

## TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 9, 2020

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**Welcome!** We are happy that you have joined us for the Divine Service of our gracious God, Father Son and Holy Spirit, and we pray that your time here will be blessed. Please indicate your presence with us by completing the Friendship Register that is in the narthex. If you are a visitor please sign the guest register in the narthex as well.

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**Lectionary Summary—*Christ the Crucified Comes to Save Us by the Word of Faith***

The Lord who *“laid the foundation of the earth”* (Job 38:4) is the Author and Giver of life who governs all things by His Word. His wisdom and power are beyond our understanding, except as He reveals Himself in the incarnate Word, Christ Jesus. He has *“entered into the springs of the sea”* and *“walked in the recesses of the deep”* (Job 38:16), and He draws near to us in mercy. We have been *“a long way from the land, beaten by the waves”* and tossed about by hostile winds (Matt. 14:24). In our mortality and sinful unbelief, we do not always recognize the Lord Jesus. But as we cry out in fear, He speaks tenderly to us, *“Do not be afraid,”* and He reaches out His hand to save us (Matt. 14:27, 31). *“Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved”* (Rom. 10:13), and now we call upon Him in faith, because we have heard *“through the word of Christ”* (Rom. 10:17). *“The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart”* (Rom. 10:8).

## Opening Hymn

“From All That Dwell Below the Skies”

LSB 816



1 From all that dwell be - low the skies      Let the Cre - a - tor's  
2 E - ter - nal are Thy mer - cies, Lord;      E - ter - nal truth at -  
3 All praise to God the Fa - ther be,      All praise, e - ter - nal



praise a - rise;      Al - le - lu - ia,      al - le - lu - ia!  
tends Thy Word.      Al - le - lu - ia,      al - le - lu - ia!  
Son, to Thee.      Al - le - lu - ia,      al - le - lu - ia!



Let the Re - deem - er's name be sung      Through ev - 'ry land by  
Thy praise shall sound from shore to shore      Till suns shall rise and  
Whom with the Spir - it we a - dore      For - ev - er and for -



ev - 'ry tongue.      Al - le - lu - ia,      al - le - lu - ia!  
set no more.      Al - le - lu - ia,      al - le - lu - ia!  
ev - er - more:      Al - le - lu - ia,      al - le - lu - ia!



Al - le - lu - ia,      al - le - lu - ia,      al - le - lu - ia!  
Al - le - lu - ia,      al - le - lu - ia,      al - le - lu - ia!  
Al - le - lu - ia,      al - le - lu - ia,      al - le - lu - ia!

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## Opening Versicles

**P** This is the day which the Lord has made;

**C** let us rejoice and be glad in it.

**P** From the rising of the sun to its setting,

**C** the name of the Lord is to be praised.

- P** Better is one day in Your courts than a thousand elsewhere;
- C** **I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked.**
- P** Make me to know Your ways, O Lord.
- C** **Teach me Your paths.**
- P** Sanctify us in Your truth.
- C** **Your Word is truth.**
  
- P** From the rising of the sun to its setting,
- C** **the name of the Lord is to be praised.**
  
- C** **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.

**Old Testament Canticle**

*Refrain*

**C** The Lord God is my strength and my song, and  
 He has be - come my sal - va - tion.  
 With joy will you draw wa - ter from the  
 wells of sal - va - tion. And you will say in that  
 day: "Give thanks to the Lord, call up - on His name,  
 make known His deeds a - mong the peo - ples, pro -  
 claim that His name is ex - alt - ed."  
*Refrain*  
 The Lord God is my strength and my song, and  
 He has be - come my sal - va - tion.  
 Sing prais - es to the Lord, for He has done  
 glo - rious - ly; let this be made known in all the  
 earth. Shout, and sing for joy, O in -  
 hab - i - tants of Zi - on, for great in your midst is the

Ho - ly One of Is - ra - el.

*Refrain*  
The Lord God is my strength and my song, and

He has be - come my sal - va - tion.

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son

and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;

as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will

be for - ev - er. A - men.

*Refrain*  
The Lord God is my strength and my song, and

He has be - come my sal - va - tion.

*Sit*

**Readings From Holy Scripture**

**First Reading:** *Job 38:4–18*

<sup>4</sup>“Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth?

