



The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost
October 15, A+D 2023



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DIVINE SERVICE

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Lutheran Service Book

Clothed in the Righteousness of Christ, We Partake of His Wedding Feast

By His cross and resurrection, the Lord has swallowed up death forever, and by His Gospel He “will wipe away tears from all faces, and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth” (Is. 25:8). Therefore, “let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation” (Is. 25:9). On the mountain of the Lord of hosts — in His Church on earth, as in the kingdom of heaven — He has made “for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine” (Is. 25:6). It is the royal “wedding feast” of the Son of God, “and everything is ready” (Matt. 22:1, 4). Thus, His servants are sent into the highways and byways to invite and gather as many as they find, “both good and bad,” to fill the wedding hall with guests (Matt. 22:8-10). In Holy Baptism, He clothes them all in the “wedding garment” of His own perfect righteousness (Matt. 22:11). Therefore, “do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God,” and “rejoice in the Lord always” (Phil. 4:4-6).

Ringing of the Bells

Welcome

Confession and Absolution

803 Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

Stand

Invocation

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.**

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

LSB 184

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

LSB 185

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.

Stand

Service of the Word

Introit

Isaiah 61:10; antiphon: Psalm 146:2

- P** I will praise the LORD as long as I live;
C I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.
P I will greatly rejoice in the LORD;
C my soul shall exult in my God,
P for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation;
C he has covered me with the robe of righteousness,
P as a bridegroom decks himself like a priest with a beautiful headdress,
C and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.

Gloria Patri

LSB 186



C Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost;



as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

Kyrie

LSB 186



C Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -



on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 187

P Glory be to God on high:



C and on earth peace, good - will toward



men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,



we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.



O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.



O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;



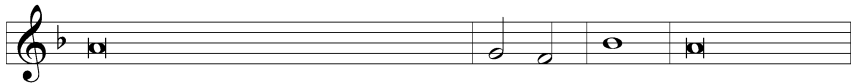
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,



that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.



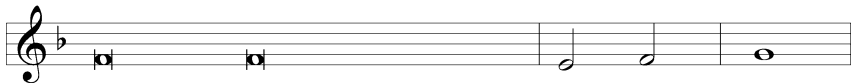
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.



Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up-



on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord.



Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,



Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir - it.

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 A - men.

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 25:6-9

A The Old Testament Reading for The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost is from the twenty-fifth chapter of the prophecy of Isaiah.

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.

Epistle

Philippians 4:4–13

A The Second Reading is from the fourth chapter of the Epistle of St. Paul to the Philippians.

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

Alleluia

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

Holy Gospel*Matthew 22:1–14*

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



☐ Glo - ry be to Thee, 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.”

☐ This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

C 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 substance 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 worshipped 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.

Sit

710 The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want

Sermon

Stand

Offertory

LSB 192



C Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -

new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
 way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
 from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -
 tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

Sit

Gathering of Tithes & Offerings

If you are submitting a prayer request on a prayer card, kindly hand it directly to the usher. Do not place it into the offering plate

Stand

Prayer of the Church

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P ... let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

LSB 194

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spir - it.

P Lift up your hearts.



C We lift them up un - to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.



C It is meet and right so to do.

Proper Preface (Full)

P It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

LSB 195



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,



bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Lord's Prayer

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- P** 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



- C** For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the



glo - ry for - ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

The Words of Our Lord

LSB 197

- 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."

Pax Domini

LSB 197

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



C A - men.

Agnus Dei

LSB 198



O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the

world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that
 tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.
 O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the
 world, grant us Thy peace. A - - men.

Sit

Distribution of Christ's Body and Blood

Members of other Christian denominations who are present may come forward to receive a blessing from the Pastor during the distribution. It is requested that you cross your arms over your chest to indicate that you desire this blessing.

