

Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost

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WELCOME

PRELUDE

We Now Implore the Holy Spirit

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Please stand as you are able.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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.

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ✝ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

O Christ, What Can It Mean for Us

ELW 431 (vv. 1, 4)

1 O Christ, what can it mean for us to claim you
as our king? What royal face have you revealed
whose praise the church would sing? Aspiring
not to glory's height, to power, wealth, and
fame, you walked a different, lowly way,
another's will your aim.

4 You chose a humble human form and shunned
the world's renown; you died for us upon a cross
with thorns your only crown. But still, beyond
the span of years, our glad hosannas ring, for now
at God's right hand you reign, a different kind of
king!

(Text: Delores Dufner; Music: Henry S. Cutler, 1824-1902; Text © 2001, 2003 GIA Publications, Inc.)

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Sovereign God, you turn your greatness into goodness for all the peoples on earth. Shape us into willing servants of your kingdom, and make us desire always and only your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

The assembly is seated.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

WORD

FIRST READING

Isaiah 53:4-12

Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases; yet we accounted him stricken, struck down by God, and afflicted. But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the punishment that made us whole, and by his bruises we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way, and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all. He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth. By a perversion of justice he was taken away. Who could have imagined his future? For he was cut off from the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people. They made his grave with the wicked and his tomb with the rich, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth. Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush him with pain. When you make his life an offering for sin, he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days; through him the will of the LORD shall prosper. Out of his anguish he shall see light; he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge. The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities. Therefore I will allot him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he poured out himself to death, and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Read responsively; congregation reads bold verses

Psalm 91:9-16

Because you have made the LORD your refuge,
and the Most High your habitation,

no evil will befall you,

nor shall affliction come near your dwelling.

For God will give the angels charge over you,
to guard you in all your ways.

Upon their hands they will bear you up,

lest you strike your foot against a stone.

You will tread upon the lion cub and viper;
you will trample down the lion and the serpent.

I will deliver those who cling to me;

I will uphold them, because they know my name.

They will call me, and I will answer them;

I will be with them in trouble; I will rescue and honor them.

With long life will I satisfy them,

and show them my salvation.

SECOND READING

Hebrews 5:1-10

Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness; and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. And one does not presume to take this honor, but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was. So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, "You are my Son, today I have begotten you"; as he says also in another place, "You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek." In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL

Mark 10:35-45

The Holy Gospel according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him and said to him, “Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.” And he said to them, “What is it you want me to do for you?” And they said to him, “Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.” But Jesus said to them, “You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?” They replied, “We are able.” Then Jesus said to them, “The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.” When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. So Jesus called them and said to them, “You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

The assembly is seated.

SERMON

Bishop Bill Gohl

Please stand as you are able.

HYMN OF THE DAY

Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service

ELW 712

- 1 Lord, whose love in humble service bore the weight of human need, who upon the cross, forsaken, worked your mercy's perfect deed: we, your servants, bring the worship not of voice alone, but heart; consecrating to your purpose ev'ry gift which you impart.
- 2 Still your children wander homeless; still the hungry cry for bread; still the captives long for freedom; still in grief we mourn our dead. As you, Lord, in deep compassion healed the sick and freed the soul, by your Spirit send your power to our world to make it whole.
- 3 As we worship, grant us vision, till your love's revealing light in its height and depth and greatness dawns upon our quickened sight, making known the needs and burdens your compassion bids us bear, stirring us to ardent service, your abundant life to share.
- 4 Called by worship to your service, forth in your dear name we go, to the child, the youth, the aged, love in living deeds to show; hope and health, good will and comfort, counsel, aid and peace we give, that your servants, Lord, in freedom may your mercy know and live.

(Text: Albert F. Bayly, 1901-1984; Music: The Sacred Harp, Philadelphia, 1844; arr. Selected Hymns, 1985; Text © Oxford University Press; Arr. © Augsburg Fortress)

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

After each petition Hear us, O God.
Your mercy is great.

PEACE The peace of the Lord be with you always.
And also with you.

We offer each other a sign of God's peace. Afterwards, the assembly is seated.

MEAL

OFFERTORY MUSIC *Now Thank We All Our God* G.F. Kaufmann (Public Domain)

*An offering is gathered for the mission and ministry of God's Church.
Please stand as you are able.*

OFFERING HYMN *We Give Thee but Thine Own* **ELW 686 (vv. 1, 2)**

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| 1 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. |
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(Text: William W. How, 1832-1897, alt.; Music: L. Mason and G. Webb, Cantica Lauda)

