

Twentieth Sunday of Pentecost

6:00 pm, October 10th

8:15 am, October 11th

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*We at St. Luke's dedicate
ourselves to grow in faith
and love, to serve together,
and to reach out with the
Gospel of Jesus Christ.*



PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

WELCOME

Opening Hymn: Rejoice, O Pilgrim Throng

LSB 813, sts. 1, ref, 5-6



1 Re - joice, O pil - grim throng! Re - joice, give
5 Still lift your stan - dard high, Still march in
6 At last the march shall end; The wea - ried



thanks, and sing; Your fes - tal ban - ner
firm ar - ray, As pil - grims through the
ones shall rest; The pil - grims find their



wave on high, The cross of Christ your king.
dark - ness wend Till dawns the gold - en day.
home at last, Je - ru - sa - lem the blest.

Refrain



Re - joice! Re - joice! Re - joice, give thanks, and sing!

Text: Edward H. Plumptre, 1821-91, alt. Tune: Arthur H. Messiter, 1834-1916 Text and tune: Public domain

Stand, as able

CALL TO WORSHIP

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

Invocation

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

C Amen.

Psalm

Psalm 23

P: ¹The LORD is my shepherd;

C: **I shall not want.**

P: ²He makes me lie down in green pastures.

C: **He leads me beside still waters.**

P: ³He restores my soul.

C: He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

P: ⁴Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me;

C: your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

P: ⁵You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;

C: you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

P: ⁶Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,

C: and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

Exhortation

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P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

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

Confession of Sins

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P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

Absolution

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P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, 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.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray... Almighty God, You invite us to trust in You for our salvation. Deal with us not in the severity of Your judgment but by the greatness of Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Be Seated

6:00pm ~ SOLO: Ole Oleson

8:15am ~ CHOIR: "Be Still"

SERVICE OF THE WORD

First Reading ~ Old Testament Prophet

Isaiah 25:6-9

⁶On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine, of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined. ⁷And he will swallow up on this mountain the covering that is cast over all peoples, the veil that is spread over all nations. ⁸He will swallow up death forever; and the Lord GOD will wipe away tears from all faces, and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken. ⁹It will be said on that day, "Behold, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might save us. This is the LORD; we have waited for him; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Second Reading ~ New Testament Epistle

Philippians 4:4-13

⁴Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. ⁵Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; ⁶do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

⁸Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of

praise, think about these things. ⁹What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.

¹⁰I rejoiced in the Lord greatly that now at length you have revived your concern for me. You were indeed concerned for me, but you had no opportunity. ¹¹Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content. ¹²I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. ¹³I can do all things through him who strengthens me.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand, as able

Third Reading ~ Holy Gospel

Matthew 22:1–14

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-second chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

¹Again Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying, ²“The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son, ³and sent his servants to call those who were invited to the wedding feast, but they would not come. ⁴Again he sent other servants, saying, ‘Tell those who are invited, See, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready. Come to the wedding feast.’ ⁵But they paid no attention and went off, one to his farm, another to his business, ⁶while the rest seized his servants, treated them shamefully, and killed them. ⁷The king was angry, and he sent his troops and destroyed those murderers and burned their city. ⁸Then he said to his servants, ‘The wedding feast is ready, but those invited were not worthy. ⁹Go therefore to the main roads and invite to the wedding feast as many as you find.’ ¹⁰And those servants went out into the roads and gathered all whom they found, both bad and good. So the wedding hall was filled with guests.

¹¹“But when the king came in to look at the guests, he saw there a man who had no wedding garment. ¹²And he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding garment?’ And he was speechless. ¹³Then the king said to the attendants, ‘Bind him hand

and foot and cast him into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’ ¹⁴For many are called, but few are chosen.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

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 † everlasting. Amen.

Be Seated

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

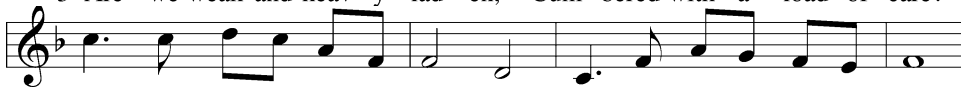
Children are invited forward for a brief lesson and treat.

