somewhere spoken of the seventh day in this way: “And God rested on the seventh day from all his works.” ⁵And again in this passage he said, “They shall not enter my rest.” ⁶Since therefore it remains for some to enter it, and those who formerly received the good news failed to enter because of disobedience, ⁷again he appoints a certain day, “Today,” saying through David so long afterward, in the words already quoted, “Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts.” ⁸For if Joshua had given them rest, God would not have spoken of another day later on. ⁹So then, there remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God, ¹⁰for whoever has entered God’s rest has also rested from his works as God did from his. ¹¹Let us therefore strive to enter that rest, so that no one may fall by the same sort of disobedience. ¹²For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart. ¹³And no creature is hidden from his sight, but all are naked and exposed to the eyes of him to whom we must give account. ¹⁴Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. ¹⁵For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. ¹⁶Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

(Stand)

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the tenth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 10:23–31

²³ Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How difficult it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!” ²⁴And the disciples were amazed at his words. But Jesus said to them again, “Children, how difficult it is to enter the kingdom of God! ²⁵It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the kingdom of God.” ²⁶And they were exceedingly astonished, and said to him, “Then who can be saved?” ²⁷Jesus looked at them and said, “With man it is impossible, but not with God. For all things are possible with God.” ²⁸Peter began to say to him, “See, we have left everything and followed you.” ²⁹Jesus said, “Truly, I say to you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or lands, for my sake and for the gospel, ³⁰who will not receive a hundredfold now in this time, houses and brothers and sisters and mothers and children and lands, with persecutions, and in the age to come eternal life. ³¹But many who are first will be last, and the last first.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

(Sit)

SONGS BY THE KINDERGARTEN & PRESCHOOL

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

SERMON HYMN

“In This Very Room”

In this very room there’s quite enough love for one like me
And in this very room there’s quite enough joy for one like me
And there's quite enough hope and quite enough power
To chase away any gloom
For Jesus Lord Jesus is in this very room

In this very room there's quite enough love for all of us
And in this very room there's quite enough joy for all of us
And there's quite enough hope and quite enough power
To share wherever we go
For Jesus Lord Jesus is in this very room

In this very room there's quite enough love for all the world
And in this very room there's quite enough joy for all the world
And there's quite enough hope and quite enough power
To reach to all of the earth
For Jesus Lord Jesus is in this very room

SERMON "Mission Impossible" based on the Gospel
reading

NICENE CREED *(Stand)*

OFFERING *(Sit)*

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH *(Stand)*

P Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

Almighty God, hear the prayers of Your people. With great thanksgiving, we praise Your holy name and ask Your continued grace, mercy, and blessing on all people. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P For the people of this nation and our elected leaders and for all the nations of the world, lead us in Your truth. Enable those You have given the authority and power of the sword to bring justice and peace to all, punishing wickedness and prospering all in their godly vocations. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P For Your Holy Church throughout the world and for this congregation, for all pastors and preachers of Your Holy and lively Word, grant wisdom, strength, and endurance that all may rightly divide Your Word of truth and faithfully administer Your Holy Sacraments. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Keep us from the love of money and possessions, and from counting anything or anyone but You as worthy of our faith, love, and hope. Give us

patience and grace in difficulties and confidence in the face of everything that speaks against Your power and promises. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P As we approach Your Table, Lord, work in us true repentance, faith, and due reverence to worthily receive the body and blood of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P All thanks and praise to You, O God, for the grace and salvation shown to our departed relatives and friends whom You have called to Yourself through the grave, the gate of death. Grant that we also may keep the promise of our eternal inheritance with You in our hearts and minds. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

PREFACE

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.**

PROPER PREFACE

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 won our peace by shedding His blood on the cross and by His victorious resurrection. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS

TUNE: LSB 389

Hosanna to the King of Kings, To David's holy son!

He helps us, He descends and brings Salvation from the throne.
Salvation from the throne.

Blest be the Lord, who comes to us With messages of grace;
Who comes in God His Father's name To save our sinful race.
To save our sinful race.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

THE PEACE OF THE LORD

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

1 Come, let us join our cheerful songs With angels round the throne;
Ten thousand thousand are their tongues, But all their joys are one.

2 "Worthy the Lamb that died," they cry, "To be exalted thus!"
"Worthy the Lamb," our lips reply, "For He was slain for us."

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS *(Sit)*

"My Jesus, I Love Thee" BOTB 168

My Jesus, I love Thee; I know Thou art mine. For Thee all the follies of sin I
resign. My gracious Redeemer, my Savior art Thou; If ever I loved Thee, my
Jesus, 'tis now.

I love Thee because Thou hast first loved me And purchased my pardon on
Calvary's tree. I love Thee for wearing the thorns on Thy brow; If ever I loved
Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

"Abide with Me" LSB 878

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

BENEDICTION

P By God's grace, you have received faith through a miracle of God.

C Amen.

P He who has welcomed you into His kingdom will give you strength and
endurance to follow Christ in humility, love, and hope.

C Amen.

P The blessing of almighty God, the Father and the ✠ Son and the Holy Spirit,
be upon you and go with you now and all your days.

C Amen.

HYMN TO DEPART

He is Exalted

He is exalted, the King is exalted on high, I will praise Him.
He is exalted, forever exalted and I will praise His name.

He is the Lord, forever His truth shall reign,
Heaven and earth, rejoice in His holy name.
He is exalted the King is exalted on high.

He is exalted, the King is exalted on high, I will praise Him.
He is exalted, forever exalted and I will praise His name.

He is the Lord, forever His truth shall reign,
Heaven and earth, rejoice in His holy name.
He is exalted the King is exalted on high.

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Those serving in worship today:

Preacher/Liturgist: Pastor James Hageman

Altar Guild: (8:00 a.m. Ann Sable; 10:45 a.m. Stephanie Hageman;
6:30 p.m. Elaine Fortner; 9:30 a.m. Both servers)

Attendance: 10/11/15 (8:00 a.m.96; 10:45 a.m.83) 10/12/15 (6:30 p.m.18)

Sunday School Attendance: 14