Tell me, if you have understanding.

<sup>5</sup>Who determined its measurements—surely you know!

Or who stretched the line upon it?

<sup>6</sup>On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone,

<sup>7</sup>when the morning stars sang together and all the sons of God shouted for joy?

<sup>8</sup>“Or who shut in the sea with doors when it burst out from the womb,

<sup>9</sup>when I made clouds its garment and thick darkness its swaddling band,

<sup>10</sup>and prescribed limits for it and set bars and doors,

<sup>11</sup>and said, ‘Thus far shall you come, and no farther,

and here shall your proud waves be stayed’?

<sup>12</sup>“Have you commanded the morning since your days began,

and caused the dawn to know its place,

<sup>13</sup>that it might take hold of the skirts of the earth, and the wicked be shaken out of it?

<sup>14</sup>It is changed like clay under the seal, and its features stand out like a garment.

<sup>15</sup>From the wicked their light is withheld, and their uplifted arm is broken.

<sup>16</sup>“Have you entered into the springs of the sea, or walked in the recesses of the deep?

<sup>17</sup>Have the gates of death been revealed to you, or have you seen the gates of deep darkness?

<sup>18</sup>Have you comprehended the expanse of the earth? Declare, if you know all this.

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

**Second Reading:** *Romans 10:5–17*

<sup>5</sup>For Moses writes about the righteousness that is based on the law, that the person who does the commandments shall live by them. <sup>6</sup>But the

righteousness based on faith says, “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’” (that is, to bring Christ down) <sup>7</sup>or “‘Who will descend into the abyss?’”

(that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). <sup>8</sup>But what does it say? “The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); <sup>9</sup>because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. <sup>10</sup>For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. <sup>11</sup>For the Scripture says, “Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame.” <sup>12</sup>For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. <sup>13</sup>For

“everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

<sup>14</sup>But how are they to call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? <sup>15</sup>And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!” <sup>16</sup>But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, “Lord, who has believed what he has heard from us?” <sup>17</sup>So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

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

**Psalm** *Psalm 18:1–16 (antiphon: v. 46)*

<sup>1</sup>I love you,

**O LORD, my strength.**

<sup>2</sup>The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer,

**my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge,**

**my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.**

<sup>3</sup>I call upon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised,

**and I am saved from my enemies.**

<sup>4</sup>The cords of death encompassed me;

**the torrents of destruction assailed me;**

<sup>5</sup>the cords of Sheol entangled me;

**the snares of death confronted me.**

<sup>6</sup>In my distress I called upon the LORD;

**to my God I cried for help.**

From his temple he heard my voice,

**and my cry to him reached his ears.**

<sup>7</sup>Then the earth reeled and rocked;

**the foundations also of the mountains trembled  
and quaked, because he was angry.**

<sup>8</sup>Smoke went up from his nostrils,

**and devouring fire from his mouth;  
glowing coals flamed forth from him.**

<sup>9</sup>He bowed the heavens and came down;

**thick darkness was under his feet.**

<sup>10</sup>He rode on a cherub and flew;

**he came swiftly on the wings of the wind.**

<sup>11</sup>He made darkness his covering, his canopy around him,

**thick clouds dark with water.**

<sup>12</sup>Out of the brightness before him

**hailstones and coals of fire broke through his clouds.**

<sup>13</sup>The LORD also thundered in the heavens,

**and the Most High uttered his voice,  
hailstones and coals of fire.**

<sup>14</sup>And he sent out his arrows and scattered them;

**he flashed forth lightnings and routed them.**

<sup>15</sup>Then the channels of the sea were seen,

**and the foundations of the world were laid bare**

at your rebuke, O LORD,

**at the blast of the breath of your nostrils.**

<sup>16</sup>He sent from on high, he took me;

**he drew me out of many waters.**

**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.**

**Third Reading:** *Matthew 14:22–33*

<sup>22</sup>Immediately [Jesus] made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds.

<sup>23</sup>And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up on

the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, <sup>24</sup>but the boat by this time was a long way from the land, beaten by the waves, for the wind was against them. <sup>25</sup>And in the fourth watch of the night he

came to them, walking on the sea. <sup>26</sup>But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, and said, "It is a ghost!" and they cried out in fear. <sup>27</sup>But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, "Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid."

