

Twenty First Sunday After Pentecost
Saturday, October 16, 2021 – 5:30 p.m.
Sunday, October 17, 2021 – 8:00 a.m.



Welcome!

To our guests and visitors:

We are glad that you are here with us today!

If you have no church home, why don't you consider joining us?
Please speak to Pastor Parrish after the service and enjoy a special
gift for visiting with us today!

1. O day of rest and gladness,
O day of joy and light,
O balm of care and sadness,
most beautiful, most bright;
on thee the high and lowly
through ages joined in tune,
sing "Holy, holy, holy"
to the great God Triune.

2. On thee, at the creation,
the light first had its birth;
on thee, for our salvation,
Christ rose from depths of earth;
on thee, our Lord victorious,
the Spirit sent from heav'n;
and thus on thee, most glorious,
a triple light was giv'n.

3. Today on weary nations
the heav'nly manna falls;
to holy convocations
the silver trumpet calls,
where gospel light is glowing
with pure and radiant beams,
and living water flowing
with soul refreshing streams.

4. New graces ever gaining
from this our day of rest,
we reach the rest remaining
to spirits of the blest.
To Holy Ghost be praises,
to Father, and to Son;
the church her voice upraises
to thee, blest Three in One

INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
People: Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES *Psalm 92:1–4; 93:5*

Pastor: It is good to give thanks to the LORD, to sing praises to Your name, O Most High;
People: **to declare Your steadfast love in the morning, and Your faithfulness by night, to the music of the lute and the harp, to the melody of the lyre.**

Pastor: For You, O LORD, have made me glad by Your work;
People: **at the works of Your hands I sing for joy.**

Pastor: Your decrees are very trustworthy;
People: **holiness befits Your house, O LORD, forevermore.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: It is good and right that we should make confession of our sins. The section on “Confession” in the Small Catechism informs and directs us with these words, which summarizes it well.
People: **Confession has two parts. First, that we confess our sins, and second, that we receive absolution, that is, forgiveness, from the pastor as from God Himself, not doubting, but firmly believing that by it our sins are forgiven before God in heaven.**

Pastor: Humble yourselves then before God, confess your sins to Him, and implore His forgiveness.
People: **O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a troubled and penitent sinner, confess to You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your present and eternal**

punishment. By nature, I am a sinful creature. By thought, word, and deed, I have continually transgressed Your law. For the sake of the sufferings and death of Your Son, Jesus Christ, be gracious and merciful to me, a penitent and contrite being. Forgive me all my sins, and grant me the power of Your Holy Spirit that I may amend my sinful life.

Pastor: God be gracious to you and strengthen your faith.

People: Amen.

Pastor: As you believe, so let it be. As a called and ordained servant 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.

People: Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: 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.

People: Amen.

The Old Testament Reading Numbers 13:1-3; 17-20; 23; 25-28; 30-32

The LORD said to Moses, ²“Send some men to explore the land of Canaan, which I am giving to the Israelites. From each ancestral tribe send one of its leaders.” ³ So at the LORD’s command Moses sent them out from the Desert of Paran. All of them were leaders of the Israelites. ¹⁷ When Moses sent them to explore Canaan, he said, “Go up through the Negev and on into the hill country. ¹⁸ See what the land is like and whether the people who live there are strong or weak, few or many. ¹⁹ What kind of land do they live in? Is it good or bad? What kind of towns do they live in? Are they unwalled or fortified? ²⁰ How is the soil? Is it fertile or poor? Are there trees in it or not? Do your best to bring back some of the fruit of the land.” (It was the season for the first ripe grapes.) ²³ When they reached the Valley of Eshkol,^[a] they cut off a branch bearing a single cluster of grapes. Two of them carried it on a pole between them, along with some

pomegranates and figs. ²⁶ They came back to Moses and Aaron and the whole Israelite community at Kadesh in the Desert of Paran. There they reported to them and to the whole assembly and showed them the fruit of the land. ²⁷ They gave Moses this account: “We went into the land to which you sent us, and it does flow with milk and honey! Here is its fruit. ²⁸ But the people who live there are powerful, and the cities are fortified and very large. We even saw descendants of Anak there. ³⁰ Then Caleb silenced the people before Moses and said, “We should go up and take possession of the land, for we can certainly do it.” ³¹ But the men who had gone up with him said, “We can’t attack those people; they are stronger than we are.” ³² And they spread among the Israelites a bad report about the land they had explored. They said, “The land we explored devours those living in it. All the people we saw there are of great size.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Holy Gospel

