



# Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost

October 23, 8:45 AM

## Saint Luke Lutheran Church and School

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*Genuine repentance and pretentious piety stand in stark contrast in the gospel and all around us. All creation stands in need of God's forgiveness. Keep the faith. God's people shall be accounted righteous for Jesus' sake. Our God is merciful to sinners. For this we worship and glorify God forever.*

## GATHERING

### PRELUDE

Andante Religioso

Eugène Gigout (1844-1925)

### WELCOME

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God,  
who is eager to forgive  
and who loves us beyond our days.

**Amen.**

Dear friends, together let us acknowledge our failure to love this world as Jesus does.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

God of mercy and forgiveness,  
**we confess that sin still has a hold on us. We have harmed your good creation. We have failed to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you. Turn us in a new direction. Show us the path that leads to life. Be our refuge and strength on the journey, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend. Amen.**

Beloved of God: your sins are forgiven ✠ and you are made whole. God points the way to new life in Christ, who meets us on the road. Journey now in God's abiding love through the power of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

## GATHERING HYMN • ELW 601

*Savior, When In Dust To You*



1 Sav-ior, when in dust to you low we bow in hom-age due;  
2 By your help-less in-fant years, by your life of want and tears,  
3 By your hour of dire de-spair, by your ag-o-ny of prayer,  
4 By your deep ex-pir-ing groan, by the sad se-pul-chral stone,



when, re-pen-tant, to the skies scarce we lift our weep-ing eyes;  
by your days of deep dis-tress in the sav-age wil-der-ness,  
by the cross, the nail, the thorn, pierc-ing spear, and tor-turing scorn,  
by the vault whose dark a-bode held in vain the ris-ing God,



oh, by all your pains and woe suf-fered once for us be-low,  
by the dread, mys-te-rious hour of the in-sult-ing tempt-er's pow'r,  
by the gloom that veiled the skies o'er the dread-ful sac-ri-fice,  
oh, from earth to heav'n re-stored, might-y, re-as-cend-ed Lord,



bend-ing from your throne on high, hear our pen-i-ten-tial cry!  
turn, oh, turn a fa-v'ring eye; hear our pen-i-ten-tial cry!  
lis-ten to our hum-ble sigh; hear our pen-i-ten-tial cry!  
bend-ing from your throne on high, hear our pen-i-ten-tial cry!

Text: Robert Grant, 1779–1838, alt.

Music: ABERYSTWYTH, Joseph Parry, 1841–1903

## 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

Let us pray.

Holy God, our righteous judge, daily your mercy surprises us with everlasting forgiveness. Strengthen our hope in you, and grant that all the peoples of the earth may find their glory in you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

# WORD

## FIRST READING

Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-22

*In a time of drought, the people pray for mercy, repenting of their sins and the sins of their ancestors. They appeal to God to remember the covenant, to show forth God's power, and to heal their land by sending life-giving rain.*

Although our iniquities testify against us, act, O Lord, for your name's sake; our apostasies indeed are many, and we have sinned against you. O hope of Israel, its savior in time of trouble, why should you be like a stranger in the land, like a traveler turning aside for the night? Why should you be like someone confused, like a mighty warrior who cannot give help? Yet you, O Lord, are in the midst of us, and we are called by your name; do not forsake us!

Thus says the Lord concerning this people: Truly they have loved to wander, they have not restrained their feet; therefore the Lord does not accept them, now he will remember their iniquity and punish their sins.

Have you completely rejected Judah? Does your heart loathe Zion? Why have you struck us down so that there is no healing for us? We look for peace, but find no good; for a time of healing, but there is terror instead. We acknowledge our wickedness, O Lord, the iniquity of our ancestors, for we have sinned against you. Do not spurn us, for your name's sake; do not dishonor your glorious throne; remember and do not break your covenant with us. Can any idols of the nations bring rain? Or can the heavens give showers? Is it not you, O Lord our God? We set our hope on you, for it is you who do all this.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## SECOND READING

2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

*The conclusion of this letter to a young minister offers a final perspective on life from one who faced death. Though others let him down, Paul was sure of his faith in the Lord, who stood by him and lent him strength.*

