

The Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost

October 10, 2021, 8:45 & 11:15 am

Saint Luke Lutheran Church and School

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The rich man who comes to ask Jesus what he should do to inherit eternal life is a good man, sincere in his asking. Mark's gospel is alone in saying that Jesus looked on him and loved him. Out of love, not as judgment, Jesus offers him an open door to life: sell all you own and give it to the poor. Our culture bombards us with the message that we will find life by consuming. Our assemblies counter this message with the invitation to find life by divesting for the sake of the other.

Gathering

Prelude

Gather Us In

Jeffrey Honoré
(b.1956)

Welcome

Confession and Forgiveness

Please stand.. The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their baptism.

In the name of the Father, and of the ♣ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sins to the one who welcomes us with an open heart.

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.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ▶ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Entrance Hymn ELW 713



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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.**

Canticle of Praise





This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us your gift of faith, that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to what lies ahead, we may follow the way of your commandments and receive the crown of everlasting joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.



Word

First Reading Amos 5:6-7, 10-15

Amos was a herdsman by profession and a prophet by God's call. During a time of great prosperity in the northern kingdom of Israel, the prophet speaks to the wealthy upper class. He warns his listeners that fulfilling God's demand for justice brings blessing, while corruption and oppression incur God's wrath.

Seek the Lord and live, or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire, and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it. Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood, and bring righteousness to the ground!

They hate the one who reproves in the gate, and they abhor the one who speaks the truth. Therefore because you trample on the poor and take from them levies of grain, you have built houses of hewn stone, but you shall not live in them; you have planted pleasant vineyards, but you shall not drink their wine. For I know how many are your transgressions, and how great are your sins—you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and push aside the needy in the gate. Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time; for it is an evil time.

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

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm Psalm 90:12-17

(8:45) Setting by John Bertalot

So teach us to number our days that we may apply our hearts to wisdom. Return, O Lord; how long will you tarry? be gracious to your servants.

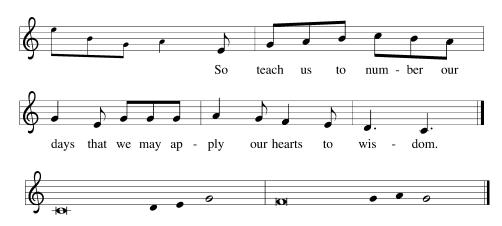
Satisfy us by your lovingkindness in the morning; so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life. Make us glad by the measure of the days that you afflicted us and the years in which we suffered adversity.

Show your servants your works and your splendor to their children.

May the graciousness of the Lord our God be upon us; prosper the work of our hands; prosper our handiwork.

(11:15) Refrain by Marilyn Comer

The cantor introduces the refrain; please sing the second time. The cantor then alternates with the congregation on the verses. Subsequent refrains are sung only once by all, at the places indicated by **R**.



¹²So teach us to num- | ber our days that we may apply our | hearts to wisdom.

¹³Return, O LORD; how long | will you tarry? Be gracious | to your servants. R

¹⁴Satisfy us by your steadfast love | in the morning; so shall we rejoice and be glad | all our days.

¹⁵Make us glad as many days as you af- | flicted us and as many years as we suf- | fered adversity.

¹⁶Show your ser- | vants your works, and your splendor | to their children.

¹⁷May the graciousness of the Lord our God | be upon us; prosper the work of our hands; pros-| per our handiwork. R

Second Reading Hebrews 4:12-16

We cannot hide our thoughts, desires, and actions from God, to whom we are completely accountable. Nevertheless, Jesus understands our human weakness and temptations, because he also experienced them. Therefore we can approach the throne of grace to receive divine mercy from Christ.

Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation



Choir Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

All Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Choir Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. (Matt. 5:3)

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel Mark 10:17-31

The Holy Gospel according to Saint Mark, the tenth chapter. Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus has been teaching his disciples about what is most valued in God's eyes. Now, a conversation with a rich man brings his message home to the disciples in a way that is surprising but unforgettable.