Mark 10:23-31

²³ Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How hard it is for the rich to enter the kingdom of God!” ²⁴ The disciples were amazed at his words. But Jesus said again, “Children, how hard it is^[a] to enter the kingdom of God! ²⁵ It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.” ²⁶ The disciples were even more amazed, and said to each other, “Who then can be saved?” ²⁷ Jesus looked at them and said, “With man this is impossible, but not with God; all things are possible with God.” ²⁸ Then Peter spoke up, “We have left everything to follow you!” ²⁹ “Truly I tell you,” Jesus replied, “no one who has left home or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields for me and the gospel ³⁰ will fail to receive a hundred times as much in this present age: homes, brothers, sisters, mothers, children and fields—along with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. ³¹ But 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.**

Apostles Creed

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.

Sermon Hymn Onward Christian Soldiers

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- 1 Onward, Christian soldiers, Marching as to war,
With the cross of Jesus Going on before.
Christ, the royal master, Leads against the foe;
Forward into battle See His banners go! **Refrain**
- ref** Onward, Christian soldiers, Marching as to war,
With the cross of Jesus Going on before.
- 2 Like a mighty army Moves the Church of God;
Brothers, we are treading Where the saints have trod.
We are not divided, All one body we,
One in hope and doctrine, One in charity. **Refrain**
- 3 Crowns and thrones may perish, Kingdoms rise and wane,
But the Church of Jesus Constant will remain.
Gates of hell can never 'Gainst that Church prevail;
We have Christ's own promise, And that cannot fail. **Refrain**
- 4 Onward, then, ye faithful, Join our happy throng,
Blend with ours your voices In the triumph song:
Glory, laud, and honor Unto Christ, the king;
This through countless ages Men and angels sing. **Refrain**

The Offering

Prayer of Blessing

God of mercy, You have given us every good gift and entrusted the creation into our care. Make us faithful stewards of all that You have given. Bless these offerings that they might be used to build the body of Christ and transform the world. May these gifts be signs of Your goodness and mercy to a world in need in Jesus' name. **Amen!**

Prayer of the Church

Pastor: Most high and holy God, we humbly ask You to accept these Your own gifts that we offer to You. And here we would present and yield ourselves to You, asking You to make us true members incorporated in the mystical Body of Your Son, Jesus Christ, so that, in communion with Your whole Church, we may make a pure offering to Your name. O Lord, hear our prayer,

People: and let our cry come unto You.

Pastor: Hear our prayer, O Lord, for the universal Church, that You will confirm it in the truth of Your holy faith, inspire it with unity and concord, and extend and prosper it throughout the world. We pray You for those who are ordained to be ministers in Your Church, that by their life and doctrine they set forth Your true and living Word and rightly administer Your Holy Sacraments. Especially do we call upon You for those who labor for You in challenging settings, that they be strong and steadfast, abounding in Your work. O Lord, hear our prayer,

People: and let our cry come unto You.

Pastor: Bless, we pray You, our schools, hospitals, homes for the aged, and all our institutions. Bless those who minister to human need, whether of body, mind, or spirit, and grant them wisdom, strength, and love for You and all people. Let Your blessing rest upon the seedtime and harvest, commerce and industry, leisure and rest, and the arts and culture of our people. Take

under Your special protection those whose toil is difficult or dangerous, and be with all who put their efforts toward any useful task. Give to all people the mind of Christ, and order our days in righteousness. Take from us all hatred and prejudice, and whatever may hinder justice and love among people everywhere. O Lord, hear our prayer,

People: and let our cry come unto You.

Pastor: Remember the nations of the world, and let concord and peace prevail among them. Remember those who rule over us, and guide those who influence our lives through the media. Remember our children, our youth, the married couples, and those living single lives, the widows and orphans, and all those who are dealing with disappointments in life. Remember the sick, the suffering, and the persecuted and the dying, [*especially . . .*]. Send them help from Your sanctuary, and by Your Spirit, strengthen them according to Your gracious will. O Lord, hear our prayer,

People: and let our cry come unto You.