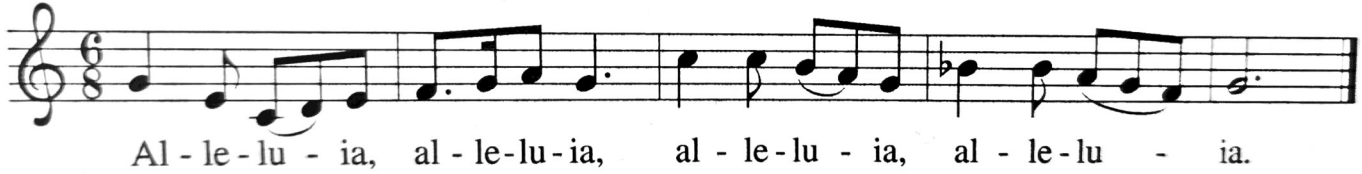
As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

At my first defense no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



**All:** Alleluia

**Choir:** All who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted. (Luke 18:14)

**All:** Alleluia

## GOSPEL

Luke 18:9-14

The holy gospel according to Saint Luke, the eighteenth chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*The coming reign of God will involve unexpected reversals of fortune with judgment rooted in mercy. Jesus tells a parable in which the one who humbles himself is exalted and the one who exalts his own righteousness is humbled.*

[Jesus] also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.' But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted."

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## SERMON

Pastor Miller

*Please stand as you are able.*

# HYMN OF THE DAY • ACS 1048

*Founded on Faith*



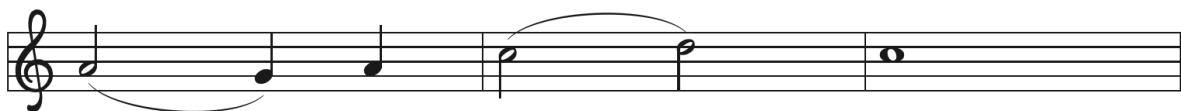
1 Found - ed on faith, the church— a - live by grace—  
2 Your cross, O Christ, re - news our life each day.  
3 E - quipped by prayer, we live the Spir - it's call.  
4 Grow - ing in grace for God's cre - at - ed earth,  
5 Found - ed on faith, called forth, em - pow' red to serve,



pro - claims the gos - pel here and ev - 'ry place.  
Bap - tized in you, we learn and teach and pray.  
Em - pow' red to serve with gifts, both great and small,  
we yearn for jus - tice, peace, and hu - man worth;  
we share God's end - less love with - out re - serve.



The word of God re - sounds through time and space:  
Fed by your love, with thank - ful hearts, we say:  
we bring the liv - ing hope of God to all.  
a world re - stored; a faith - ful, car - ing church.  
Then let us shout a - loud the liv - ing Word!



Al - le - lu - ia!

Text: Paul D. Weber, b. 1949

Music: FOUNDED ON FAITH, Paul D. Weber

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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

In gratitude and humility, let us join together in prayer on behalf of all of God's creation.

*After each portion of the prayers:*

Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

*The prayers conclude:*

With grateful hearts we commend our spoken and silent prayers to you, O God; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**Amen.**

## PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*Please be seated.*

## MEAL

### OFFERING

We invite you to give your offering online at [saintlukegive.us](http://saintlukegive.us)

You may also mail your checks to:

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

## CHORAL ANTHEM

### *Fight the Good Fight*

Fight the good fight with all thy might.  
Christ is thy strength and Christ thy right.  
Lay hold on life, and it shall be  
Thy joy and crown eternally.

Run the straight race through God's good grace;  
lift up thine eyes, and seek Christ's face.  
Life with its way before us lies;  
Christ is the path, and Christ the prize.

Cast care aside; lean on thy guide.  
God's boundless mercy will provide.  
Trust, and thy trusting soul shall prove  
Christ is its life, and Christ its love.

Faint not nor fear: God's arms are near.  
God changeth not, and thou art dear.  
Only believe, and thou shalt see  
that Christ is all in all to thee.

Text: J.S.B. Monsell (1811-1875)  
Music: John Gardner (1917-2011)

*Please stand as you are able.*

## OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

**Gracious God, in your great love you richly provide for our needs. Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing, and make us ready to share with all in need; through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all. Amen.**

## 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.**

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:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
 heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -  
 san-na. 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.

Holy, living, and loving God, we praise you for creating the heavens and the earth.

We bless you for bringing Noah and his family through the waters of the flood, for freeing your people Israel from the bonds of slavery, and for sending your Son to be our Redeemer.

We give you thanks for Jesus who, living among us, healed the sick, fed the hungry, and with a love stronger than death, gave his life for others.

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 life-giving death and glorious resurrection, we await your promised life for all this dying world.

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again!**

Breathe your Spirit on us and on this bread and cup: carry us in your arms from death to life, that we may live as your chosen ones, clothed in the righteousness of Christ.

Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both 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 nosotros 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

Christ invites us to this table.

Come, taste and see.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Please be seated.*

## COMMUNION

*All are invited to the Lord's table, a table of grace and mercy. There are two stations at the foot of the chancel steps. Please stretch out your hand, palm up, to receive the host, the body of Christ. (Gluten-free wafers are available; please ask your server) Then receive in the individual cup the blood of Christ. You may deposit your cup in the basket near the side wall. Those who wish to receive a blessing instead of the Lord's supper are also encouraged to come forward. Those who wish to receive the sacrament in the pew please inform an usher. All are welcome to the Lord's table.*

*When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say:*

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

*The communicant may say:*

**Amen.**

## LAMB OF GOD

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the  
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace.

## MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

*Sung by the choir.*

Psalm 84:1-7—Anglican chant by Hubert Parry

## COMMUNION HYMN • ELW 599

*Lord Jesus, Think on Me*

1 Lord Je - sus, think on me, and purge a - way my sin;  
2 Lord Je - sus, think on me, by anx - ious thoughts op - pressed;  
3 Lord Je - sus, think on me, nor let me go a - stray;  
4 Lord Je - sus, think on me, that, when the flood is past,

from self - ish pas - sions set me free and make me pure with - in.  
let me your lov - ing ser - vant be and taste your prom - ised rest.  
through dark - ness and per - plex - i - ty point out your cho - sen way.  
I may the e - ter - nal bright - ness see and share your joy at last.

Text: Synesius of Cyrene, 375–430; tr. Allen W. Chatfield, 1808–1896, alt.  
Music: SOUTHWELL, W. Daman, *The Psalmes of David*, 1579, alt.

*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.**

## POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE



Thank-ful hearts and voic - es raise; tell ev-'ry-one what God has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - jice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.



Send us with your prom - is - es and lead your peo - ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Text: John W. Arthur, 1922-1980  
Music: Richard W. Hillert, b. 1923  
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## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

God of the abundant table, you have refreshed our hearts in this meal with bread for the journey. Give us your grace on the road that we might serve our neighbors with joy; for the sake 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.

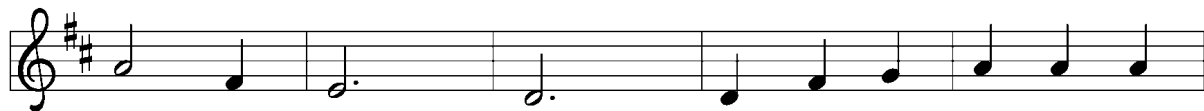
**Amen.**

SENDING HYMN • ELW 815

*I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light*



1 I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to  
2 I want to see . . . the bright-ness of God. I want to  
3 I'm look - ing for . . . the com - ing of Christ. I want to



fol - low Je - sus. God set the stars to give  
look at Je - sus. Clear Sun of righ - teous-ness,  
be with Je - sus. When we have run . . . with



light to the world. The star of my life is Je - sus.  
shine on my path, and show me the way to the Fa - ther.  
pa - tience the race, we shall know the joy of Je - sus.

*Refrain*



In him there is no dark-ness at all. The night and the



day are both a - like. The Lamb is the light of the



cit - y of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

Text: Kathleen Thomerson, b. 1934  
Music: HOUSTON, Kathleen Thomerson  
Text and music © 1970, 1975 Celebration

**DISMISSAL**

Go in peace,  
with Christ beside you.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE**

Toccata on "Aberystwyth"

David Bednall (b. 1979)

## WORSHIP LEADERS

### PRESIDING MINISTERS

The Rev. Connie A. Miller, *Senior Pastor*

The Rev. Franklin Morales, *Associate Pastor*

### COMMUNION SERVER

The Rev. Eleanor Abarno, *Pastoral Liaison, Women in Community*

Deacon Kyle Warfield, *Director of Discipleship and Senior High Ministries*

### MUSICIANS

Dr. Alain Truche, *Director of Music and Organist*

Schola Cantorum & Choristers

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# This week at Saint Luke Lutheran Church

## SUNDAY, October 23—20th Sunday After Pentecost

**8:45 AM** Holy Communion  
10:00 AM Sunday School  
10:00 AM Affirmation of Baptism Class  
10:00 AM SLSHY  
10:00 AM Sunday School  
10:00 AM Reception  
**11:15 AM** Holy Communion  
**5:00 PM** San Lucas Misa Español