OFFERING PRAYER

God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

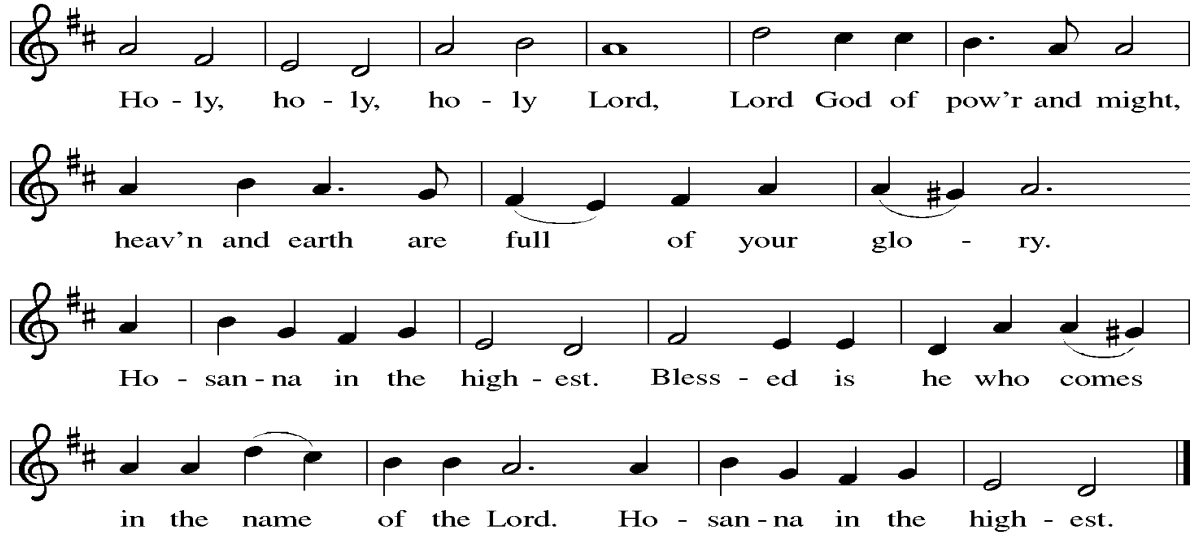
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me. Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever. **Amen.**

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**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.**

FRACTURE

The breaking of the bread.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!

COMMUNION

The body and Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

Amen.

The assembly is seated.

COMMUNION HYMN

Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love

ELW 708

Refrain

Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love, show us how to serve the neighbors we have from you.

1 Kneels at the feet of his friends, silently washes their feet, master who acts as a slave to them. *Refrain*

2 Neighbors are wealthy and poor, varied in color and race, neighbors are near us and far away.

Refrain

3 These are the ones we will serve, these are the ones we will love; all these are neighbors to us and you.

Refrain

4 Kneel at the feet of our friends, silently washing their feet: this is the way we will live with you.

Refrain

(Text: Tom Colvin, 1925-2000, alt.; Music: Ghanaian folk tune, adapt. Tom Colvin; Text and music © 1969 Hope Publishing Company)

Please stand as you are able.

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN

I Love to Tell the Story

ELW 661

1 I love to tell the story of unseen things above,
of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love.
I love to tell the story, because I know it's true;
it satisfies my longings as nothing else would do.

Refrain

I love to tell the story; 'twill be my theme in glory
to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.

2 I love to tell the story: how pleasant to repeat
what seems, each time I tell it, more wonderfully
sweet! I love to tell the story, for some have
never heard the message of salvation from God's
own holy word. *Refrain*

3 I love to tell the story, for those who know it best
seem hungering and thirsting to hear it like the rest.
And when, in scenes of glory, I sing the new, new
song, I'll sing the old, old story that I have loved so
long. *Refrain*

(Text: Katherine Hankey, 1834-1911; Music: William E. Fischer, 1849-1936)

Announcements

October Worship Schedule – 10 am - In-person & live streamed worship

- Today we welcome Bishop Bill Gohl as our preacher. It is so good to have you with us today!
- We would also like to welcome Robin Schaefer back and thank her for being our guest organist.
- Please complete the survey regarding Christmas Eve Worship. The survey may be found in the weekly emails and on the third floor counter. We need your input!
- The service for Melinda Fotiou (mother of Chris Cappucci) is Thursday, October 21st at 11 am at St. John's with lunch following in the Fellowship Hall.
- The service for John Kraft is Saturday, October 23rd at 11 am at St. John's with lunch following in the Fellowship Hall.
- On Sunday, November 7th, we will be remembering all of our loved ones who passed away in the last year on All Saints Day. If you have a loved one you would like remembered, please call or email the church office.



The beautiful flowers gracing our worship service today are given in honor of the birthdays of our granddaughters, Penelope and Tallulah with love from Oma and Opa Ermer. Additional flowers are given to the glory of God and in honor of all dedicated Pastors from Pastor Joe and Carol Lettrich.

We are taking flower dedications for 2022. The dates available are: January 2nd, 16th, 23rd and 30th, February 6th, 13th, 20th and 27th, March 6th, 13th, 20th and 27th, April 3rd, 10th and 17th. Contact Rachel Hills at rm_hills@yahoo.com if you would like to sponsor the flowers.



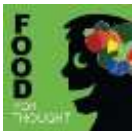
Candy Sale...Are you craving the delicious homemade candy that is usually sold at the Christmas Bazaar? You are in luck because our Candy Makers are taking orders for candy this holiday season! Order forms are on the counter outside of the Sanctuary, on the weekly email, and on our website. Orders may be given to Judy Jasinski or brought to the church office.

