

Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost  
October 22-23, 2016



**SERVICE  
OUTLINE**

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Sunday School Sings at  
beginning of 10:30 a.m. Service

**INTROIT** *Ps. 56:10–13; antiphon: Ps. 56:3*

When I | am afraid,\*

**I put my | trust in you.**

In God, whose | word I praise,\*

**in the Lord, whose | word I praise,**  
in God I trust; I shall not | be afraid.\*

**What can man | do to me?**

I must perform my vows to you, | O God;\*

**I will render thank offerings | to you.**

For you have delivered my soul from death, yes, my feet from | falling,\*  
**that I may walk before God in the | light of life.**

**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.**

When I | am afraid,\*

**I put my | trust in you.**

**COLLECT OF THE DAY**

Almighty and everlasting God, You are always more ready to hear than we to pray and always ready to give more than we either desire or deserve. Pour down on us the abundance of Your mercy; forgive us those things of which our conscience is afraid; and give us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask except by the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**GRADUAL** *Ps. 91:11; 103:1*

He will command his angels con- | cerning you\*

**to guard you in | all your ways.**

Bless the Lord, | O my soul,\*

**and all that is within me, bless his | holy name!**

**DAILY READINGS**

October 23: Deut. 24:10–25:10; Matt. 16:13–28; 24: Deut. 25:17–26:19; Matt. 17:1–13; 25: Deut. 27:1–26; Matt. 17:14–27; 26: Deut. 28:1–22; Matt. 18:1–20; 27: Deut. 29:1–29; Matt. 18:21–35; 28: Deut. 30:1–20; Matt. 19:1–15; 29: Deut. 31:1–29; Matt. 19:16–30.

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- ❖ Hymn 877  
*(stand last verse)*
- ❖ Confession & Absolution 203
- ❖ Introit (left)
- ❖ Kyrie 204  
*(Skip Gloria in Lent)*
- ❖ Salutation & Collect 205  
*(Sit)*
- ❖ Hymn 664
- ❖ Readings & Responses 205
- ❖ Apostles Creed 207
- ❖ Hymn 666
- ❖ Sermon
- ❖ Prayers 207  
*(C: Lord, have mercy.)*
- ❖ Offering 207  
*(Sharing of Peace)*
- ❖ Canticle Hymn 211
- ❖ Concluding Prayer 212
- ❖ Benediction 212
- ❖ Hymn 658

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### **Old Testament Reading: Genesis 4:1–15**

1Now Adam knew Eve his wife, and she conceived and bore Cain, saying, "I have gotten a man with the help of the Lord." 2And again, she bore his brother Abel. Now Abel was a keeper of sheep, and Cain a worker of the ground. 3In the course of time Cain brought to the Lord an offering of the fruit of the ground, 4and Abel also brought of the firstborn of his flock and of their fat portions. And the Lord had regard for Abel and his offering, 5but for Cain and his offering he had no regard. So Cain was very angry, and his face fell. 6The Lord said to Cain, "Why are you angry, and why has your face fallen? 7If you do well, will you not be accepted? And if you do not do well, sin is crouching at the door. Its desire is for you, but you must rule over it." 8Cain spoke to Abel his brother. And when they were in the field, Cain rose up against his brother Abel and killed him. 9Then the Lord said to Cain, "Where is Abel your brother?" He said, "I do not know; am I my brother's keeper?" 10And the Lord said, "What have you done? The voice of your brother's blood is crying to me from the ground. 11And now you are cursed from the ground, which has opened its mouth to receive your brother's blood from your hand. 12When you work the ground, it shall no longer yield to you its strength. You shall be a fugitive and a wanderer on the earth." 13Cain said to the Lord, "My punishment is greater than I can bear. 14Behold, you have driven me today away from the ground, and from your face I shall be hidden. I shall be a fugitive and a wanderer on the earth, and whoever finds me will kill me." 15Then the Lord said to him, "Not so! If anyone kills Cain, vengeance shall be taken on him sevenfold." And the Lord put a mark on Cain, lest any who found him should attack him.

### **Epistle: 2 Timothy 4:6–8, 16–18**

6For I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure has come. 7I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. 8Henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will award to me on that Day, and not only to me but also to all who have loved his appearing. . . . 16At my first defense no one came to stand by me, but all deserted me. May it not be charged against them! 17But the Lord stood by me and strengthened me, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. 18The Lord will rescue me from every evil deed and bring me safely into his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

### **Holy Gospel: Luke 18:9–17**

9[Jesus] also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and treated others with contempt: 10"Two men went up into the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. 11The Pharisee, standing by himself, prayed thus: 'God, I thank you that I am not like other men, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. 12I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I get.' 13But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' 14I tell you, this man went down to his house justified, rather than the other. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted." 15Now they were bringing even infants to him that he might touch them. And when the disciples saw it, they rebuked them. 16But Jesus called them to him, saying, "Let the children come to me, and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God. 17Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it."