## MONDAY, October 24

8:00 AM CDS Classes  
7:00 PM WELCA Board  
6:00 PM Yoga

## TUESDAY, October 25

8:00 AM CDS Classes  
1:30 PM Program Staff Meeting  
4:30 PM Piano Lessons  
7:00 PM Book and Video Discussion Group  
7:00 PM Girl Scouts  
7:00 PM Reformation Bells

## WEDNESDAY, October 26

7:00 AM Zoom Faith Connections  
8:00 AM CDS Classes  
10:00 AM CDS Chapel  
10:00 AM Women in Community  
5:00 PM Choristers RSCM program  
7:30 PM Schola Cantorum Rehearsal  
7:30 PM AA

## THURSDAY, October 27

8:00 AM CDS Classes  
4:00 PM CARing Project  
7:30 PM Zoom Centering Prayer

## FRIDAY, October 28

8:00 AM CDS Classes  
7:00 PM Book & Video

## SATURDAY, October 29

9:30 AM AA  
10:00 AM Brass Rehearsal  
11:00 AM Al-Anon/

## SUNDAY, October 30—Reformation Sunday

**8:45 AM** Holy Communion  
10:00 AM Sunday School  
10:00 AM Affirmation of Baptism Class  
10:00 AM SLSHY  
10:00 AM Sunday School  
10:00 AM The Forum  
10:00 AM Reception  
**11:15 AM** Holy Communion

*NB: Worship Services are in person and livestreamed*

## Upcoming Commemorations

### James of Jerusalem, martyr, died around 62

*Sunday, October 23, 2022*

One of three early-church leaders named James, this man is identified in the New Testament and by a historian of the time as a brother of Jesus. Scholars are uncertain whether this means a blood brother. He was a leader of the church in Jerusalem.

### Philipp Nicolai, died 1608; Johann Heermann, died 1647; Paul Gerhardt, died 1676; hymnwriters

*Wednesday, October 26, 2022*

These great hymnwriters all worked in seventeenth-century Germany in times of war and plague. Nicolai, a pastor, lost 1,300 parishioners to plague, 170 in one week. He wrote "O Morning Star, how fair and bright" and "Wake, awake, for night is flying." Heermann's hymns, including "Ah, holy Jesus," often express the emotions of faith. Gerhardt, perhaps the greatest Lutheran hymnwriter, was a pastor in Berlin.

### Simon and Jude, Apostles

*Friday, October 28, 2022*

We know little about these apostles. Simon is listed as "the zealot" or Cananean in New Testament lists. Jude, also called Thaddeus, asked Jesus at the last supper why he had revealed himself to the disciples but not to the world.

## Saint Luke Update 10/23/2022 Edition

**THE COVID TRANSMISSION RATE in Montgomery County has for now decreased, so now masks are STRONGLY RECOMMENDED indoors at Saint Luke. Thank you for staying safe and well.**

### WHAT A GREAT SUCCESS!!

Thank you to all who participated in the congregation service project last Sunday God's Work our Hands. What a fun time and also how wonderful to have assembled 500 personal care kits. These, along with the 500 from VBS, will be dedicated November 20 (along with quilts and baby blankets) and then delivered to the warehouse in Windsor MD. From there Lutheran World Relief will make sure all these are distributed around the world to those in need.

### SAN LUCAS MISA ESPAÑOL: ALL INVITED

You are invited to attend worship this evening at 5:00 p.m. Yes, this is the service usually in the Spanish language but thank you for taking time to come and meet others from the Saint Luke community who are unable to worship on Sunday morning. Due to work, many of our brothers and sisters cannot be present Sunday morning so please consider this evening coming and getting to know each other.

### REFORMATION SUNDAY

Next Sunday is a good day to wear red. We celebrate the great message that we are justified by grace through faith—such a wonderful gift. It is Reformation Sunday and we will welcome brass, special music—and so much more. Also...

### MEET DR. MARTIN LUTHER

What might Martin Luther, historic reformer, say to us today? Is there a reformation happening today? So often we think of this as something that happened in the 16th century, but how about right now, here in this place, our world, our country, our community? Come to **The Forum**, between the services, next Sunday, hosted by several of our pastors in the sanctuary. You will not want to miss this experience! See you then.

### THE BLUE BINS ARE OUT: DONATIONS NEEDED

On **November 13**, the PreK-12<sup>th</sup> graders will be creating Thanksgiving Bags in the Great Hall, that will be given along with a grocery card to Food Pantry clients on November 18. Items needed for the Thanksgiving Bags are cereal (unsweetened), granola bars, fruit cups, body wash, shampoo, deodorant, and lotion (small bottle) and donations can be placed in the blue bins across from the sanctuary. Donations will be accepted until October 30. Monetary donations can be give at [www.saintlukegive.us](http://www.saintlukegive.us) under the line item "children/youth service project."