The Busy Bees invite you to participate in their Jelly and Jam Sale. They are offering the same delicious flavors as in the past along with bread & butter pickles and apple butter. Order forms are on the third floor counter, in the weekly emails, and on the website. You may also contact the church office to place your order.



Join us for a night of Halloween family fun on Saturday, October 23rd starting at 5 pm on the parking lot. You will have the opportunity to participate in trunk-or-treating and a vehicle decorating contest. We will also be showing a movie with free popcorn, beverages and s'mores, while supplies last!

Victor's Vittles, the food pantry at our neighboring church, Christus Victor Lutheran Church is attempting to hand out 40 Thanksgiving dinners on Saturday, November 20th to families in need. They have asked for the help of other local churches to assist them in achieving this goal. They have asked us to provide 40 cans of sweet potatoes/yams. Are you up for the challenge? You can drop off your donations in the church office or in the collection box on the third floor.



Social Ministry is participating in the "Food For Thought Program". With your help, we are providing weekend take home food bags for children in need. This program would not be possible without the help of our congregation and community. **Our greatest need at this time is: shelf stable milk – white and chocolate, applesauce, and tuna salad and chicken salad snack kits (often found at Dollar Stores.)**

The Veterans Counseling Center provides counseling to Veterans suffering from PTSD and their families. The funding they receive from the Federal Government is inadequate to meet their needs, so we felt called to help. Needed items are: coffee, tea bags, sugar and sugar substitute packets, individual creamers and hot cups. There are donation bins in the 2nd and 3rd floor stairwells. Thank you for your help!



St. John's Preschool is holding their fall fundraiser featuring a Solo Stove Bonfire! More information may be found in our weekly emails and on our website. Flyers are located on the third floor counter.

Our clothing shed is open. All donations must be bagged. Acceptable donations are: All clothing, shoes, belts, purses, blankets, sheets, pillowcases, drapes, and stuffed toys. Thanks for your cooperation.



Are you doing any online shopping? Is so, support St. John's when you shop. Go to: smile.amazon.com/ch/52-6012034 and Amazon donates to Saint John's Evangelical Lutheran Church of Parkville Inc

Don't forget to support Victor's Vittles, the food pantry at Christus Victor Lutheran Church. You can drop off your donations to St. John's. Items needed are cereal, spaghetti, spaghetti sauce, instant mashed potatoes, can potatoes, hamburger and tuna helper and taco kits.



DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

The Heavens Declare the Glory of God

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This week's schedule		
Today	10 am	Live & Online Worship
Mon.	7 pm	Council Meeting (Smith Building)
Tues.	7 pm	Altar Guild Meeting (Smith Building)
Wed.	9 am	Busy Bee's (Smith Building)
	6:45 pm	Handchimes Rehearsal (Music Room)
	7:45 pm	Adult Choir Rehearsal (Music Room)
Thurs.	11 am	Fotiou Service/Luncheon
Fri.		
Sat.	11 am	Kraft Service/Luncheon
	5 pm	Trunk or Treat/Movie Night

Those Serving Today	10 am
Assisting Minister Crucifer Acolyte (s) Lector Communion Assistant	Claire Miller Lily Lindsay Simon Blazakis, Karli Cappucci Megan Schoenfliess Megan Schoenfliess

Prayer List



Please remember the following individuals in your prayers.

For health & healing: Helen Baker, Bett Murphy, Laurie Krieger, Cam Houston, Mike McDonough, Dave Kocan, Debbie Miller, Pat Denk, Sandy Scott, John McLaughlin, Tony Jasinski, Patty Schwab, Ardi Scarborough and Vickie Jasinski

For family & friends: Michael Albrecht, Rose Alexander, Cynthia Shepler, Rita Brady, Zita Dabars, Anna Meyers, Norma Weber, Lou Ermer, Ralph Clark, Jackson Clark, Helen Marcomin, Mary Macreadie, Rosemay Balmos, Roberta Wiessner, Helen & Don Bender, Doug Adams, Linda Asplin, Karen Ehrenberg and Linda Fliegel

For the military and their families: Seaman E-3 Carson Anthony Bowser, Jacob Verble, Lance Corporal Justin Ferro, Sgt. Stephen Peck, Staff Sgt. Brandan Hartmann, Michael Anthony Tucker, Chaplain A. J. Striffler and all those in harm's way

For those grieving family & friends of: Betty Hedgespeth, Melinda Fotiou, Leroy Hohne, Philip Kramer

For St. John's Caring Friends: Trudy Anderson, Agatha Biensach-Daniels, Gladys Downs, Margaret Eubert, June Franz, Betty Glassband, Audrey Lentz, John Lotterer, Patrick O'Connell, Arthur Pulket, Mary Ann Reek, Janet Roth, Patricia Sollanek, Cass Tracey, Emma Volz, Doris Warfield, and Clara Westphal

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