Our Savior Lutheran Church Mankato, Minnesota

The Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost October 22, 2023

At Our Savior Lutheran Church we live to make Christ known.

Monthly Memory Verse:

That which we have seen and heard we proclaim also to you, so that you too may have fellowship with us; and indeed our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ.

1 John 1:13

Weekly Discussion Question:

In the Bible the word for "fellowship" is a partnership or close relationship. How does that affect your thoughts on this verse?

Confession and Absolution

Opening Hymn: "Sing Praise to God, the Highest Good"

LSB 819

- Sing praise to God, the highest good,
 The author of creation,
 The God of love who understood
 Our need for His salvation.
 With healing balm our souls He fills
 And ev'ry faithless murmur stills:
 To God all praise and glory!
- What God's almighty pow'r has made,
 In mercy He is keeping.
 By morning glow or evening shade
 His eye is never sleeping.
 Within the kingdom of His might
 All things are just and good and right:
 To God all praise and glory!
- We sought the Lord in our distress;
 O God, in mercy hear us.
 Our Savior saw our helplessness
 And came with peace to cheer us.

For this we thank and praise the Lord, Who is by one and all adored: To God all praise and glory!

- He never shall forsake His flock,
 His chosen generation;
 He is their refuge and their rock,
 Their peace and their salvation.
 As with a mother's tender hand,
 He leads His own, His chosen band:
 To God all praise and glory!
- 5 All who confess Christ's holy name,
 Give God the praise and glory.
 Let all who know His pow'r proclaim
 Aloud the wondrous story.
 Cast ev'ry idol from its throne,
 For God is God, and He alone:
 To God all praise and glory!

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- **P** In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- 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.

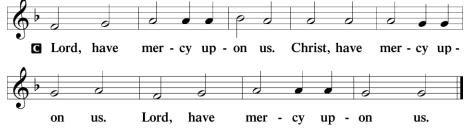
Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- 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.

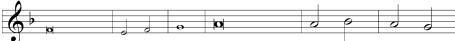
Absolution LSB 185

Service of the Word





Gloria in Excelsis LSB 187



P Glory be to God on high: and on earth peace, good - will toward



Salutation and Collect of the Day



P Let us pray.

O God, the protector of all who trust in You, have mercy on us that with You as our ruler and guide we may so pass through things temporal that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 45:1-7

¹Thus says the LORD to his anointed, to Cyrus,

whose right hand I have grasped,

to subdue nations before him

and to loose the belts of kings,

to open doors before him

that gates may not be closed:

²"I will go before you

and level the exalted places,

I will break in pieces the doors of bronze

and cut through the bars of iron,

³I will give you the treasures of darkness and the hoards in secret places,

that you may know that it is I, the LORD,

the God of Israel, who call you by your name.

⁴For the sake of my servant Jacob,

and Israel my chosen,

I call you by your name,

I name you, though you do not know me.

⁵I am the LORD, and there is no other,

besides me there is no God;

I equip you, though you do not know me,

⁶that people may know, from the rising of the sun and from the west, that there is none besides me;

I am the LORD, and there is no other.

⁷I form light and create darkness,

I make well-being and create calamity, I am the LORD, who does all these things."

- **A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Psalm 96:1–9

¹Oh sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth!

²Sing to the LORD, bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day.

³Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples!

⁴For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised; he is to be feared above all gods.

⁵For all the gods of the peoples are worthless idols, but the LORD made the heavens.

⁶Splendor and majesty are before him; strength and beauty are in his sanctuary.

⁷Ascribe to the LORD, O families of the peoples, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength!

⁸Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; bring an offering, and come into his courts!

⁹Worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness; tremble before him, all the earth!

Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Epistle

1 Thessalonians 1:1–10

¹Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,

To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace.

²We give thanks to God always for all of you, constantly mentioning you in our prayers, ³remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁴For we know, brothers loved by God, that he has chosen you, ⁵because our gospel came to you not only in word, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction. You know what kind of men we proved to

be among you for your sake. ⁶And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for you received the word in much affliction, with the joy of the Holy Spirit, ⁷so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. ⁸For not only has the word of the Lord sounded forth from you in Macedonia and Achaia, but your faith in God has gone forth everywhere, so that we need not say anything. ⁹For they themselves report concerning us the kind of reception we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God, ¹⁰and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, Jesus who delivers us from the wrath to come.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Anthem: "Beautiful Savior"

Vocal Choir



LSB 190



Holy Gospel

Matthew 22:15-22

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



¹⁵Then the Pharisees went and plotted how to entangle [Jesus] in his talk. ¹⁶And they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are true and teach the way of God truthfully, and you do not care about anyone's opinion, for you are not swayed by appearances. ¹⁷Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, or not?" ¹⁸But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why put me to the test, you hypocrites? ¹⁹Show me the coin for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. ²⁰And Jesus said to them, "Whose likeness and inscription is this?" ²¹They said, "Caesar's." Then he said to them, "Therefore render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's." ²²When they heard it, they marveled. And they left him and went away.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



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 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 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.

