

October 10, 2021
20th Sunday after Pentecost
8:00 am Service
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You lack one thing:
go, sell all that you have
and give to the poor

Mark 10:21

Welcome to Worship / Announcements

Opening Song

First Reading

Amos 5:6–7, 10–15

⁶Seek the LORD and live,
lest he break out like fire in the house of Joseph,
and it devour, with none to quench it for Bethel,

⁷O you who turn justice to wormwood
and cast down righteousness to the earth! . . .

¹⁰They hate him who reproves in the gate,
and they abhor him who speaks the truth.

¹¹Therefore because you trample on the poor
and you exact taxes of grain from him,
you have built houses of hewn stone,
but you shall not dwell in them;
you have planted pleasant vineyards,
but you shall not drink their wine.

¹²For I know how many are your transgressions
and how great are your sins—
you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe,
and turn aside the needy in the gate.

¹³Therefore he who is prudent will keep silent in
such a time, for it is an evil time.

¹⁴Seek good, and not evil,
that you may live;
and so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with you,
as you have said.

¹⁵Hate evil, and love good,
and establish justice in the gate;
it may be that the LORD, the God of hosts,
will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gradual**Psalm 91:11; 103:1**

He will command his angels concerning you
to guard you in all your ways.
Bless the LORD, O my soul,
all that is within me, bless his holy name!

Epistle Reading**Hebrews 3:12-19**

¹²Take care, brothers, lest there be in any of you an evil, unbelieving heart, leading you to fall away from the living God. ¹³But exhort one another every day, as long as it is called “today,” that none of you may be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin. ¹⁴For we share in Christ, if indeed we hold our original confidence firm to the end. ¹⁵As it is said,

“Today, if you hear his voice,
do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion.”

¹⁶For who were those who heard and yet rebelled? Was it not all those who left Egypt led by Moses?
¹⁷And with whom was he provoked for forty years? Was it not with those who sinned, whose bodies fell in the wilderness?

¹⁸And to whom did he swear that they would not enter his rest, but to those who were disobedient?
¹⁹So we see that they were unable to enter because of unbelief.

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Holy Gospel

Mark 10:17-22

¹⁷As [Jesus] was setting out on his journey, a man ran up and knelt before him and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" ¹⁸And Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good except God alone. ¹⁹You know the commandments: 'Do not murder, Do not commit adultery, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Do not defraud, Honor your father and mother.'"

²⁰And he said to him, "Teacher, all these I have kept from my youth." ²¹And Jesus, looking at him, loved him, and said to him, "You lack one thing: go, sell all that you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me."

²²Disheartened by the saying, he went away sorrowful, for he had great possessions. .

R: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

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 sub-stance 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 Spirit
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 sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory
to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son
together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

Sermon Song
Sermon

“What Are You Looking For?”

Mark 10:17-22

Notes

Offering

Confession and Forgiveness

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 neighbors
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 Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of 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.

C. Amen.

Prayers of the People

The Words of Our Lord

P: 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.”

The Lord's Prayer

Matt 6:9-13

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.

Passing of the Peace

Distribution

Post-Communion Blessing

Benediction

P: May the Lord bless you and keep you.
May the Lord make His face shine on you
and be gracious to you.
May the Lord look upon you with favor
and ☩ give you peace.

C: Amen.

Closing Song

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you!

“A special Thank You to everyone who covered me in prayer and sent beautiful cards of well wishes while I was in hospital and rehab. Your love filled my heart”
— Carolyn Culver

Food Bank Service Day

Thurs, Oct 14, 9:00-11:30 am

Volunteer Application required

Available in Welcome Center or Website

Fall Work Day

Sat 23 Oct 8:00 am—Noon. Lunch provided.
Time to spruce up the inside and outside.

Upcoming Events:

Adult Bible Study—Midweek

Thurs, Oct 28 @ 9:30 am

Reality in Truth

Fri, 29 Oct - Feeding the homeless

Reformation/ Octoberfest

Oct 31 (LWML sponsored)

Check out the Calendar:

<https://www.stpaulmontgomery.org/calendar>

**May the Lord be with you
on your homeward way**

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