### DEDICATE ALTAR FLOWERS

What a wonderful way to beautify the altar area as we worship, and at the same time remember or give thanks for a loved on or event, or yes, simply give thanks to God. Thank you for considering dedicating flowers for the altar for Sundays. In order to do so, simply go to [www.saintluke.us](http://www.saintluke.us) and in the left hand column click on Dedicate Altar Flowers.

# Today's Music

## HYMN NOTES

### **Savior, When in Dust to You**

*Robert Grant, 1779-1838*

*The Christian Observer* (November 1815) first printed this hymn under the title “Litany,” which aptly describes it. Episcopalians in the United States used it before it was included in the posthumous *Sacred Poems of the late Rt. Hon. R. Grant*. Robert Grant was born in Bengal, India. In addition to hymns, he wrote *A Sketch of the History of the East India Company*. ELW Hymnal Companion

### **Founded On Faith**

*Paul Weber, b. 1949*

This hymn by Lutheran pastor and church music professor emeritus Paul Weber encapsulates all the facets of the church. It is founded on faith and sustained by grace. It is the place where the gospel is proclaimed and where the sacraments of baptism and communion are administered. It is where we learn and pray and grow in gifts of the Spirit, which we then carry out into the world to serve God and our neighbors in justice and peace. In the Central States Synod of the ELCA, it was the winning hymn to celebrate the five-hundredth anniversary of the Reformation. - [relcarlington.org](http://relcarlington.org)

### **Lord Jesus, think on me**

*Synesius of Cyrene, c. 375-430*

Of aristocratic family in North Africa, Synesius wrote nine hymns stating Christian doctrine in terms of neo-platonic philosophy. The hymn is a prayer for Jesus' help in all the times of need in this life and at the time of death. Benjamin Britten used this hymn in “Noye's Fludde” during the storm at sea when Noah feared that the ark would sink.—Hymn Notes for Church Bulletins

### **I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light**

*Kathleen Thomerson, b. 1934*

Thomerson regards this hymn as a scriptural meditation and prayer, stimulated by a host of biblical verses mostly related to light. Thomerson was born in Tennessee, She studied organ with the famous French organist Jean Langlais, the Flemish organist Flor Peeters and the Swiss organist Guy Bovet. - ELW Hymnal Companion

## MUSIC NOTES

### **Prelude: Andante Religioso—Eugène Gigout (1844-1925)**

Gigout was a French organist and a composer, mostly of music for his own instrument. The *10 pièces pour orgue* (composed 1890) include the *Toccata in B minor*, Gigout's best-known creation, which turns up as a frequent encore at organ recitals. Also fairly often played, and to be found in the same collection, is a *Scherzo in E major*. Other notable pieces by Gigout are *Grand chœur dialogué* (1881), and *Marche religieuse*. Gigout's works are now available on several commercial recordings.—Wikipedia  
His *Andante Religioso* from that same collection is a quiet piece. If you listen carefully, you will hear a canon between the soprano part of the hands and the pedal line that is sustained through the entire piece!

### **Choral Anthem: Fight the Good Fight—John Gardner (1917-2011)**

Gardner was an English composer of classical music. Today's anthem *Fight the Good Fight With All Thy Might* is from the collection *Five Hymns in Popular Style, Op. 54* (1962). Gardner set this hymn text to a rhythmical arrangement with the accompaniment punctuating the choir. Originally written for orchestra and chorus, today the organ plays a piano reduction of the score.

### **Postlude: Toccata on “Aberystwyth” - David Bednall (b. 1979)**

Bednall is recognized as one of the leading choral composers of his generation. He studied for a PhD in Composition with Professor John Pickard at the University of Bristol and is signed to Oxford University Press. He is Choral Director at Clifton Cathedral, Sub Organist at Bristol Cathedral, Director of Bristol Chamber Choir and Chew Valley Choral Society alongside an extensive freelance career. He studied with Dr Naji Hakim and David Briggs and was Assistant Organist at Wells Cathedral. - [davidbednall.com](http://davidbednall.com)  
His *Toccata on “Aberystwyth”* is a mostly loud French toccata style setting of the hymn tune. The tune is found in various keys, both in the manuals, but also in the pedals.