<sup>28</sup>And Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." <sup>29</sup>He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat and walked on

the water and came to Jesus. <sup>30</sup>But when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, "Lord, save me." <sup>31</sup>Jesus immediately reached out his hand and took hold of him, saying to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" <sup>32</sup>And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. <sup>33</sup>And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

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

### Responsory

**P** Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.

**C** Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

**P** Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it.

**C** Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

**P** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

**C** Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

*Stand*

### Ten Commandments

**C** You shall have no other gods.

You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.

Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.

Honor your father and your mother.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

You shall not covet your neighbor's house.

You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

### 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  $\dagger$  everlasting. Amen.

### 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.

Sit

## Sermon

## Hymn

“Eternal Father, Strong to Save”

LSB 717 sts. 1, 2a, 3a, 4



1 E - ter - nal Fa - ther, strong to save, Whose arm hath bound the  
2 O Christ, whose voice the wa - ters heard And hushed their rag - ing  
3 Most Ho - ly Spir - it, who didst brood Up - on the cha - os  
4 O Trin - i - ty of love and pow'r, Our peo - ple shield in



rest - less wave, Who bidd'st the might - y o - cean deep Its  
at Thy word, Who walk - edst on the foam - ing deep And  
dark and rude, And bid its an - gry tu - mult cease, And  
dan - ger's hour; From rock and tem - pest, fire and foe, Pro -



own ap - point - ed lim - its keep: O hear us when we  
calm a - mid its rage didst sleep: O hear us when we  
give, for wild con - fu - sion, peace: O hear us when we  
tect them where - so - e'er they go; Thus ev - er - more shall



cry to Thee For those in per - il on the sea.  
cry to Thee For those in per - il on the sea.  
cry to Thee For those in per - il on the sea.  
rise to Thee Glad praise from air and land and sea.

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## Offering

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## Prayer

**P** In peace let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** For reasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** For . . . [additional bids for prayer may be inserted here] . . . let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

### Collect for Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

**P** Almighty and most merciful God, preserve us from all harm and danger that we, being ready in both body and soul, may cheerfully accomplish what You want done; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

### Collect for the Word

**P** Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and take them to heart that, by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

### Evening Prayer

**C** I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. 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.

### 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.

### New Testament Canticle



**C** Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le -



lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.



Christ our Pass - o - ver Lamb has been sac - ri - ficed.



Raised from the dead, He will nev - er die a - gain.



Death has no more do - min - ion o - ver Him.



Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le -



lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.



Dy - ing, Christ dies to sin, once for all. Liv - ing, He



lives to God. Count your - selves as dead to

sin and a-live to God in Christ Je - sus, our Lord.

*Refrain*

Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le -

lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

**Blessing**

- P** Let us bless the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.

- P** The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the  $\text{✠}$  Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve us.
- C** Amen.

**Closing Hymn**

“Evening and Morning”

LSB 726

1 Eve - ning and morn - ing, Sun - set and dawn - ing, Wealth, peace, and  
 2 Fa - ther, O hear me, Par - don and spare me; Calm all my  
 3 Ills that still grieve me Soon are to leave me; Though bil - lows  
 4 To God in heav - en All praise be giv - en! Come, let us

glad - ness, Com - fort in sad - ness: These are Thy works; all the  
 ter - rors, Blot out my er - rors That by Thine eyes they may  
 tow - er, And winds gain pow - er, Af - ter the storm the fair  
 of - fer And glad - ly prof - fer To the Cre - a - tor the

glo - ry be Thine! Times with - out num - ber, A - wake or in  
 no more be scanned. Or - der my go - ings, Di - rect all my  
 sun shows its face. Joys e'er in - creas - ing And peace nev - er  
 gifts He doth prize. He well re - ceiv - eth A heart that be -

slum - ber, Thine eye ob - serves us, From dan - ger pre - serves us,  
 do - ings; As it may please Thee, Re - tain or re - lease me;  
 ceas - ing; These shall I trea - sure And share in full mea - sure  
 liev - eth; Hymns that a - dore Him Are pre - cious be - fore Him

Caus - ing Thy mer - cy up - on us to shine.  
 All I com - mit to Thy fa - ther - ly hand.  
 When in His man - sions God grants me a place.  
 And to His throne like sweet in - cense a - rise.

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