Silent Prayer Just Before Communing: *Dear Savior, at your gracious invitation, I come to Your table to eat and drink Your holy body and blood. Let me find favor in Your eyes to receive this holy Sacrament in faith for the salvation of my soul and to the glory of Your holy name; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.*

Silent Prayer Just After Communing: *Almighty and everlasting God, I thank and praise You for feeding me the life-giving body and blood of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send your Holy Spirit that, having with my mouth received the holy Sacrament. I may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace the forgiveness of sins unity with Christ, and life eternal; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.*

633 At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing

Stand

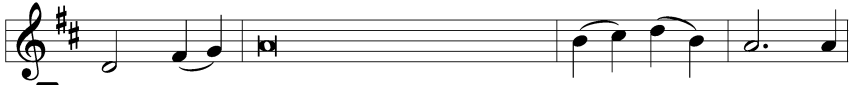
The Dismissal

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart † in peace.

C Amen.

Nunc Dimittis

LSB 199



C Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-



cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,



which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,



a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy



peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and



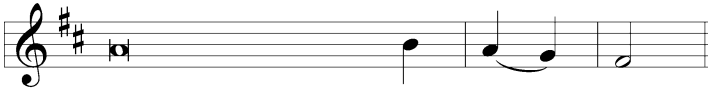
to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,



is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

Thanksgiving

A O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,



C and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

Post-Communion Collect

A 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 in 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 A - men.

Salutation

LSB 201

P The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir - it.

Benedicamus

LSB 202

A Bless we the Lord.



C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

LSB 202

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ☩ give you peace.



☐ A-men, a-men, a - men.

813 Rejoice, O Pilgrim Throng

Silent Prayer

Announcements

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Thanksgiving Blessings

Dear Helpers,

Thank you for your generous donations to the Social Ministry Food support program! It has been a blessing to many who struggle throughout the year. As we look forward to the upcoming holidays, we would like to provide support for those in need. Gift cards are the best way to provide this support. This allows families the opportunity to purchase the foods of their choice for their family traditions and needs.

Include your donations with your offering and mark your envelope Social Ministry. These donations will be used to purchase gift cards from Aldi and Jewel Food Stores. Thank you for your continued support of this important ministry!

Social Ministry





REFORMATION
It's *Still* All About
Jesus

*Faith, Fellowship, Food, Friends
and Family!*

Reformation Potluck

*It is the tradition here at St. Paul's
to have a Potluck lunch with a
German flair!*

*Bratwursts, Hot Dogs, Buns and
Beverages will be provided!*

*Please bring a favorite Side dish or
Dessert to share!*

(if it's not German, shhhh we won't tell)

Music and Games for all ages!

Sunday October 29, 2023





All Saints Sunday will be observed on Sunday, November 5th this year. It is on this Sunday, that we remember those who have died in the Lord during the past year on or after November 1, 2022. If you have a loved one, whether it be a family member, friend, or associate of some kind whom you would like to have remembered, we would be glad to include them in our remembrance. Please put a note with their name date of death, and relationship to you (example, mother, father, friend, co-worker, etc) and hand it to an usher or call the church office before November 1.

Your Name _____

Deceased Name _____

Date of death _____

Relationship _____

Deceased Name _____

Date of death _____

Relationship _____



The Glad Spirit St. Paul Ev. Lutheran Church

October 15, 2023

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

ST. PAUL'S FAMILY

Nicholas Plecas, Family Mikayla, Cheyenne

Arianna Porter

Jeanette & Roberto Ramirez, Family Isabella, Antonio, Dominic

Richard & Janice Reichert, Family Nicole, Heather, Tiffany

Violet Rich, Family William Jr., Arlene

BIRTHDAYS

David Hudson Jr., 10/15

Coral Middleton, 10/17

Annelise Rundenberg, 10/17

Dolly Tatgenhorst, 10/18

Jayden Wisely, 10/19

Daniel Zander, 10/21

BAPTISM ANNIVERSARIES

Mary Sella, 10/20

SPECIAL CONCERNS

Pray for Diane Akers, Janice Abel, Sondra Budde, Jay Carey, Carmen Dampier, Judy Diekleman, Latricia Harris, Ed Hoeksema Jr., Chester Orendorff, Violet Rich, Dolly Tagenhorst, Dorothy Van Mynen, Warren Van Mynen, Gene Wiltjer.

Serving in the Military – Austin Brandy, David Capodagli, James Fluechtling, Nathan Lopez, and Robert Wisely.