Sermon Hymn: What a Friend We Have in Jesus

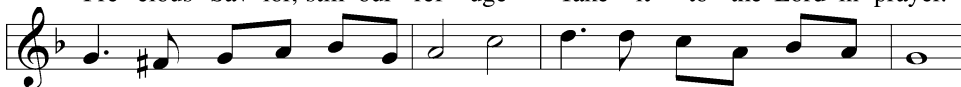
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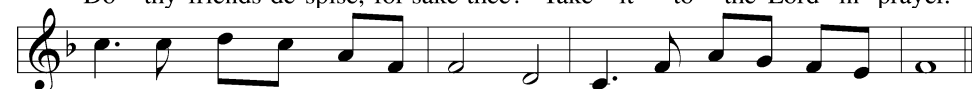
1 What a friend we have in Je - sus, All our sins and griefs to bear!
2 Have we tri - als and temp-ta-tions? Is there trou-ble an - y-where?
3 Are we weak and heav - y lad - en, Cum - bered with a load of care?



What a priv - i - lege to car - ry Ev - 'ry-thing to God in prayer!
We should nev - er be dis-cour-aged— Take it to the Lord in prayer.
Pre - cious Sav - ior, still our ref - uge— Take it to the Lord in prayer.



Oh, what peace we of - ten for - feit; Oh, what need-less pain we bear—
Can we find a friend so faith - ful Who will all our sor-rows share?
Do thy friends de-spise, for-sake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer.



All be - cause we do not car - ry Ev - 'ry-thing to God in prayer!
Je - sus knows our ev - 'ry weak-ness—Take it to the Lord in prayer.
In His arms He'll take and shield thee; Thou wilt find a sol - ace there.

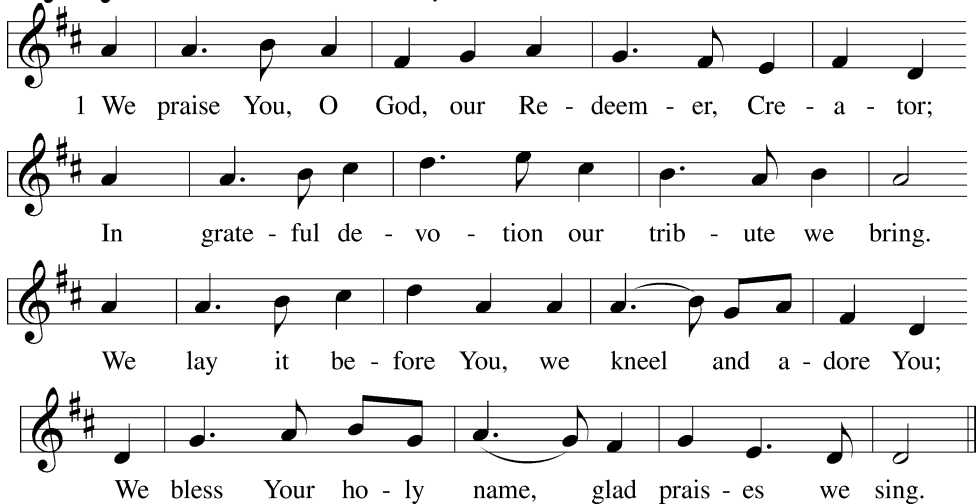
SERMON ~ "Rejoice! The Lord Is Near" (Philippians 4:5)

THE GATHERING OF OUR GIFTS & WE CARE CARDS

Stand, as able

Offertory Hymn: We Praise You, O God

LSB 785, st. 1



1 We praise You, O God, our Re - deem - er, Cre - a - tor;
In grate - ful de - vo - tion our trib - ute we bring.
We lay it be - fore You, we kneel and a - dore You;
We bless Your ho - ly name, glad prais - es we sing.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Prayer Response

Each petition ends with the following prompt from the Pastor and response from the Congregation:

- P** Lord, in Your mercy,
C hear our prayer. (*After the final petition: 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.

Benedicamus

LSB 218

A Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

P 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.

C Amen.

Be Seated

Sending Hymn: Fight the Good Fight

LSB 664, sts. 3–4



3 Cast care a - side, lean on your guide; His bound - less
4 Faint not nor fear, His arms are near; He chang - es

mer - cy will pro - vide. Trust, and en - dur - ing
not who holds you dear; On - ly be - lieve, and

faith shall prove Christ is your life and Christ your love.
you will see That Christ is all e - ter - nal - ly.

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Sending Instructions & Dismissal

P Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

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