Hymn of the Day: "Holy God, We Praise Thy Name"

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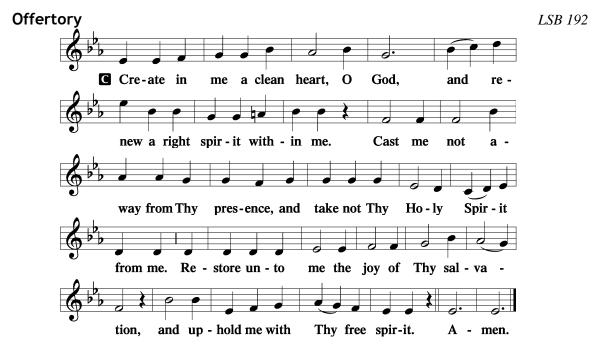
- 1 Holy God, we praise Thy name;
 Lord of all, we bow before Thee.
 All on earth Thy scepter claim,
 All in heav'n above adore Thee.
 Infinite Thy vast domain,
 Everlasting is Thy reign.
- 2 Hark! The glad celestial hymn
 Angel choirs above are raising;
 Cherubim and seraphim,
 In unceasing chorus praising,
 Fill the heav'ns with sweet accord:
 Holy, holy, holy Lord!
- Lo, the apostles' holy train
 Join Thy sacred name to hallow;
 Prophets swell the glad refrain,
 And the white-robed martyrs follow,
 And from morn to set of sun
 Through the Church the song goes on.

4 Thou art King of Glory, Christ;
Son of God, yet born of Mary.
For us sinners sacrificed,
As to death a Tributary,
First to break the bars of death,
Thou hast opened heav'n to faith.

△ 5 Holy Father, holy Son,
Holy Spirit, three we name Thee;
Though in essence only one,
Undivided God we claim Thee
And, adoring, bend the knee
While we own the mystery.

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Sermon



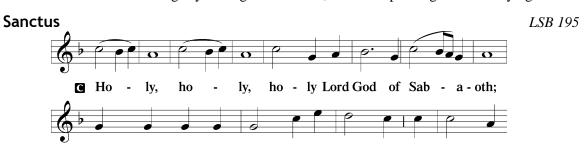
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Service of the Sacrament

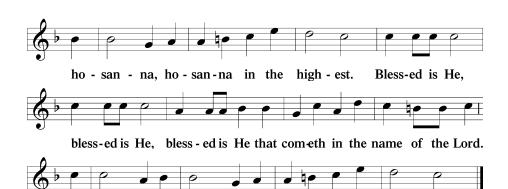




It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore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



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



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

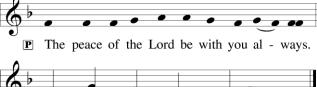
Lord's Prayer LSB 162

- **P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
- 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 Our Lord

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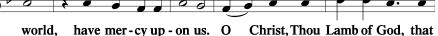
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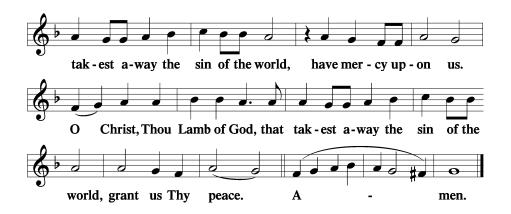


Agnus Dei LSB 198

Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the 0



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Distribution Hymns:

"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

LSB 549

- 1 All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name!
 Let angels prostrate fall;
 Bring forth the royal diadem
 And crown Him Lord of all.
 Bring forth the royal diadem
 And crown Him Lord of all.
- Crown Him, ye martyrs of our God,
 Who from His altar call;
 Extol the stem of Jesse's rod
 And crown Him Lord of all.
 Extol the stem of Jesse's rod
 And crown Him Lord of all.
- Ye seed of Israel's chosen race,
 Ye ransomed from the fall,
 Hail Him who saves you by His grace
 And crown Him Lord of all.
 Hail Him who saves you by His grace
 And crown Him Lord of all.
- Hail Him, ye heirs of David's line,
 Whom David Lord did call,
 The God incarnate, man divine,
 And crown Him Lord of all.
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 And crown Him Lord of all.

- Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget
 The wormwood and the gall,
 Go, spread your trophies at His feet
 And crown Him Lord of all.

 Go, spread your trophies at His feet
 And crown Him Lord of all.
- 6 Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe,
 On this terrestrial ball
 To Him all majesty ascribe
 And crown Him Lord of all.
 To Him all majesty ascribe
 And crown Him Lord of all.
- 7 Oh, that with yonder sacred throng
 We at His feet may fall!
 We'll join the everlasting song
 And crown Him Lord of all.
 We'll join the everlasting song
 And crown Him Lord of all.

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"We Give Thee But Thine Own"

- We give Thee but Thine own,
 Whate'er the gift may be;
 All that we have is Thine alone,
 A trust, O Lord, from Thee.
- 2 May we Thy bounties thus As stewards true receive And gladly, as Thou blessest us, To Thee our firstfruits give!
- 3 Oh, hearts are bruised and dead, And homes are bare and cold, And lambs for whom the Shepherd bled

Are straying from the fold.

- 4 To comfort and to bless,
 To find a balm for woe,
 To tend the lone and fatherless
 Is angels' work below.
- The captive to release,To God the lost to bring,To teach the way of life and peace,It is a Christ-like thing.
- 6 And we believe Thy Word,
 Though dim our faith may be:
 Whate'er for Thine we do, O Lord,
 We do it unto Thee.

Text: William W. How, 1823-97

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"Take My Life and Let It Be"

- Take my life and let it be Consecrated, Lord, to Thee; Take my moments and my days, Let them flow in ceaseless praise.
- 2 Take my hands and let them move At the impulse of Thy love; Take my feet and let them be Swift and beautiful for Thee.
- 3 Take my voice and let me sing Always, only for my King; Take my lips and let them be Filled with messages from Thee.

Take my silver and my gold, Not a mite would I withhold;

Ev'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose.

5 Take my will and make it Thine, It shall be no longer mine; Take my heart, it is Thine own,

It shall be Thy royal throne.

Take my intellect and use

6 Take my love, my Lord, I pour At Thy feet its treasure store; Take myself, and I will be Ever, only, all for Thee.

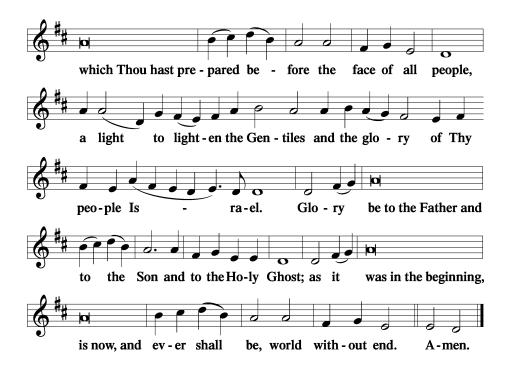
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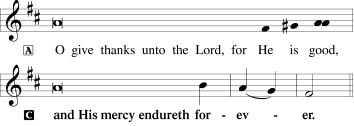






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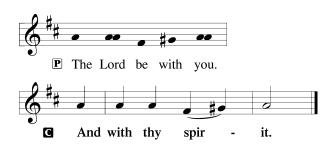
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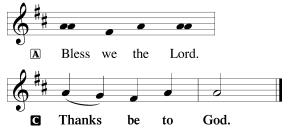
A Let us pray.

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.





Benedicamus LSB 202



Benediction LSB 202

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.



Closing Hymn: "Crown Him with Many Crowns"

LSB 525

1 Crown Him with many crowns,

The Lamb upon His throne;

Hark how the heav'nly anthem drowns

All music but its own.

Awake, my soul, and sing

Of Him who died for thee,

And hail Him as thy matchless king Through all eternity.

Crown Him the virgin's Son,
 The God incarnate born,
Whose arm those crimson trophies won
Which now His brow adorn:
Fruit of the mystic rose,
Yet of that rose the stem,
The root whence mercy ever flows,
The babe of Bethlehem.

Crown Him the Lord of love.
Behold His hands and side,
Rich wounds, yet visible above,
In beauty glorified.
No angels in the sky
Can fully bear that sight,
But downward bend their wond'ring eyes
At mysteries so bright.

4 Crown Him the Lord of life, Who triumphed o'er the grave And rose victorious in the strife For those He came to save. His glories now we sing, Who died and rose on high, Who died eternal life to bring And lives that death may die.

Crown Him the Lord of heav'n,
 Enthroned in worlds above,
 Crown Him the king to whom is giv'n
 The wondrous name of Love.
 Crown Him with many crowns
 As thrones before Him fall;
 Crown Him, ye kings, with many crowns,
 For He is king of all.

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