Serving as First Responders – David Allen, Dave Bloom, Nathan Conway, Brianne Giba, Melanie Hudson, Brian Orth, Dana Tatgenhorst, Taylor VanDommelen and Dan Zander.

NEWS UPDATE

To the glory of God and in loving memory of Gene Allen a memorial gift has been made to Social Ministry by Norma Allen.



St. Paul Book Club will meet Wednesday November 8, to review *What the Lady Wants* by Renee Rosen. We usually meet at 10am on the second Wednesday of the month and always welcome new members. Book Club is in person and thru FB chat. Please let Deb know in advance so she can link you in.

Christ For You this week on KFUF.org: Study Hebrews 6-7 on Sharper Iron's "The New Covenant in Christ" (weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT), study the book of Jonah and begin the Gospel of Mark on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m. CT), and study "The Mass" in the Augsburg Confession on Concord Matters (10/21 at 10:00 a.m. CT). Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org or the KFUF Radio app!

Finding Jesus in the Old Testament... Do you have a difficult time reading the Old Testament? The key to understanding the Old Testament is to find Jesus. Issues, Etc., a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL, recently interviewed Dr. Reed Lessing and Dr. Andrew Steinmann, co-authors of the new book "The Messianic Message." You can listen to this multi-part series at issuesetc.org/findingjesus.

Word of Hope offers free and confidential counseling to women and men struggling with an abortion experience. If you would like more information on how Word of Hope can help you or someone you love, visit our website at www.word-of-hope.org. You can be healed.

We'd love to see you in worship. Our worship services are every Sunday at 9:30 AM. If you are unable to attend it can be viewed on Facebook live at <https://www.facebook.com/splcms/videos>. A previous recording is also available. Bulletins for the services are available for viewing or download on our website at <https://www.splcms.org/worship>.

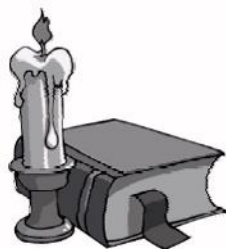
"For all who have been damaged by the sin of abortion—and for all who have been complicit by not speaking up in defense of innocent babies—repent, and then hear the sweet and comforting words of Jesus: 'Come to me, all who labor and are heavy-laden, and I will give you rest' (Matthew 11:28). God give us courage to engage in the battle For Life!" Pastor Paul

Clark, President of Lutherans For Life of Michigan – A Life Quote from
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The Wedding Banquet

So the servants went out into the streets and gathered all the people they could find, both good and bad, and the wedding hall was filled with guests. Matthew 22:10

Based on Matthew 22:1-14 (NIV)



R U D N Q C O R N E R S E L C
 Z N E I K P M P G U E S T S V
 N X D O N O A E Z G T P N Z S
 O Q P N D N L R C B J D E P E
 B P Z G W T E T A O X V B U R
 X A N R T I E R U B M S A G V
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 N W A U D V I Z T N P J G D L

PARABLES
 GUESTS
 SERVANTS
 FILLED

STREET
 HEAVEN
 CATTLE
 REFUSED

INVITED
 KINGDOM
 COME
 WEDDING

BANQUET
 CORNERS
 OXEN
 DINNER

GOD'S PEOPLE IN ACTION

ATTENDANCE AND OFFERINGS



October 8th Attendance 19, 19 Communed, 6 Online

Basket	\$127.00	Weekly Missions	\$50.00
Envelopes	1,550.00	Luth. Church Charity	20.00
Bulletin	10.00	Church Maint	10.00
		Social Ministry	60.00
Budgeted Total	1,687.00	Non-budgeted Total	\$140.00
Offering Needed	1,233.00		
	\$454.00		



THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Today

9:30 am Worship Service
 10:30 am Coffee &...
 10:45 am Bible Discussion

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

Sunday

9:30 am Worship Service
 10:30 am Coffee &...

SERVANT SCHEDULE

Sun, Oct 15, 9:30 AM **Sun, Oct 22, 9:30 AM**

Pastor

Pastor Dobberstein

Pastor Fluechtling

Usher

Louis Sella

Bill Sommer

Lead Reader

Dana Krieger

Norma Allen

DONATIONS



FOOD PANTRY



GENERAL FUND