As [Jesus] was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.'" He said to him, "Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth." Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, "You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." They were greatly astounded and said to one another, "Then who can be saved?" Jesus looked at them and said, "For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible."

Peter began to say to him, "Look, we have left everything and followed you." Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Please sit.

Sermon Pastor Miller

Please stand.



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Apostles' Creed

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

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 Intercession

Made children and heirs of God's promise, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

After each portion of the prayers: Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

The prayers conclude:

Receive these prayers, O God, and those in our hearts known only to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

Please sit.



Meal

Offering

We invite you to give your offering online at <u>saintlukegive.us</u> or on the Give Plus app. You may also mail your checks to:

Saint Luke Lutheran Church 9100 Colesville Road Silver Spring, MD 20910

Music at the offering (8:45) Choral Anthem

Tarry no longer; toward thine heritage
Haste on thy way, and be of right good chear.
Go each day onward on thy pilgrimage;
Think how short time thou shalt abide here.
Thy place is bigged (built) above the stares clear,
None earthly palace wrought in so stately wise.
Come on, my friend, my brother most entere!
For thee I offered my blood in sacrifice.

Vox Ultima Crucis Text: John Lydgate (1370? - 1447) Music: William Harris (1883-1973)

(11:15) Trio

1 When peace like a river attendeth my way, when sorrows like sea billows roll, whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say, it is well, it is well with my soul.

Refrain

It is well (it is well) with my soul, (with my soul,) it is well, it is well with my soul.

- 2 Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come, let this blest assurance control, that Christ has regarded my helpless estate, and has shed his own blood for my soul.
- 3 He lives--oh, the bliss of this glorious thought; my sin, not in part, but the whole, is nailed to his cross and I bear it no more. Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!

When Peace Like A River Text: Horatio G. Spafford (1828-1888) Music: Philip P. Bliss (1838-1876)

Please stand.

Offering Prayer

Let us pray.

God of abundance, you cause streams to break forth in the desert and manna to rain from the heavens. Accept the gifts you have first given us. Unite them with the offering of our lives to nourish the world you love so dearly; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. **And also 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.

You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God. You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory.

You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have eternal life. We give you thanks for his coming into the world to fulfill for us your holy will and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Remembering, therefore, his salutary command, his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension, and the promise of his coming again, we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty, not as we ought but as we are able; we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants, and these your own gifts of bread and wine, so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace, and, receiving the forgiveness of sin, may be formed to live as your holy people and be given our inheritance with all your saints.

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

*Please pray in your own preferred language.*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.

Padre Nuestro Que estas en los cielos
Santificado sea tu Nombre
Venga a nosostros tu Reino
Hagase tu voluntad asi en la tierra como en el cielo
Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada dia
Perdona nuestras ofensas
Como nosotros perdonamos a los que nos ofenden
Y no nos dejes caer en la tentacion mas libranos del mal
Porque tuyo es el reino, el poder y la Gloria
Por los siglos de los siglos. Amen

Invitation to Communion

Come to the banquet, for all is now ready. **Thanks be to God.**

Communion

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say
The body of Christ, given for you.
The blood of Christ, shed for you.
and each person may respond
Amen.

Please stand

Post-Communion Blessing

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

Prayer After Communion

Let us pray.

God of blessing, at this table we have seen you face to face, and in the gift of Christ's body and blood, our hearts have been refreshed. Send us now to shine with your goodness and bear witness to the one we have received: Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Sending

Blessing

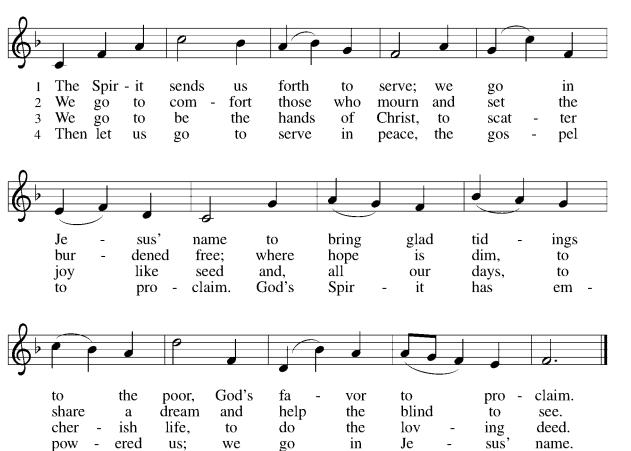
The Lord bless you and keep you.