Pastor: In this time of prayer, we commemorate Your blessed apostles and martyrs and all the saints who have gone before us with the sign of faith and are at peace; we praise You for the mercy and blessings shown them in their lifetimes and pray You to grant us to rejoice with them forever in Your kingdom. O Lord, hear our prayer,

People: and let our cry come unto You.

Pastor: Finally, O Lord, we pray for ourselves and for all who confess the name of Christ, that we show forth the praises of Him who has called us out of darkness into His marvelous light. Grant that we who now celebrate this blessed feast at Your altar may, at the close of this present age, be clothed with the white robes of those who shall join the marriage supper of the Lamb eternally. O Lord, hear our prayer,

People: and let our cry come unto You. Amen.

Lord's Prayer

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 Words of Institution

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also, He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini

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P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C **Amen.**

Agnus Dei

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C **O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world away;
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.**

**O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world away;
Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ,
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.**

Distribution

Handbells

Distribution Hymn

“The Lamb”

Salvation Unto Us Has Come

LSB 555

1. Salvation unto us has come
By God's free grace and favor;
Good works cannot avert our doom,
They help and save us never.
Faith looks to Jesus Christ alone,
Who did for all the world atone;
He is our one Redeemer.
2. What God did in His Law demand
And none to Him could render
Caused wrath and woe on ev'ry hand
For man, the vile offender.
Our flesh has not those pure desires
The spirit of the Law requires,
And lost is our condition.
3. It was a false, misleading dream
That God His Law had given
That sinners could themselves redeem
And by their works gain heaven.
The Law is but a mirror bright
To bring the inbred sin to light
That lurks within our nature.
4. From sin our flesh could not abstain,
Sin held its sway unceasing;
The task was useless and in vain,
Our guilt was e'er increasing.
None can remove sin's poisoned dart
Or purify our guileful heart--
So deep is our corruption.

5. Yet as the law must be fulfilled
Or we must die despairing,
Christ came and has God's anger stilled,
Our human nature sharing.
He has for us the Law obeyed
And thus the Father's vengeance stayed
Which over us impended.
6. Since Christ has full atonement made
And brought to us salvation,
Each Christian therefore may be glad
And build on this foundation.
Your grace alone, dear Lord, I plead,
Your death is now my life indeed,
For You have paid my ransom.
7. Let me not doubt, but truly see
Your Word cannot be broken:
Your call rings out, "Come unto Me!"
No falsehood have You spoken.
Baptized into Your precious name,
My faith cannot be put to shame,
And I shall never perish.
8. The Law reveals the guilt of sin
And makes us conscience-stricken;
But then the Gospel enters in
The sinful soul to quicken.
Come to the cross, trust Christ, and live;
The Law no peace can ever give,
No comfort and no blessing.

9. Faith clings to Jesus' cross alone
And rests in Him unceasing;
And by its fruits true faith is known,
With love and hope increasing.
For faith alone can justify;
Works serve our neighbor and supply
The proof that faith is living.
10. All blessing, honor, thanks, and praise
To Father, Son, and Spirit,
The God who saved us by His grace;
All glory to His merit.
O triune God in heav'n above,
You have revealed Your saving love;
Your blessed name we hallow.

The Dismissal

- P** Now may this true body and blood, strengthen and preserve you in the one true
faith until life everlasting. Go in His peace.
- C** **Amen**

Nunc Dimittis

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- C** **O Lord, now let Your servant Depart in heav'n-ly peace,
For I have seen the glory Of Your redeeming grace:
A light to lead the Gentiles Unto Your holy hill,
The glory of Your people, Your chosen Israel.**

**All glory to the Father, All glory to the Son,
All glory to the Spirit, Forever Three in One;
For as in the beginning, Is now, shall ever be,
God's triune name resounding Through all eternity.**

Post-Communion Collect

P Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Benediction

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

People: Amen.

Hymn **Amazing Grace**

LSB 744

1. Amazing Grace! How sweet the sound That saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost but now am found, Was blind but now I see!
2. The Lord has promised good to me, His word my hope secures;
He will my shield and portion be As long as life endures.
3. Through many dangers, toils, and snares I have already come;
His grace has brought me safe so far, His grace will see me home.
4. Yes, when this flesh and heart shall fail And mortal life shall cease,
Amazing grace shall then prevail In heaven's joy and peace.