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 ELW 551



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Music: CHESTERFIELD, attr. Thomas Haweis, 1734–1820

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Dismissal

Go in peace.

Love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Erstanden Ist Der Heilge Christ, BWV 628 (The holy Christ has arisen)

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

WORSHIP LEADERS

PRESIDING MINISTER

The Rev. Connie A. Miller, Senior Pastor

ASSISTING MINISTERS

The Rev. Franklin Morales, Associate Pastor Deacon Kyle Warfield, Director of Discipleship and Senior High Ministries

MUSICIANS

Dr. Alain Truche, *Director of Music and Organist* (8:45) Members of the Schola Cantorum (11:45) William Leader, *Cantor*

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at Saint Luke Lutheran

October 10, 2021

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11:15 am	Worship, in person

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3:00 nm	San Lucas Gospel Meditation online

Upcoming Commemorations

Massie L. Kennard, renewer of the church, died 1996 (TFF)

Sunday, October 10, 2021

A native of Chicago, Kennard was a major figure in supporting and working toward ethnic and racial inclusiveness in the former Lutheran Church in America. Ordained in 1958, he served in positions including Director for Minority Concerns of the Division for Mission in North America.

Teresa of Avila, teacher, renewer of the church, died 1582

Friday, October 15, 2021

A mystical writer and reformer of the monastic order (Carmelites) to which she belonged, Teresa may also be commemorated with John of the Cross on December 14. Latino Christians traditionally remember her on this date.

HYMN NOTES

O God of Every Nation

William W. Reid, Jr. b. 1923

This hymn won first place in a national hymn-writing contest of the Hymn Society of America in cooperation with the Department of International Affairs of the National Council of Churches. It is a powerful hymn of "social concern" and a prayer to end those things which divide and destroy us. A Methodist minister, he, like his father who was the editor the *The Hymn*, has been active in the Hymn Society and has published several hymns.

Take My Life, That I May Be

Frances R. Havergal, 1836-1879

Miss Havergal during a visit with friends prayed that God would use her witness to win all ten members of the family to Christ. "Before I left the house everyone had got a blessing," she wrote. On the last night of her visit twelve couplets came to her mind dealing with true consecration, which involves mind, body, words, deeds, intellect, will, money, possession, and the whole self. The final couplet integrates and sums up these with "Ever, only, all for thee!"

The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve

They hymn writer Delores Dufner is a member of St. Benedict's Monastery in St. Joseph, Minnesota, with Master's Degrees in Liturgical Music and Liturgical Studies. She is currently a member and a Fellow of The Hymn Society in the United States and Canada, the National Pastoral Musicians (NPM), the American Society of Composers, Authors, and Publishers (ASCAP), and the Monastic Worship Forum.

MUSIC NOTES

The prelude is a setting of the hymn "Gather Us In" written by Jeffrey Honoré, born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin and lives today in West Allis, Wisconsin. He earned his B.A. magna cum laude from the University of Wisconsin, Parkside. In 1994 he assumed the position of Director of Liturgical Music at St. Matthias Catholic Church in Milwaukee and remains there to this day.

The anthem at the offering "Vox Ultima Crucis," is a unison setting by English composer William H. Harris of the 15th-century poem by John Lydgate. The poem talks about how little time we have on earth, so don't think about amassing a fortune. A place in heaven which cannot be matched on earth awaits, for I have died for you.

The postlude is a short chorale prelude from the collection "Orgelbüchlein" (Little Organ Book). written by J.S. Bach It is based on the Easter text:

Christ our Lord is Risen to-day, Hallelujah Christ, our Life, our Light, our Way, Hallelujah. The Object of our Love and Faith, Hallelujah Who but died to conquer Death, Hallelujah.